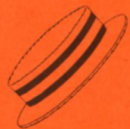


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# DEPLETED



*The alternative magazine for  
fans of LUTON TOWN F.C.*



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## **PUPPETS ON A STRING**



**“WHO’S NEXT TO GO LARS”**



# Editorial

So here it is , the next issue of Depleted.  
Notice a bit of a change ,something different ? Well you said you wanted more pictures , you said you wanted more funnies and more features on your favourite players. Did we listen ? Did we fuck.

Onto serious matters. Looking at our start to the League campaign so far it is fairly satisfying football wise and point wise. Yet things are going to get a lot harder over the winter months. The lads seem to be playing far better on grass than on the plastic which , hopefully , will get us a few more away victories this season.

It has been very encouraging to see Ceri Hughes performing like a veteran at the age of 19 and Jason Rees , when given the chance , gives everything in midfield. Alec has played superbly in goal which has been the main reason for our position in the top half of the table.

Two disappointing aspects so far have been our elimination from the Rumbelows cup and the sale to West Ham of full back Tim Breaker.

The display at Bradford was piss poor to put it mildly. It was difficult to tell which side was struggling in Division 3. We seemed to have no idea when it came to shooting , and to be fair they deseved to win. It is sad that once again the travelling faithful were let down on a miserable evening.

To make matters worse it was only when the players came out and Breaker was not with them , that we knew something was going on , and then only because someone behind us had heard a rumour. Once again the supporters have been kicked in the teeth and the team have lost their most consistent performer. We keep on asking when will it all end ? Surely someone within the club can give us , the supporters , some answers. We are sick to death of seeing our best players sold every four months or so. As has been said in previous issues we need your support to keep the fanzine going so if you've got anything humourous, witty constructive etc etc then drop us a line.

So let's keep getting behind the lads and how about a few more pepole cheering them on at away games too , not just in London either.

Let's be careful out there and enjoy this issue of the original Luton Fanzine  
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# FLOYD : ON *Farting!*



Burp! Hello there you Hatters fans - excuse the state I'm in, burp! cos I've just finished one of those marvellous TV programmes, belch!! in which yours truly stars in drinking as much as possible in 30 minutes hic!! - makes Steve Foster look like a complete novice with a pint pot I can

tell you. Anyway I'm here to show you how you can put the oomph back into the catering here at Kenilworth Road as I've felt that for a long time that standards have been falling and that the paying customer is being ripped off. After a few beers before the game, my guts usually aching for a burger or hot dog as I find that without sustenance I usually piss myself before the half time interval. Then there's the temptation to gorge yourself at half time when tempting smells from the back of the stands tease you to follow. Only when you do, you normally find you end up in the gents.

Still the regular burgers can still be presented with a bit of flair, style and taste so as to tempt even the most hardiest of customers. I feel that if you bash the shit out of the mincemeat with a tendersizer before wiping your nose on it and undercooking both it and the onions your meat does have a different sort of flavour. Add the bun which has been soaking in cold water for 30 minutes with scrawny lettuce and you've got yourself a tasty snack for only £1.20.

What? - what do you mean your getting this sort of service anyway? - well stop fucking moaning you must be some of the luckiest people in the 1st division.

See you all in the bar.

Keith (hic! hic!)

Next week - Those cheeky french cooks "The Rude Brothers"

# DEAF TOO!!!

In line with the Taylor report proposals Luton have come up with the scheme to make the Kenilworth Road stadium all seater over a period of 5 seasons. It is presumed that this will make Luton Town F.C. one of the most progressive and safety conscious teams in the league, giving impressive viewing to all who wish to watch the town. The Oak Road seating area is envisaged to house the controlled introduction of away fans the advantages being not only atmosphere but one of containing the away element and not have them scattered about the ground as at present. The Kenilworth Road end will gradually be converted to seating, working from the back of the stand to the front over a period of seasons.

Pretty big plans you may agree, but have we the fans and paying customers had a say in what will go ahead? Have we been asked if this is what we want and do we have any major gripes about this idea? Clubs around the country have taken the Taylor report to heart and at least have had the courtesy to listen to proposals fans can come up with. Indeed West Ham, to name one, have commissioned a census amongst fans in order to test opinion on a range of topics from all seater stadium to ground sharing.

It is obvious that our progressive thinking management have made this little pearler up on their own and have decided that public opinion will have to be vetoed by commercial common sense. I must admit that we, the fans, have pushed them into it a little as we still only turn out in ten thousands to watch our team play whilst they obviously think that this is not enough. So can we blame them for taking it out of our hands?

Yes - I think so, due not only to the ludicrous decision which saw the plastic pitch put down and the decision to ban away fans. As both of these schemes are being reviewed (with the plastic at least coming up at the end of the season) it is up to us to bring a friend back to the games to show the management that we can fill the stadium each home game.

Lets face it, installing seats reduces the capacity; and if we cannot exceed 11,000 or so fans then it is obvious that the seating arrangements will go ahead as scheduled. So you Oak Roaders and Kenilworth boys better start choosing your seats and saving for the all important price increase eh?

So what should be happening? Well the supporters club should act in conjunction with the fans to voice concern and ensure that those who want to or like to stand have that right and in an area that is historically associated with standing; namely behind the goal (no corner plots thank you).

Lets voice our concern now - and not cry when it's too late once again, like the Maple and Oak Road schemes.

