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Throughout the 2015/16 season our programme covers will be a nod to the covers of yesteryear. Today's cover is based on an Aston Villa fixture on this day in 1983. To find out more, turn to page 22.



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NATHAN JONES

NOTES FROM THE MANAGER

GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME BACK TO KENILWORTH ROAD FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A WHILE AS WE ENTERTAIN STEVENAGE IN SKY BET LEAGUE 2.

I'd like to welcome Darren Sarll, Glenn Roeder and the staff, players and supporters of our visitors and wish them a short and safe trip back to Hertfordshire.

After pleasing performances in the last three fixtures we haven't picked up the points we felt we have deserved. We dominated against Crawley and were unlucky not to score several times.

We created chance after chance, and on another day, I think we would have won. I told the players afterwards that they should be proud of their efforts because their performance certainly warranted more.

RESOLVE

At Plymouth we showed the kind of character, resolve and quality to come away from a very tough away fixture with three points and another clean sheet.

It was, yet again, another result that made me a very proud man – not only of the players' display but of the support in the away end. As I've said before it is your passion for this Club of yours that drives me forward.

It wasn't easy on the eye at Barnet. The weather, the pitch and the opposition made it difficult for us and, after equalising, I thought we deserved to go on and win the game.

Decision-making at both ends of the park ultimately, however, came back to haunt us, but in football you hope you learn from these experiences in the future.

IMPORTANT

This afternoon is the first of three successive home fixtures. It is a critical 10 days for us as we take on Stevenage today, Accrington next weekend and then Dagenham here the Tuesday after that. It's an important stage of the season with only eight games of the campaign left and if we are going to be successful in these games then we need everyone to be pulling in the right direction.

Since I last sat down to write these notes I had the honour of

meeting our diamond season ticket holders for the first time. It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening and it was great to converse with our supporters. I hope you saw my vision for the team and the ideas behind how I want to be able to make this Club of yours a success.

Your support has been incredible and the numbers at Barnet were testament to that. Please get behind us this afternoon and enjoy the game.



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From the BOARDROOM

WITH VICE CHAIRMAN **DAVID WILKINSON**

GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE AND A WARM WELCOME TO KENILWORTH ROAD.

Today we entertain the officials, players and supporters from Accrington Stanley.

Stanley are having a good season and are currently vying for an automatic promotion place level on points with Bristol Rovers and Plymouth. We were at their place for the first game of the season and came away with a slightly lucky 1-1 draw after Jonathan Smith scored an injury time equaliser when a Craig Mackail-Smith shot cannoned off his back into the net.

My last notes were put together for the Crawley game four weeks ago and I was saying how well we were progressing and how impressed we were with the way the players were adapting to Nathan's way of playing.

From then on it's a bit of a mystery. We were all over Crawley until they snatched a win from nowhere. It was one of the most one-sided defeats I've ever seen. We then travelled to Plymouth and were well organised and secured a hard-fought victory. Then it was on to Barnet where yet again we felt like the better side, but in an appallingly unentertaining game we yet again succumbed to an injury-time winner. Even though

the results aside from Plymouth went against us there were many encouraging signs to give us cause for optimism.

However, then came Stevenage to participate in a game many of you will have seen and wished you hadn't. There were perhaps a couple of memorable moments, but not enough to make it worth the entrance money. As someone in the Boardroom was heard saying at half-time "That's 45 minutes of our lives we'll never get back".

PASSION

We were pleased to hear Nathan's honest appraisal of the game. His passion when we win and disappointment when we lose are there for all to see. That is what we all want from him, his management team and his players and us, the fans will give it back in bucket loads.

At risk of upsetting or insulting anyone these things need saying. The Club, 8,500 wonderful loyal supporters along with management, coaches, directors and owners were let down that day and they all deserve better.

We understand that it is not always easy to break down a well-organized team with 11 men behind the ball. I don't know if any



of you saw it, but the Barcelona versus Atletico game on Tuesday night was a case in point. The best team in the world struggled to get through a well-drilled 10-man defensive outfit although they managed it in the end.

TACTICS

More and more teams are coming to us with the sole aim of frustrating us, playing for a point and hoping to catch us on the break and nick a win. If we are to escape this division it seems that we are going to have to work out how to beat these tactics. It isn't pretty and it's not what we want to watch, but unless something is done to combat the increasingly frustrating gamesmanship we are going to have to get used to watching it.

On that note timewasting tactics are obvious to us all. Goalkeepers changing sides from which to take

Thank you for your continued support of the team – despite our record here at home this season



goal-kicks, the player about to be substituted going as far away from the bench as possible and then walking off as slowly as possible, pretend injuries as everyone knows that proper time is hardly ever added on.

I fail to understand how the authorities and those that act on their behalf cannot be more proactive in stamping out this and other obvious weaknesses in the policing of games.

We are in the entertainment business, but sometimes it's hard to believe it.

PLEASURE

On a happier note I was fortunate to be able to go to watch the Development squad at Southend this week. All were either from the Youth squad or first and second year pros. They beat a strong and largely older Southend side 3-1 and were a pleasure to watch. Of course there is little or no pressure in these games so they can more easily express themselves, but, nevertheless, the games are quite competitive.

And talking of youth, we are all looking forward to going to

Shrewsbury in a couple of weeks to see the Under-18s attempt to win another trophy in what has been an amazingly successful year.

BRILLIANT

Finally, our congratulations go out to all who took part in Jeff Stelling's 28-mile walk to Watford in aid of Prostate Cancer UK. The Hatters team have so far raised over £15,000 for the charity, which is brilliant. I just went to Vicarage Road to meet them afterwards and they looked remarkably fresh. I should give a special mention to our commercial manager David Hoskins, who walked the last six miles with a broken ankle.

“Wrong practices are wrong even if everyone is doing them. Right actions are right even if no one is doing them”

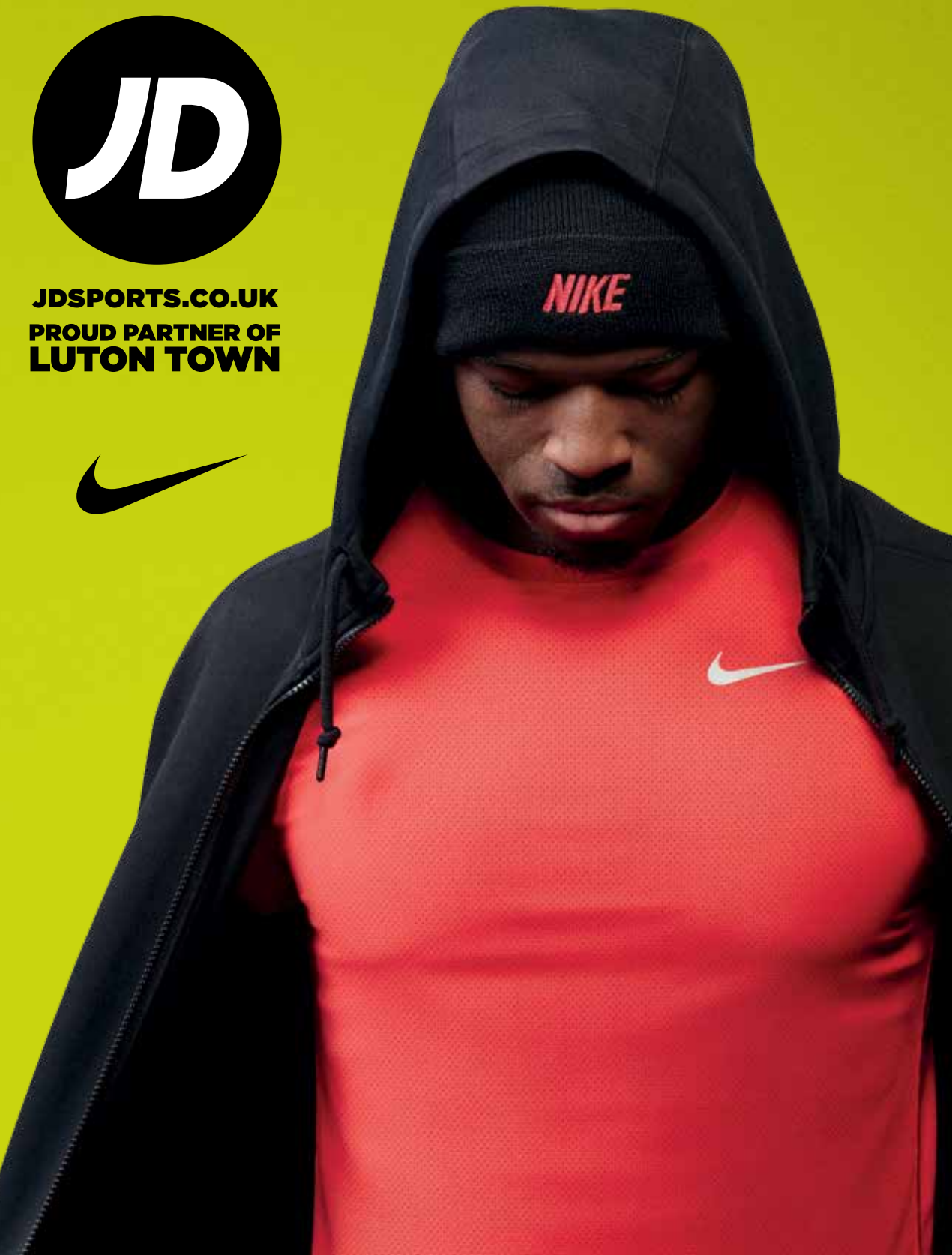
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GREAT SCOTT

THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

Well, I'm not sure where to start following our performance last weekend in the defeat to Stevenage here at Kenilworth Road.

We went into the game off the back of a late set-back at Barnet. We spoke about the importance of the first of three successive home fixtures which, and I quote myself here, "I think the results of these will have a big say in where we will finish this season". To start the series of matches on home soil with a performance like that was unacceptable.

In all areas of the pitch we were simply not good enough. I thought the penalty was a bit soft but you win some and lose some, however we're certainly not using that as

an excuse to cover up what was a very poor performance.

That's been the case here at home all season and we really can't put our fingers on why. To win only five matches at Kenilworth Road up until this point is an embarrassing record for a club of our size. As players we hold our hands up and say we haven't been good enough – the results speak for themselves.

DISAPPOINTED

Your support deserves more and to have over 8,500 people go home from here disappointed each week is not something we players like having on our conscience.

From my point of view I'm gutted that I'm not going to be out there today. I felt my hamstring tighten up in the second half but hopefully it won't be long before I'm back out there again.

Today we entertain an Accrington side who are enjoying an absolutely fantastic season. They have been in and around the top three all season and have been playing some tremendous football. I thought when we played them on the opening day of the season that the point was a good one because they gave us one helluva match. I remember reading a lot of disappointment about 'only' draw at Accrington. They deserve to be in the position they are in – just as we deserve to be where we are. Cliché alert: the league table doesn't lie, especially at this stage of the season.

Accrington will be full of confidence as they enter probably one of the most important parts of their history. Promotion to League 1 for them would be a superb achievement and credit goes to them all for making it happen.

Enough about our visitors, though. We need the points just as much as they do. We are not giving up on extending our season – even if it is a long shot. We still have these two matches here on home turf to make up for the frustration of last weekend's result. The importance of these games weighs down heavier after each disappointment so we need a positive result starting this afternoon. Accrington and Dagenham will both be fighting for the points so they promise to be very intriguing games before we go into two tough away matches at Oxford and Carlisle.

Thank you for your unwavering support, even in times of adversity. It really is appreciated from each and every one for us.

Finally I'd like to wish goalkeeper Jonathan Mitchell all the very best back at Derby after he was recalled this week. He is a fine young keeper with a bright future ahead of him. Thanks Jono!

Get behind us today and enjoy the game.





SLEEPOVER AT THE KENNY!

On Friday 13th May 2016, Luton Town and supporter's charity of the year LAMP are joining forces for an overnight sponsored sleep at Kenilworth Road Stadium.

Those taking part will spend the night sleeping under the stars around the perimeter of the pitch in a first for the Club. The event will start at 8:30pm, and go through until 6:30 the following morning.

This year, LAMP is fundraising for 'Build for the Future' an ambitious new campaign to raise £60,000 to help LAMP buy its first every house, as well as to help fund the increase in rents within their existing properties.

If you're interested in taking part in this event, please contact LAMP's Helen Snowden by email: helen@lamp.community alternatively you can download an application form via our official website.

The registration includes a drawstring goody bag - fees are as follows:

- Adults: £10
- Under 18's: £5
- Family: £15

Registrants are encouraged to raise a minimum of £50 in sponsorship per person, but there's no upper limit! The more the merrier!

Spaces are strictly limited, so don't delay - register now!

REST IN PEACE JACK BRADSHAW

The Hatters are saddened to hear of the passing of life-long supporter Jack Bradshaw.

Jack was a born and bred Lutonian and had been a Town fan since the early 1950s. He was known for his fantastic knowledge of the club and sat in the Main Stand by the PA box for many years.



