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How long has this international break felt?

Welcome home to all eight of our players who flew to different parts of the world to represent their countries this past fortnight, and to you supporters who will no doubt have been desperate for club football to return.

Today we're back at the Kenny, our home, where form has been excellent of late.

Make sure you're in your seats for 2.45pm to roar the lads up the tunnel at the end of the warm-up, and then to welcome new signing Lamine Fanne Dabo, who will step out onto the hallowed turf for the first time to be introduced to you.

Make him feel at home, enjoy the game and get set for a big week on the road.

COYH!

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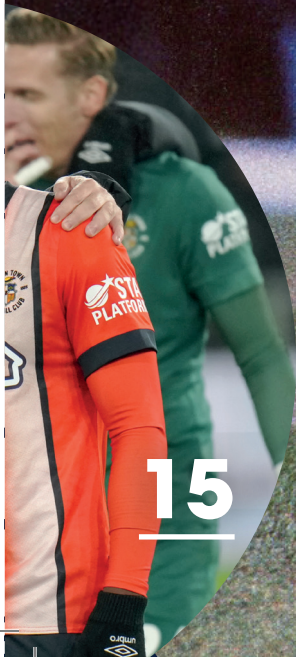
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| **ROB EDWARDS** |

THE BOSS

Welcome back to Kenilworth Road for this afternoon's game against Hull City.

The international break always seems longer after a defeat, but today we are back at it and welcome Tim Walter and his Hull squad, which features a couple of familiar faces in Cody Drameh and Ryan Giles. It'll be good to see two great lads who played their part in our Premier League story.

After the Middlesbrough game I was asked the question about my position, which I've never been asked before.

I love this football club and I wanted to make sure that the fans who had travelled a hell of a long way, and spent so much money in doing so, knew that I felt for them. It was a gut-wrenching day.

I felt hurt and distraught, and I spoke honestly and from the heart, which I always try to do.

I'm really proud of the work we've done at this club, but I have to admit that for a year now, it has been really tough. There have been a lot of challenges and mentally I've found it difficult.

What the international break has given us is a chance to have a few days off, to re-energise and refocus. Time to reflect.

I'm seeing this as the greatest opportunity and challenge that I've faced. It's a privilege for me, not a problem. I've been getting weighed down with problems. No longer...let's work through this.

The Middlesbrough defeat actually came off the back of a good performance only a few days earlier against Cardiff – and that emphasises that what we've shown over the course of the season so far is too much inconsistency.

So the big message this week in particular has been consistency, in-game, and then for a run of games. We've had four good, consistent performances at home, but then we've had difficult away games.

I will ultimately accept responsibility, but the players now have got to go and deliver consistent performances.

We believe in them and know that when we've got everyone available, we've got a really competitive group that we know can go and compete against anyone in this league.

What we need now is to show some character, resilience and spirit, show that we care, and that needs to be evident when the lads go over the white line.

I can assure you all that we care deeply about the football club and want to deliver for you.

What does every supporter want in difficult moments? For people to show character and fight, and stand up? Or hide and shy away from it?

We intend to fight and stand up, and hopefully you can do that with us and we can all be united, because we all want the same thing.

It's all of us together that can affect results going forward, so let's go and deliver another good home performance and step-by-step we will find this consistency to turn it around.

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| TOM LOCKYER |

CLUB CAPTAIN

Here we go again! Finally, matchday has come around and I know the Rob and the lads can't wait to get back out there this afternoon to put right the wrongs of Middlesbrough.

First, on behalf of the players, I want to thank the fans who travelled to the north-east. It's a hell of a long way, so we know you will have been disappointed to leave there with that scoreline.

For the first 30 minutes we were really good, and after that set piece goal, we needed to show a bit more mental resilience, which I think is probably the main thing we've been missing this season.

It's not a scoreline anyone is proud of, and it has hurt us, especially going into an international break. We've had a long couple of weeks on the back of that, so the lads have been chomping at the bit

to get back on the pitch and get three points, and there is no better place to do that than at the Kenny this afternoon.

Our form here at Kenilworth Road has been good since the first couple of matches, and we want to continue that consistency here this afternoon against a Hull side containing a popular member of our promotion-winning side of two seasons ago.

I'm sure you will all give Cody Drameh a good reception and he definitely deserves one. Hopefully he doesn't play as well as I've seen him play at the Kenny - I don't think I've ever heard a block cheered more loudly than in the second half of the play-off against Sunderland, I just won't mention his open goal miss a few minutes later!

Seriously, we wish Cody all the best and will always thank him

for what he did that campaign to help us get to the Premier League.

Massive congratulations to Mark McGuinness on making his international debut. I thought he was brilliant and Ireland were very good, up until the sending off and then you really saw just how good those top international players are, which is quite scary really, isn't it?

But that's what we all want to strive towards and the level we want to get to, so congratulations to Mark - hopefully that's the first of many caps to come.

Finally, welcome to Lamine Fanne Dabo and congratulation on helping get his AIK team into the Europa League. We're all very excited for him to join us in January and from what we've seen of his clips so far, he looks like a great player.

Hopefully we can help him fit seamlessly into

our squad, make him feel at home and try to get the best out of his football so he can become one of our soldiers with us.

Give him a big cheer, then keep up the volume for the lads when they come out.

We want you all with us and we need to be together, united as one. That is when we are at our best, as we've seen countless times over the years that I've been here. We are better when we are all together as a collective and that's what we are going to need moving forward.

Enjoy the game.



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BOARDROOM GARY SWEET

Good afternoon and welcome back to the home comforts of Kenilworth Road for a rare but very welcome 3pm Saturday league match.

Today we host Hull City, who started the season with high hopes under their new manager, Tim Walter, but find themselves on the same number of points in the lower reaches of the Championship table as ourselves with 15 games played.

We welcome everyone who has travelled from the north-east or further afield, including the travelling Tigers support and their full-backs Cody Drameh and Ryan Giles, who we thank for their contribution to our 2022/23 promotion, in Cody's case during his loan spell from Leeds, and to our Premier League campaign, in Ryan's.

Indeed, all players on both sides today will harbour ambitions for their clubs to return to the Premier League and when a short run of wins

in this crazy division can take you from the verge of the relegation zone to the periphery of the play-offs, anything is possible.

Encouragingly, it's at Kenilworth Road where our recent performances have shown promising signs of steady improvement and consistency, springboarded by that demonstrable derby day win.

Arguably, our recent home performances have been more consistent than our results. Sometimes you don't get what you deserve, so we certainly hope that our fortune evens out over the course of the season.

However, to acknowledge that we're finding our feet at home is only half the battle. We all know that it's our away record that has been less than satisfactory, since our single-goal victory at Millwall following the first international break in September, culminating in the humbling defeat at Middlesbrough.

Our unsatisfactory away performances and results is a topic which we'll certainly not hide from. Indeed, with the current Championship season having more than two thirds still to run, entering the international break presented us with an opportunity to take a deep, collective breath before reflecting upon our current situation – to fully understand why we're not firing on the requisite number of cylinders that should be seeing us challenging at the other end of the table.

While I could wax lyrical about the specific reasons why I feel we are where we are, I believe it would be far more constructive to explain that this last fortnight has felt like a defining period where, collectively, we have delved in detail and searched our souls to identify how we can gain much more consistency.

Suffice to say though, it is apparent that our Club's culture has been under attack over the last few months. Not by any dastardly enemy, or by

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Leagues, Associations (or even referees!), and not by our opposition; but brought on by ourselves.

The pride we have all felt over recent years has been amazing, as we have all enjoyed our unparalleled rise, ticking off four consecutive promotions while upholding the 'Luton-way' by keeping to our principles on and off the pitch and even maintaining a financial sustainability at the envy of many other clubs. A rise which resulted in us arriving at the promised land, with many believing that we had 'reached our destination.'

So, it shouldn't be a shock when, upon hitting our first big bump in the road – our first relegation for 15 years – it had more of a seismic effect than perhaps a minor impact of a flat tyre.

There have been many factors at play here too. Pretty much everything we've been through over the last 18 months has been untrod territory for all of us. Despite our experience (and perhaps age), we are still learning. Indeed, many of our supporters won't have been old enough to have experienced or remember what a relegation feels like. We are **all** learning.

Thankfully, our captain Locks is well on his way to full recovery and fitness, but those events that unfolded last December have, quite naturally, had a long-lasting effect on us, but often consciously



Our Under-18s captain Charlie Emery and Ladies skipper Elly Wade lay the Remembrance Day wreaths ahead of our last home game against Cardiff

forgotten. The summer transfer window was a huge education for everyone involved as we saw unscrupulous agent after unscrupulous agent take pop at selling many of our players an unrealistic fantasy which was a somewhat unplanned and hard to navigate disruption.

Along with a number of other obstacles en-route, I can't deny that we've all been tested over recent months. It's rather obvious that our rise couldn't simply keep continuing – a stall at some point was more than inevitable – but it was always about how we recover from the impact.

The duty to protect our club culture doesn't just fall on those representing us on the pitch or others at the Club. Your willing contribution is also

important. Arguably, too many of us were guilty of high expectations, as a former Premier League club, to continue the level of our performances almost seamlessly.

External factors will always come into play and are often impossible to proactively avoid and, what I would urge everyone to be willing to accept is the submission that this is a process that has needed to run its course, but for us, collectively, to battle on and uphold the 'Luton-way'. This is our own battle, and we are determined to overcome it.

After an inspiring coming of minds over the last few days, we are motivated by the head-strong determination from everyone which we hope will reveal itself today and, more pertinently, at

Leeds and Norwich in the coming days.

This has been a good break for more reasons too, as we've seen as many as eight players go away to represent their country, with Mark McGuinness becoming the latest Luton Town player to be capped at full international level by the Republic of Ireland in their Nations League visit to Wembley last Sunday.

Mark will acknowledge that, whilst possibly the proudest, it possibly wasn't the easiest 90 minutes of his career, coming up against an England side buoyed not only by their 3-0 win in Greece four days earlier, but by a penalty awarded together with a red card for one of his centre-half partners with the score at 0-0.

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No-one can doubt that Mark had played his part in keeping Harry Kane and Co at bay in that first half, nor underestimate the size of the task that followed for the ten men in green after the dismissal and conversion of the penalty.

Despite the result, it was still a proud moment for Mark – and for his family and all of us at the club, too. He may only have been with us for a short time, but as with Amari'i Bell, Daiki Hashioka, Marvelous Nakamba, Teden Mengi, Zack Nelson, Joe Johnson and Dylan Stitt during this latest international break, we are delighted to see our players represent their country and carry Luton Town's name around the world.

Indeed, in this most recent break we have seen yet another of our young prospects, Harrison Dunn, called up by England U15s for the

first time for a training camp at St George's Park.

Well done to all of those lads and fingers crossed that, as I write these notes, they all return to The Brache with a clean bill of health.

Whilst singling out recent action from our own players, please make sure you give a warm Luton welcome to Lamine Fanne Dabo, who will be introduced to you on the pitch before kick-off today, after finishing the Swedish league season in style with AIK Stockholm before his formal registration with us in January.

Those of you who have followed his progress since we announced his signing in August, you will know that Lamine has produced some outstanding performances in the heart of midfield during the run-in for the Swedish club, culminating with a

hat-trick of assists in the victory over Halmstad that secured European football for next season.

Lamine will now take a short break for some well-deserved R&R and has come over for a few days to receive his nutrition and training programmes, begin his integration with the squad and get used to his new surroundings before starting a mini pre-season at The Brache next month, so he's ready to go in January.

Let Lamine witness the Kenny at its most passionate best today.