## SHOCK NEWS

Its sorry to see the demise of any league club, but when its close neighbours from Hertfordshire, then it hurts even more. The team whose manager has a silly name have left the F.A of their own free will. I understand that Mr Lee is taking the entire squad sub-aqua diving due to the fact that someone told him there were 20,000 leagues under the sea and our Colin believes there's a good chance of Watford winning one of those.



# NEWS..NEWS..NEWS..NEWS..

There was great disappointment at Kenilworth Road this week when Jim Ryan failed in his bid to sign ex-Halifax and Rochdale midfielder Vic Smart. The 38 year old had made two appearances in the reserve side and had impressed the coaching staff with solid performances in both games. However the board decided that they couldn't raise the £40 signing on fee plus a barrel of John Smiths Yorkshire Bitter for every 30 games played and so the deal fell through.

Smart was said to be happy with the terms but it is believed that his agent had been approached at the 24th hour by representatives of Northern Counties League side Cleethorpes Town who had bettered the Luton offer by doubling the John Smith's incentive. The player had no hesitations in accepting the deal.

A spokesperson for the Town admitted this morning "it is very difficult to compete financially with clubs like Cleethorpes. They get their ale at half the price of us and so they can offer far better deals to attract quality players. Perhaps we should move the club further north".

Unfortunately Smart, when contacted, was too pissed to comment!!

## SUPPORTERS CLUB

The LTSC meets in the Joe Payne lounge on Thursday evening at 7.30 with two of the 1st team squad attempting to answer questions on anything thrown at them. So if you want to spend an evening of solving absolutely nothing about Luton F.C. come along. It should be a complete waste of time. In fact you must be fuckin' hard up for something to do. Admission £10.00 members £5.00 non-members.

## THE TEAM THAT RAY FLOGGED

Here it is folks the Ray Herford's ex 11. Every player was sold by the great man himself.

- 1)\* ANDY DIBBLE:- Hero of the 88 Littlewoods Cup Final and former Welsh international. Sold for £250,000 to Man City. Should've been double that price(though shouldn't have gone at all).
- 2)\* ROB JOHNSON:- Right or left back who had a lot of injury problems. Never a big star at Luton but always a consistent performer. Also from the 88 Cup winning team. Swapped as part of the Mick Kennedy deal and ended up with the messiah at Leicester.
- 3)\* ASHLEY GRIMES:- Left back or midfielder. Not played enough and thus had very little enthusiasm for town. Substitute who set up the winner at Wembley for Steiny. Went to France on a free.
- 4) IAN ALLINSON:- Signed from Arse for next to nothing. Only played a handful of games but scored some vital goals. Went back to Colchester on a free. Now managing Sth league Baldock.
- 5)\* STEVE FOSTER:- Inspirational skipper who had his differences with smiler. One of the main reasons for his departure to Oxford for £175,000. Fozzie had a few seasons left in him in a Town shirt. A great loss.
- 6)\* MAL DONAGHY:- Worth his weight in gold. Bought from N. Ireland by God in 79 and was to be the most consistent performer for Luton from the time he signed till his departure. Sold to Man. Utd. for £650,000 but rarely gets in the side.
- 7)\* RICKY HILL:- Brilliant midfielder and another consistent performer throughout his 13 years at Luton. Shit on badly when he wanted away on a free in 89. Had to pay an estimated £50,000 of his own signing on fee to join Le Harve (France).
- 8)\* BRIAN STEIN:- Two goals in the 88 cup final including last minute winner. Scored regularly in his ten years at Luton. Great servant for town. Wembley was his final game for us. Went to Caen(France) on a free (WHY??).
- 9)\* MARK STEIN:- Dropped from 88 cup final side and spat the dummy. Tonnes of skill but very hot and cold. Went to Q.P.R. for £300,000 after Wembley. Now with Foz at Oxford.
- 10) ROY WEGERLE:- What a player. Makes Gazza look like a muppet(that's not hard ed). A mistake by smiler who bought Weg's to Luton for £70,000. In 18 months his skills came to the fore and his valuations escalated. Flogged to Q.P.R. for £1M. (Must be worth £10M now. Oh no he doesn't play for Arsenal or Tottenham or get a write up in the Sun when he farts ed).
- 11) DAVID OLDFIELD:- Thought to be something of a wonder boy when sold to Man. City in 88 for £600,000. Couldn't hold a regular place at City and is now back with God as well.

\* Members of League Cup winning side.

There you have it, A team that could easily finish well up in the first division and all sold within 2 years by Ray. I make it that Luton, through these sales alone raked in £2,975,000. Not too much of this money was invested back into the club. So where did it go?

Surely if the man had any balls he would have done something about these sales instead of letting our star players disappear to other clubs.

Make up your own minds.





### ARSE-HOLED

ARSENAL 2 V 1 TOWN 29.8.90

SUPPORT:- 1200

On paper it looked all over before it began to most people. However Luton were to prove that though inexperienced they can still be a handful to any side this term.

Lars put Town in front from Preecey's cross with a neat header into the roof of the net after Black had sliced an effort wide seconds earlier.

Chamberlain made two tremendous saves from Smith and Merson before James made a complete balls up and Davis crossed for Merson to head home.

From then on in it was mainly Arse who controlled things through Rees then Dowie contrived to miss when clean through with only Seaman to beat.

With twenty minutes left Davis hammered a 20 yarder through a crowded area and the Arse were in front at last. Chamberlain was to make another brilliant save off Smith before the end. Town on the night were second best but things don't look too bad!

Man of the match: Alec Chamberlain. Brilliant.