His funeral took place at the Stopsley Vale last month which was attended by family, friends and Town supporters who knew him. He will certainly be missed by us all at Kenilworth Road. Rest in Peace, Jack.



REMEMBERING JOE GEORGE ROBINS

Ten years ago the Club were deeply shocked to receive the news of the death of supporter and Junior Hatter Joe George Robins.

Joe tragically lost his life aged just 12 years and 11 months on 12th April 2006 to Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy which left his family and friends heartbroken.

INVITED

In the wake of Joe's sudden passing, the Club at the time invited Joe's family to a match against Sheffield Wednesday and today, 10 years later the Hatters hierarchy have invited his friends

and family back to Kenilworth Road and are here at today's game.

Joe's family have continually raised awareness about Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy and have raised £2,500 for CMA – Cardiomyopathy Association.

To find out more about Cardiomyopathy go to: www.cardiomyopathy.org or www.c-r-y.org.uk.

You'll never be forgotten Joe #COYH

LEVEL PLAYING FIELD WEEK OF ACTION

Luton Town Football Club is pleased to support the 2016 Level Playing Field (LPF) Weeks of Action. This annual initiative, now in its 11th year, aims to celebrate access and inclusion for disabled sports fans across England and Wales.

Disabled people constitute the largest minority group at around 15 per cent of the population and this number is increasing year on year. Naturally, a large number of disabled people are football fans too and we are pleased to take

this opportunity to thank our own disabled fans for their continued loyalty and dedication to this great club.

But we also appreciate that many disabled people have yet to share the passion and pleasures of being a football supporter. We're pleased to provide dedicated sections within Kenilworth Road for disabled supporters and welcomes disabled fans along with their families and friends.

As such we're pleased to support the Level Playing Field Weeks of Action once again this year by sharing some of the work we are doing with the Luton Town disabled supporters association to help those with disabilities to make the most of their matchday experience

as well as looking at some of the other work we are undertaking within the community.

TOGETHER

We are joining together with sports clubs, fans and organisations across England and Wales who are all #united4access and have chosen to share one common message - access and inclusion for all.

For more information about Level Playing Field (LPF) and this year's Weeks of Action, please visit www.levelplayingfield.org.uk email info@levelplayingfield.org.uk or call 0208 621 2403. Alternatively you may wish to send a message of support to @lpftweets using the hashtag #united4access

DEV SQUAD BEAT SHRIMPERS

A youthful Town development squad eased to a comfortable 3-1 win over Southend on Tuesday.

Alex Atkinson fired the Town in front midway through the first-half only for the Shrimpers to level 10 minutes before the break.

However, two minutes into the second half Isaac Galliford restored the Hatters lead before Zane Banton made sure of the victory when converting from the penalty after Luke Trotman was tripped in the box.

Youth and development manager Andy Awford said: "It was a very strong performance all round with Zane putting in a particularly strong

performance, he was a threat all afternoon and I'm pleased for him that he got his goal.

"The important thing for these young players is, can we get them through to the first team environment? – that's got to be the end goal.

"League titles and cup runs are great, but that's where the end goal has to be and they showed that they can use a game like this to bridge the gap. I was pleased that the boys from the Under-18 group held their own and played very well."

Town: Gooch, Trotman, Onyemah, Bakinson, Musonda, Famewo, Cotter, Snelus, Banton, Atkinson, Galliford. Subs: McJannet, Brown, Murray, Verney, Bean.

MITCHELL RETURNS TO DERBY

Goalkeeper Jonathan Mitchell has been recalled by Derby County due to an injury to one of their goalkeepers.

Mitchell made five appearances for the Hatters after signing on loan at the beginning of March. He was named in the Sky Bet Football League team of the week for his performance against Plymouth Argyle.

Young professional keeper Craig King has been recalled from his loan with Bishop's Cleeve and returns to Kenilworth Road with immediate effect.

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Acc. Junior (U10)	£7	£5	£3

TICKETS FOR HOME MATCHES

You can buy tickets for games here at Kenilworth Road in three simple ways. You can either pop into our ticket office in Kenilworth Road, or alternatively at our club shop in the Mall; telephone our ticket office on 01582 416976; or purchase tickets online at our online ticket website www.eticketing.co.uk/lutontown. Matchday tickets vary slightly depending on categorisation of matches this season. Each match will be assigned a category A, B or C and are outlined on this page and on our websites.

H **DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE**

Tuesday 12th April 2016, 7.45pm

Tickets are now on sale at category B prices and are available online and from the Ticket Office. Any tickets bought for the Good Friday date are still valid for this fixture.

A **OXFORD UNITED**

Saturday 16th April 2016, 3pm

We have received an allocation of 1,192 seats for this fixture. Selling arrangements: Tickets are now available to diamond and regular season ticket holders until close of business on Monday 11th April. Any remaining tickets will be available on general sale online from 6pm on Monday 11th April and from the Ticket Office in person or by phone from Tuesday 12th April. They will remain on sale, subject to availability, until 3pm on Friday 15th April.

Prices: £20 adults, £13 65 and over, £13 Students (with NUS Card or in Full time Education), £13 Under 18s, £13 Under 13s, free for Under 7s.

Wheelchair Disabled/ Ambulant Disabled will be charged as above with a carer free of charge.

CARLISLE UNITED

Tuesday 19th April 2016, 7.45pm

We have received an initial allocation of 100 seats for this fixture. Further tickets will be available on the day, however, prices do increase by £3 (with the exception of junior and child tickets). Selling arrangements: These tickets are now available to diamond and regular season ticket holders until close of business on Monday 11th April. Any remaining tickets will be available on general sale online from 6pm on Monday 11th April and from the Ticket Office in person or by phone from Tuesday 12th April. They will remain on sale, subject to availability, until 3pm on Monday 18th April. **Prices:** £19 adults, £16 65 and over, £13 Young person (18-22), £10 Junior (11-17), £7 Child (10 and under, FREE Infant (6 and under). Family tickets : £27 1 Adult / 1 Junior, £35 1 Adult / 2 Juniors, £24 1 Senior / 1 Junior.

Ambulant Disabled will be charged as above with a carer free of charge. Wheelchair Disabled will be charged £4 with a carer free of charge.

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Saturday 23rd April 2016, 3pm

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WITH COMMERCIAL MANAGER **DAVID HOSKINS**

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DAN HUDSON & FAMILY



Dan is a life-long Luton Town supporter from Derbyshire, and is here today celebrating his 18th birthday with his family. His first game at Kenilworth Road was a 5-1 home win against Torquay in September 2001 – one which saw the debut of a certain Frenchman Jean-Louis Valois and his super strike.

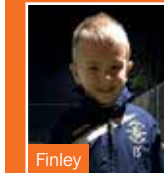
Dan says his favourite ever Luton player was Carlos Edwards and his favourite Luton game was the 2009 Johnstone's Paint Trophy final.

He's looking forward to another Hatters win today!

TODAY'S MASCOTS

We have the absolute pleasure of welcoming six mascots this afternoon. All of them will get to meet their favourite players before the game prior to leading the teams out on the pitch just before kick-off. Then they will receive a memento of the day afterwards in the Eric Morecambe lounge. We hope you all have a great day with us!

- Finley Stratton.** Age 6. Favourite player Scott Cuthbert
- Jack Stephens.** Age 8. Favourite player Jack Marriott
- Emily Boydon.** Age 6. Favourite player – All Of Them!
- George Boydon.** Age 8. Favourite player Craig Mackkail-Smith
- Kieran Dilks.** Age 8. Favourite player Jack Marriott
- Benjamin Stock.** Age 9. Favourite player – All of them!



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Welcome to Kenilworth Road ACCRINGTON STANLEY



TEAM PROFILE ACCRINGTON STANLEY

Nickname: Stanley
Ground: Wham Stadium
Last season: 17th, League Two
Manager: John Coleman
Last league fixture:
Accrington 1-0 Cambridge

It gives us great pleasure to welcome everyone associated with Accrington Stanley to Kenilworth Road this evening – especially those supporters in the away end who have made the long trip down this afternoon.

It's been a busy year for John Coleman's side since the Hatters last played Stanley, way back on the opening day of the season. The Lancashire club are more than in with a sniff of earning promotion automatically this term, separated from the top three only by goal difference heading into the weekend's fixtures.

It's incredibly congested at the top of the League 2 table as Accrington head into their final six games all but sure of a Play-Off place, sitting 11 points clear of Carlisle after three wins from their last four.

And their position would have been even healthier from three points in their last encounter, with a 1-1 draw at home to Cambridge a week ago costing vital ground in the promotion race as they slipped from third to fifth.

This season could see history for a side reformed less than 50 years ago as they look to reach the third tier of English football for the first time in their history. Stanley came agonisingly close to that feat in the 2010/11 season, finishing fifth only to lose to eventually-promoted Stevenage in their Play-Off semi-final.

But Coleman's team didn't have the greatest start to the season: including the 1-1 draw with the Hatters, they were only victorious in one of their first seven outings as they sat 15th, but four consecutive wins at the end of September propelled their ambitions, with a 3-0 thrashing at Crawley the highlight.

Billy Kee was on target that day, and he sits top of the Stanley goalscoring charts with 17 League 2 strikes to his name, behind just Matty Taylor and Jay Simpson in the entire division.

And it's been a big goalscoring year for Accrington, netting 64 times in league football in this term, with November a particular run of profligacy as they scored 13 goals in their four matches.

The key to Stanley's season seems to have been consistency: The side have seldom gone on a bad run of form, while picking up

impressive results in the meantime, notably a 2-1 scalp at fellow promotion rivals Oxford back in February.

Now, heading into a final push, Coleman and co. are still in form, taking wins over Dagenham, Orient and Newport before dropping points with Cambridge last week.

The Hatters needed a 92nd-minute equaliser take a point of their own in the two sides' earlier meeting, with Jonathan Smith flicking one off his back from Craig Mackail-Smith's shot. Smith had given away the penalty, which Josh Windass converted, that gave Stanley the earlier lead.

The two sides have met just five times in their history, with the Hatters gaining their only win last season at Kenilworth Road, when Jayden Stockley and Luke Guttridge made the scoresheet in a 2-0 success.

LAST MEETING

Accrington 2-2 Hatters
16/08/2015

HATTERS v STANLEY

Luton wins: 1
Draws: 3
Accrington wins: 1

Meet the VISITORS



OUR GUIDE TO THE MEN FROM THE WHAM STADIUM

THE BOSS

JOHN COLEMAN

Legendary Stanley boss John rejoined the club as manager at the start of last season. In his first spell he led the club from the Unibond League to the Football League. After brief spells at Rochdale, Southport and Sligo he returned to the Crown Ground in September 2014.

BETWEEN THE STICKS

ROSS ETHERIDGE

Young stopper Ross signed for Stanley this summer having been released by Derby. Came through the youth ranks at the iPro Stadium but enjoyed loan spells out at half-a-dozen non-league sides.

IN DEFENCE

MATT PEARSON

Versatile defender Matt penned a one-year deal with Accrington in the summer having left Halifax. Also able to play in midfield, the former Blackburn trainee has also played with John Coleman at Rochdale.

DEAN WINNARD

Another former Blackburn man, Dean joined Stanley back in 2009 and has since gone on to make over 200 appearances for the club. The centre-half can also play in either full-back position.

TOM DAVIES

Summer arrival Tom arrived at the Wham Stadium from Fleetwood after failing to make an appearance for the Cod Army. Began his career with FC United of Manchester and spent time on-loan at Southport last term.

BRAD HALLIDAY

Young defender Brad was originally signed on an emergency loan from Middlesbrough in October but has impressed since and saw his deal extended. Was on loan at York and Hartlepool last term.

MARK HUGHES

Talented centre-back Mark arrived at the Wham Stadium in January after leaving Stevenage. Started his career as a youngster at Everton but has gone onto make over 200 League appearances and has played in Australia.

ADAM BUXTON



Versatile full-back Adam joined the Reds following his release from Wigan.

Previously spent time on-loan with Accrington but penned a permanent deal at the start of last season.

ACROSS THE MIDDLE

PIERO MINGOIA

Diminutive midfielder Piero put pen to paper on a permanent Stanley deal in the summer after impressing on loan last season from Watford. Has been a virtual ever-present this season.

JOSH WINDASS

Highly-rated goal-scoring midfielder Josh will join Glasgow Rangers in the summer. After leaving Huddersfield he signed for Harrogate but joined Stanley in 2013. Has scored 12 goals so far this season.

SCOTT BROWN

Experienced midfielder Scott was snapped up in January following his release from Grimsby. Has previously been on the books at Bristol City, Cheltenham, Port Vale and York, amongst others.

SEAMUS CONNEELY

Former Republic of Ireland youth international Seamus joined Stanley from Sligo in January 2015 having worked with John Coleman. Comfortable playing in either defence or midfield.