Let's hear you from minute one, let the lads know they've got you in their corner and let's start fighting our way up the Championship table. There are 93 points still to play for.

Come on you Hatters!

CLUB HONOURS

LEAGUE CUP

Winners 1988
Runners-up 1989

FA CUP

Runners-up 1959

FOOTBALL LEAGUE TROPHY

Winners 2008/09

SECOND DIVISION/ CHAMPIONSHIP

Champions 1981/82
Runners-up 1954/55, 1973/74
Play-Off Winners 2022/23

THIRD DIVISION/ LEAGUE ONE

Champions 1936/37,
2004/05, 2018/19
Runners-up 1935/36, 1969/70

FOURTH DIVISION/ LEAGUE TWO

Champions 1967/68
Runners-up 2001/02, 2017/18

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Champions 2013/14



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AROUND TOWN

DIAMOND PLAYER OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER

The winner of the Diamond Player of the Month for October will be presented with the trophy in the Eric Morecambe Suite after today's game against Hull City.

Tom Krauß takes the prize for October, polling 41% of the vote in a month which our German featured in all four matches, contributing to our derby day win and getting on

the scoresheet against Oxford United. He will be presented the Trophy by Diamond Season Card holder Stephen Swain.

We would like to thank all Diamond Season Card holders that took the time to vote, and all Diamond Season Card holders should receive an email with the opportunity to vote for November's Player of the Month in the coming weeks.



REST IN PEACE



Alec Childs

It is with sadness that we learned of the news that Alec Childs had passed away on 7th November, at the age of 93.

Ever since the 1950s, Luton Town had always been a huge part and constant in Alec's life that brought him so much joy (on the most part).

From rainy days away at Doncaster to glorious times at Wembley, he'd seen it all with his season ticket of 70 years, supporting through thick and thin. He had never been prouder to see them back in the Premier League last

season and we're so glad he got to witness that famous season before he passed.

As he'd always say, UP THE HATTERS!



Tony Kelly

Lifelong Luton Town supporter Anthony (Tony) Kelly sadly passed away on Thursday 14th October after a long battle with asbestosis.

Tony had a Season Card in Main Sand D for many seasons and will be sadly missed by all his friends and family. COYH!

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WELCOME CODY!

A new Hatter has been born as Cody Garley came into the world on Saturday, 19 October 2024 and arrived just as Carlton Morris was scoring the second goal against Watford.

Mum, Emma, and dad, James, are both diamond season ticket holders and actually had the big game on their phones whilst Cody was being born!

Big brother Presley, a Junior Hatters member, is looking forward to when they can both start playing for the mighty Hatters!





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ACTION REPLAY



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Brown 57'



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A bullet header from Jacob Brown was the difference as the Town returned to winning ways with a narrow victory against in-form Cardiff.

The forward netted his second goal of the season to give the Hatters their first win in three games to lift them out of the Championship relegation zone.

Brown rose highest in a crowded penalty area to nod home Alfie Doughty's left-wing corner shortly before the hour to seal the Town's first win since beating Watford last month.

In truth, it was the highlight of a game low on goalmouth action. The closest the Town came in the opening 45 minutes was a Carlton Morris header that flashed over the bar following Doughty's left-wing cross.

Morris and his teammates were convinced the Town should have had a penalty when Callum Chambers handled in the box – only for referee Matt Donohue to wave away the appeals and book Morris for his protests.

Cardiff had showed glimpses of why they arrived in Bedfordshire as one of the Championship's form teams in the first half, and seven minutes after the start of the second half the Bluebirds came close to taking the lead. The Town needed the fine agility of Thomas Kaminski to turn away a top-corner bound diving header from substitute Yakou Meite.

But five minutes later the Hatters were in front. Morris won a corner down the left which was swung in dangerously by Doughty. Brown lost his marker in the penalty area to thump a header past Jak Alnwick in the visitors' goal.

Immediately from the restart Kaminski was needed once more, springing away with a fine fingertip save to prevent David Turnbull's audacious effort from finding the corner.

But that would prove to be the last time the Town keeper was called into action as the Hatters ended the game strongly.

Substitute Elijah Adebayo almost flicked home Morris' cross on 69 minutes and Mark McGuinness, strong in defence all night against his former club, saw a header from a Doughty corner stopped by Alnwick six minutes later.

As time ticked down the Town held firm and despite a late injury to Doughty that saw 10 minutes of added time played.

Cardiff pushed for the latest of levellers but were off wildly off target with two tame efforts and the Hatters were able to celebrate a deserved win.

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ACTION REPLAY



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Burgzorg 30', 54'
Latte Lath 42' Azaz 51', 87'



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Clark 77'

The Hatters suffered a fourth successive away defeat as high-flying Middlesbrough won 5-1 at the Riverside Stadium.

Manager Rob Edwards made five changes to the side that beat Cardiff 1-0 at Kenilworth Road three days earlier, but his team were broken by four goals in 24 minutes either side of half-time, with Delano Burgzorg and Finn Azaz both netting two, and Emmanuel Latte Lath also on target.

Substitute Jordan Clark netted his third goal of the season with 13 minutes left to reduce the arrears, but it was the hosts who went soaring back into the play-off places.

The Hatters had started well, although it was Boro who had the game's first attempts on goal, Hayden Hackney and Luke Ayling both firing over the bar.

Cauley Woodrow, making his first start of the season, had the Hatters' first shot on target - a 25-yarder from the right side of the area that Seny Dieng punched clear - before Walsh dragged an effort wide.

But Boro took the lead on the half-hour, Burgzorg running onto a loose ball just inside the Town area after a well-worked corner routine from the right.

The hosts took complete control of the game two minutes before half-time when Latte Lath controlled Azaz's chipped pass on his chest, turned and placed a left-footed finish into the bottom corner.

Edwards made one change at the interval, with Victor Moses on in place of captain Amari'i Bell, and Daiki Hashioka switching to left wing-back, with the ex-Chelsea man on the right.

But before they knew it, the Town were three and then four down. First, Hackney set Doak clear and the Scotland international cut back for Azaz to curl into the top corner five minutes after the restart.

In a rare glimpse of attacking intent, Chong set up Woodrow for a shot that was saved by Dieng.

But within seconds, Boro went straight up the other end and made it 4-0 with Burgzorg netting his second after Latte Lath had won the ball ahead of McGuinness, who was the last defender, and played the Dutch forward in for an open goal.

The Town boss made four more changes, immediately introducing Tom Krauß and captain Carlton Morris for Baptiste and Woodrow, before adding Clark and Marvelous Nakamba to the fray just before the hour, in place of Adebayo and Walsh.

The arrears were reduced on 77 minutes when Krauß set up fellow sub Clark to fire past Dieng.

Azaz curled in the goal of the game from the edge of the box, however, and the Hatters brilliant travelling support of almost 700 headed home disappointed.





ACTION REPLAY





ALWAYS UMBRO

100 YEARS OF AUTHENTICITY ON AND OFF THE PITCH.



WELCOME



The Tigers are in town this week and take on the Hatters in what is a big match for both sides.

Hull currently sit in 19th place on 15 points, the same amount as Luton currently have, with the Hatters two places below on goal difference.

Hull started the season poorly and had to wait until late September for their first win, a brilliant 3-1 away victory over Stoke City. This win was followed by back-to-back victories against Cardiff and QPR before things took a turn again.

The 3-1 away win against QPR was followed by a 4-0 defeat to Norwich City at Carrow Road, which started a tough run of results. A 1-0 loss at home to Sunderland before three 1-1 draws in a row saw the Tigers tumble back down the table.

Another two defeats going into the international break has left Hull on 15 points from 15 games. However, Tim Walter will be looking for his side to turn this around with a big run of games to come.

A warm welcome to Kenilworth Road to all those associated with Hull City, especially former Hatters Cody Drameh and Ryan Giles.



QPR SITON

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THE SQUAD



- 1 GK Ivor Pandur
- 2 DF Lewie Coyle
- 3 DF Ryan Giles
- 4 DF Charlie Hughes
- 5 DF Alfie Jones
- 6 DF Sean McLoughlin
- 7 FW Liam Millar
- 8 MF Marvin Mehlem
- 9 FW Chris Bedia
- 10 MF Abdülkadir Ömür
- 11 FW Doğukan Sinik
- 12 FW João Pedro
- 14 MF Harry Vaughan
- 16 FW Ryan Longman
- 17 DF Finley Burns
- 18 MF Xavier Simons
- 19 MF Steven Alzate
- 20 MF Gustavo Puerta
- 22 GK Carl Rushworth
- 23 DF Cody Drameh
- 25 MF Óscar Zambrano
- 26 DF Andy Smith
- 27 MF Regan Slater
- 29 DF Matty Jacob
- 31 GK Anthony Racioppi
- 32 GK Thimothée Lo-Tutala
- 33 FW Mohamed Belloumi
- 34 GK Harvey Cartwright
- 36 FW Will Jarvis
- 40 GK Owen Foster
- 41 FW Tyrell Sellars-Fleming
- 42 MF Rocco Coyle
- 43 DF Stan Ashbee
- 44 FW Abu Kamara
- 45 MF Kasey Palmer
- 47 MF Nathan Tinsdale
- 48 FW Mason Burstow
- 55 DF Jevon Mills

PROFILES

Words by Zac Neal

THE BOSS

TIM WALTER

Forty-nine-year-old manager who was at Hamburger SV for three years before joining the Tigers. Has had numerous jobs in German football before coming to England.

GOALKEEPER

IVOR PANDUR

Croatian goalkeeper who spent last season at Fortuna Sittard. Been a regular between the sticks for Hull this season.

DEFENDERS

CHARLIE HUGHES

Came through the academy at Wigan and played for the Latics for two years and later joined the Tigers in 2024.

ALFIE JONES ▼

Spent the last four years at Hull after breaking into senior football at St Mirren and Gillingham on loan. Made over 150 appearances for Hull.



LEWIS COYLE

Right sided defender and former Leeds man who has been a Tiger since 2020. Also made over 100 appearances for Fleetwood.

RYAN GILES

Ex-Luton man who came to the Hatters in 2023 from Wolves. Spent the second half of last season on loan with the Tigers before signing permanently in the summer.

CODY Drameh

Was on loan with the Hatters in the 22/23 season and played a key part in promotion. Started for the Hatters in the play-off final against Coventry.

MIDFIELDERS

XAVIER SIMONS

Spent his youth years at Brentford and Chelsea before breaking through at Hull. Has been a solid starter for the Tigers this season.

REGAN SLATER

A regular face in the Hull midfield for four years. Previously played for Sheffield United, Carlisle and Scunthorpe.

GUSTAVO PUERTA

Colombian playmaker on loan at Hull from Bayer Leverkusen. Been in and out of the side since joining.

KASEY PALMER

Experienced Championship midfielder who has played for the likes of Blackburn, Bristol City, Derby, Swansea, Coventry and now Hull.



RYAN LONGMAN

Twenty-four-year-old midfielder who began his career at Brighton. Joined Hull in 2022 and spent last season on loan at Millwall.

FORWARDS

JOAO PEDRO

Brazil-born striker with years of experience all across the world. Was prolific for Cagliari and earned an international cap for Italy as a result.

MASON BURSTOW

Former Chelsea youngster who signed for Hull permanently in August. Featured for the Blues against us last season at Stamford Bridge.

ABDULKADIR OMUR ▲

Turkish forward who has spent last eight years at Trabzonspor before joining Hull this summer.

TIGERS KITBAG



2007/08 HOME

Simple amber and black number with tiger print armpits that marked the start of a three-year kit deal with Umbro. Of course, the fact it is symbolic of the Tigers' first promotion to the Premier League, beating that lot down the road 6-2 on aggregate in the play-off semi-final, certainly helps swing the vote!