### LOVELY LARS

SOUTHAMPTON 1 V 2 TOWN 1.9.90

SUPPORT:- 700

The only change from the previous Wednesdays game was Jason Rees coming in for the injured Black at right wing. Town started in positive mood and knocked the ball around in midfield with great confidence. Ceri Hughes showed us some great skills as he took the piss out of the Soton

defence with a couple of weaving runs.

We had settled better than the home side and it was no surprise when James set Lars free with an excellent through ball and the Dane slipped the ball under Flowers and just across the line.

Then after some Soton pressure Town went further ahead. Hughes knocked a ball deep into the penalty area and Lars was on hand to head home from 12 yards out for his 3rd goal in as many games.

The home side seemed to find their rhythm after this second setback and Chamberlain had to be at his best to turn a drive from Wallace out for a corner.

However there was nothing Chamberlain could do after half an hour when Le-Tissier turned the Town defence inside out and crossed for the unmarked Ridout to volley home from 6 yards out.

Rees should've put Town 3-1 ahead early in the second half when Dowie flicked onto Lars who roasted the right back and lay on the perfect cross but the youngster could only strike a poor effort straight at a defender.

Southampton came good in the closing stages but the defence stood firm with Chamberlain saving brilliantly from Le-Tissier then Breaker somehow twice blocking Shearer's goal bound efforts. Sub Nogan was put through on full time but lost his bottle and shot weakly wide when it looked easier to score.

So all in all a good result for Town (especially as we only won two away games last season).

M.O.M.:- Chamberlain (brilliant again) and Elstrup (at last showing why we paid so much).

### ROY ROGERS US

Q.P.R. 6 V 1 TOWN 15.9.90

SUPPORT:- 2000

The result seems to indicate a hammering but if you had been there at Loftus Road you'd know the true story. Dowie missed two sitters in the first half as did Breaker. Then the Roy Wegerle show began. He opened the scoring then set out to make a mockery of Town's defence. Sinton,



then Wilkins scored with headers early in the second half, before Ceri Hughes got one back. Wegerle then clearly shoved Breaker off the ball before taking on Beaumont and firing past Chamberlain off the post. He then took the piss on the left wing before crossing for Falco to volley home a pearler from 12 yards. Paul Parker added the 6th four minutes from time as the defence stood watching.

A disappointing finish to what had earlier looked like a chance of 3 points. Questions have got to be asked about the vulnerability of James at left back and Dreyer in the middle. Both had mares the week before against Leeds. Lesson should surely be learned from this pasting!

M.O.M.: - Ceri Hughes. Scored!

### A QUICK QUIZ ?



WHO DO THESE ONCE YOUNG MEN NOW PLAY FOR ?

CLUE - ONE IS WITH GOD AND THE OTHER PLAYS ALONGSIDE GODS' SON IF YOU BELIEVE THE PRESS.

### PREECE'S SHORTS



## AWAY • WITH • THE • LADS

THE JOLLY BOYS OUTING

Cont.

NORWICH CITY 1 V 3 TOWN 29.9.90

SUPPORT:- 650(ish)

What a start to the day. Pissing down with rain at 10.30 the coach picked us up at Brache Sparta F.C. (loyal Luton supporters club H.Q.). It was like something out of a 1960's movie. Angelo proceeded to chuck his guts up before he'd even got on.

Everyone (nearly) was in good spirits till we got pulled over by larry law outside Narwij. Yes of course wer'e criminals officer after all wer'e football fans. Tossers! The driver was interviewed about the lack of tax on the coach but managed to smile his way out of it.

We got in the ground just after kick off and Gordon scored a couple of minutes later after Chamberlain had fumbled badly. The rest of the half belonged to Narwij. Not much joy at half-time. Elstrup was a spectator but not for too much longer.

After 47 minutes Iain Dowie sent the Dane down the right and he ran 30 yards before driving a low shot under Gunn. Then two free kicks near the left side corner flag were hammered in by Williams and Elstrup met both of them with his bonce to score his first league hattrick and complete a fifteen minute spell of Luton domination.

It must be said the defence looked more comfortable in the second period with Richard Harvey making some valuable runs down the left. Steve Williams had a cracking game considering he had been out of the first team for so long.

The lads gave us travelling fans something to sing about and we made ourselves heard even when we were playing shit.

So all in all an eventful day. The coach???!! broke down in Hitchin on the way home enabling us to get a few beers down our necks before finishing the short journey back to the Brache with a sing-a-long-a-sixties/seventies with Lennie, Tommy, Eddie, Pete etc. etc. showing their age. Who needs Del boy and Rodders!!

Man of the Match:- Tim Breaker and Steve Williams



## CRAP

BRADFORD CITY 1 V 1 TOWN 10.10.90

SUPPORT:- 317

(I counted everybody ed.)

An absolute piss poor performance from Luton ended with a defeat in the worst possible way but to be honest we didn't deserve anything against what can only be described as a mediocre division 3 side.

Julian James came in at right back for Tim Breaker and it was then that we realized Breaker was no longer a Luton player. Another kick in the teeth for loyal supporters.

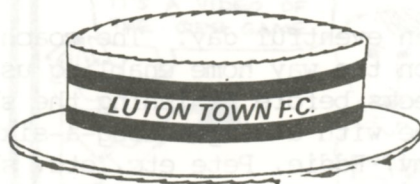
City took the lead just before half-time when a cross shot was hacked off the line by Harvey only for it to rebound off James some 5 yards away and back into the goal. It could have been worse but for some smart saves by Chamberlain.