UP FRONT

SHAY MCCARTAN

Young Northern Irish forward Shay joined the Reds back in 2013 after he left Burnley. A prolific scorer for his release the Claret's youth sides he has also been capped at Under-21 level.

SEAN McCONVILLE



Forward or midfielder Sean is back in his second spell with Stanley. Joined originally from Skelmersdale but

left and had spells with Stockport, Barrow, Stalybridge and Chester before returning this summer.

BILLY KEE

Stanley's leading goalscorer with an impressive 17 goals in 34 league starts, Billy joined the Reds in the summer following his release from Scunthorpe. Started his career at Leicester but made his name at Burton, scoring 40 goals in three seasons.



From the OAK ROAD

WHAT A SEASON IT'S BEEN SO FAR FOR ACCRINGTON STANLEY. EVERY YEAR THE EXPERTS PREDICT A SEASON FOR STRUGGLE FOR STANLEY BUT THIS TERM COULD BE ONE TO TREASURE. **DARREN WOODHEAD**, A ACCRINGTON FAN OF 38 YEARS, TELLS US MORE



Stanley celebrate clinching the Conference title in 2006

THE SEASON AHEAD...

After a 17th place finish in League 2 last season what were expectations for this season back in August?

I was not expecting to be pushing for an automatic place, but was quietly confident that a Play-Off position would be achievable.

Although many tipped us for relegation, it is often over-looked that we are the longest-serving members of the division and have an experienced League 2 manager.

It's fair to say this season has been brilliant for Accrington, but what are the expectation levels like now having been up with the pace all season. What would the reaction be if you didn't win promotion?

Promotion would be great but in some ways a bonus to the stability that the new owner Andy Holt has brought to the club. For the first time in many years the club is moving in the right direction and the ground is being upgraded which was imperative.

The \$64,000 question: can you win promotion? What do you think it will take? How do you rate your run-in? There's a lot of teams at the other end of the table for you to face...

It's all in our hands and cannot see a single reason why automatic promotion is beyond the team. As Luton fans will know, it doesn't matter who you are playing on any given Saturday, any result is possible in all League 2 games.

John Coleman arrived back at Stanley last season. He's an Accrington legend and fair to say a very under-rated manager. Tell us why you love him.

His strengths are galvanising a team spirit and instilling belief in players whose careers have sometimes gone off the rails. In this season's team, there are many similarities to the three previous Promotion campaigns under John Coleman.

Every season Accrington are one of the bookies' favourites for the drop. Do you get sick and tired of being labelled as the underdog?

People in the media and the bookies have many opinions on our club which are not exactly flattering, but I literally couldn't care less. People who call us an underdog, usually haven't studied the Division.

Were you at Wimbledon for the 'goal than never was'? John Coleman seemed quite reserved after the game, but it must have been tough to take, right?

I did not make the Wimbledon game but have watched it many times. It was quite a unique and disappointing situation and not one I have seen before, but hopefully if we are promoted we can 'put it to bed'.

Who has been your stand-out performer so far this season and why should Luton be wary of him today?

Billy Kee is the obvious player to mention, given his excellent season and goals, but in all honesty the strength of the squad is the reason Stanley is in the position we are. That is not something our club have been able to say too often.

SEASONS PAST...

Tell us about you. Why do you support Accrington? When did it all start? What was your first game?

My first game was in the 1977/78 season, when my Dad took me to watch a game at eight years of age. At that point Accrington were in the Lancashire Combination and re-building a club following bankruptcy in 1962. My Dad had supported the 'Old Stanley' and as it is our home town club, it has always been close to our hearts.

What do you remember about it?

I was lucky as my Dad who took me to games at a host of North West Clubs, which were more impressive in terms of stature and players on view, but the draw of supporting your home town team is massive.

What is it like supporting Stanley?

As we do not have the numbers of some clubs, you will find that for many supporters it's not just a case of turning up at a game. I certainly fit into the category of doing extra, including having had the pleasure

of writing two books on the club, starting a Facebook Group named Accrington Stanley Memories and hosting ex-players on match days as the guest of honour.

What's been your best memory as an Accrington fan? While most expect me to name the return to the Football League, for me it was promotion to the Unibond Premier League in 2000. The whole journey started there and John Coleman and Jimmy Bell were player/manager and coach.

LUTON AND ACCRINGTON

There haven't been many but what are your best and worst memories of Accrington and Luton clashes? Do any games in particular stick out?

The home game in 2009 stands out, as at the time it was our lowest League attendance. Historical but not a great night!

What do you expect from today's game? What's your prediction? Are you looking forward to sitting in the away end?

I am unlikely to make the trip to Kenilworth Road this week due to

other commitments, but hope we can win and predict we will come away with at least a point!

QUICKFIRE

Terrace or Seats?
Think there should always be the choice!

Who are your rivals?
Morecambe

Favourite all-time manager?
John Coleman

Favourite promotion season?
1999/00

Guess your player of the season. Billy Kee

If you could bring back one player from the past back in the Stanley team who would it be? Jimmy Ryan (Now at Fleetwood)

Most treasured piece of Accrington memorabilia?
My Dad's Accrington Stanley shirt he wore while playing for Accrington FC after the old club had folded.

What league will Stanley be in next season? League 1

Who will win promotion from League 2? Northampton, Oxford, Stanley and Plymouth.



COVER STORY

Club historian ROGER WASH tells the story of the match behind today's programme cover

LUTON TOWN 2

ASTON VILLA 1

9th April 1983

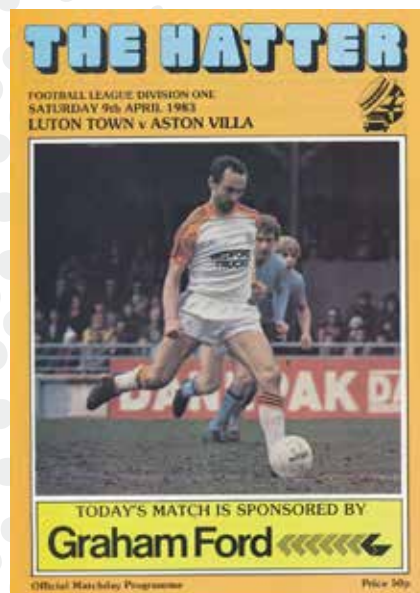
After winning 1-0 at Nottingham Forest on 12th March 1983 the Town moved up to 18th position in the Division One (now Premier League) table and set the Fleet Street pundits predicting that we had turned the corner.

We all felt that something was still missing and were soon proved correct when four defeats on the trot sent us back into the relegation zone again with the position looking pretty hopeless.

After the victory at Forest, the Town went to Highbury and suffered what was to become the annual defeat there with a 4-1 scoreline fully reflecting a poor Luton performance.

Worse was to come the following Saturday when Sunderland, who had never enjoyed the best of records at Kenilworth Road, came here and won easily 3-1 with veterans Frank Worthington and Leighton James giving the Town the runaround.

The Hatters now had the worst home record in the top flight and despite the additions of new signings Tony Godden and Trevor Aylott it was difficult to see where the next point would come from.



Easter had often been the graveyard of Luton Town hopes in the past and 1982/83 proved no different with two straight defeats sending the Hatters to the bottom of the table for the first time that campaign.

Norwich, also struggling in the relegation area, visited Kenilworth Road on Easter Saturday and returned home with all three points following a 1-0 win. Dave Bennett put them ahead mid-way through the first half and the Town never looked likely to break through a solid

David Moss looks delighted with his last gasp winner against Villa



defence after that although Chris Woods in the Canaries goal pulled off a wonder save to deny David Moss in the closing minutes which would have provided a surprising and undeserved equaliser.

We were certainly not looking forward to the visit to Watford particularly as we had to risk losing the proud record over the Hornets, or more specifically Graham Taylor, with six wins and a draw from the previous seven games between the two sides.

Watford took an early lead through Luther Blissett but the Hatters, showing rather more flair and commitment than had been

seen for some time, roared back to lead 2-1 with goals from Aylott and skipper Brian Horton.

The Hornets then levelled against the run of play just before the interval but started the second period at whirlwind pace to take a 4-2 lead before Raddy Antic was dismissed for an innocuous foul to finish the game as a proper spectacle.

Despite the defeat we sensed a glimmer of light and hoped that the form shown in the first half at Vicarage Road could be continued.

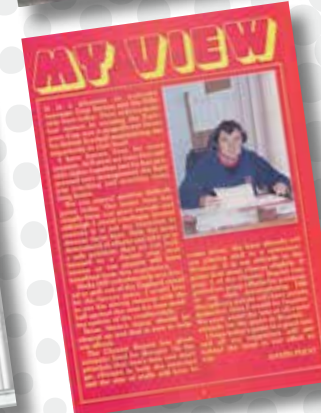
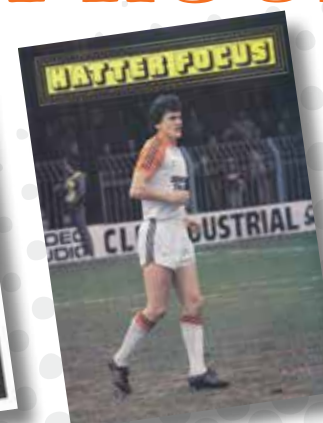
Aston Villa were the next visitors to Kenilworth Road and when Aylott gave the Town the lead on

30 minutes the sense of relief was audible but just before half-time Gary Shaw netted an equaliser with a superbly struck shot.

The second half belonged to Luton with shots raining in on Nigel Spink in the Villa goal but the ball would not go in the net. With the game in the 91st minute Richard Money sent over a low cross which Moss lunged at instinctively to send the crowd into raptures. There was not even time for a restart!

This victory set the Hatters up for a memorable end to the season which finished with that never to be forgotten game at Maine Road, Manchester.

THE PROGRAMME



The Town produced a 32-page programme for the visit of Villa priced at 50p.

Luton Travel was advertising a weekend trip to the forthcoming clash with Southampton. Two nights in a hotel, a behind the scenes tour of the Dell, a coach tour of the city and a seat for the match all for £35!

Of most interest though was the question and answer session with Trevor Aylott who named his favourite food as pie and mash and his favourite drink as tea. When asked for his miscellaneous likes/dislikes his answer was: not shopping with wife/shopping with wife.

He aspired to be a publican when he finished playing but last I heard he was a black cab driver in London.

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AND EVENTS THAT HAVE SHAPED ACCRINGTON STANLEY'S POST-WAR ERA**1953 GALBRAITH TAKES
CHARGE**

Walter Galbraith became Accrington Stanley's player-manager in June 1953. The Scottish left-back played for Clyde prior to joining New Brighton in September 1948 and became their player-boss in August 1950. After two seasons with Grimsby Town he took charge at Peel Park and recruited many Scottish players. He twice guided 'McStanley' to Third Division (North) runners-up and twice to third place before leaving in August 1958. Later managing Bradford PA, Tranmere Rovers and Hibernian, he rejoined Bradford PA as general manager, then was manager of Stockport County and Berwick Rangers. He died in December 1995.

1955 PROMOTION NEAR-MISS

Galbraith then guided Accrington Stanley to Third Division (North) runners-up in 1954/55. After gaining just one point from their opening two matches, Accrington soared up the table with eight wins in their next nine games. George Stewart arrived from St Mirren in October and Accrington held a five point lead by the end of March. A crowd of 19,843 saw Stanley's 1-1 draw at FA Cup giantkillers York on Good Friday but they suffered heavy defeats against Hartlepoons and Chesterfield during the closing weeks and finished four points behind Barnsley. The reserve team achieved the Lancashire Combination 'double'.

**1962 FOOTBALL LEAGUE
RESIGNATION**

Stanley played their final Football League match on 2nd March 1962. Three days after the 4-0 Fourth Division defeat at Crewe Alexandra, a creditors meeting decided to put the club in liquidation with

£62,000 debts and the directors sent a letter to the Football League offering Stanley's resignation. In the wake of public uproar, the Accrington directors had a change of heart and on 8th March, the club president Sir William Cocker sent another letter asking the League to disregard the first one. It was discussed by the management committee on 11th March and they were legally bound to accept the first letter of resignation.

1970 STANLEY RE-EMERGE

The first moves to revive the famous old name were announced in July 1968 and a public meeting was held at Accrington library. After two years of hard work, Accrington Stanley finally re-emerged on 15th August 1970, facing Formby Town in the Lancashire Combination at the Crown Ground. The new club was given a civic send off by then Mayor of Accrington, Councillor Alan Benson, who was introduced to the players before the game in cup final style by manager Jimmy Hinksman. Goals from John Nuttall and Alan Davies gave Stanley a 2-1 win and they ended their debut campaign in sixth place in the Lancashire Combination.

**1974 LANCS COMBINATION
'DOUBLE'**

Hinksman managed Stanley to a Lancashire Combination 'double' in 1973/74. They trounced Nelson 7-0 in their second home match and lost only four Lancashire Combination matches all season, finishing with a terrific unbeaten run of 18 games which included 14 clean sheets. Accrington pipped Bacup Borough to the title with a 2-0 victory at Wren Rovers in their penultimate match. Stuart Illingworth and Dave McDowell scored 30 goals between them. Stanley won the Lancashire Combination Cup for the

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Legendary boss John Coleman



third successive season after beating St Helens Town 3-2 on aggregate in the two-legged final.