A FOOT IN BOTH



BRIAN HORTON

The midfielder was 32 when he joined Luton from Brighton in exchange for Tony Grealish in 1981, and he helped David Pleat's Hatters rise to the top-flight as an inspirational skipper.

He scored ten goals in 132 appearances for us, before leaving in to become player-manager at Hull in June 1984, leading the Tigers to Third Division promotion in his first season. He retired from playing in 1986 after 46 City appearances, and was sacked as their boss in April 1988.

TIGERS HERO

Scorer of the only goal in that 2007/08 Championship play-off final win over Bristol City, **Dean Windass** etched his name deeper into Tigers history with that sumptuous volley from the edge of the Wembley box.

Then 38, the forward was in his second spell with his hometown club, who had initially released him as a youngster. Determined to prove them wrong, Windass eventually earned a contract at Boothferry Park and scored 64 goals

in 205 appearances before his sale to Aberdeen in 1995 helped save City from going bust.

After fruitful spells with Oxford, Middlesbrough, Sheffield United and two at Bradford, he returned to Hull in 2007 initially on loan to help save them from relegation to League One with eight goals in 18 games.

The following year he helped create history with that first promotion to the top-flight, before netting an equaliser against Portsmouth the following season to become the Tigers' oldest-ever scorer at the age of 39.



FIXTURE FLASHBACK

TIGERS 0-1 TOWN 18TH JULY 2020

The Hatters were staring Championship relegation in the face when football resumed following the Covid lockdown in June 2020 with Nathan Jones reinstalled for a nine-game mini-season, to be played behind-closed-doors.

After winning two, drawing four and losing one of their first seven, Town knew that defeat at drop rivals Hull

on July 18th would almost certainly see them fall through the trapdoor, with a draw not much good for either side.

With five minutes left and everyone set for stalemate that would leave Town and Hull level on 46 points, two adrift of fourth-bottom Charlton, Kazenga LuaLua cut inside from the right and

fizzed a low left-footed strike into the bottom corner from 25 yards.

Cue Kaz's trademark somersaults and non social-distancing celebrations from staff and players, who would then pull off the Great Escape by beating Blackburn 3-2 at Kenilworth Road three days later.



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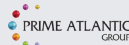
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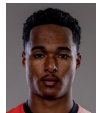
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COMMERCIAL

Our last home game against Cardiff City saw the media team select midfielder Tom Krauß as man-of-the-match.

Tom was in the Eric Morecambe Lounge post-match to receive his award and took in the congratulations from all of our guests, as did Thomas Kaminski who was presented with his Diamond Player of the Month award for September.

That Wednesday night also saw us welcome four mascots, who all got to enjoy their evening and celebrate three points. Our mascots were out on the pitch for the warm-ups, meeting their favourite players before leading the team onto the pitch prior to kick-off.

Today we welcome match sponsors Hardings Arc and seven mascots who will get the VIP treatment as we host Hull City.

There is still selective availability for sponsorship and mascot packages for our remaining home fixtures this season, so if you're interested please get in touch with our friendly hospitality team. Call 01582 411622 or email commercial@lutontown.co.uk.

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MACCA MAKES HIS MARK AGAINST OLD CLUB

Mark McGuinness stressed the importance of gaining three points in the 1-0 win over his former club Cardiff City in the last home game at Kenilworth Road before the international break.

The 23-year-old centre-back turned in a solid performance against his previous employers, and speaking to the press afterwards he said: "I think it's really important for us.

"We've had some good performances at home, but maybe not got the results, so it was important for everyone to feel like we can get performances and results here.

"We've been playing well here, it's a place where we feel like the crowd gets with us and

teams coming here feel intimidated, so we want to keep that.

"It's really important moving forward in the season, so it was a really good test. You don't quite get what you deserve in football sometimes, we know that.

"We've been unlucky in some games and also we know that we can improve, but today was a really good performance and three points."

Asked whether it was difficult to come up against the side with which he started the season, and where he had spent the last three seasons, he replied: "No, it's game face on when that whistle goes and chat with the boys afterwards, but during the game, I've got a job to do.

"It's not weird, it's probably an advantage. I know what these guys are like, so I can use that in the game."

A second goal would have been the icing on the cake for the former Arsenal man, who would have felt more comfortable in the closing stages had the Hatters been able to double the advantage.

"I think that's the next step for us now," he said. "The game can be in the

balance at one-nil, I feel like we've got the quality and just being that bit more ruthless to put the games to bed, two, three-nil, and then everyone can be a bit more comfortable watching.

"It was a tight game throughout, it was just important for us to stay switched on and focused and lock up at the back. We felt comfortable, I thought Teden and Amari'i did really well alongside me and we looked really strong."

"WE FELT COMFORTABLE, I THOUGHT TEDEN AND AMARI'I DID REALLY WELL ALONGSIDE ME"



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Pelly, Eli & Mick go back to school

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As part of the EFL's Week of Action, in which the spotlight falls on the work carried out in the local area by the Luton Town Community Trust, Hatters Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu, Elijah Adebayo and Mick Harford visited Denbigh High School on Tuesday afternoon.

The pupils had enjoyed a mental health workshop with local charity CHUMS, before the Town trio answered questions and posed for pictures.

"It was nice to come here and I think our support for the kids is good for everyone," said Pelly. "Having me, Eli and Mick come today and see them all happy and listening, it's a good

experience for them, for us and hopefully we can do a lot more for this community."

Elijah spoke about the importance of mental health and wellbeing as a footballer, and how that can help the local youngsters.

"Sometimes you can get sidetracked by a lot of things that are going on, and I think as professional footballers coming down here to the school today, it's always good to give that information and confidence to the kids so that what we might be experiencing, they might experience further down the line," he said.

"It's giving them insight on how they can try to

overcome the obstacles that might lay in front of them. It's up to us to be able to try and give them the best tools in order to try and counteract that and hopefully overcome it and move forward"

Mick, who is an ambassador for CHUMS, added: "Football is massive in our lives and a lot of people's lives. Those kids are amazing, it's great to be around

them. They've got so much personality, very vibrant and it's an honour to come along here.

"Elijah, Pelly and myself are in privileged positions, but to come along here and try and help them and endorse what the football club and the charity are all about, it's a brilliant opportunity for us to get the word out there. Football brings people together."



WEEKEND'S
FIXTURES

TODAY
12.30pm
Bristol City v Burnley
Coventry City v Sheffield United
Sheffield Wednesday v Cardiff City
3pm
Blackburn Rovers v Portsmouth
Millwall v Sunderland
Oxford United v Middlesbrough
Preston North End v Derby County
Queens Park Rangers v Stoke City
West Brom v Norwich City
SUNDAY
3pm
Swansea City v Leeds United



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BLOCKS

Ben Gibson	20
Stoke City	
Steve Cook	18
Queens Park Rangers	
Lewis Gibson	17
Plymouth Argyle	
Shane Duffy	16
Norwich City	
Ben Wilmot	15
Stoke City	



AERIAL
DUELS WON

Mattie Pollock	78
Watford	
Jake Cooper	76
Millwall	
Jimmy Dunne	76
Queens Park Rangers	
Mark McGuinness	71
Luton Town	
Kieffer Moore	64
Sheffield United	

TABLE AND STATS 2024/25
AS OF 12/11/2024

		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	PTS
1	Sunderland	15	9	4	2	25	11	14	31
2	Sheff Utd	15	10	3	2	19	7	12	31
3	Leeds	15	8	5	2	24	9	15	29
4	Burnley	15	7	6	2	18	6	12	27
5	West Brom	15	6	7	2	16	9	7	25
6	Watford	15	8	1	6	23	22	1	25
7	Middlesbrough	15	7	3	5	23	17	6	24
8	Millwall	15	6	5	4	18	13	5	23
9	Blackburn	15	6	4	5	19	17	2	22
10	Bristol City	15	5	7	3	20	19	1	22
11	Swansea	15	5	4	6	11	10	1	19
12	Derby	15	5	4	6	19	19	0	19
13	Stoke	15	5	4	6	18	19	-1	19
14	Norwich	15	4	6	5	23	22	1	18
15	Sheff Wed	15	5	3	7	17	25	-8	18
16	Oxford Utd	15	4	5	6	17	18	-1	17
17	Coventry	15	4	4	7	20	21	-1	16
18	Plymouth	15	4	4	7	15	26	-11	16
19	Hull	15	3	6	6	16	20	-4	15
20	Preston North End	15	3	6	6	15	23	-8	15
21	Luton	15	4	3	8	17	26	-9	15
22	Cardiff	15	4	3	8	14	23	-9	15
23	Portsmouth	15	2	6	7	16	28	-12	12
24	QPR	15	1	7	7	12	25	-13	10

PLAYER STATISTICS

PLAYER	LEAGUE			THIS SEASON CUP			TOTAL			DISCIPLINARY		LIFECAREER TOTAL	
	APP	SUB	GLS	APP	SUB	GLS	APP	SUB	GLS	YELLOW	RED	APP	GLS
Elijah Adebayo	14	1	2	1	0	0	15	1	2	1	0	157	44
Mads Andersen	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	12	1
Shandon Baptiste	5	3	0	0	1	0	5	4	0	2	0	9	0
Amari'i Bell	7	0	0	1	0	0	8	0	0	1	0	132	2
Jacob Brown	2	6	2	0	0	0	2	6	2	0	0	30	5
Reece Burke	7	0	0	1	0	0	8	0	0	3	0	91	4
Tahith Chong	13	0	3	1	0	0	14	0	3	3	0	52	8
Jordan Clark	13	1	2	1	0	0	14	1	2	5	0	152	14
Alfie Doughty	13	0	0	1	0	0	14	0	0	5	0	92	5
Daiki Hashioka	5	1	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	2	0	17	0
Tom Holmes	4	2	0	0	1	0	4	3	0	0	1	7	0
Joe Johnson	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	9	0
Thomas Kaminski	14	0	0	1	0	0	15	0	0	1	1	53	0
Tom Krauss	8	2	1	0	0	0	8	2	1	0	0	10	1
Tim Krul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
Tom Lockyer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	117	7
Mark McGuinness	13	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	1	0	13	0
Teden Mengi	11	1	1	0	0	0	11	1	1	2	0	47	2
Carlton Morris	9	3	4	1	0	0	10	3	4	5	0	107	35
Victor Moses	6	3	1	0	0	0	6	3	1	0	0	9	1
Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	407	23
Marvelous Nakamba	4	4	0	1	0	0	5	4	0	0	0	43	0
Zack Nelson	2	5	0	1	0	1	3	5	1	1	0	10	1
Chiedozie Ogbene	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	39	5
James Shea	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	110	0
Joe Taylor	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	1	0	13	0
Andros Townsend	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	32	1
Liam Walsh	3	5	0	0	1	0	3	6	0	0	1	9	0
Reuell Walters	6	2	0	1	0	0	7	2	0	3	0	9	0
Cauley Woodrow	1	6	0	0	1	0	1	7	0	0	0	72	6



LEAGUE LOOK

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For this roundup, we have to cast our minds back two weeks to when the last Championship action was played. A full set of action-packed games let's take a look and see how it all unfolded.

On the Friday night, Watford beat Oxford 1-0 and the following day we saw Stoke play out a 1-1 draw with Millwall. Josh Coburn and Ben Gibson got the goals as the spoils were shared in the Potteries.

Blackburn picked up a big 3-1 away win against Cardiff City after an Andreas Weimann double and a goal from Lewis Baker. As we know, Luton lost to Middlesbrough and Derby drew at home with Plymouth.