Town looked slightly better in the second half and got the equalizer when a cross from James was missed by everybody but Black was on hand to bury it from 10 yards. City should have finished it in the final minutes when Leonard struck his shot straight at Chamberlain when it would have been easier to score.

Extra time saw the Towns legs tire quicker than the Yorkshiremens and we were lucky (or unlucky as it was) to go to penalties. Beaumont then Harvey dispatched theirs, then Dowie blazed over and that was that. I'd rather have lost it in normal time then at least we could have got a few more beers in.

We had a good laugh even if the Towns performance was shit. Angelo performed his party piece in a Tesco's bag to keep everybody amused. Nice one.

M.O.M.:- Chamberlain (again). Several good saves.



THE MOST OVER-USED PHOTO  
OF PAUL GASCOIGNE EVER.

## Shooting star ??

### 10 THINGS YOU ALWAYS KNEW ABOUT PAUL GASCOIGNE

- 1) He used to play for Newcastle
- 2) His dad's name is not Bamber
- 3) He used to eat a lot of chocolate
- 4) He only cries when he's upset
- 5) He'll try and take every corner, free kick, throw in etc. just to get noticed -a-la- Chrissy Waddle
- 6) He'd sign for a fashionable London Club
- 7) He'd get into the England side
- 8) He'll never pass the ball
- 9) They call him "Gazza"
- 10) He's a cheeky fat git who's gonna lose it if he's not careful
- 11) He can't sing for shit (ok so thats 11 you smart arse)

### CRISIS IN THE GULF

With Irans storming and subsequent occupation of Kuwait, the endless rhetoric from the press is enough to make me add a huge amount to the EEC puke mountain.

Yet trying to remain topical D.P asked Jim Ryan for his thoughts on the Gulf Crisis.

"Well I don't think it's as bad as everyone's making out" he confessed "Let's face it the big 5 haven't really made that much of an impact as everybody expected and there's only Liverpool showing that there is indeed a gulf between their style and the rest of us."

"But Jim" I said "your talking about football and not the crisis in the Gulf with Saddam Hussein and his Iranians"

"Oh Fuck" he apologized "That.... well I'd just nuke the bastards." Thanks Jim.



### A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS

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David Preece - Mighty White Bread

Jason Rees - Pampers For Boys

Kingsley Black - Vanish - what he does to defenders

Lars Elstrup - Danish Bacon - "Sizzzzling Hot"

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Kurt Nogan - Roy of the Rovers Magazine

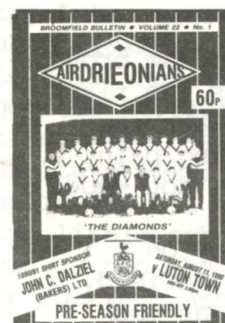
Marvin Johnson - Black Magic chocolates

Darron McDonough - My little Pony (tail)

Jim Ryan - Solvite " For all your sticky moments"

### NOW THERE'S A FUNNY THING

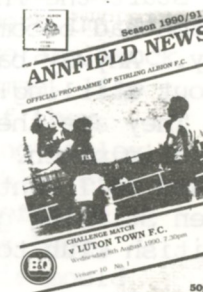
When Aston Villa agreed to release Graham Taylor from his managerial duties in order to take over the vacant England post, some clever bastard at the FA really stitched them up. When the Villa board heard they were going to receive a blank cheque for his services, they obviously thought they were going to receive money; not a fat old eastern european git with no new ideas - ha! ha! Blank Czech - Get it?



## BELATED SCOTS PORRIDGE

**"YOU TAKE THE**

**HIGH ROAD..."**



On leaving Luton bus station at ten past midnight on Wednesday 8th August, I was looking forward to my 4 day trip to Scotland to see the Town in action against Stirling Albion and Airdrie. 10 hours later after hundreds of stopping off points, (well only eight actually, it just felt like hundreds) I arrived in Stirling sleepless, stiff as a board, and feeling like I'd been out on the beer with George Best, Jimmy Greaves and Oliver Reed. I was one of the lucky ones though, some of the poor bastards on that national coach were going on as far as Aberdeen. I would not wish that coach trip from Luton to Stirling on my worst enemy, (except for David Evans that is. I'm sending him a ticket). Walking from the bus station to the town centre, I spotted a bloke across the street with a Luton town shirt on. My spirits lifted immediately, I knew then that there would be at least two Luton fans at the game. After sorting out a B&B and getting my head down for a few hours, I sussed out where the ground was and decided I was in need of some nosh and liquid refreshment. I arrived at the ground at 6.45 and made for the supporters club bar. The sight that greeted me was amazing, a full bar, with at least three-quarters of the occupants being Luton fans, it was great to see. It is amazing how since Jimmy Ryan took over as manager that the Luton style has returned, (football that is pleasing to the eye, and it is once again a pleasure to watch Luton). While I am on this subject, let us nail once and for all the myth that Ray Harford was sacked for not smiling at the fans. He was sacked because in the last 9 months or so of his reign at Luton, he changed the style from skilful football, to boring,



negative, dull, scared, defensive rubbish. I am proud to say that in the Kenilworth Road end I was the first to start the "Harford Out" chants, because watching Luton had become about as exciting as watching paint dry. Anyway back to Stirling, facts you may not know about Stirling:-

1) They are the only team in Scotland to play on a plastic pitch. 2) The name of the ground is Anfield. 3) And no I don't know if their manager cries as much when Stirling get beat as the manager of the other British club to play at a ground call Anfield.