1999 COLEMAN TAKES CHARGE

Former England Semi-Pro striker John Coleman was appointed Accrington Stanley's manager in July 1999. He had spells with Kirkby Town, Burscough, Marine, Southport, Runcorn, Morecambe, Rhyl, Witton Albion, Morecambe again and Lancaster City, becoming Ashton United's player-boss in November 1996. Guiding Accrington to the UniBond League First Division title in 1999/2000, UniBond Cup in 2002 and UniBond League Premier Division title in 2002/03, he also plotted their 2003/04 FA Cup run and 2005/06 Conference title triumph. He left in January 2012 to become Rochdale's boss, returning in September 2014.

2003 TITLE TRIUMPH

Stanley clinched the UniBond League Premier Division title as two goals by Lutel James plus another from Steve Halford secured a 3-1 victory over Altrincham in front of 2,263 at the Crown Ground on 12th April 2003. They started with nine straight wins to open up a seven-point lead and John Coleman's team, strengthened by the addition of Mike Marsh

and Mark Sertori, would have made it ten but for a last minute penalty equaliser for Wakefield & Emley. After a few inconsistent results, Stanley rattled off six straight wins and won the title with a club record 100 points, finishing 16 ahead of runners-up Barrow.

2004 FA CUP HEROES

Accrington made headlines as they reached the FA Cup third round for the first time in 43 years in 2003/04. They began life in the Conference with a 2-1 defeat at Aldershot Town, screened live on Sky TV, and a 10-match unbeaten run lifted them to sixth place in the table. Accrington defeated Leigh RMI 2-0, Huddersfield Town 1-0 and Bournemouth on penalties in the FA Cup before holding Colchester United to a 0-0 draw in the third round, watched by a record 4,368 at the Interlink Express Stadium on 3rd January 2004. They lost 2-1 in the replay but reached the Lancs Challenge Trophy final, losing 3-1 to Morecambe.

2006 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

Coleman guided Stanley to the Conference title in 2005/06. They started with two wins but just one point was gained from the next three matches before five straight victories lifted Stanley to second place in the Conference. A 2-1 win at leaders Grays in November was quickly followed by a 2-0 victory over Forest Green Rovers that took Accrington top of the table. They pulled away with a 20-match unbeaten run and clinched the title with a 1-0 win at Woking on 15th April, finishing 11 points ahead of runners-up Hereford United. In a final twist, Accrington replaced Oxford United in the Football League.

2006 FOOTBALL LEAGUE RETURN

Stanley returned to the Football League after 44 years' absence in 2006/07. They kicked off in League 2 with a 2-0 defeat at Chester City on 5th August 2006, recording their first victory 2-1 at home to Barnet. Another early highlight was a 1-0 League Cup first round victory at home to Nottingham Forest. Gary Roberts scored twice in Stanley's 5-0 win over Wrexham that sparked a seven-match unbeaten run and Roberts moved to Ipswich Town initially on loan in October. Top scorer Paul Mullin and Andy Todd were ever-present as Accrington preserved Football League status, winning five of their final nine matches.

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ATTENDANCE

8,502
347 STEVENAGE



Josh McQuoid in action on his return to the Town side

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JONES SAID:

“I feel sick to the pit of my stomach. That’s not a side that I want to put out there, it was energy-less, it was heartless, we had no desire for a derby game and the only thing I can say is I feel sick.
“We didn’t start the game well, we didn’t play with any desire, didn’t press, didn’t outwork Stevenage, we got outworked by Stevenage, we got out-pressed by Stevenage.
“The penalty was very, very soft, our penalty in the first half was more of one, but I would be a coward if I was going to blame the referee or have a go at the referee for that, because I had players out there who had no real desire about them in anything they did, how they went about the game.
“It would have been a great opportunity today, we’ve kept it quiet, but we would have been five points off [the Play-Offs], but I just don’t think they wanted it enough. I think that’s been symptomatic all season, so we’ve given them a real good chance, now we’ve got some decisions to make.”

WHAT'S THE STORY?

The Town lost out to a late penalty for the second time in two games as Stevenage took all three points from their trip to Kenilworth Road.
Ollie Lee was adjudged to have fouled Ben Kennedy in the box, allowing Michael Tonge to beat Jonathan Mitchell from the spot with just five minutes remaining.
The win overshadowed a return from injury for Josh McQuoid, playing just his second game under Nathan Jones, who watched captain Scott Cuthbert hobble off midway through the second half.
Alan Sheehan came closest for the Hatters, striking the bar with his weak right foot with the Stevenage keeper left stranded, but the Town made it eight home games in a row without scoring before the break.

The Hatters push for a late leveller against Boro



HOW IT HAPPENED

1' And we're off. Stevenage get us off and under way. Town shooting towards the Oak Road end in this first half #COYH

2' 70 seconds in, Town penalty shout waved away by ref Handley. Marriott poleaxed in the box but nowt given. 0-0 #COYH

12' Better, better! McCourt on the ball, ground in anticipation, he glides forward, reverse pass inside to Marriott, first-time shot over.

14' Back come Boro, Luer the striker found well in the box with a good run, shot back across goal isn't far away. 0-0 #COYH

28' Still not a lot to get off your seat at yet. The visitors come forward and Tonge whacks one over the bar from 25 yards. 0-0 #COYH

36' End-to-end, Stevenage really should have a free-kick but the Town break upfield with Marriott, his cross deflected into keeper's arms.

40' Town sloppy in possession again. Ball into Leur's feet, his low shot held by Mitchell, though. 0-0 #COYH

41' Back come the Town, McGeehan drives forward at the middle of the Boro defence, threads a ball through for Marriott but he's offside. 0-0

HT Town 0-0 Stevenage. Another goalless first half for the Town here at Kenilworth Road. Now eight successive home matches without a goal in the first half for the Hatters. Last v Northampton 12th December #COYH

49' Closeseeeeee! Town hit the Stevenage bar, the closest we've come, Sheehan on the left, cuts inside, his right-foot shot pings off the top of the bar.

52' Town upping it now. Ball falls at the feet of McCourt whose first time shot on his left foot zooms just wide of the post. 0-0 #COYH

56' Another sniff for the Town. Paddy plays Marriott in down the left, he cuts inside and hits a low drive goalwards that Jones is equal to.

70' Chance for the Town, Green cross missed by McQuoid at the near post, ball drops to Marriott in the box but his shot is blocked. 0-0.

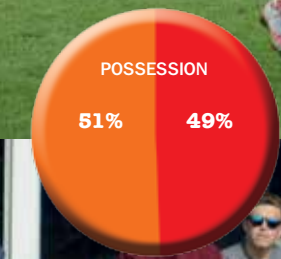
75' Massive chance for the Town, Smith's ball to Marriott, he's onside and has Jones to beat - keeper stands tall and makes the save #COYH

84' Penalty Stevenage, Lee brings down Kennedy. Soft but ref signals spot-kick.

85' GOAL Town 0-1 Stevenage (Tonge pen) Well-hit pen from experienced midfielder although Mitchell went the right way. Boro in front here at the Kenny.

90' SEVEN added minutes #COYH

FT Town 0-1 Stevenage. All over here at Kenilworth Road. A soft second-half penalty gives the visitors all three points #COYH



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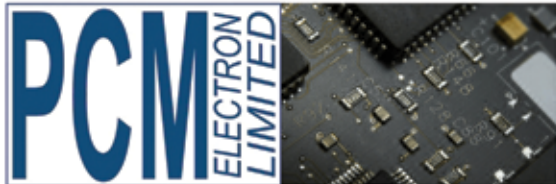
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Bitter-sweet RETURN

MIXED EMOTIONS FOR RETURNING ATTACKER JOSH

Hatters forward Josh McQuoid admitted his return from injury last Saturday was a bitter-sweet experience for him on a personal level.

The fit-again McQuoid played his first game since early January having been forced out of first team action due to a knee injury.

But despite coming off the bench, the summer signing could not prevent the Town from slipping to a 1-0 defeat to Stevenage.

"I was on the bench at Barnet, which was a good step forward for me, and then getting the chance as a substitute today was that extra step after injury," said the former Bournemouth frontman.

"It's disappointing to have that result and you can't exactly come back happy just because you're fit.

"I think we've played much better, but for me it's getting some minutes under my belt and making sure the knee is okay."

There was a fear that McQuoid could be out for the season, requiring an operation to correct the damage to his ligaments.

But with the assistance of the medical team, the 26-year-old has been given the opportunity to put the frustrations behind before the season's conclusion.

He continued: "The medics have been excellent with me as has the fitness

coach, so I have to thank them. Coming back to training with the gaffer is a high intensity, which is good and today is another good tester.

"Hopefully now I can kick on, get a few more games under my belt and hope to play regularly again.

"It's frustrating because you want to be out there, but I've been impressed with the manager, the players and the staff.

"It looks like things are going in the right direction with the things they want to do, hopefully pushing for the Play-Offs, but if we don't get that this season we'll be looking to push for automatic promotion next season."

The defeat to Boro was just the second time McQuoid had played under Nathan Jones, having hobbled off during the manager's opening game at Cambridge just two weeks into the New Year.

Time on the sidelines has, however, given the former Burnley man a perfect viewpoint in to how Jones is operating on the training field and the pitch.

"We all buy into the gaffer's philosophy, and if you don't want to be a part of that then he won't want you here," said McQuoid.

"We work every day in training on that, but it's a shame that didn't come off today, so we've got to put that behind us and move on to the next game.

"It's been stop-start this season for me, but now I've got to work hard over the summer and make sure I'm fit and ready. Some lads who have been playing can afford to have a bit of a break, but personally I've got to make sure I keep on top of the injury.

"With knee injuries, it's not just about getting over it and coming back, you have to keep an eye on it.

"For me, it's a big summer ahead, I need to make sure I'm fit for pre-season whichever league we're in and then push on from there. You want to be at a club where you're fighting for your place, and I feel we have that here so hopefully it will be a good challenge next year too."





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NOT GOOD ENOUGH

CENTRE-HALF LAMENTS STEVENAGE 'SHOCKER'

Defender Alan Sheehan admits it was a "shocking" performance which led to the Hatters slipping to a 1-0 defeat to Stevenage last weekend.

The Town put in a disappointing display at Kenilworth Road to leave them eight points adrift of the Play-Off places with seven games remaining, starting with today's game with Accrington Stanley.

It was also a second successive defeat for Nathan Jones's side, with Sheehan admitting that the Hatters were not at their best seven days ago.

"We're very disappointed with that performance, it was nowhere near good enough all over as a team," said the on-loan centre-half.

"With a few late chances, had we have been a bit more ruthless we could have won the game, but that would have been a bit of a robbery if I'm honest. I didn't really think either team was good enough to win it.

REASON

"I don't think you can put your finger on the exact reason it didn't happen. It wasn't good enough, and we're bitterly disappointed to have let the manager and the fans down.

"A win today would have kept us in the mix for a Play-Off place, but we've let ourselves down with the performance."

It was just the second time since the end of January that the Hatters didn't find the net, with Sheehan himself coming closest when a long-range effort with his, supposedly, weaker right foot struck the Stevenage crossbar.

"On another day, they go in and it's a different type of match. We haven't been scoring a whole lot of goals, missing that clinical edge you need at this time of the season."

The Hatters succumbed to a late Michael Tonge penalty after Olly Lee was adjudged to have fouled Ben Kennedy in the area five minutes from time.

And while Sheehan believes it was a decision that should have gone in the Town's favour,

the defender is keen for the side to move on.

He continued: "It looked a very soft penalty, there were a lot of soft fouls all over really, but we can't sit here and moan about the referee and put the blame on him, because it's down to us that we weren't good enough today, and we have to man up and say that.

"It is definitely a step back, all we can do is come back to training, brush it under the carpet and make sure it doesn't happen again, because it's quite embarrassing.

TOUGH

"Accrington will be a very tough game, they've been flying, and we'll have to be a lot better if we want to get anything out of that game."

Sheehan has been on loan from League 1 outfit Bradford this term, and while his Valley Parade contract ends in the summer, his future at present remains uncertain.

"Luton is a big club, the manager's very passionate and I've enjoyed my football.

"I think it's going really well so far and it's about enjoying your football," said the defender.

"I've gone to big clubs in the past and not really enjoyed my football and looking back, it is about that.

"There's been no real talks, as there's seven games left, so I'm just concentrating on those.

"I think the small bit of talk is happening, but I've not heard anything about that."