Leeds got another big win at Elland Road, this time a 2-0 victory against QPR with Jayden Bogle and Joel Piroe, with his sixth of the season, on target.

Interestingly, Bristol City ended Norwich's one-year unbeaten run at home after a 2-0 win at Carrow Road. Anis Mehmeti and Nahki Wells were both on the scoresheet for the Robins.

Portsmouth got a huge win at Fratton Park after beating Preston 3-1, with Colby Bishop completing the scoring from the penalty spot on his return following heart surgery in August.

In their first game following the departure of manager Mark Robins,

Coventry fought back from two goals down to draw 2-2 with Sunderland at the Stadium of Light.

The following day also saw plenty of drama and action. Burnley beat Swansea 1-0 thanks to a last-minute Jay Rodriguez penalty to get all three points.

West Brom won on the road against Hull City with first half goals from Karlan Grant and top scorer Josh Maja enough to beat the Tigers, whose reply in the 2-1 defeat came from Joao Pedro.

“COLBY BISHOP COMPLETING THE SCORING FROM THE PENALTY SPOT ON HIS RETURN FOLLOWING HEART SURGERY IN AUGUST”

The tie of the weekend was certainly at Bramall Lane as Sheffield United hosted local rivals Sheffield Wednesday in the Steel City derby. The Blades ran out 1-0 winners thanks to a goal from Tyrese Campbell, lifting them to joint top but behind Sunderland on goal difference.



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INTERNATIONAL HATTERS

Daiki Hashioka was involved in Japan's two World Cup qualifier wins away at Indonesia and China as we round-up how our international Hatters fared on duty in November.

The 25-year-old started and played the full 90 in the 4-0 drubbing against Indonesia in Jakarta, with former Liverpool wide-man Takumi Minamino and current Southampton defender Yukinari Sugawara on the scoresheet.

Hashi came off the bench in the final 15 minutes in Xiamen to help the Samurai Blue hold out for the win away at rivals China and now stretch to nine points clear at the top of Group C.

Mark McGuinness earned his first international cap for the Republic of Ireland against England at Wembley Stadium last Sunday.

The centre-half was an unused substitute in the win against Finland in Dublin before he started his first international game against his native country.

After the game, Mark took to Instagram and said: "Mixed emotions tonight. But a special night for me and my family to make my debut."

Zimbabwe captain Marvelous Nakamba helped guide the Warriors to qualification for the 2025 Africa Cup of Nations by sharing the points with Kenya last week.

Marv got 180 minutes under his belt to secure second place in Group J before the Warriors finished qualifying with defeat to the group winners Cameroon.

Another player that represented their country

across two full games is Amari'i Bell, who did not advance to the CONCACAF Nations League semi-finals after a two-legged defeat to the USA.

The Reggae Boyz lost by one goal to the Americans in Kingston before the tie run away from the Jamaicans in St. Louis, conceding three without reply before half-time of the second leg.

Moving on to the age-group internationals, Teden Mengi was a second half substitute in both of England U21s' stalemates abroad against Spain and the Netherlands.

Zack Nelson played 85 minutes in England U20s 4-0 thrashing of Germany as the Young Lions momentarily moved away from their German counterparts at the top of the Elite League.

Meanwhile, Joe Johnson was a key component as England U19s topped their Euro U19 qualification group and will move on to the elite round in spring 2025.

JJ played both of England's wins in full against Lithuania and Bulgaria before he was rested for the final group game against Belgium.

The opponents for JJ and the Young Lions in the elite round will be revealed on Thursday 5th December.

Finally, Dylan Stitt and Northern Ireland also competed in Euro U19 qualifiers, but Gareth McAuley's young side bowed out after failing to finish in the top two of Group 11.

They lost to Denmark and Israel, before beating Albania 1-0 in this last international break.



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HOWARD EARNS HIS STRIPES

Cast your minds back to April 6th 2002. Luton Town are battling with Plymouth Argyle at the top of Division 3 (League 2 in new money), and the war of words are whizzing back and forth between the late, great Joe Kinnear and Argyle manager Paul Sturrock.

It's getting to the business end of the season, Luton Town have played 44 games, Plymouth 43, and both clubs are light years ahead of the chasing pack of Cheltenham, Mansfield, Rochdale and Rushden & Diamonds.

Luton Town rock up at Boothferry Park, the then home of early season title favourites Hull City, who were now managed by former Liverpool and Denmark midfielder Jan Molby.

When the two clubs had crossed swords earlier in the season at Kenilworth Road, Rob Matthews, who famously relegated Luton Town from the old First Division back in the 91/92 season, on his professional debut, before joining Luton briefly in 95, was back once again to haunt his

former club, scoring the only goal in a 1-0 victory for the Tigers.

However, the two clubs that locked horns on the 6th April 2002, were two very different beasts.

Luton Town were coming into this game off the back of 11 consecutive wins, having beaten promotion rivals Mansfield Town 5-3 just five days earlier, and by the end of the day Town had made history, winning 12 consecutive games and finishing the game week top of the Division, with Plymouth having drawn against Southend.

The Hatters won 4-0 with Steve Howard helping himself to a hat trick and Dean Crowe grabbing the second goal of the day.

The 12 consecutive wins remains a club record to this day, the 2001/02 season lives on in the minds of all Hatters who were around to witness it, because after nearly a decade of downs this season was the first sustained success fans who started going in the 90s had seen.

The team from that season was simply levels above Division 3 as shown by the players

who stepped on the pitch at Boothferry Park.

Putting aside the enigmatic Frenchman Jean-Louis Valois, Emmerson Boyce, Matty Taylor (who provided three assists), Matthew Spring and Steve Howard all would go on to play in the top flight.

It was quite simply a wonderful season to be a Hatter, with Big Fat Joe taking the Town up.

Ollie Kay

Steve Howard with the match ball after the 4-0 win at Boothferry Park ▼



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THROUGH THE ARCHIVES

Club historian Roger Wash delves into the Hatters Heritage archives to unearth these hidden gems from encounters between the Town and the Tigers.



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1. The players of both the Town and Hull City observe a minute's silence following the death of King George VI in February 1952.
2. Spot the Ball during the Town's 2-1 home win over Hull in February 1964. Hatters forward Tommy McKechnie looks completely bemused.
3. Malcolm Macdonald with a tap-in for the third goal in the 3-1 home win against Hull in March 1971.
4. James Bree has just put the Town 3-0 up at Hull with a superb free-kick in March 2022.



ON THIS DAY

We go back in time on this day in the Hatters' history books



Back on this day in 1985, the Hatters recorded a 2-1 derby win at Watford with Mitchell Thomas scoring his first goal for the club, and a Steve Terry OG securing the points.

With England manager Bobby Robson among a crowd of 16,197 at Vicarage Road, keeping an eye on Hatters hopefuls Mick Harford, Brian Stein and Ricky Hill, it was full-back Thomas – also on his radar – who opened the scoring just before the half-hour.

When David Preece found Stein, the forward's shot was saved by Tony Coton, but Thomas raced in to find the back of the net with a fierce angled drive.

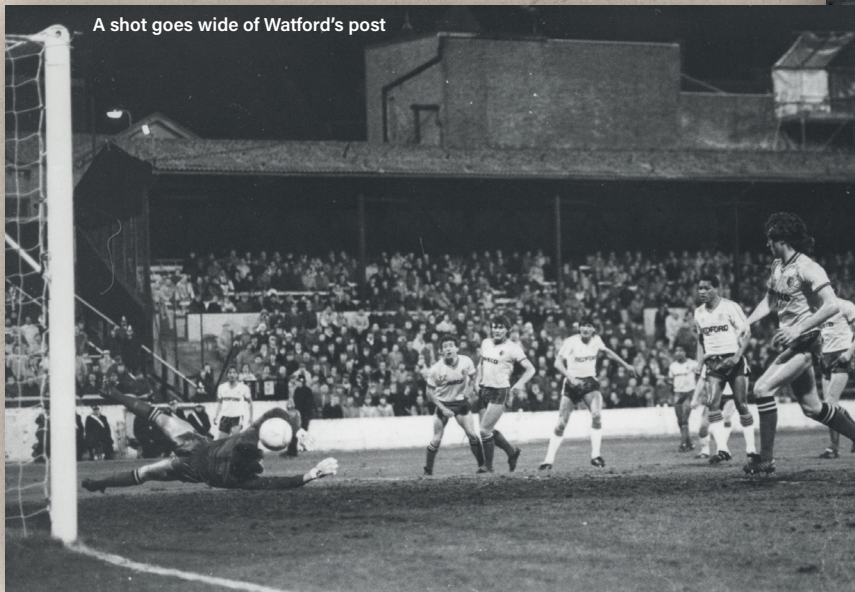
Robson would also have been checking on the Hornets' winger John Barnes, but when the future Liverpool star missed the ball completely with eight minutes left, midfielder Brian Talbot was there to spare his blushes and grab their equaliser.

It looked as though the Hertfordshire hosts' unbeaten home record would remain intact, but unfortunately for them, centre-half Terry hacked a cross from Stein into his own net to give David Pleat's side the win that lifted them up to eight in the top-flight table.

Town on the attack



A shot goes wide of Watford's post



Watford's Steve Terry scores an own goal to give the Hatters a late winner



Mick Harford rises highest



ALSO ON 23RD NOVEMBER...

Town's last win on this date came in the Conference title-winning season of 2013/14 when Andre Gray's double saw off Welling United (pictured below), with John Still's side winning 2-1 in front of 6,592 at Kenilworth Road.

Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu was still a week away from making his Hatters debut, but the history-making midfielder has featured in both of our matches on this date since then; the first a 2-1 home reversal against Leeds in 2019, before a goalless, behind-closed-doors draw at Nottingham Forest in 2021.

The highest scoring fixture on this date came in 1963 when Town hosted QPR, with the sides sharing eight goals in a 4-4 draw.



2004/05
history

Champions!

Over the course of the season we'll be looking back 20 years to the glorious League One championship winning season of 2004/05.

So many club league records were tumbled during a momentous campaign which was even more remarkable considering that the summer of 2003 saw the arrival of new 'owner' John Gurney and his crackpot ideas, which ultimately led to the Hatters needing to enter administrative receivership, with all its problems, to get rid of him. Club historian Roger Wash tells the story of a season to remember.

Ahmet Brkovic goes in hard on the Milton Keynes goalkeeper



2004/05 history

After scoring 12 goals in their last three games the table-topping Hatters were now due to make the short trip to Milton Keynes to take on the recently relegated and struggling Dons.

The pairing of the two sides was certainly not without its controversy. The stated aim of MK Dons owner Pete Winkleman was "to make the region catch fire for football", but this meant infiltrating the Hatters heartland by formalising links with schools and junior clubs.

The strength of feeling ran high with a boycott urged and Luton Town Supporters Club running coaches to see AFC Wimbledon take on Dulwich Hamlet on the same day as the Hatters were playing in Milton Keynes. Town supporter Gary Sweet was quoted in the Luton News: "The biggest issue is Town fans tend to be too apathetic. Last year, a handful of decent fans pulled together to save the club and succeeded. Within months, Luton fans sell out the 3,300 allocation at MK and in the process fund what is morally a threat to football and Luton Town."

On the day of the game a peaceful demonstration was organised for midday outside the National Hockey Stadium, on what became known as 'Ricky's Hill', in an attempt to highlight the protest against the franchising of football in this country.

Welcoming back goalkeeper Marlon Beresford, after a two-month absence with groin problems, as well as skipper Kevin Nicholls following his three-game ban, the Town soon got used to the National Hockey Stadium which was a strange place to host football.

The Hatters started well and went ahead in the eighth minute when Rowan Vine blasted the ball home from distance. The Town did not have it all their own way though, as MK put in a spirited performance and threatened the Luton defence on more occasions than was comfortable.