#### STIRLING V LUTON

The early exchanges were equal until Luton took the lead with a powerful shot from Ian Dowie from just inside the area. Kingsley Black was starting to get more into the game and was starting to make some strong runs down the left flank. After one of his mazy runs he ran along the 18 yard box, veered into the area and was taken down. The ref had no hesitation in giving a penalty. Lars Elstrup stepped up and despatched the penalty with due aplomb. After some of the penalty misses from Danny Wilson and Roy Wegerle last season it was nice to see a penalty scored with such confidence. HT 2-0 to the Town. During the game myself, Dave Green and Paul (saucepan salesman, real ale drinker and bit of a gambler) don't know his surname; got talking to a Scottish fellow who told us he was a Stoke City scout and was looking at Mick Kennedy for Alan Ball. Mick had a reasonable first half including one dodgy tackle and was replaced by Marvin Johnson for the second half. Various other changes were also made in the Luton team. The Stoke scout said he hadn't learned anything new about Mick Kennedy. The second half started off as the first finished, with Luton dominating and with Stirling playing nice football in short spells. Stuart Robertson in midfield looking particularly impressive for Stirling. Luton went three up with a free kick from the edge of the box from David Preece with the ball hitting the bar, hitting the goal keeper on the back and rolling in. His left boot also flew goalwards and ended up by the penalty spot. "David why don't you ask one of the bigger boys in the team to do your laces up for you" Luton then enjoyed a purple patch for 10 minutes with David Preece raining in shots from everywhere, country boy bookmakers must have given him about 500/1 on being

top Luton scorer this season. Luton then sat back and relaxed and paid for it, conceding a goal a piece to Stirling's Vinnie Moore and Joe Reid. The defence got caught flat trying to play offside a couple of times with Beaumont and McDonough doing superb imitations of Steve Foster and Ashley Grimes with there arm stuck up in the air appealing vainly to the linesman, like two little school kids asking the teacher if they can go too the toilet. Not that I'm knocking Ashley or Fozzie. Ashley could peel oranges with his left foot and Fozzie was a superb leader but if offside was not given, they were hardly going to get back, neither of them being in the Linford Christie mould when it came to speed. Anyway back to Stirling, who by now were pressing hard for an equalizer. It almost came when Reid struck the Luton crossbar 5 minutes from the end. This shook Luton some what and a minute from the end after an excellent move, Richard Harvey who replaced James crossed for Kurt Nogan, who replaced Dowie, to head superbly home. FT Stirling 2 Luton 4.

After the game it was back in the supporter's club with the Stirling and Luton fans getting on famously, some of the fitter supporters from each side having there own game on the pitch. The players came in the club for a while after the game, most making for the bar. Mick Kennedy making for the cigarette machine. After about half an hour a massive tray of scotch pies were brought into the club and a tray of sandwiches sent through from the directors of Stirling. Some of the players including Jason Rees, did not seem to keen on the scotch pies but on my way back to the B&B I spotted the players in a hamburger joint stuffing shergar-burgers down their gobs. Sorry lads it's got to be said some of you have got no taste.

On Thursday morning I headed for Dundee for a few



GUESS WHO'S SUB ?....



THE LIKELY LADS



days. It is a nice place with some good pubs. For any real ale buffs among you the "Phoenix " & "The Tally ho" are the pubs you want in Dundee, but take it easy on the Belhaven 90 shilling, it kills all know brain cells. For those of you looking for something a bit livlier the Angels showbar is a must for a good night out. On Saturday morning I left Dundee for Airdrie. I arrived in Airdrie around 11.30 and was walking down the high street when I bumped into Brian Swain, who said he couldn't find a pub. My nose started twitching till I picked up the scent of the hops and soon we were outside a pub called the "Masons Arms". After 5 minutes of funny handshakes, pulling up 1 trouser leg, and putting on an apron we gained admittance to the pub, no seriously it was a friendly pub with nice customers, it just seems a funny name for a boozer. After a few there we made our way to the ground. I went into the Airdrie supporters club to, again as at Stirling, be met by a good following of Luton fans including two carloads from the Loyal Luton supporters club who had left Luton at 4am that morning. The game itself was a disaster with Luton without David Preece and Mick Kennedy getting beat 2-0 and lucky it was not a lot more. The Luton fans performed better in the club after the game, joining in a sing song with the Airdrie fans, than the Luton players had on the pitch.

#### THOUGHTS ON THE TOUR

Very enjoyable with Luton fans proving that fans of an English team can behave themselves when travelling to another country. Also thanks to both Stirling and Airdrie fans for there hospitality, also good luck to both teams in their respective divisions after both of them narrowly missed out on promotion last season.

#### PERSONAL THOUGHT

After the marathon coach journey to Scotland and back, I'm thinking of asking David Evans for a loan to buy my own private jet, on second thoughts though I dont think I can afford his interest rates on the repayments.



## JUST THE TICKET

So Terry Hurlock the Rangers midfield star has been fined £1000 for distributing his Cup Final ticket allowance into the wrong hands. Sorry Terry but you'll get no sympathy from me as many people yearn to get their hands on tickets like those, yet your penalty for the crime seems to be a mere slap on the wrist.

Terry was caught, but think how many other tickets were also distributed in this manner afterall with less than half of the tickets being allocated to the competing finalists where do the rest eventually end up. We all know league clubs and bodies and even humbler sides receive an allocation, but how do touts get hold of such vast quantities when none are given directly to them? Indeed - are touts providing us with a service or are they just parasites feeding off fans enthusiasm and desire to pay any price to see their club in action?