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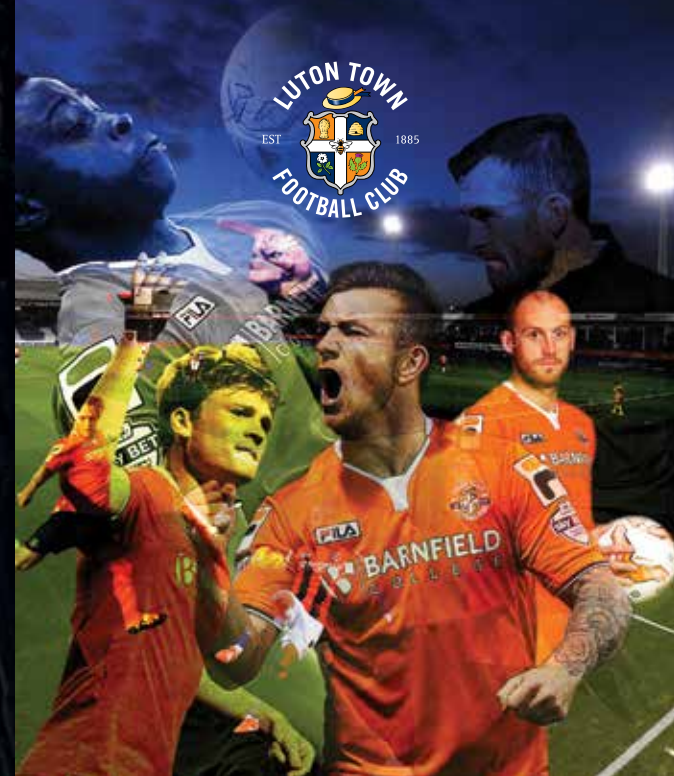
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Kenilworth Road to Vicarage Road in Hertfordshire. Our team was made of up of Hatters chief executive Gary Sweet, ticket office manager Mike Hooker, commercial manager David Hoskins and myself.

Les Miller, treasurer of Trust in Luton and travel co-ordinator of the Bobbers Travel Club was also a part of the team as well as Kevin Barrett from SoLYD and Hatters fans Peter Blessing, Craig Snowden and Andrew Child.

The challenge was the brainchild of Sky Sports News anchorman Jeff Stelling, who along with

Hartlepool chief exec Russ Green, had pledged to walk the 262 miles from Hartlepool to Wembley to raise money and awareness for the Football League's official charity partner Prostate Cancer UK.

The link up with us was an obvious one, as last year we had delivered the campaign to rename Kenilworth Road the Prostate Cancer UK Stadium for our televised match with Wycombe, which helped raised over £10,000 for the charity.

The day began early, as our team were joined by walkers from Watford, prostate cancer survivors and celebrities from the world of football in the John Moore lounge for breakfast. It was an impressive list including former Hatters Kingsley Black and Scott Oakes, Paul Merson, Bianca Westwood, Max Rushden, Tony Cottee, Malky

McKay, Peter Taylor and Luther Blissett who joined from St Albans.

After a briefing in the Kenilworth Road stands, Jeff and Russ arrived looking just as you might expect having already walked eight consecutive marathons: exhausted. But nonetheless, they seemed buoyed by the encouragement of the assembled walkers as we set off over the starting line.

The carefully planned route took us through the back roads of Luton up Farley Hill and along Newlands Road. Turning off towards Slip End, we then took in some of the scenic back roads around Flamstead where we had to negotiate a massive flood. Miraculously nobody fell in. Stage one of the walk ended in Redbourn at The Cricketers after 14km – the longest stretch of the day.



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By this point most of the walkers were in high spirits but with some stiffness settling in. For Dave Hoskins and I, the biggest issue was the need to get to the loo!

The second stage of the walk – some 10km – to St Albans took us along the A5183 Redbourn Road into the city, ending up at Clarence Park. Many of you will be familiar with the road, but you'd be surprised how far it is by foot. On arriving in St Albans, we also had to walk up a seemingly endless hill so by the time we arrived for lunch we were all grateful for a break. It was a great opportunity to meet some of our fellow walkers, and I spent a good half hour walking alongside Jeff who explained how he had come up with the idea after being approached by the charity last year.

FINAL PUSH

As with breakfast, lunch was provided by our very own catering manager David Romans, and after about 40 minutes (just enough time for my legs to seize up quite badly), we set off again. The third leg of the walk (1.1km) took us through St Albans, and over and along the M25 to Radlett Golf Centre where we reconvened for a short break before the final push into Watford. By now many of the walkers were beginning to feel the heat with blisters, chafing and general fatigue setting in. It was at this point that David Hoskins had a slip, which in the end resulted in him having to walk the final 8km with an (undiagnosed at the time) broken ankle. By this time Scott Oakes' feet were also the worse for wear so these two heroes hung back propped up the back of the group.

Personally, I found the last leg a real challenge. I hadn't done anywhere near enough training due to an injured big toe in the weeks up to the walk. But thanks to the support of the other walkers, I kept my head down and got on with the task in hand. I don't know Watford very well at all, so it was hard to know how far was left to go. The weather took a change for the worse too, with a huge rain storm opening up on us as we entered the town centre.

Then, as we rounded a corner, the organising group collected us together to make sure that Jeff and Russ could lead the group into the stadium. A welcoming committee greeted us with flags and cheers, and I was proud to cross the finishing line after a massive 28.5 miles.



We were ushered along the pitchside, and up the tunnel into the changing rooms where Harry the Hornet's attempt at banter fell a bit flat, but it was all for an excellent cause it didn't matter. Jeff and Russ thanked us all, and you couldn't help thinking about them having to do it all over again the next day on the final leg of their tour. Unbelievable Jeff!

And that was that! We'd done it. To date we have raised over £15,500 – an enormous sum of money.

A big thanks to everyone for their donations and messages of support, which will do so much to help people with this terrible disease.

In the end it didn't really matter that Watford wanted to charge us for our drinks at the end... I was only too happy to get back into the Luton Town fun bus and go back home to Luton.

Come on you Hatters!

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PICTURE the PAST

Club historian **ROGER WASH** delves into his photographic archive



Hugh Billington shoots for goal during the 0-3 defeat at the hands of champions elect Birmingham in this Football League South fixture in May 1946. In this, the last war-time season, things were slowly getting back to normal before the Football League started up again for the 1946/47 campaign. In case you were wondering why there appears to be smoke in the background, the Luton to Dunstable railway ran behind the main stand with the passenger service ceasing in 1965.

THE CAMERA never LIES

Club historian **ROGER WASH** delves into his photographic archive



The Town players take part in a training session in 1960 against a back drop of nutty slack and coke. The photo was taken not in South Wales or Yorkshire - but in Dallow Road!



Luton Town in the COMMUNITY

BY KEVIN THOBURN, HEAD OF THE HATTERS COMMUNITY TRUST

Little did we know when Hatters coach Luke Hyde started coaching the Under-16 disability team at the Grange Academy in Kempston back in January as part of our School Sport project that the boys would go on to win a national competition and end up at this seasons FA Cup Final to be presented with their cup winners medals!

The FA People's Cup is a joint initiative between the BBC Get Inspired project and the FA for all categories of the game and the journey for the Grange pupils in the



U16 youth disability section began by winning their local Bedfordshire competition before qualifying for the Eastern Regional qualifier

which was also held in Luton and attracted teams from all over the South of England including lots of other professional Clubs. The actual FA Cup made a rare visit to Bedfordshire for the tournament and to add to the local flavour of the regionals, two Bedfordshire Under-16 teams made the final – our boys, Grange Academy and a Beds FA representative team. On the day the team ended narrow winners on penalties with both teams qualifying for the national finals in Sheffield.

News of the Grange boys' exploits soon spread and we wanted to support the team as much as we could and so The Trust agreed with Grange staff member and local football stalwart, Dave Lawson, to donate a first team kit for the boys to wear in the national final. Not



only did we make the donation but the Club organised for first team forward Craig Mackkail-Smith and top scorer Jack Marriot to visit the Grange Academy to present the kit along with the Mayor of Bedford Borough, Dave Hodgson to the team. Mayor Hodgson, said: "This is an amazing achievement for the players, it gives them that sense of pride and team spirit as well as a great day out. I wished them luck on behalf of the Borough and I'm sure local residents will get behind them in this very special competition."

PROUD

Mackkail-Smith said: "The boys have done fantastically well to reach the national finals of the FA People's Cup on Sunday – I hope they can go to Sheffield and really enjoy their day out and who know – maybe win the cup? It's great that the Club have donated this kit for them to wear – hopefully they will be as proud to wear it as everyone at Luton Town is of them for getting this far." Fellow striker Jack added: "Even in the short time we spent with the lads you could see that they are a skilful group – I really hope they can perform on the day and win it."

So onto the final in Sheffield and who knew that yet again, it would be an all Bedfordshire national final in front of the BBC cameras as both sides had luckily been drawn in opposite halves of the draw. On the day the Grange Academy boys rose to the challenge and started with two wins from two. The third and final fixture which would decide the top teams to go straight into the final was against semi-final opponents Coventry City and a very close 1-1 draw proved enough to put the Grange into the final against familiar opponents from Bedfordshire. The final was again very close with a great fightback from the Beds FA rep side to finish

all square at 4-4 with the penalty shoot-out decider going the way of the Grange Academy boys as they were crowned national champions of the FA People's Cup 2016 Under-16 Disability.

Incredibly, the boys journey still isn't over as the winners are to be presented with their national cup at this year's FA Cup Final. Everyone at the Club would like to congratulate the boys' achievement – we would

never have forecast such a journey in such a short space of time when Luke started his coaching sessions earlier this year – it just shows that anything is possible if you put your mind to it.

If you would like to find out more about our school sport project or our disability coaching programme then please contact the Community office on 01582 737568 or via email at community@lutontown.co.uk.

Pre-Academy Tour to Amsterdam 2016 - Hatters pay homage to the great Johan Cruyff

Our pre-Academy overseas tour to Amsterdam this year turned out to be the most successful campaign ever with the Hatters Under-9-16s reaching four finals out of a possible eight – winning two and losing two, with a further three losing semi-finalist age groups clinching third place Play-Offs. In total this meant in seven out of nine age groups we finished in the top three placings – an impressive achievement by any standard when bearing in mind our boys all played up in European age

groups.

Top plaudits go to our Under-15 and Under-16s who both won their finals having gone the entire final day undefeated. A 0-0 draw for the Under-16s against Danish professional outfit FC Esbjerg was followed with another hard fought 2-2 draw against another professional side from Holland, HFC Kon before a 1-0 victory against MGM Purmesteijn put the boys into the final against local Amsterdam club ASC Waterwijk FC and another hard fought 1-0 victory in a





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ACADEMY UPDATE

WITH DEVELOPMENT & ACADEMY
MANAGER ANDY AWFORD

Good afternoon and welcome to today's game versus Accrington Stanley.

It's only been seven days since my last programme notes, however there are a few things of note that have taken place.

UNDER-18s

The Youth Team squad travelled to Barnet last Friday and enjoyed a comfortable 4-1 victory. The game allowed Paul Driver to experiment a little with the formation and personnel whilst also giving some players vital game time as we start to prepare for the League Cup National Final away at Shrewsbury Town on Wednesday 20th April. It was good to see Frankie Musonda get his first game minutes for six weeks, having recovered fully from a minor knee operation. On a difficult, lively pitch, the boys ran out worthy winners and stuck to their individual and team objectives well.

On a lighter note, we recently rewarded the Under-18 squad, for their excellent endeavours this season, with a trip to the local paintball venue at Slip End. The day was a great success and it was good to see the Academy staff and players enjoying some 'downtime' away from the normal intense working environment. However, I'm not sure some of the staff will be in a hurry to rush back judging by the bruises they are currently nursing - suffice to say the boys enjoyed their victory!

DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

The Development Squad travelled to Southend United on Tuesday and put in a fine performance which resulted in us winning 3-1. The players' work ethic, discipline and game management was very good, whilst the attacking combination play and defensive organisation was excellent. In all honesty, the scoreline did not reflect our overall dominance in what was genuinely a very good performance from start to finish.

It was good to see the youth team players make the 'step up' and the young professionals perform very well in a really good overall performance.

SCHOOLBOYS

The Under-16s resoundingly beat Barnet 3-0 last Saturday and the Under-9-14 groups all put in strong performances to come out on top overall against Leyton Orient last Sunday - well done boys!

Our young Foundation age (Under-7-U11s) players have enjoyed some really worthwhile trips up North recently. Fixtures at Manchester United and Liverpool's academies, coupled with a four team festival at St George's Park, have provided the boys with some fantastic vital experience. The Under-16s will be back up North today as they take on a strong Crewe Alexandra side whilst the younger age groups go up against Dagenham & Redbridge - good luck lads.

Enjoy the game, COYH!