The Town doubled their lead just before the interval when Steve Howard was on hand to tuck the ball home after a Chris Coyne header came back off the bar. Two up and seemingly comfortable, the Town seemed to switch off and almost from the re-start MK pulled a goal back when a Gary Smith free-kick caused havoc in the Luton box, leaving Wade Small to blast the ball past Beresford.

Expecting a second half onslaught that did not materialise the Hatters regained their two-goal advantage on 66 minutes when a beautifully flighted cross from Kevin Foley was headed in by Howard. The scoreline was then given a slightly flattering look with seven minutes left when Howard claimed the match ball with a shot into the corner of the net after being set up by Vine.

Manager Mike Newell was quite a relieved man despite the margin of victory. "It was never easy and we had to work for it," he said. "They got a goal at a crucial time just before the interval and to be fair to them, they created quite a few chances before that. From our point of view it was important we went about the job in the second-half in the same way as the first and the lads did that."

Also getting a dig in afterwards he said: "It's a local derby but for us it

will never replace Watford; there is a history to that which is what football is all about."

Before the next fixture, at home to Doncaster, a rumour spread around the Town that Rowan Vine was to be recalled by parent club Portsmouth due to an injury crisis at Fratton Park. Luckily, the rumour was soon knocked on the head by Pompey boss Harry Redknapp.

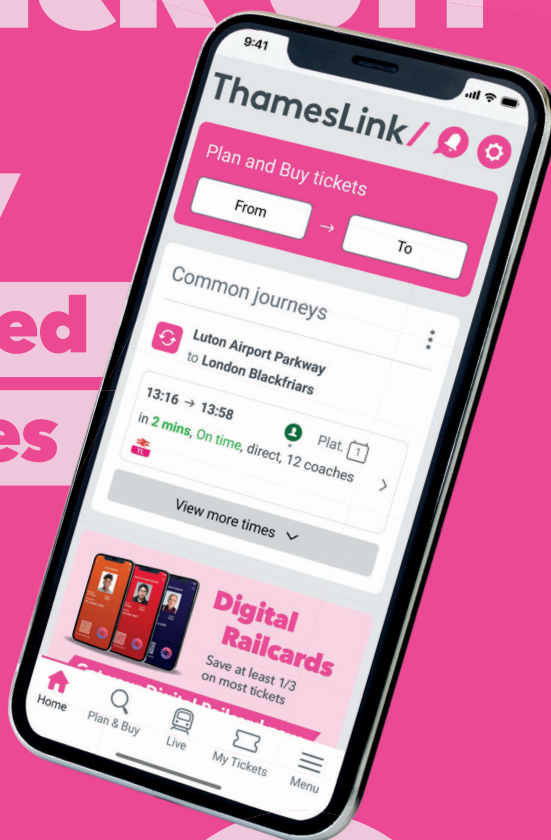
A far bigger worry was a bid put in for top-scorer Steve Howard by ex-Town

Steve Howard rises to head in the third goal at Milton Keynes



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boss Joe Kinnear, who was now at Nottingham Forest with Mick Harford as his number two. The Luton board stood strong and said firmly that Howard was happy at Luton and was staying.

After being free-scoring in recent weeks the Town met an immovable object in a Doncaster side that shut up shop from minute one. The Hatters huffed and puffed in a one-sided first half, but when they broke through on goal found that Rovers keeper Andy Warrington was in breathtaking form.

The breakthrough did eventually arrive on the hour mark when Kevin Nicholls curled in a superb 20 yard free-kick

and that, we thought, was that. Rovers then came out of their shell and netted an equaliser in the 82nd minute with Neil Roberts taking advantage of a quick break from defence.

Back came the Town with a barrage of efforts on goal. Warrington was throwing himself all over the place and probably deserved his luck when Curtis Davies hit the crossbar and substitute Peter Holmes smacked a long-range shot against a post.

"It shows how far we have come that we're saying we're disappointed with a draw," said Newell afterwards.

Paul Underwood
holds off a Doncaster
defender



Curtis Davies attacks a corner during the
home clash with Doncaster



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INSIDE A KIT COLLECTOR'S WARDROBE

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Town shirt collector, David Foxen, aka @lutontownkits, goes through his selection of shirts in orange, white, blue – and all colours in between.

The 1958/59 season remains historic in our long history as it was the only year we made the FA Cup Final. It was also a much simpler time in terms of football shirts, designs, materials and fit – vastly different from today's standards.

The shirt was white with a V-neck collar. It featured the embroidered badge from the 50s and 60s era and had a black, stitched number on the back. That was it, it was honestly that simple.

But it looks class!
There have been many

reproductions of these over the years with originals being super rare and museum pieces.

Allan Brown's shirt sold in December 2023 for £3,800. Sadly, not to me...!

We started in the third round, thumping Leeds United at home 5-1 in front of a mere 18,500 fans, which was quite low back then due to the terracing. We needed a replay to beat Leicester City after a 1-1 draw at their place, before bringing them back to the Kenny for a 4-1 home win.

The Hatters were goal hungry in the FA Cup, putting another five past Ipswich Town in round five, winning 5-2 to set up a sixth round tie with Blackpool. A draw in Lancashire setup another home replay, in which we won 1-0 thanks to Brown, this time in front of 30,000 fans. Imagine that at Kenilworth Road, incredible!

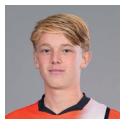
This meant we had made it to the semi-final, when we beat Norwich City at St Andrews in a replay to set up a Wembley date with Nottingham Forest.

Two goals in the first 15 minutes put Forest 2-0 up, before Dave Pacey scored to make it 2-1. Sadly, the game was disrupted a lot due to injuries and we just could not find the equaliser.

Still, the likes of Ron Baynham, Ken Hawkes, Syd Owen, Dave Pacey, Billy Bingham, Bob Morton etc go down in history as the first, and (currently) only Hatters team to appear in an FA Cup final!

ACADEMY SQUADS

U18s U21s



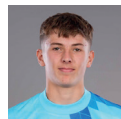
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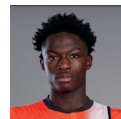
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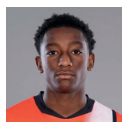
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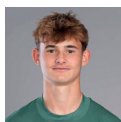
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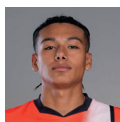
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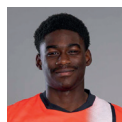
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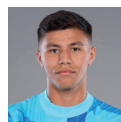
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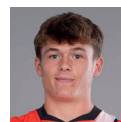
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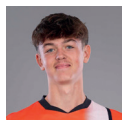
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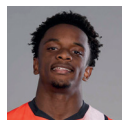
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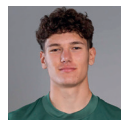
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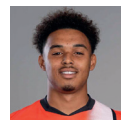
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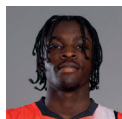
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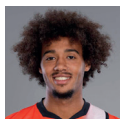
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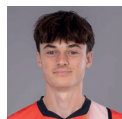
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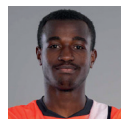
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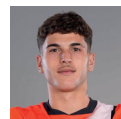
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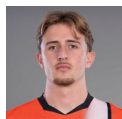
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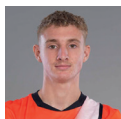
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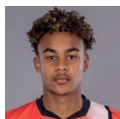
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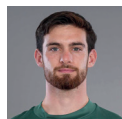
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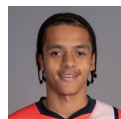
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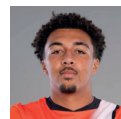
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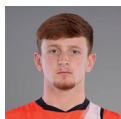
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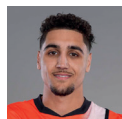
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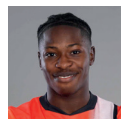
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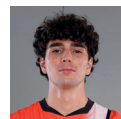
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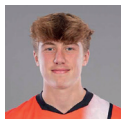
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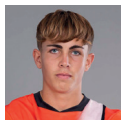
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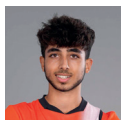
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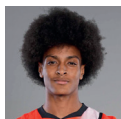
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THE YOUTH OF TODAY

Hopes and dreams, favourite films and 50-pass rondo games... we get the lowdown on our academy stars

Name...Archie Shepherd

Place of birth...
Baildon, Essex

Position...Central
midfielder or left
wing

**Joined Luton
at...**Under-16s

Played for...
Arsenal, then
went on trial at
West Ham, Norwich,
Ipswich, Chelsea
and Tottenham.

**Boots I'm
wearing...**
Skechers

**First teamer's
boots I'm
cleaning...**
Jordan Clark

**Earliest Luton Town
memory...**Beating Man City.

**Coach who's impacted me
the most...**Craig Alcock, as he
helped me massively in finding my
confidence and allowing me to express
myself.

Football memory that makes me smile...
Winning player of the tournament in a
Premier League tournament.

Best moment of my career so far...Player of
the tournament in France at U13s for Arsenal.

I'd be a better player if I was...
Better defensively

Dream squad number...10

**Academy team-mate
that could go all
the way...**Christian
Chigozie

**Player I used
to be in the
playground...**
Messi

**If I could play with
any player it would
be...**Phil Foden or
Cole Palmer

Favourite food...Steak

Favourite training drill... Attack
vs defence, or possession.

**Favourite school subject
other than PE...**English

**Hobbies outside
of football...**Going
out with friends or
family.

**Something
you don't know
about me...**

I won Premier League
player of the tournament
when I was U10s against
the best teams in England, and
also player of the tournament in Switzerland
against some of the best teams in the world.

I am...an exciting attacking midfielder. I like
to express myself in the attacking third. My
biggest strength is going at defenders one
v one as I'm skilful and have good agility to
change direction.





LTFC ACADEMY

Harry Fox, Zach Ioannides, Jordan Iwhiwhu and Ollie Pipa recently visited the Premier League Head Offices

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BALANCING BOOKS AND THE BALL: CELEBRATING OUR ACADEMY'S A-LEVEL SUCCESS

We are incredibly proud to congratulate our young players who are excelling not only on the pitch but also in their A-Level studies. Their ability to balance the demands of academic work with the commitment required to thrive in football is nothing short of inspiring.

Harry Fox, Zach Ioannides, Jordan Iwhiwhu and Ollie Pipa recently visited the Premier League Head Offices to meet other scholars from around the country who are also completing A-levels in a fun filled day.

They also had inspirational talks from former professionals about being a student

athlete and career advice from Nike. We salute their dedication and applaud their success being able to manage this incredible balance.

Luton Town's Head of Education, Kobie Dee, commended the boys on their commitment and dedication, saying: "Our lads are demonstrating incredible resilience and dedication, excelling in their studies while balancing the demands of football. Their ability to manage their time, stay focused and achieve success both in the classroom and on the pitch is truly commendable."

He continued: "All the academy players have had a highly successful term, they have not only met but exceeded their targets in their BTEC studies. Their focus has been truly outstanding."

These achievements are a testament to their determination and the support of our dedicated staff. You are role models for what can be achieved with focus, passion, and perseverance.

Well done, lads – keep raising the bar!

'THE REFEREE'S A HATTER!'

Congratulations to our U21 Academy players Tyrell Giwa, Joe Johnson, Jack Lorentzen-Jones and Claude Kayibanda on achieving a significant milestone by starting to become qualified referees!

This accomplishment highlights their dedication, not just to playing the game, but to understanding it in its entirety. By taking these first steps toward potentially pursuing a career in refereeing,

they've embraced an opportunity to expand their knowledge of football and contribute to the academy in a meaningful way, helping local players and schools.