It is obvious that there is only one way to find out and that is to stop the supply of tickets for major occasions to these people. We'll soon see how the distribution can be sorted out and may even result in bonafide fans receiving a greater allocations of tickets due to the officials believing that a fairer share out is the only way.

Lately the Lawn Tennis Association have taken steps to clamp down on touts for next years Wimbledon. There will be serious fines imposed and a 100% chance of tickets being routed back to the original holder. Lets hope it works and can be extended to football.

I'm afraid that action like our Terrys only adds fuel to the fire for the "middle man" who stands to gain vastly at true supporters expense.



## JUNIOR HATTERS FEATURE

Hello boys and girls - its Junior Hatters time once again. Unfortunately Paul Gray and Kurt Nogan are stuck in their twin buggy in the Early Learning Centre so its up to Uncle Dazmo to take over.

"Hiya gang - what a wonderful week I've had. Its been full of fun as I've been preparing a mask to scare my mates with for Halloween. Just for laughs I wore it to the ground during training just to frighten the ground staff for starters. Imagine my surprise when it had no effect on the groundsman as he told me that the mask that David Beaumont was wearing had scared him shitless. I couldn't understand it as I'm sure he wasn't making one.

Anyway its bonfire night soon so I'd better give you some Dazmo Danger tips to get your party off with a bang.

- 1) It is essential not to throw bangers.
- 2) Never return to a lighted firework.
- 3) Do not stick a rocket up your next door neighbours arse, even if you do not get along famously.
- 4) Never allow your dog to piss over a catherine wheel, he may spring a cocky leekie.
- 5) Keep cats indoors as they only shit over the patio anyway.
- 6) If in doubt about a lighted firework get your next door neighbours 7 year old son to have a look at it.
- 8) Keep the box closed at all times.
- 9) Sparklers should never be thrust up your neighbours children's noses - it puts the flames out.
- 10) BE CAREFUL OUT THERE - ITS FUCKING DARK - WHERE'S MY MATCHES?

Have a good time and stay out of the hospitals"

DAZMO

P.S. Send in your letters to Father Christmas soon as I'll pass them on to the fat old bastard - see ya. D

## CAUGHT IN THE ACT



OUR REGULAR 'LUTON SPEWS' ACE  
WHIPPED THIS OUT ON ME DOWN THE PUB,  
SWEARING THAT IT'S THE LUTON APPRENTICES'  
NEW KIT, AND THAT THEY ALL PLAY WITH THEIR  
HORNS DURING THE INTERVAL - NO KIDDING!!



was being cleared when it hit Mossy, who was just outside the area, on the head. Believe it or not from fully 20 yards the ball looped over the helpless Q.P.R. keeper and rested in the back of the net. After a few seconds of stunned silence we all went mad.

When talked about some 10 years later folklore had taken over and people say Mossy was just inside his own half when he headed home from 45 yards - nice but not quite true!

Keep up the good work

Martin Dear, Reading Berks

What great memories you lads have. Any more fantastic stories anyone? You know where to write.

The following letter was sent into D.P.'s redundant Ray's problem page but since Ray has now left us for a more rosier career in Sth London we cannot print his reply.

Dear Ray,

I am a man of 24 and I come from a large family. My name should be familiar to you as my younger brother plays football for Watford. My older brother is serving life for a series of rapes and murders. My two sisters had their own business, the erotica massage service, but gave it up when they realised they had lesbian tendencies towards each other.

My mother is a nymphomaniac and alcoholic who refuses to have anything to do with my father since she discovered he is a practicing homosexual who has recently contracted aids. She is now pregnant by the pakistani who own the off licence and the doctor says her heroin addiction may affect my unborn half brother.

I myself have been dating a charming girl of my own age, an ex-prostitute with four lovely kids, two half caste. We plan to marry as soon as her syphilis clears up. My problem is how can I bring myself to tell her that my brother plays football for Watford?

Worried, St. Albans.

GOT SOMETHING TO SAY FOR YOURSELF? WANT TO VOICE AN OPINION? DROP US A LINE. YOU KNOW IT MAKES SENSE.

## CAUGHT IN THE ACT II



For a while it looked certain that we would learn from our mistakes and sign the lovable (?) Shalom Tikva. However, it was no surprise when our Jim told him to return from whence he came. Before his flight home Shalom posed for waiting photographers.



# COMPLAINTS DEPARTMENT

The Chief Constable  
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3rd August 1990

Dear Sir

With regard to the Southampton v Luton football match which I attended on Saturday 1st September 1990, I write to express my dissatisfaction at the treatment shown to me by one of your police officers.

At approximately 4.10 pm a police officer ejected me from the ground claiming that I had on at least three occasions made finger signs at the referee. I disagreed with the accusation but I was escorted from the visiting supporters end to what I can only assume to be a police incident room, where I was searched and asked for identification etc. I co-operated fully when asked.

I am not a hooligan and have travelled to away games with Luton for over ten years on a regular basis. I do not spend hard earned cash to cause aggravation at a soccer match.

I was standing in the nearest corner of the visiting supporters end to the home seated fans and can only assume that the officer involved thought (wrongly) that I was stirring something. I have stood at that end of the ground before and realising what a poor view the middle part gives, I stood in the afore-mentioned area to WATCH football. I felt totally humiliated by the actions taken against myself.