Andy

YOUTH ALLIANCE FIXTURES

AUGUST

Sat 8 Barnet H W 4-0
Sat 15 Peterborough United A W 3-1
Tue 18 A.F.C. Wimbledon H W 5-0
Sat 22 Milton Keynes Dons A W 8-2
Sat 29 Gillingham H D 1-1

SEPTEMBER

Tue 1 Bristol Rovers (Cup) A W 2-0
Sat 5 Cambridge United A W 2-0
Sat 12 Leyton Orient H W 3-0
Sat 19 Dag & Red H W 4-0
Sat 26 Northampton Town A W 1-0

OCTOBER

Sat 3 Dag & Red (Cup) W 2-0
Sat 10 Southend United A W 2-1
Sat 17 Peterborough United H W 4-1
Fri 23 Barnet A W 5-0
Fri 30 Leyton Orient (Cup) H W 4-3 pens

NOVEMBER

Mon 2 Colchester Utd H (FAYC1) W 3-1
Sat 7 A.F.C. Wimbledon A W 4-1
Mon 16 Leyton Orient A (FAYC2) W 1-0
Sat 21 Gillingham A D 1-1
Tue 24 Milton Keynes Dons H W 2-0

DECEMBER

Sat 5 Cambridge United H W 3-0
Tue 15 Notts County A (FAYC3) W 3-1
Sat 19 Dagenham & Redbridge A L 1-3

JANUARY

Sat 2 Leyton Orient A W 1-0
Tue 12 Stevenage A W 2-0
Sat 16 Bournemouth A (Cup) W 4-2
Wed 20 Southend United H W 1-0
Sat 23 Stevenage H L 0-1
Wed 27 Oldham Athletic A (FAYC4) W 1-0
Sat 30 Northampton Town H L 0-3

FEBRUARY

Wed 10 Preston North End (FAYC5) A D 1-1 (W 5-3 PENS)
Sat 13 Leyton Orient H L 0-1
Sat 20 AFC Wimbledon H L 1-3
Tue 23 Blackburn Rovers (FAYCQF) A L 0-1

MARCH

Thu 3 Swindon Town (LC SF) W 2-0
Sat 5 Bournemouth A L 0-2
Sat 12 Gillingham H W 2-0
Sat 19 Cheltenham Town H W 1-0
Sat 26 Exeter City A L 0-1

APRIL

Fri 1 Barnet A W 4-1
Sat 9 Plymouth Argyle H 1pm
Sat 16 Southend United A 11am
Wed 20 Shrewsbury Town A (LCF) 7pm
Sat 23 Portsmouth A

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Luton LADIES



The Town Ladies returned to winning ways over Cambridge United with a 2-1 win in what was a bad-tempered encounter.

Luton created the best chances early on with Natasha Fensome breaking down the wing and firing her shot narrowly wide before forcing the keeper into a diving save at her near post following a volley from a superb Jo Rutherford cross.

The Town took the lead when a Zara Carroll corner to the far post was headed in by Nicola Henman and in spite of the best efforts of the visitors' defender the ball was adjudged to have crossed the line.

LEVEL

After dominating the first half some poor defending proved to be costly for Town as the visitors scrambled the ball over the line from six yards out from a corner kick to put Cambridge on level terms before the break.

The second half was a much more open affair as both sides traded opportunities but Town soon regained the lead after 56 minutes when Michelle Byrne played a superb pass in the box to Fensome who turned brilliantly before firing her shot into the bottom left corner.

Less than 10 minutes later a dangerous tackle from a Cambridge defender ended in a 20-player brawl which resulted in some cautions and a red card for Town's Carroll.

The Hatters reorganised and although they were less effective going forward the last 25 minutes were seen out

without too much difficulty restricting the visitors to just three attempts on goal of any note.

Manager Nikki Baker was delighted with the three points and said afterwards: "I thought we defended really well for the last 25 minutes being a player short and fully deserved all three points. I cannot defend what happened with the sending off but felt that Cambridge should have lost at least one player too."

BELIEVING

"We have to start believing in ourselves more in attack, if we can click in the final third the way I know we can then we will be a very difficult side to beat and will worry any team in this league, we have already proven that in games this season."

"We have three league games to go and a cup final and there is no reason why we can't win all three and the cup."

The Hatters travel to Enfield Town this weekend before the County Cup final on 17th April.



Nicola Henman scores the Town's first goal against Cambridge

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FACT FILE

ACCRINGTON STANLEY

TODAY'S MATCH WILL BE THE FIFTH MEETING BETWEEN THE HATTERS AND STANLEY. IN OUR PREVIOUS 4 ENCOUNTERS, WE'VE WON 1, DRAWN 2 AND LOST 1. OUR LAST MATCH WAS BACK IN FEBRUARY 2015, WHERE GOALS FROM JAYDEN STOCKLEY AND LUKE GUTTRIDGE HELPED US TO A 2 - 0 WIN IN FRONT OF 8,700 SUPPORTERS AT KENILWORTH ROAD. COYH!





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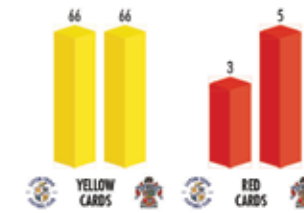
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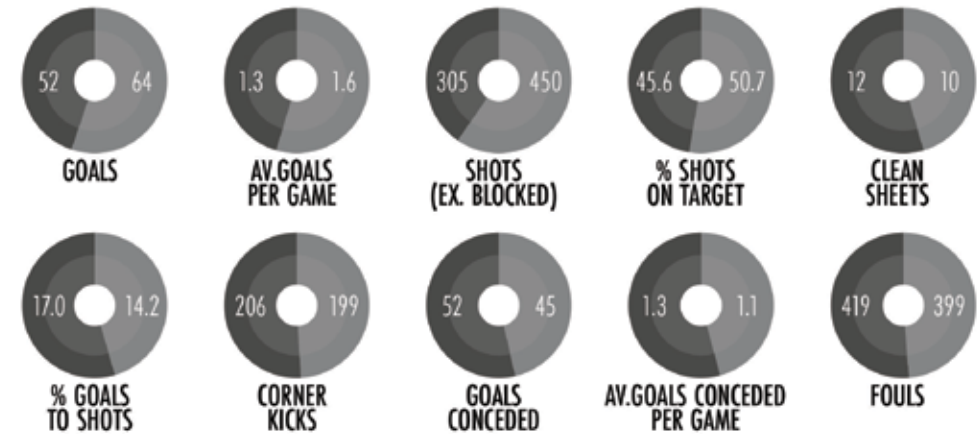
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Luton have only won once in the five encounters with Stanley (D3 L1), with that victory coming last time out at Kenilworth Road last season.

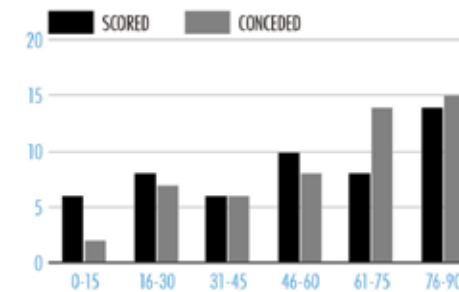


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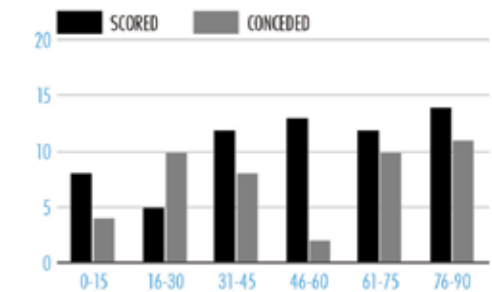
Indeed, Accrington's only win against the Hatters also came at the stadium, back in October 2008.



GOAL TIMES



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LEAGUE TWO TOP FIVES

GOALS

1	TAYLOR	24
2	SIMPSON	23
3	KEE	17
4	ROOFE	17
5	TAYLOR	16

ASSISTS

1	DEVITT	16
2	KEE	13
3	NICKY ADAMS	12
4	FRANCOMB	11
5	BYROM	9

SHOTS ON TARGET

1	ROOFE	58
2	SIMPSON	51
3	TAYLOR	51
4	KEE	46
5	CAREY	45

MINUTES PER GOAL

1	TAYLOR	119
2	MCNULTY	137
3	MULLIN	144
4	CORR	146
5	SIMPSON	149

% OF GOALS INVOLVED IN

1	SIMPSON	48
2	KEE	47
3	TAYLOR	45
4	AKINDE	43
5	PAYNTER	39

MINUTES PER CHANCE CREATED

1	DEVITT	146
2	NICKY ADAMS	193
3	HOLMES	205
4	KEE	244
5	PADDY MCCOU...	251

FOULS

1	GREEN	84
2	AKINDE	78
3	AKINFENWA	71
4	HARROLD	71
5	PIERRE	63

MINUTES PER GOAL CONCEDED

1	COUSINS	49
2	FLINDERS	50
3	ROCHE	51
4	DAY	52
5	O'BRIEN	54

LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT

Ben Davies has had a hand in four goals in his last four league games against the Daggers (one goal, three assists).

LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT

Craig Mackail-Smith has scored three goals in three league games against Accrington Stanley.

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A WORD FROM The Football League Paper

BY CHRIS DUNLAVY

Should Wayne Rooney go to the European Championships? With Harry Kane and Jamie Vardy in such sparkling form, England's leading scorer has a fight on his hands.

Truth is, there's no way Roy Hodgson would ever omit his captain. He basically said as much last week. The real debate is whether Rooney should feature in the starting XI.

Yet the unthinkable has happened before. Here are some other superstars who looked nailed on for a spot at a big tournament, only to have the rug pulled at the death.

Romario - Brazil 1998, 2002

Winner of the Golden Boot when Brazil triumphed at USA '94, Romario was controversially ditched from two different World Cup squads.

Crocked on the eve of France '98, the striker claimed he was on the mend and would be ready to resume his fabled Ro-Ro partnership with Ronaldo. Coach

Mario Zagallo disagreed, ditching him on deadline day and prompting Romario to hold a tearful Press conference.

A peeved Romario then returned home and decorated his bar with unflattering caricatures of Zagallo, who in turn sued for defamation.

Four years later, the 36-year-old was in deadly form for Vasco Da Gama and the entire country - including president Fernando Cardoso - clamoured for his inclusion.

Unfortunately for Romario, he'd weeded out of Brazil's Copa America squad claiming he required an eye injury, only to sneak off on holiday. Luis Felipe Scolari hadn't forgotten and took his revenge by shattering Romario's dreams of a glorious swansong.

Cue another Press conference, another bout of waterworks and a nation in uproar. Whether Scolari subsequently adorned the toilet doors in Cafe Do Gol remains a mystery.

Javier Zanetti - Argentina: 2006, 2010

Zanetti's omission in 2006 was bizarre enough, with Jose Pekerman preferring Lionel Scaloni - a Deportivo reject who'd spent half the season on loan at West Ham -

to a man with over 100 caps who'd just won Serie A.

But that was nothing compared to what happened four years later. Though 37, Zanetti had played 55 matches for an Inter side that won the Champions League, Serie A, both Italian Cups and the World Club Cup.

First name on the team-sheet? Zanetti didn't even make Diego Maradona's 23-man squad, his place at right back taken by Jonas Gutierrez who'd spent the season playing left wing for Newcastle. In the Championship.

Zanetti would eventually finish with a record 143 caps for his country, yet just seven of them came in World Cups.

Paul Gascoigne - England 1998

By 1998, alcohol and injury had reduced Gazza to a slower, fatter but still fitfully talented version of the tyro who took Italia '90 by storm.

Indeed, his form for Middlesbrough and a sensational goal against Moldova in a pre-World Cup friendly suggested Glenn Hoddle could be swayed.

Famously, he wasn't. Gazza was called into Hoddle's hotel room in La Manga, given the bad news and, to a backdrop of Kenny G, proceeded to smash the place to pieces.

It eventually took the combined might of Paul Ince and David Seaman to restrain the irate midfielder, who never played for England again.

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Northampton will get another crack at trying to secure promotion to League 1 this afternoon when Chris Wilder's Cobblers host Bristol Rovers at Sixfields.

The Cobblers were held to a 2-2 draw at home to Notts County last weekend, which delayed the inevitable for Wilder's side who have been in unstoppable form all season.

Oxford, losing finalists in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy on Sunday against Barnsley at Wembley, remained in second place last weekend despite not playing. Bristol Rovers, however, cut the gap to second place to just two points following their routine home win over Crawley.

The race for the final two automatic promotion spots is going sure to be an exciting one with Plymouth, now in fourth, and our visitors today, Accrington – in fifth – also on 71 points with

Bristol Rovers. Stanley missed an opportunity to jump into the top three last weekend after being held by Cambridge at the Wham Stadium.

Portsmouth might be sixth and five points behind that trio but don't rule out Paul Cook's men – they have a game in hand and last weekend recorded a narrow 1-0 win over Carlisle at Fratton Park to maintain the pressure on those sides above them in the table.