We are incredibly proud of their hard work and initiative and look forward to seeing how this dual understanding of football as players and referees enhances their growth and enriches their contributions to the game. Keep up the great work!

UNDER-21 AND YOUTH TEAM ROUND-UP

Alex Lawless' U21 squad made it back-to-back victories in the Premier League Cup for the first time on Friday 8th November, winning 2-1 at Brighton & Hove Albion.

The Hatters opened the scoring after five

minutes when Tyrell Giwa released Benny Benagr down the left-hand side, and his low cut back cross found on an oncoming Jacob Pinnington, who calmly side footed back across goal.

On the half-hour mark it was 2-0, when a good ball and run in behind by Benny Benagr caused a foul in the box, and Zack Nelson confidently sent the keeper the wrong way to slot home the penalty.

Brighton reduced the arrears two minutes from time when a shot deflected onto the bar and Marcus Ifill reacted to the rebound first, but the young Hatters saw the game out.

Four days later, a much-changed development group travelled to Peterborough for a friendly and found themselves 4-0 down at the break. Second-half

substitutes Oli Lynch and Sam Anderson gave the scoreline a more respectable look, with a 4-2 defeat.

At youth level, Joe Deeney oversaw an excellent EFL Youth Alliance win for the U18s at home to Gillingham on Saturday 9th November, with Dylan Stitt signing off before international duty with Northern Ireland U19s with a hat-trick in a 3-2 win.

On Tuesday 12th November, the Under-17s hosted Arsenal in the AFCA Cup and put up an excellent display, before eventually succumbing to a solitary Gunners goal soon into the second half.

Then, on Tuesday just passed, the 17s beat QPR 4-1 at The Brache with Ed-Okungbowa netting twice and Benagr and Christian Chigozie also on target.



Tyrell Giwa, Jack Lorentzen-Jones and Claude Kayibanda with their referee qualifications

“DYLAN STITT SIGNED OFF BEFORE INTERNATIONAL DUTY WITH NORTHERN IRELAND U19S WITH A HAT-TRICK IN A 3-2 WIN”

U18 Fixtures

AUGUST

Sat 10th	Oxford United	L 0-3
Sat 17th	Swindon Town	W 2-1
Sat 24th	Stevenage YAC	L 1-2
Tue 27th	Ipswich Town PDLC	W 6-4
Sat 31st	Exeter City	W 3-0

SEPTEMBER

Sat 7th	Bristol Rovers	W 5-0
Sat 14th	Northampton Cup	D 3-3
Sat 21st	Cheltenham Town	W 4-2
Sat 28th	Plymouth Argyle	D 2-2

OCTOBER

Sat 5th	Peterborough United PDLC	L 2-3
Sat 12th	Cambridge United Cup	W 3-0
Sat 19th	Northampton Town	P-P
Sat 26th	Bromley	L 1-2

NOVEMBER

Sat 9th	Gillingham	W 3-2
Sat 16th	AFC Wimbledon	P-P
Sat 23rd	Mansfield Town PDLC	11am
Sat 30th	Cambridge United	11am

DECEMBER

Sat 7th	MK Dons Cup	10:30am
Sat 14th	Leyton Orient	11am
Sat 21st	Stevenage	10:30am

JANUARY

Sat 11th	MK Dons	10:30am
Sat 18th	Northampton Town	10:30am
Sat 25th	Gillingham	11am

FEBRUARY

Sat 1st	AFC Wimbledon	10:30am
Sat 15th	Cambridge United	10:30am
Sat 22nd	Sutton United	11am

MARCH

Sat 8th	Leyton Orient	10:30am
Sat 15th	Stevenage	10:30am
Sat 22nd	Bromley	10:30am
Sat 29th	MK Dons	10:30am

APRIL

Sat 5th	Portsmouth	10:30am
Sat 12th	Forest Green Rovers	11am

MAY

Sat 3rd	Newport County	12pm
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HE'S ONE OF OUR OWN!

MARK PEMBRIDGE

Mark was one of a procession of players who was spotted by Luton Town's South Wales scout Cyril Beach and went on to join the Hatters, signing professional forms in July 1989.

A left sided midfielder with a vicious shot, Mark made his League debut on New Year's Day 1991 and from then on was ever present in the Town's Division One side, scoring some spectacular goals along the way.

Following relegation, a £1.25 million bid from Derby was reluctantly accepted and he left Kenilworth Road having scored six times in 70 appearances in all competitions.

The Merthyr Tydfil-born player then went on to carve out a long career for himself at the Baseball Ground, then Sheffield Wednesday, Benfica, Everton and, lastly, Fulham, while also winning 54 caps for Wales between 1991 and 2004, finding the net on six occasions.

After retiring from playing, Mark took on a youth coaching role at Craven Cottage, which he did in various positions for over 14 years before leaving the west London club in 2021.

Last season Mark was a visitor to Kenilworth Road in a media capacity, co-commentating for the BBC Radio Merseyside on the Town's match against Everton, as well as attending some matches away matches as a supporter with his family.

APPEARANCES: 70

GOALS: 6

CAREER TIMELINE



COMMUNITY TRUST



EFL Week of Action

This week is the EFL Week of Action, a celebration of the significant contributions football clubs make to their communities.

At Luton Town FC Community Trust, we are proud to showcase the impactful projects and programmes we deliver to support our local area.

From promoting health and happiness to enhancing education, fostering social connections, and enhancing employability opportunities, the difference we make is truly inspiring.

Throughout the week, we have highlighted the fantastic work being undertaken here at Luton Town Community Trust.

On Tuesday, 19th November, we were delighted to host a mental health workshop in collaboration with CHUMS. The workshop was open to students from Denbigh High School, where we deliver a variety of group and 1:1 football-based interventions to inspire pupils to be active, look after their wellbeing and develop important life skills.

Some examples include:

- We run a breakfast club aimed at pupils who struggle with attending the school (most pupils' attendance is now 100%)
- We provide 1:1 mentoring support to pupils who struggle with self-esteem and confidence
- We run a club aimed at pupils who have shown commitment to improve their academic studies
- We support PE lessons which includes mentoring PE teachers

The mental health workshop was led by CHUMS, a local mental health and emotional wellbeing service, emphasising the importance of self-care and providing practical guidance on accessing the tools and services available to address mental health concerns.

Head of Behaviour at the school, Mr Gully, said: "It's had a massive impact. Our attendance in the morning has improved, we've got a massive engagement with pupils who maybe struggle to come into school in the mornings,

getting themselves in a bit earlier, that's a great start to the day for them. They have really enjoyed that, and across the week we have seen a huge improvement in our behaviour, with pupils working towards the rewards of turning up on the Thursday sessions and Bradley has done a phenomenal job of working with those pupils, picking them up and just making sure that if they haven't had such a good week, how can they improve? We've seen a massive improvement in a lot of our pupils."

The students were also fortunate to enjoy a surprise visit from Mick Harford, Elijah Adebayo, and Pelly Ruddock Mpanzu. Each shared personal insights into how football has positively impacted their mental health and how they have dealt with challenges along the way.

Mick also spoke about his role as an ambassador for CHUMS and highlighted the vital work the organisation does within the community.

Elijah and Pelly further engaged with the students during a Q&A session, answering questions and offering advice on tackling challenges.

Mr Gully continued: "There were lots of hands up in the session so the pupils were absolutely buzzing for the opportunity today, and the wider community links are just huge. This is going to be a day that they are going to remember for a long time.

"The things that I like the most that Mick, Elijah and Pelly spoke about are having those difficult moments, and how to overcome it. I think our pupils are really good at recognising when things



haven't gone as well, but knowing it is going to get better, and how to improve.

"I think working with Bradley in the sessions they have, checking in with him, and him talking them through it, giving them extra strategies and having that different voice coming in, has been really important.

"But hearing from players that have had tough times and are now achieving at the very top level is incredible, a really good experience."

We were also thrilled to welcome Alfie Doughty to our Ability Counts session on Friday 22nd November. Alfie joined us at Inspire Sports Village, where he had the opportunity to watch the participants train and later enjoyed an exciting match showcasing their skills and teamwork.

During the visit, participants had the

fantastic opportunity to ask Alfie a variety of questions about his football career so far and his time at Luton Town. Alfie's insights and experiences were both inspiring and motivational, creating a memorable session for everyone involved.

Ability Counts is our inclusive football programme designed for players aged 18 and above with disabilities. Sessions take place every Friday from 12pm-2pm at Inspire Sports Village, moving to an outdoor venue in the warmer months.

The programme provides a supportive environment for players to develop their football skills, stay active, and build social connections.

If you're interested in joining or learning more about this fantastic initiative, please visit our website for further details. www.lutontowncommunity.co.uk



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SUPPORTERS' TRUST

With Events Secretary Helen Gatward

Hello and welcome to the latest game here at Kenilworth Road against Hull City, a fixture which carries plenty of memories with it, from that wonderful Ahmet Brkovic header here in 2005 to the Kazenga LuaLua goal which set up the Great Escape in 2020, not to mention the Henri Lansbury 'lawnmower' strike in 2022.

It was also our last regular season game in the Championship prior to this campaign so it is a contest which lives nicely in the memory bank.

Hopefully the boys can create more special moments from this fixture this afternoon and claim the three points!

NEW ROLE

Since I last wrote our column for this programme, I have been made the official events secretary of the Trust.

Previously I was involved in the organisation of all of our events as an assisting capacity with most of my work going into the Presentation Evening, but I have now been given the honour of overseeing and organising all of our events in full.

We are currently in the process of putting together our calendar of events, which will include our popular Annual Quiz and all of the other favourites that our members have enjoyed in recent seasons, along with some new ones which we hope will be well supported.

AGM

Our most recent event happened on Thursday evening when the Trust board held our 2024 AGM inside the John Moore Lounge, here at Kenilworth Road.

I am penning this column before the meeting but if you would like to know how the evening progressed there will be a full report on our website in due course.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

I can confirm our first event for 2025, which will be an evening with Wayne Turner and David Pleat, two legends of our club. The date for this will be Thursday 9th Jan 2025 and will be held here at the club.

We are still finalising all of the details for the evening but we hope to have tickets on sale soon and when we do we will communicate that

via our website and our social channels, so make sure you keep a look out for that!

MEMBERSHIP

Are you looking for a gift that you can get for a friend or family member that doesn't cost too much? Why not buy that person a Trust membership? It costs £10 for adults and £5 for concessions and is a perfect gift for the Luton fan in your life!

To join the Trust yourself or to buy a membership for someone else, put this link lutontownsupporters-trust.com/membership-donate/ into your browser!

Enjoy the game today – make as much noise as always!

COYH!

Helen





MY FAVOURITE GOAL...

by Mick Kent

It's a balmy summer's evening in September 1968, Luton are on fire having stormed back as champions from Division Four the previous season, and play host to fellow promotion contenders Mansfield Town.

Kenilworth Road is packed with its biggest gate for years of 19,315 and the terraces are buzzing. The adrenaline is off the scale, fuelled by what might happen on the pitch that night. As a 15-year-old I was hooked by the magic of Kenilworth Road. Its sheer beauty under floodlights was mesmerising then. I stood at the very front on the open end of what is now the David Preece Stand.

The match exceeded every expectation of drama; two players sent off including a young Bruce Rioch after only three minutes in front of an Oak Road in uproar, bookings galore, injuries including legendary skipper Terry Branston and fellow defensive stalwart John Moore, six goals, a penalty despatched by 'thunder thighs' Mike Harrison, and after reeling from a Mansfield comeback, the team showed incredible fight and determination to take the points for the Hatters to maintain our 100 per cent home record.