I feel that the police, now that football hooliganism has died down, have to justify their presence at a match by either arresting or ejecting certain people for no apparent reason.

Would you please tell me if it is an offence to watch my football team and encourage them on to victory? My outlook after Saturday's events are making me wonder if it is worthwhile. Why was my name, address and other personal details taken? Surely if I had caused any trouble what-so-ever why was I not charged and arrested? I would appreciate an answer.

Considering Luton had only a small following there were no attempts from any other supporters to oppose my ejection, though on talking to other people who witnessed the incident, all agreed that I had been thrown out for no apparent reason. Had a team such as Leeds United or Arsenal been the visitors I believe you could have had a full scale battle on your hands, for the simple fact that those sides are so well supported that ordinary working people would not accept your officers actions. But there again I believe your officer would not eject those people as they know the consequences. A Luton fan seems a soft touch to a Leeds supporter and they know it. It was not worth myself arguing the point as I know which side the law is on, so thus I agreed to comply with what your employees had to say, to save myself from being arrested.

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My whole day out at Southampton was ruined by the events I have described and so were four other persons who had travelled with me to the game. Thank you.

Is it now an offence to attend a football match? If so, please advise me, and I will stay away in future.

There are over a quarter of a million people who do attend soccer games week in, week out. Perhaps you could advise them as well if they are criminals for standing on a football terrace whether it be Southampton or Scunthorpe United.

I will not be writing to the Southampton F.C. but will, however, send a copy of this letter to the Southampton fanzine in order that true supporters 'get the message'. The Luton fanzine will also be receiving a copy. Let the people judge for themselves.

Thank you for the time you have taken to read my letter, I look forward to your reply.

Yours faithfully

AND THIS IS ALL WE GOT BACK....

## HAMPSHIRE Constabulary



From: M. J. Mylod,  
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12/09/90

Dear Sir

I acknowledge receipt of your recent letter and have noted the matters you have raised.

I am sure you will appreciate that at this stage I am unable to comment further. However, I am arranging for an enquiry to be made and will write to you again as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

For Deputy Chief Constable

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**GOING**

# dutch



We are all aware that there are many aspects of the national game that can be improved, not least the amount of T.V. coverage given. O.K. it is fair to say that 1 live match a week and midweek highlights is more than enough, or even argue that more coverage makes more couch potatoes and results in attendances falling. I agree somewhat, but when you consider the vast sums of money exchanged between television companies and the football authorities we still see far less coverage than most other European countries. Its not all live football either, but the coverage and information given creates more awareness and can only promote the good in football.

Take Holland for example, where I have been living for the past 16 months. There's access to several European channels as well as Eurosport and the BBC (John Motson et al) and the difference becomes obvious.

On Saturday evening at 5pm GMT there's highlights of the German league games plus goals from the Bundesliga along with freshly received highlights from a couple of English games. There's also coverage later on Dutch TV of Friday nights games plus a round up of the German leagues.

Sunday has a whole host of footballing goals with Dutch, Italian and British sides scoring heavily whilst Tuesday night weighs in with the goals from the Spanish leagues.

Wednesday nights bow in with Dutch, German and Belgian league games but the best is saved. TV will also show most, if not all of the international games, including

## PREECE'S SHORTS



friendlies live. Again 3 weeks ago with the European Cups 2nd legs Tuesday and Wednesday were devoted entirely to Dutch, Belgian and German teams. This sort of coverage is unprecedented as we in Britain have, until this season, received highlights only of our own teams progress and interest peters out until the final if our teams are vanquished.

So if this is the sort of service received abroad, why not over here? If not foreign games then why not more round ups of the 3rd and 4th divisions. Afterall the TV authorities pay these clubs indirectly through their franchise. Why can't they promote them as well as the "Big 5" we get so bored with viewing.

After moving to Holland I worried that I'd miss seeing English football. Why worry - I see more football now than ever in England.

Ian Caulfield

## INTERNATIONAL SPOT



RUUD GULLIT SPORTING HIS SHAGGIEST LOOK - TURNS UP QUITE REGULARLY ON DUTCH TV.



WANT TO JOIN THE MASSES RANKS?  
DON'T KNOW HOW TO GET THERE?  
NEITHER DO WE .... LET ME HEAR YOU SING ...

## "If You're All Going To...."

### DERBY NOV. 3RD:-

Take M1 North to Jnct. 24 then A6 into Derby. Follow signs for baseball ground. Plenty of parking and pubs on approach roads. Beware of anyone wearing wellies. There is a good possibility that they shag sheep. You have been warned! By the way the whole of the visitors end in now seated.

### LIVERPOOL NOV. 10TH:-

M1 to Jnct. 19 (M6) then M6 to 21a or 23. Follow signs for Liverpool then signs for Anfield/Goodison. Parking next to Stanley(knife) park for small fee. Dont park on streets cos you'll get a ticket. We did last year. The pub across from the park is o.k. dunno what its called though. Watch out for pickpockets. This is Liverpool afterall.

### FOREST DEC 1ST:-

M1 North to Jnct. 25. Then follow signs for Nottingham. Then signs for trent Bridge. City ground will also be signposted! Loads of parking next to visitors enclosure. The Avery pub just across the trent is good for a piss-up and theres plenty of perv material(women to you mate) as was discovered last season.

### PALACE DEC 16TH:-

If you've never driven to Palace before my advice is don't bother. If you have then take your own route. Every time I go I get lost. There are a few boozers dotted around. One near norwood Jct station springs to mind (thats if its a 3.00 K.O.)