There is also plenty of jostling for what looks to be the final Play-Off spot with a host of sides battling out for seventh place and an extended season. Wycombe currently hold that place – despite losing 2-1 at home to fellow promotion rivals Wimbledon at Adams Park.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Barnet v Leyton Orient
Carlisle v Mansfield
Crawley v Oxford
Dag & Red v Portsmouth
Morecambe v Hartlepool
Newport v Cambridge
Northampton v Bristol Rovers
Notts County v Stevenage
Plymouth v Wimbledon
Yeovil v Exeter
York v Wycombe

Leyton Orient, Exeter, Carlisle – 1-0 winners on Tuesday night against Hartlepool – and Cambridge all harbour realistic hopes of gatecrashing the top seven. The Hatters lie eight points off the Play-Offs but do have a game in hand this coming Tuesday against Dagenham.

LEAGUE TABLE 2015/16

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Northampton Town	40	26	9	5	73	41	32	87
2 Oxford United	40	20	13	7	69	36	33	73
3 Bristol Rovers	40	22	5	13	64	40	24	71
4 Plymouth Argyle	40	21	8	11	57	37	20	71
5 Accrington Stanley	40	20	11	9	64	45	19	71
6 Portsmouth	39	17	15	7	63	35	28	66
7 Wycombe Wanderers	40	17	10	13	42	36	6	61
8 Carlisle United	40	15	15	10	59	56	3	60
9 Leyton Orient	40	16	12	12	54	52	2	60
10 AFC Wimbledon	39	16	11	12	57	48	9	59
11 Exeter City	40	16	11	13	56	54	2	59
12 Cambridge United	40	15	11	14	54	52	2	56
13 Mansfield Town	40	14	11	15	50	48	2	53
14 LUTON TOWN	39	15	8	16	52	52	0	53
15 Barnet	40	14	9	17	53	61	-8	51
16 Crawley Town	40	13	8	19	43	63	-20	47
17 Hartlepool United	39	13	6	20	41	57	-16	45
18 Morecambe	40	12	7	21	62	71	-9	43
19 Yeovil Town	40	10	13	17	37	50	-13	43
20 Notts County	39	11	9	19	49	68	-19	42
21 Newport County AFC	40	10	11	19	40	57	-17	41
22 Stevenage	40	9	12	19	46	64	-18	39
23 York City	40	6	11	23	44	75	-31	29
24 Dagenham & Redbridge	39	6	10	23	36	67	-31	28

PLAYER STATS 2015/16

	THIS SEASON										LIFEC		
	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL		DISP		CAREER TOT		LIFC		
	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	Y	R	APPS	GLS			
Zane Banton	0	(0)	0	0	0	(0)	0	0	0	0	6	0	
Paul Benson	13	(6)	4	1	(2)	1	14	(8)	5	2	1	84	25
Scott Cuthbert	36	(0)	0	4	(0)	0	40	(0)	0	1	1	40	0
Nathan Doyle	6	(5)	0	2	(1)	0	8	(6)	0	2	0	45	0
Danny Green	14	(6)	5	2	(3)	1	16	(9)	6	7	0	25	6
Scott Griffiths	17	(1)	0	3	(3)	0	20	(4)	0	1	0	115	3
Luke Guttridge	6	(2)	2	3	(0)	0	9	(2)	2	1	0	74	19
Ryan Hall	5	(5)	0	0	(3)	0	5	(8)	0	1	1	19	0
Jake Howells	13	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	13	(0)	0	1	0	330	31
Elliot Justham	7	(1)	0	2	(0)	0	9	(1)	0	0	0	33	0
Alex Lawless	17	(6)	1	3	(0)	0	20	(6)	1	6	0	198	22
Oilly Lee	25	(3)	2	5	(0)	0	30	(3)	2	6	0	33	2
Sean Long	7	(2)	0	2	(0)	0	9	(2)	0	2	0	11	0
Craig Mackail-Smith	27	(6)	4	1	(0)	0	28	(6)	4	3	0	34	4
Jack Marriott	18	(16)	11	4	(0)	2	22	(16)	13	2	1	38	13
Paddy McCourt	15	(10)	1	1	(0)	0	16	(10)	1	4	0	26	1
Cameron McGeehan	32	(3)	11	2	(2)	2	34	(5)	13	7	0	72	19
Steve McNulty	9	(1)	0	2	(0)	0	11	(1)	0	3	0	25	2
Josh McQuoid	15	(8)	2	4	(2)	2	19	(10)	4	1	0	29	4
Jonathan Mitchell	5	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	5	(0)	0	1	0	5	0
Frankie Musonda	0	(1)	0	0	(0)	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	1	0
Mark O'Brien	2	(4)	0	0	(3)	0	5	(4)	0	1	0	9	0
Stephen O'Donnell	23	(0)	0	3	(0)	1	26	(0)	1	3	0	26	1
Magnus Okuonghae	7	(4)	0	2	(1)	0	9	(5)	0	2	0	14	0
Joe Pigott	5	(4)	0	0	(0)	0	5	(4)	0	1	0	9	0
Dan Potts	7	(0)	0	2	(0)	0	9	(0)	0	0	0	9	0
Glen Rea	3	(0)	0	0	(0)	0	3	(0)	0	1	0	3	0
Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu	5	(9)	1	3	(0)	0	8	(9)	1	0	0	59	4
Alan Sheehan	13	(0)	1	0	(0)	0	13	(0)	1	2	0	13	1
Jonathan Smith	30	(4)	4	4	(0)	0	34	(4)	4	7	0	138	9
Mark Tyler	27	(0)	0	4	(0)	0	31	(0)	0	0	0	297	0
Luke Wilkinson	20	(0)	3	4	(0)	0	24	(0)	3	3	0	72	7