But, best of all was a moment of incredible skill, cheek and truly a goal of such beauty, the like of which I have never seen in the 56 years since. In the 78th minute, with Luton legs tiring and the team desperately trying to cling on to a 3-1 lead under growing Mansfield pressure, Graham French, Luton's tempestuous former

youth international winger, is defending the Alamo of our own penalty area in front of the Oak Road.

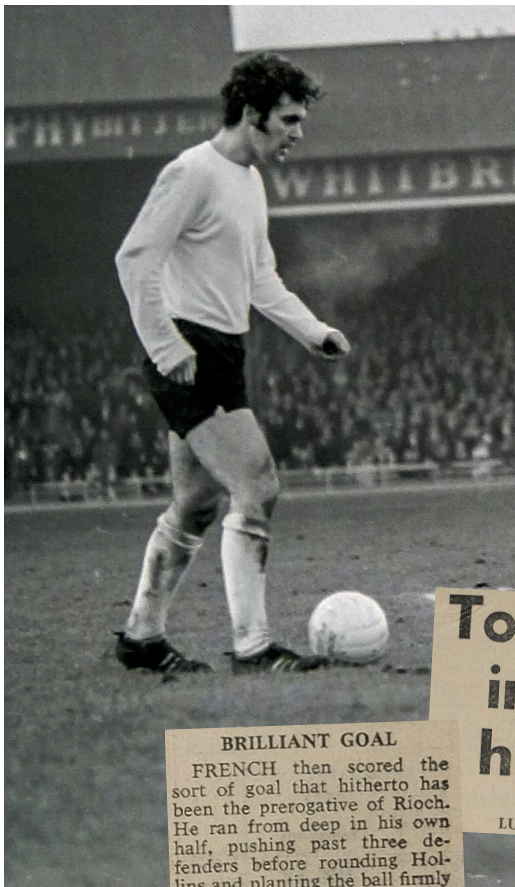
He retrieves the ball and instead of booting it out or holding it up, what does the cheeky winger decide to do? Nothing less than set off solo towards the 9,000 souls standing on the

open Kenilworth terrace. He never once looks up for a team mate to pass to – he's on a one-man mission to destroy Mansfield.

In the next 30 seconds he takes on and beats what seems to me the entire Mansfield team, but in reality is probably three or four players, all left in his wake. He then rounds the keeper and the ground erupts as the net bulges with the thump of his shot.

Sadly there's no TV record of his goal, but among the many stories told is one I love to believe – after he'd rounded their keeper he'd considered doing it a second time just for bravado, but decided against it knowing the roasting he'd get from manager Allan Brown!

I will forever count myself blessed to have witnessed that piece of footballing heaven. Shine on, you crazy diamond 'Frenchie'.



BRILLIANT GOAL

FRENCH then scored the sort of goal that hitherto has been the prerogative of Rioch. He ran from deep in his own half, pushing past three defenders before rounding Hollins and planting the ball firmly into the back of the net.

Town triumph in night of high drama

By CHILTERN
LUTON TOWN 4, MANSFIELD TOWN 2

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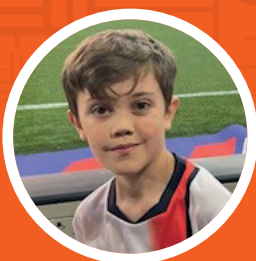
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(Celebrating his 12th Birthday Today!)

Age: 12

Hobbies: Football & Watching Luton Town FC

Favourite Player: Alfie Doughty



**PETER
CURRY**

Age: 9

Hobbies: Football, Karate, Music

Favourite Player: Daiki Hashioka



**EDITH
CURRY**

Hobbies: Football, Gymnastics

Favourite Player: Thomas Kaminski



**HESTER
GLINKA**

Hobbies: Football, Horse Riding, Gymnastics

Favourite Player: Jordan Clark

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**FREDDIE
CURRY**

Age: 11

Hobbies: Football, Harry Potter, Archery

Favourite Player: Amarii Bell



**STAN
CURRY**

Age: 9

Hobbies: Football, Cricket, Nintendo

Favourite Player: Alfie Doughty



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LUTON TOWN LADIES

Amber lights up Hatters' win at Haringey

Amber Leighton completed a hat-trick as Luton Town Ladies embarrassed Haringey Borough with a 7-1 scoreline last Sunday afternoon.

There was only one change for the Hatters from their 1-0 victory over table-toppers Royston Town last weekend, with defender Bridget Adu dropping to the bench and forward Cesca Partridge coming into the starting line-up.

It took Partridge just six minutes to mark her return to the starting XI with a goal. The forward partnership of Partridge and Tasha Fensome delivered as the latter collected the ball on the left and perfectly set up Partridge to head home.

Just five minutes later, Leighton doubled Luton's lead with her first. Fensome set off on a quick, powerful run down the left and teed up Leighton, who fired home with a first-time shot.

Five minutes later, Luton scored again, this time

through Jess McKay. Buttigieg's shot at full stretch was saved by the keeper, the ball fell to Partridge who also saw her shot saved, but the defender was only able to clear into the path of McKay, who had a simple finish into an open net.

With just 23 minutes on the clock, the Hatters had a fourth. Liz Mulvaney set off on a mazy run and played an inch-perfect through ball to Leighton, who slotted the ball into the back of the net for her second of the afternoon.

Ten minutes before half-time, 18-year-old Leighton completed her hat-trick. It was from another great pass, this time from Shianne Swarres, that Leighton was put through on goal and she finished in an almost identical way to her second.

Elly Wade scored Luton's sixth goal of the afternoon five minutes after the break. A free kick from the half-way line was directed into the box from Buttigieg, and

a Haringey player got an unfortunate touch on the ball, gifting Luton's captain a tap in.

With 15 to play, Haringey got their consolation. A rare mix-up at the back allowed Nia Garwood to be through on goal, and she put the ball past Sarah Hudson.

The rout was completed when Luton were awarded a penalty with eight minutes remaining. Gabriella Spillman, who was proving to be a handful, was taken out in the box and Fensome stepped up and slotted the ball into the bottom right corner.

Another three points for the Ladies see them close the gap on league leaders Royston to just three points with a game in hand.

Tomorrow the Ladies travel to Stevenage in the Adobe Women's FA Cup second round. Kick off 1.30pm at Stevenage FC Academy SG2 8BS. Good luck, girls!

Report by Owen Williams

Fixtures

18/08/24	Royston Town L 2-3
25/08/24	Stevenage W 1-0
01/09/24	Haringey Borough W 4-1
08/09/24	Wroxham A-A
15/09/24	Needham Market W 5-0
22/09/24	Chigwell FAC W 11-0
29/09/24	Dussindale & Hellesdon Rovers W 5-0
06/10/24	Enfield Town Ladies W 1-0
20/10/24	St Albans City FAC W 2-0
27/10/24	Hertford Town LG CUP W 5-0
03/11/24	Hutton FAC W 4-2
10/11/24	Royston Town W 1-0
17/11/24	Haringey Borough W 7-1
24/11/24	Stevenage FAC
01/12/24	Needham Market
08/12/24	Bowers & Pitsea KO 3pm
15/12/24	Stevenage
05/01/25	Dussindale & Hellesdon Rovers
12/01/25	Enfield Town Ladies Firsts
19/01/25	St Albans City
26/01/25	Cambridge City
02/02/25	Watford Ladies Development

KO 2pm unless otherwise stated

Home games listed in orange

AVAILABLE NATIONWIDE



KICKS OFF APRIL 2025





JUST THE TICKET

The latest from the Ticket Office

LEEDS UNITED V LUTON TOWN SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2024, KO 7:45PM

Luton Town supporters have received an initial allocation of 2,018 tickets for the game at Elland Road. A further allocation is available if needed. These are allocated in the West Stand Upper, the back 5 rows are allocated safe standing.

General Sale

We received an initial allocation of 2,018 tickets and they are now on General Sale at one per person to any supporter with a previous purchasing history and any member without a previous booking history.

Prices

Adults - £30
Disabled Adults - £29
Seniors (Over 65) - £28
Young Adult Under 23 - £28
Junior Under 19 - £23
Under 16s - £20

*Restricted View seats are discounted by £2

Concession Ambulant supporters will pay their age relevant price with a carer free of charge providing they are in receipt of Higher/Advanced PIP or DWP.

Please note, children under the age of 2 years will not be permitted entry into the ground due to Health and Safety reasons. Ticket Holders aged 2 to 15 years must be accompanied by an adult aged 18 years or above. The adult must be seated adjacent to the child within the stadium bowl. Unaccompanied children under the age of 16 years will not be admitted into the stadium.



NORWICH CITY V LUTON TOWN SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2024, KO 3PM

The Ticket Office can advise that the second allocation of tickets for our fixture at Carrow Road are now on general sale (with purchase history). A further 402 tickets have been secured, taking our full allocation to 2,022 tickets.

Prices

Adults - £36
Seniors (Over 65) - £26
Young Adult Under 21 - £26
Junior Under 18 - £21
Under 12s - £13

Ambulant supporters will pay their age relevant price with a carer free of charge providing they are in receipt of Higher/Advanced PIP or DWP.

LUTON TOWN V SWANSEA CITY SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2024, KO 3PM

Tickets are now on General Sale (to supporters with purchasing history) or Hatters Members (without a previous purchasing history before 1st November)

Category B prices are as follows:

Adult £29
Senior (over 66) £25
Golden Senior (over 75) £21
Young Adult (under 22) £25
Under 19 £21
Under 17 £13
Under 14 £10

LUTON TOWN V STOKE CITY SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2024, KO 7:45PM

Tickets are now on General Sale (to supporters with purchasing history) or Hatters Members (without a previous purchasing history before 1st November)

Category C prices are as follows:

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LET'S GO



We're back on the road on Wednesday when the Hatters make another long trip north to take on last season's beaten Championship play-off finalists Leeds United.

Daniel Farke's side suffered the heartbreak of Wembley defeat to Southampton in May as they looked to bounce back into the Premier League at the first attempt, following their relegation in 2022/23.

Farke took charge that summer claiming he wouldn't have returned to English football for any other Championship club than Leeds, having twice won promotion with his former club Norwich City.

But the Whites became the first second-tier side to accumulate 90 points and not go up automatically since Sunderland in 1997-98, finishing fourth with Adam Armstrong's solitary goal seeing the Saints return to the top-flight at the first time of asking instead.

This season the Yorkshire outfit have started in similar fashion, heading into

the international break in third place behind leaders Sunderland and Sheffield United.

Farke's side have won eight, drawn five and lost two of their first 15 matches, with 29 points seeing them just two adrift of the joint leaders, two above fourth placed Burnley and five above Middlesbrough, who occupy the spot just outside of the play-off places.

Their recent form has been excellent, with a 1-0 defeat away at Millwall their sole set-back in the last ten games since Burnley inflicted their only home reversal of the campaign on 14th September.

They have won their last five home games, with Watford the only side to score against them at Elland Road since that day, with Coventry beaten 3-0, Sheffield United seen off 2-0, the Hornets beaten 2-1 before a 3-0 win over Plymouth and a 2-0 v QPR last time out.

Before that, they had opened the campaign with a 3-3 home draw

with Portsmouth and a 2-0 win over Hull City before August was out.

Their top scorer is former Swansea striker Joel Piroe, with six goals so far, closely followed by USA international Brenden Aaronson on four and Belgium U21 winger Largie Ramazani, who has three goals in six starts since his August move from Spanish second-tier side Almeria.

The only season the Hatters have played Leeds in the Championship since winning promotion in 2019 came in that first Covid-interrupted campaign, when Marcelo Bielsa's side won 2-1 at Kenilworth Road, before Town picked up a valuable point in the fight for survival following the restart.