## LOYAL LUTON SUPPORTERS CLUB

Chairman: Lenny Pengelly · President: Alan Garner

Welcome to the new season and we wish Jimmy Ryan along with all the footballing staff at Luton Town FC the best of luck for the forthcoming season. Also we welcome Peter Nelkin, the new Chairman and his partner David Kohler to Luton Town FC and hope they lead us to new found success.

The loyal Luton Supporters Club was formed in January 1990 after the frustration of the club's policies and the lack of opposition to them. We have not set out to be a rival to the Luton Town Supporters Club but feel that at times they have the clubs' "will" to much at heart and as such do not oppose any of their decisions. We believe that it is necessary, at times, to do so. We have not set out solely to be critical of the club just for the sake of it, but certain decisions by the club over the last few seasons have been disastrous. We believe the club should ask the Fans for their views before making vital decisions in the future as the club belongs to us, the Fans, as much as the Directors.

Last season saw an exciting climax at Derby which was well attended by our members, 70 of which followed in a convoy of coach and cars from the Brache Club. Thanks go to Maurice and Derek for entertaining our early morning thirst from 10.00am until departure and on our triumphant return! A great day for our first organised Supporters Club outing. A specially framed photograph taken by the travelling group is now on view on our allocated "wall space" at the Brache Club.

During the close season two well attended meetings were called and many good points were raised and discussed. At the first meeting a plaque in commemoration of foundation of our club was mounted on the wall and is now on view at the Brache Club.

A club banner measuring 12' x 6' has been made to be exhibited at special functions and games. We think you will agree it is very professional and effective.

Alan Garner, the ex-Luton player of the Harry Haslam promotion "era", who incidentally scored the famous FA Cup goal at Bolton in 1973, has agreed with pleasure to act as Club President.

The pre-season tour of Scotland saw Luton visit Airdrieonians FC and twelve members of our club made the long trek for the match, nine of whom set out from Luton at 4.00am on Saturday morning, returning on Sunday after frequenting as many licensed premises as time would allow - HIC!

The loyal Luton Supporters Club has some 100 members who meet regularly at our adopted headquarters, Brache Sparta FC, Dallow Road, Luton (next to Foxdell Junior School). Anyone is welcome to come along and join the club. Its a friendly relaxed atmosphere with a good bunch of lads. Its a good way to socialize and maybe fix up a lift to away games as well.

Membership Fee is £5.00 per year which includes membership of the Brache Club and a L.L.S.C metal badge. To enrol come along to the club on any Saturday that the Town are at home, before or after the game and ask behind the bar for:- Lenny Pengelly, Tom Shanley or Nick Flack. Its well worth it.



# "Screaming Fans Rip My Clothes Off"

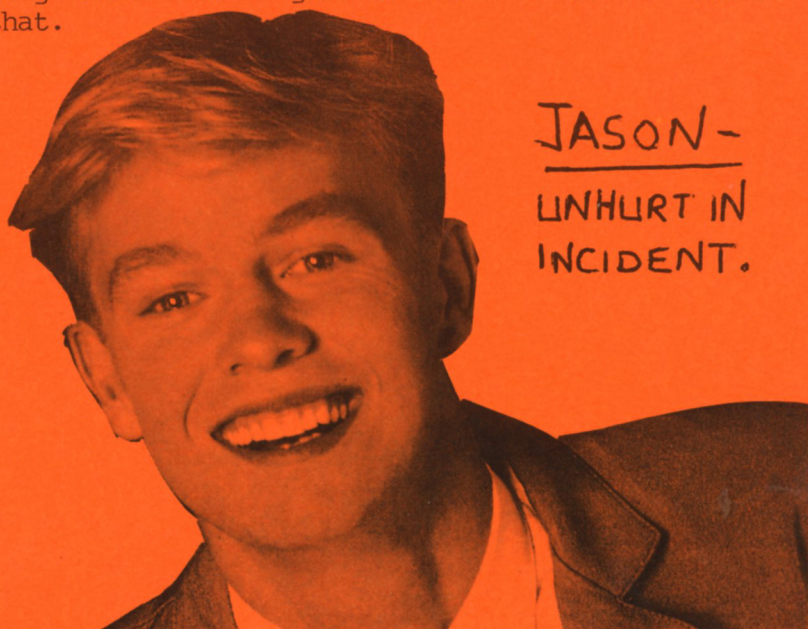
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So says Jason Rees the young Luton Midfielder, claiming that he was lucky not to be left naked in Luton Town centre on Friday afternoon. Recovering from the ordeal Jason told me:-

"I had just finished opening the latest Prize Burger Palace in the town when I turned to make the customary signatures for the autograph hunters. I was thinking the crowd was rather a large one for a humble lad like myself when all of a sudden there was a cry of "Jason, Jason" from the back and a massive surge, which saw me pushed to the ground. The next thing I knew there were thirty or so pairs of hands pulling and ripping my clothes. It was terrifying, yet thanks to security men I managed to escape with my boxershorts still intact."

Apparently it was all a big mistake as onlooker Tracy Robbins told me "We knew a top celebrity was to be in Town and all the signs were that it was to be Jason Donovan. Due to the bad lighting in the Palace we mistook Mr Rees for our Jason and are deeply sorry - ooh! but he's got a nice bum though."

A spokesman for Mr Donovan argued that all this attention was doing his client no good at all - we'll tell Jason Rees that.



JASON-  
UNHURT IN  
INCIDENT.