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PLAYED: 5,307

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LOST: 1,901

GOALS SCORED : 8,416

GOALS CONCEDED: 7,635

DATE	TIME	H/A	OPPOSITION	SCORE	ATT	AWAY POS	STARTING XI	SUBS														
AUGUST																						
Sat 8	3.00pm	A	Accrington Stanley	D 1-1	2,359	1,175	13 Justham Cuthbert Griffiths McNulty Wilkinson Doyle SMITH 1	Green ▲	McCourt ●	McQuoid ●	Mackail-Smith	Tyler	Potts	McGeehan	Benson ●	Marriott ▲	Ruddock ●	Guttridge				
Tue 11	7.45pm	H	Bristol City (Cap One Cup 1)	W 3-1	3,948	427	- Tyler Cuthbert McNulty Wilkinson Potts O'Donnell ● O'Brien ●	Ruddock	McGeehan	BENSON 1	MARRIOTT 2 ▲	Justham	Lawless	Hall	Griffiths ●	Guttridge	McQuoid ▲	Doyle ●				
Sat 15	3.00pm	H	Oxford United	D 2-2	8,877	781	15 Tyler Cuthbert McNulty WILKINSON 1 Griffiths O'Donnell ● Doyle	McCourt ▲	MC GEEHAN 1	Benson	Mackail-Smith ●	Justham	Lawless	Ruddock ●	McQuoid	Smith ▲	Marriott ●					
Tue 18	7.45pm	H	Bristol Rovers	L 0-1	8,061	553	18 Tyler Cuthbert McNulty Wilkinson Griffiths O'Donnell Doyle ●	McCourt	McGeehan ●	Benson	Mackail-Smith ▲	Potts	Smith ●	Lawless	Ruddock ●	Marriott ▲	McQuoid	Justham				
Sat 22	3.00pm	A	Yeovil Town	L 2-3	3,830	820	22 Tyler Cuthbert Griffiths McNulty ● Wilkinson Smith McGeehan	Green ▲	Hall ●	BENSON 1	MACKAIL-SMITH 1	O'Donnell	Lawless ●	McCourt ▲	Ruddock	McQuoid	O'Brien ●	Justham				
Tue 25	7.45pm	H	Stoke City (Cap One Cup 2)	D 1-1*	6,099	823	- Justham O'Donnell Griffiths Wilkinson Cuthbert O'Brien Smith	Lee	Green ●	Ruddock ●	McQuoid ▲	McNulty	Hall ●	MC GEEHAN 1	Benson ▲	McQuoid	Mackail-Smith	Tyler				
Sat 29	3.00pm	H	Portsmouth	L 1-2	9,083	1,032	22 Justham O'Donnell Griffiths Wilkinson Cuthbert O'Brien ● Smith	McGeehan	Hall ▲	McQuoid	MACKAIL-SMITH 1	● Tyler	McNulty	Green	Marriott ●	McCourt	Ruddock ▲	Lee ●				
SEPTEMBER																						
Tue 1	7.15pm	H	Leyton Orient (JPT1)	W 2-1	1,953	300	- Tyler O'DONNELL 1 Griffiths McNulty Cuthbert ● Lee Smith	Ruddock ●	GREEN 1 ▲	Guttridge	Marriott	Hall ●	Justham	Okuonghae ●	Mackail-Smith	McQuoid ▲						
Sat 5	3.00pm	A	Cambridge United	W 3-1	6,298	1,425	19 Tyler O'Donnell Griffiths WILKINSON 1 Cuthbert Lee Smith	GREEN 1	McQuoid	GUTTRIDGE 1	Mackail-Smith	McNulty	Hall	Justham	Ruddock	Okuonghae	Williams	O'Brien				
Sat 12	3.00pm	A	Notts County	L 2-3	5,820	1,689	20 Tyler O'Donnell Griffiths Wilkinson Cuthbert ● Lee SMITH 1	Green ●	McQuoid	Guttridge ●	Mackail-Smith	McNulty ▲	MC GEEHAN 1	Hall ●	McCourt	Ruddock	Williams	King				
Sat 19	3.00pm	H	Mansfield Town	W 1-0	7,939	262	18 Tyler O'Donnell Griffiths Wilkinson McNulty Lee Smith	Smith	McCourt ▲	McQuoid ●	McGeehan ●	MACKAIL-SMITH 1	Lawless ▲	Hall	Green ●	Marriott	Williams	O'Brien ●				
Sat 26	3.00pm	H	AFC Wimbledon	W 2-0	8,415	588	16 Tyler O'Donnell ● Griffiths ▲ Wilkinson McNulty Lee Smith	McCourt	Guttridge ●	McGeehan	Mackail-Smith	Potts	Lawless ●	Hall ▲	Green	MARRIOTT 2 ●	O'Brien	Justham				
Tue 29	7.45pm	A	Morecambe	W 3-1	1,388	295	11 Tyler Cuthbert ● Griffiths WILKINSON 1 McNulty Lee SMITH 1	McCourt ●	McQuoid	MC GEEHAN 1	Mackail-Smith ▲	Potts	Lawless ●	Green	Marriott ▲	Guttridge	Doyle ●	Justham				
OCTOBER																						
Sat 3	3.00pm	A	Hartlepool United	W 4-1	3,876	406	19 Tyler Cuthbert Griffiths Wilkinson McNulty LEE 1 SMITH 1	Guttridge	McQuoid ●	McGeehan	Mackail-Smith ●	Potts	Lawless	Hall	Green	MARRIOTT 2 ●	Doyle ●	Justham				
Tue 6	7.45pm	A	Gillingham (JPT2)	L 1-2	3,428	193	- Tyler Lawless Potts O'Brien Okuonghae Lee ● Doyle	Guttridge ●	McQuoid	MC GEEHAN 1 ▲	Marriott	Hall ●	Green ●	Griffiths ▲	Wilkinson	Justham						
Sat 10	3.00pm	H	York City	D 1-1	8,612	222	10 Tyler Cuthbert Potts Wilkinson McNulty Lee SMITH ●	Guttridge ▲	McQuoid	MC GEEHAN 1	Mackail-Smith ●	Lawless ●	Hall	Green	Marriott ●	Ruddock	Doyle ▲	Justham				
Sat 17	3.00pm	A	Crawley Town	L 1-2	3,335	1,412	12 Tyler Long Potts Wilkinson Cuthbert Doyle Smith	Lee ●	MC GEEHAN 1	Marriott ●	Mackail-Smith	Lawless	Hall	McCourt ●	Ruddock	McQuoid ●	O'Brien	Justham				
Tue 20	7.45pm	H	Leyton Orient	D 1-1	8,022	638	12 Tyler Long Potts Wilkinson Cuthbert Lee ● Smith	McCourt ●	McGeehan	MARRIOTT 1	Mackail-Smith ▲	Lawless	Ruddock	Guttridge ●	McQuoid ▲	O'Brien	Doyle ●	Justham				
Sat 24	3.00pm	H	Plymouth Argyle	L 1-2	8,703	745	15 Tyler Long ● Potts ● Wilkinson Cuthbert Doyle Smith	McGeehan	Ruddock ▲	Guttridge	Marriott	Lawless ●	Hall ●	McCourt	MCQUOID 1 ▲	O'Brien	Justham					
NOVEMBER																						
Sun 1	2.00pm	A	Dagenham & Redbridge	W 2-0	2,773	1,083	13 Tyler Long Griffiths Wilkinson Cuthbert Doyle Smith	LAWLESS 1 ●	McQuoid	GUTTRIDGE 1	Marriott ●	Potts	McGeehan ●	Green	McCourt	Lee	Mackail-Smith ●	Justham				
Sat 7	3.00pm	A	Crawley Town (FAC1)	W 2-1	1,929	487	- Justham Long Griffiths Wilkinson Cuthbert Lee Smith	Lawless ●	MCQUOID 2	Guttridge	Marriott ●	Potts	McHeehan	Benson ●	Green ●	McCourt	O'Brien	Tyler				
Sat 14	3.00pm	H	Barnet	W 2-0	8,497	612	10 Tyler Lawless Griffiths Wilkinson Cuthbert Lee SMITH	MC GEEHAN 1	GREEN 1 ●	McQuoid ▲	Benson ●	Potts	Marriott ●	MC COURT ▲	Long	Guttridge	O'Brien ●	Justham				
Sat 21	3.00pm	A	Stevenage	D 0-0	4,782	1,892	10 Tyler Lawless Griffiths Wilkinson O'Brien Cuthbert Lee ▲ Smith	McGeehan ●	Green ●	McQuoid	Benson ●	Marriott ●	McCourt	Guttridge	Mackail-Smith	O'Brien ▲	Justham					
Tue 24	7.45pm	H	Carlisle United	L 3-4	7,298	169	12 Tyler Lawless Griffiths O'Brien Cuthbert Lee Smith	McGeehan ●	GREEN 1	MCQUOID 1	MARRIOTT 1 ●	Hall	McCourt ●	Long	Mackail-Smith ●	Williams	Doyle	Justham				
Sat 28	3.00pm	A	Newport County	L 0-3	2,551	451	13 Tyler Lawless Griffiths Wilkinson Cuthbert Lee ● Smith	McGeehan ●	Green	McQuoid ●	Marriott	McCourt ●	Mackail-Smith ●	Doyle ●	Okuonghae	Long	Hall	Justham				
DECEMBER																						
Sun 6	2.00pm	A	Peterborough United (FAC2)	L 0-2	8,379	1,740	- Tyler Long Lawless ▲ Wilkinson Okuonghae Lee ● Smith	Doyle	McCourt ●	McQuoid	Mackail-Smith	Hall	Guttridge	Williams	McGeehan ●	Green ●	Griffiths ▲	Justham				
Sat 12	3.00pm	H	Northampton Town	L 3-4	8,792	1,032	17 Tyler Long ● Griffiths Wilkinson Okuonghae Lee Smith	Lawless ●	GREEN 1	BENSON 2	Mackail-Smith	O'Donnell	McGeehan	Hall ●	Marriott ●	McQuoid	Musonda	Justham				
Sat 19	3.00pm	A	Exeter City	W 3-2	3,777	416	13 Tyler Long Okuonghae ● Cuthbert Okuonghae Lee	Lawless	MC GEEHAN 1	▲	Mackail-Smith ●	BENSON 1	Griffiths	Marriott ▲	Guttridge	McQuoid ●	Justin	Justham				
Sat 26	3.00pm	H	Wycombe Wanderers	L 0-2	9,676	829	15 Tyler Long Howells Cuthbert Okuonghae Lee LAWLESS ●	McGeehan	Green ●	Mackail-Smith	Benson ▲	Smith	Griffiths	Marriott ▲	Guttridge ●	McQuoid ●	Musonda	Justham				
Mon 28	3.00pm	A	Portsmouth	D 0-0	17,688	1,556	14 Tyler O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Okuonghae Smith LAWLESS ▲	Hall	McQuoid ●	Marriott ●	Benson	McGeehan ●	McCourt	Long ▲	Guttridge	Mackail-Smith ●	Wilkinson	Justham				
JANUARY																						
Sat 2	3.00pm	A	Bristol Rovers	L 0-2	9,131	707	15 Tyler O'Donnell Howells ● Cuthbert Okuonghae Smith LAWLESS ▲	McGeehan	Hall	Mackail-Smith ▲	Benson ●	Marriott ▲	McCourt ●	Lee	Long	McQuoid ●	Wilkinson	Justham				
Sat 16	3.00pm	H	Cambridge United	D 0-0	9,227	1,022	18 Tyler ● O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Okuonghae Smith LAWLESS	Green ●	HALL ▲	Marriott	Benson	Potts	McCourt ▲	Lee	Mackail-Smith	McQuoid ●	Wilkinson	Justham ●				
Sat 23	3.00pm	A	Mansfield Town	W 2-0	4,245	739	15 Justham O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Sheehan Smith LAWLESS	McGeehan	MC COURT 1 ●	RUDDOCK 1 ▲	McGeehan	Mackail-Smith ●	Benson	Potts	Marriott ●	Lee ●	Musonda ▲	King				
Sat 30	3.00pm	H	Notts County	L 0-2	8,147	390	16 Justham O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Sheehan Smith LAWLESS	McCourt	Ruddock	McGeehan	Mackail-Smith	Benson	Marriott	Okuonghae	Lee	Banton	Piggott	Tyler				
FEBRUARY																						
Tue 2	7.45pm	H	Yeovil Town	D 1-1	7,538	132	16 Justham O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert SHEEHAN 1 Lee LAWLESS	Ruddock ●	McGeehan	Mackail-Smith ●	Pigott ▲	Smith	Benson ▲	Marriott ●	McCourt ●	Okuonghae	Banton	Tyler				
Sat 6	3.00pm	A	Wycombe Wanderers	W 1-0	4,597	1,398	14 Justham O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Sheehan Lee LAWLESS	MC GEEHAN 1 ▲	Marriott ●	Mackail-Smith	Pigott ●	Smith	Benson ●	McCourt ▲	Ruddock ●	Okuonghae	Banton	Tyler				
Sat 13	3.00pm	A	AFC Wimbledon	L 1-4	4,439	833	14 Justham O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Sheehan Lee ▲ McGeehan	McCourt ●	MARRIOTT 1	Mackail-Smith ●	Benson	Potts	Smith ●	Green	Ruddock	Okuonghae	Piggott ▲	Tyler				
Sat 20	3.00pm	H	Hartlepool United	W 2-1	7,880	193	13 Tyler O'Donnell ● Howells Cuthbert Sheehan Lee LAWLESS	MC GEEHAN 1	MC GEEHAN 1	Marriott	Pigott ●	Smith	Hall ●	McCourt	Ruddock ●	Okuonghae	MACKAIL-SMITH 1 ●	Justham				
Sat 27	3.00pm	A	York City	W 3-2	3,628	715	13 Tyler O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Sheehan ▲ LEE 1 LAWLESS ●	McGeehan	Green	MARRIOTT 1	Pigott ●	Smith ●	Benson	McCourt	Ruddock	Okuonghae ▲	Mackail-Smith ●	Justham				
MARCH																						
Tue 1	7.45pm	H	Morecambe	W 1-0	7,153	56	13 Tyler O'Donnell Howells Cuthbert Sheehan Lee Smith	McGeehan	McCourt ●	MARRIOTT 1	Mackail-Smith	Lawless	Benson	Green	Ruddock ●	Okuonghae	Pigott	Justham				
Sat 5	3.00pm	A	Leyton Orient	W 1-0	5,684	1,402	12 Mitchell O'Donnell Potts ▲ Cuthbert Sheehan Lee Smith	McGeehan	McCourt ●	MARRIOTT 1 ●	Mackail-Smith	Lawless	Benson	Green ●	Ruddock ●	Ruddock ▲	Pigott	Justham				
Sat 12	3.00pm	H	Crawley Town	L 0-1	8,264	197	13 Mitchell O'Donnell Potts Cuthbert Sheehan Lee SMITH ●	McGeehan	McCourt	Marriott ▲	Mackail-Smith ●	Benson ▲	Green ●	Ruddock	Okuonghae	Banton	Pigott ●	Justham				
Sat 19	3.00pm	A	Plymouth Argyle	W 1-0	7,973	554	12 Mitchell O'Donnell Potts ▲ Cuthbert Sheehan Rea Smith	McGeehan	McCourt ●	MARRIOTT 1	Mackail-Smith ●	Lawless	Benson ●	Green ●	Ruddock	Okuonghae ▲	Pigott	Justham				
Mon 28	3.00pm	A	Barnet	L 1-2	4,003	1,823	14 Mitchell O'Donnell Sheehan Cuthbert Okuonghae Rea Smith	MC GEEHAN 1	Ruddock	Marriott	Benson	Lawless	Green	McCourt	Lee	McQuoid	Pigott	Justham				
APRIL																						
Sat 2	3.00pm	H	Stevenage	L 0-1	8,502	347	14 Mitchell O'Donnell Sheehan Cuthbert ▲ Rea Lee Smith	McGeehan	McCourt ●	Marriott	Pigott ●	Lawless	Benson	Green ●	Ruddock ▲	McQuoid ●	Banton	Justham				
Sat 9	3.00pm	H	Accrington Stanley																			
Tue 12	7.45pm	H	Dagenham & Redbridge																			
Sat 16	3.00pm	A	Oxford United																			
Tue 19	7.45pm	A	Carlisle United																			
Sat 23	3.00pm	H	Newport County																			
Sat 30	3.00pm	A	Northampton Town																			
MAY																						
Sat 7	3.00pm	H	Exeter City																			

MEET THE REF: PETER BANKES

Referee Peter makes his second visit to Kenilworth Road this season having overseen our game with Portsmouth here back in August. Today's referee has taken charge of 33 matches in which he has shown 131 yellow cards and four red cards. Three of these red cards have come in his last seven matches. Please give Peter and his fellow officials a warm welcome this evening.

*Lost 8-7 on penalties

Key: ● First Substitute | ● Second Substitute | ▲ Third Substitute | ■ Sent off | GOALSCORER



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WITH SIMON PITTS



It was seven years ago on Tuesday since the famous win at Wembley to secure the Johnstone's Paint Trophy in front of 40,000

Luton fans, and whilst some things have changed significantly in the intervening years, history has also had the habit of repeating itself on occasions too!

Claude Gnakpa was our hero with the decisive goal in extra time that day, and it was great to see the Frenchman in the crowd at Kenilworth Road last Saturday supporting the present day team.

Just a few months after the euphoria of lifting the Trophy then manager Mick Harford lost his job following a 1-0 defeat at home to Stevenage. Unfortunately last weekend's home defeat was certainly an example of history repeating itself against our near neighbours as the Hatters once again fell to a late Boro goal.

Gnakpa was a midfielder who scored some great goals, and he would no doubt be impressed with the stats from a young player in his first full season in the Football League, as Cameron McGeehan currently has 13 goals from 39 appearances. McGeehan only turned 21 on Wednesday (Happy Birthday #Camoon!) but he's already more than replicating the kind of goal return that Gnakpa had during his spell at Kenilworth Road. He ended with 27 goals from 136 appearances, so Cameron certainly has the upper hand at present with a goal every three games compared to Claude's one in five record.

Pushing McGeehan all the way for the club's top scorers accolade is another young player also in his first

season in the Football League. Jack Marriott wasn't a name that most Luton fans would have been familiar with prior to his move last summer, but hearing from some of the fans of his previous club, Ipswich, they were fully aware of the talent that was just waiting to burst on to the field.

Marriott first came to prominence for the Hatters against Bristol City as he netted two goals in a 3-1 victory over the Championship side in the Capital One Cup back in August. There were limited opportunities to start a match in the League though and despite his cup double, against a side two leagues above the Hatters, Marriott made a further seven substitute league appearances before a full league start at Crawley in October. In total he'd only played just over the equivalent of two whole league games, yet he'd notched four goals, giving him an average of a goal every 48.5 minutes in league football.

DIFFERENT

Like McGeehan, it's 13 goals for Marriott this season but from one less appearance. However, time on the field is vastly different with Marriott netting from just 2,095 minutes on the pitch (not including injury time) and McGeehan from 3,054 minutes. This equates to a goal every 161 mins for Marriott now, better than one in every two matches.

Both players are only one goal from last season's top scorer Mark Cullen, who netted 14 in 47 appearances in all competitions, and ended with a record of a goal every 233 minutes. To have two players looking as though they could level or even pass Cullen's 14 is even more remarkable when you consider last season the next highest scorers were Jake Howells and Luke Rooney on just five goals!

Goals may have been few and far between recently, just four in the last six games, but after the disappointment of last weekend I'm sure we'd all just be grateful for a victory today, even if it is just 1-0. This is the most common league result for the Hatters in 2015/16, and four of the five 1-0 victories this season have come in the last 10 games.

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- 12 Scott Griffiths
- 14 Jack Marriott
- 15 Paddy McCourt
- 16 Elliot Justham
- 17 Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu
- 18 Magnus Okuonghae
- 19 Ollie Lee
- 22 Craig Mackail-Smith
- 23 Josh McQuoid
- 24 Curtley Williams
- 25 Mark O'Brien
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- 36 James Justin
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- 45 Joe Pigott



ACCRINGTON STANLEY

- 1 Ross Etheridge
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- 8 Josh Windass
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- 12 Liam Wakefield
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- 16 Keenan Quansah
- 17 Shay McCartan
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- 24 Mark Hughes
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- 34 Brad Halliday
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