Harry Cornick netted the Hatters' goal of the season in the 1-1 draw played behind closed doors in June 2020, with Stuart Dallas hitting Leeds' leveller on a night that only slightly held them up on the road to winning the title.

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FIXTURES & RESULTS 2024/25

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AUGUST

🏆 MON 15	BURNLEY	20:00	23	1-4	11,777	1,335	Kaminski	Ogbene	Doughty	Walters	Mengi	Johnson	Nelson
🏆 SAT 17	PORTSMOUTH	12:30	20	0-0	20,293	2,168	Kaminski	Ogbene	Doughty	Walters	Mengi	Bell	Clark
🏆 SAT 24	PRESTON NORTH END	15:00	23	0-1	15,245	1,248	Shea	Ogbene	Doughty	Mengi	McGuinness	Bell	Clark
🏆 TUE 27	QUEENS PARK RANGERS (CC2)	20:00	-	1-1*	7,132	1,045	Kaminski	Walters	Doughty	Burke	Bell	Nakamba	Clark
🏆 FRI 30	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	20:00	23	1-2	11,798	1,340	Kaminski	Walters	Doughty	Burke	McGuinness	Bell	Clark

SEPTEMBER

🏆 SAT 14	MILLWALL	12:30	19	1-0	14,804	1,964	Kaminski	Doughty	Bell	Burke	McGuinness	MENGI 1	Nakamba
🏆 SAT 21	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	15:00	15	2-1	11,805	1,326	Kaminski	Walters	Doughty	Burke	McGuinness	Mengi	Nakamba
🏆 FRI 27	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	20:00	19	1-3	16,616	1,113	Kaminski	Walters	Doughty	Burke	McGuinness	Mengi	Krauß

OCTOBER

🏆 TUE 1	OXFORD UNITED	19:45	18	2-2	11,397	1,322	Kaminski	Moses	Doughty	Burke	McGuinness	Mengi	Nakamba
🏆 SAT 5	SHEFFIELD UNITED	15:00	21	0-2	27,925	1,760	Kaminski	Doughty	Walters	Burke	McGuinness	Mengi	Nakamba
🏆 SAT 19	WATFORD	12:30	17	3-0	11,758	1,281	Kaminski	Moses	Doughty	Burke	McGuinness	Holmes	CLARK 1
🏆 WED 23	SUNDERLAND	19:45	19	1-2	11,332	1,252	Kaminski	Moses	Doughty	Hashioka	McGuinness	Holmes	Clark
🏆 SAT 26	COVENTRY CITY	12:30	22	2-3	26,409	1,737	Kaminski	Moses	Doughty	Hashioka	McGuinness	Holmes	Clark

NOVEMBER

🏆 FRI 1	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	20:00	21	1-1	11,665	1,343	Kaminski	Hashioka	Moses	Mengi	McGuinness	Bell	Clark
🏆 WED 6	CARDIFF CITY	20:00	19	1-0	10,646	1,035	Kaminski	Hashioka	Doughty	Mengi	McGuinness	Bell	Clark
🏆 SAT 9	MIDDLESBROUGH	12:30	21	1-5	23,692	675	Kaminski	Hashioka	Bell	Mengi	McGuinness	Holmes	Walsh

🏆 SAT 23	HULL CITY	15:00
WED 27	LEEDS UNITED	19:45
SAT 30	NORWICH CITY	15:00

DECEMBER

SAT 7	SWANSEA CITY	15:00
TUE 10	STOKE CITY	19:45
SAT 14	BLACKBURN ROVERS	15:00
FRI 20	DERBY COUNTY	20:00
THU 26	BRISTOL CITY	15:00
SUN 29	SWANSEA CITY	15:00

JANUARY

WED 1	NORWICH CITY	15:00
MON 6	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	20:00
SAT 18	PRESTON NORTH END	15:00
TUE 21	OXFORD UNITED	19:45
SAT 25	MILLWALL	15:00

FEBRUARY

SAT 1	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	15:00
SAT 8	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	15:00
WED 12	SUNDERLAND	19:45
SAT 15	SHEFFIELD UNITED	15:00
SAT 22	WATFORD	15:00

MARCH

SAT 1	PORTSMOUTH	15:00
SAT 8	BURNLEY	15:00
TUE 11	CARDIFF CITY	19:45
SAT 15	MIDDLESBROUGH	15:00
SAT 29	HULL CITY	15:00

APRIL

SAT 5	LEEDS UNITED	12:30
TUE 8	STOKE CITY	19:45
SAT 12	BLACKBURN ROVERS	15:00
FRI 18	DERBY COUNTY	15:00
MON 21	BRISTOL CITY	15:00
SAT 26	COVENTRY CITY	15:00

MAY

SAT 3	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	15:00
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*QPR won 4-1 on penalties

MILLWALL GAME MOVED FOR LIVE TV

The Hatters' home game against Millwall in the new year has been selected for live coverage in the latest round of TV picks for the Sky Bet Championship.

The Kenilworth Road clash remains on Saturday 25th January, but will

kick off at 12.30pm and is to be shown on Sky Sports Football.

Our only other fixture change, not due to TV selection, sees the derby trip to Watford moved back a day to Sunday 23rd February with a midday kick-off.



Baptiste	CHONG 1	Morris	Adebayo	Townsend	Mpanzu					Shea, Bell, Woodrow, Taylor, Holmes, Francis-Clarke, Chigozie
Baptiste	Chong	Morris	Adebayo	Shea	Holmes	Mpanzu	Taylor			Woodrow, Nelson, Johnson, Francis-Clarke, Chigozie
Baptiste	Chong	Morris	Adebayo	Walsh	Walters	Woodrow	Taylor	Nelson		Horlick, Andersen, Burke, Mpanzu
NELSON 1	Chong	Morris	Adebayo	Holmes	Andersen	Walsh	Baptiste	Woodrow		Shea, Mpanzu, Taylor, Johnson
Baptiste	Chong	Morris	Adebayo	Mengi	Walsh	Taylor	Nelson			Shea, Mpanzu, Nakamba, Holmes, Woodrow
Clark	Walsh	Chong	Adebayo	Morris	Mpanzu	Holmes				Shea, Andersen, Moses, Nelson, Taylor, Woodrow
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Krauß	Chong	Morris	BROWN 1	Adebayo	Baptiste	Nakamba				Krul, Holmes, Moses, Mpanzu, Walsh, Woodrow
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TOWN TEASERS

Put your football knowledge to the test and answer these Luton Town and general football-related questions. Sadly, you'll win no prizes, just the utmost respect from our editor and quizmaster.

- In their history, how many seasons have today's visitors Hull City spent in English football's top flight?
- What was the name of Hull City's previous home ground?
- How many appearances did Tigers left-back Ryan Giles make for the Hatters during his spell at Kenilworth Road last season?
- How many goals did former Hull youngster Sonny Bradley score in 175 games for the Hatters?
- Mark McGuinness made his senior Republic of Ireland debut at Wembley last Sunday. Who was the previous man to make his full Irish debut as a Luton Town player?
- Which former Republic of Ireland international recently led Shelbourne to the League of Ireland Premier Division title?
- Anthony Barry will become Thomas Tuchel's assistant when the German takes over as England boss. For which club did midfielder Barry score here in 2010/11?
- Which two former Luton widemen will come up against each other on the pitch when Wealdstone entertain Wycombe in the FA Cup second round next Saturday?
- And which ex-Town winger is currently manager of the Non-League Stones?
- Which former Brazilian international has just signed for Harborough Town to play in their second round tie against Reading?

HOW DID YOU SCORE?

8-10 SIMON PITTS. Standing ovation from our #1 commentator.
4-7 COURTNEY PITT. A performance of a half decent loan signing.
0-3 THE PITS. Room for improvement but at least it's not minus 30.

ANSWERS: 1. Five 2. Boothferry Park 3. 14 4. Six 5. James Collins 6. Damien Duff 7. Fleetwood Town 8. Elliot Thorpe & Fred Onyedinma 9. Matt Taylor 10. Sandro

LAST WORD WITH



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It may not have been the full 60-plus squad that completed the annual Prostate United challenge in October this year, as was the case three years ago when we used Mick Harford's recent diagnosis with the disease as inspiration to cycle, run or walk every day.

But I was proud to have played a part, together with Alex Lawless, our catering manager, Crishtiano da Silva, HR executive Sarah Denmark and my colleagues on the media team, Andrew Barringer and Luke Gregory, in helping Prostate Cancer UK past the £1 million mark in funds raised since Prostate United was created by then Rotherham United colleagues Stephen Gilpin and Ross Burbeary in 2018.

For our sins – and shin splints – Laws, Cris, Sarah, Andrew, Luke and I clocked up the miles across Herts, Beds, France and Italy by running or walking every day during the month,

and still have the blisters to show for it.

Thanks to everyone who donated to the £2,000-plus we raised towards this season's overall total of £375,000 – which is a record – and please remember the most important figures from the month:

- 1 in 8 men in the UK will get prostate cancer in their lifetime
- That increases to 1 in 4 black men
- Around 490,000 men are living with and after prostate cancer
- One man dies every 45 minutes from the disease
- That's more than 12,000 men every year

Often there aren't any symptoms, as you'll have heard Sir Chris Hoy speak about in recent weeks, as well as Big Mick for several years now.

If you're over the age of 50, please get yourself checked out – all the details on how to go about it can be found at prostatecanceruk.org

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, KEMPY

There's a man at Luton Town who keeps Kenilworth Road together, and last week he celebrated 20 years at the Club – that's sites and facilities manager Peter Kemp.

Last Friday in the Eric Morecambe Lounge, chairman David Wilkinson presented him with a signed shirt and a special cake was made to mark the occasion for the man who will always

be remembered fondly for coming out with his ladder mid-game to fix the Oak Road guttering broken by a wayward Keith Keane shot!

Kempy is a friend to everyone and always there to help or offer DIY advice to colleagues – even if he doesn't stop moaning about us!

He's one of the many brilliant characters that make this club special, and a Hatter through and through. Congratulations, Kempy.





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Mads ANDERSEN	5	5	Alfie JONES
Mark McGUINNESS	6	6	Sean McLOUGHLIN
Victor MOSES	7	7	Liam MILLAR
Tom KRAUß	8	8	Marvin MEHLEM
Carlton MORRIS	9	9	Chris BEDIA
Cauley WOODROW	10	10	Abdülkadir ÖMÜR
Elijah ADEBAYO	11	11	Doğukan SINIK
Marvelous NAKAMBA	13	12	João PEDRO
Tahith CHONG	14	14	Harry VAUGHAN
Teden MENGI	15	16	Ryan LONGMAN
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Jordan CLARK	18	19	Steven ALZATE
Jacob BROWN	19	20	Gustavo PUERTA
Liam WALSH	20	22	Carl RUSHWORTH
Tim KRUL	23	23	Cody DRAMEH
Thomas KAMINSKI	24	25	Óscar ZAMBRANO
Joe TAYLOR	25	27	Regan SLATER
Shandon BAPTISTE	26	29	Matty JACOB
Daiki HASHIOKA	27	31	Anthony RACIOPPI
Tom HOLMES	29	33	Mohamed BELLOUMI
Zack NELSON	37	36	Will JARVIS
Joe JOHNSON	38	38	Sincere HALL
Aidan FRANCIS-CLARKE	39	41	Tyrell SELLARS-FLEMING
Christian CHIGOZIE	40	42	Rocco COYLE
Benny BENAGR	41	44	Abu KAMARA
Alfie DOUGHTY	45	45	Kasey PALMER
		48	Mason BURSTOW



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