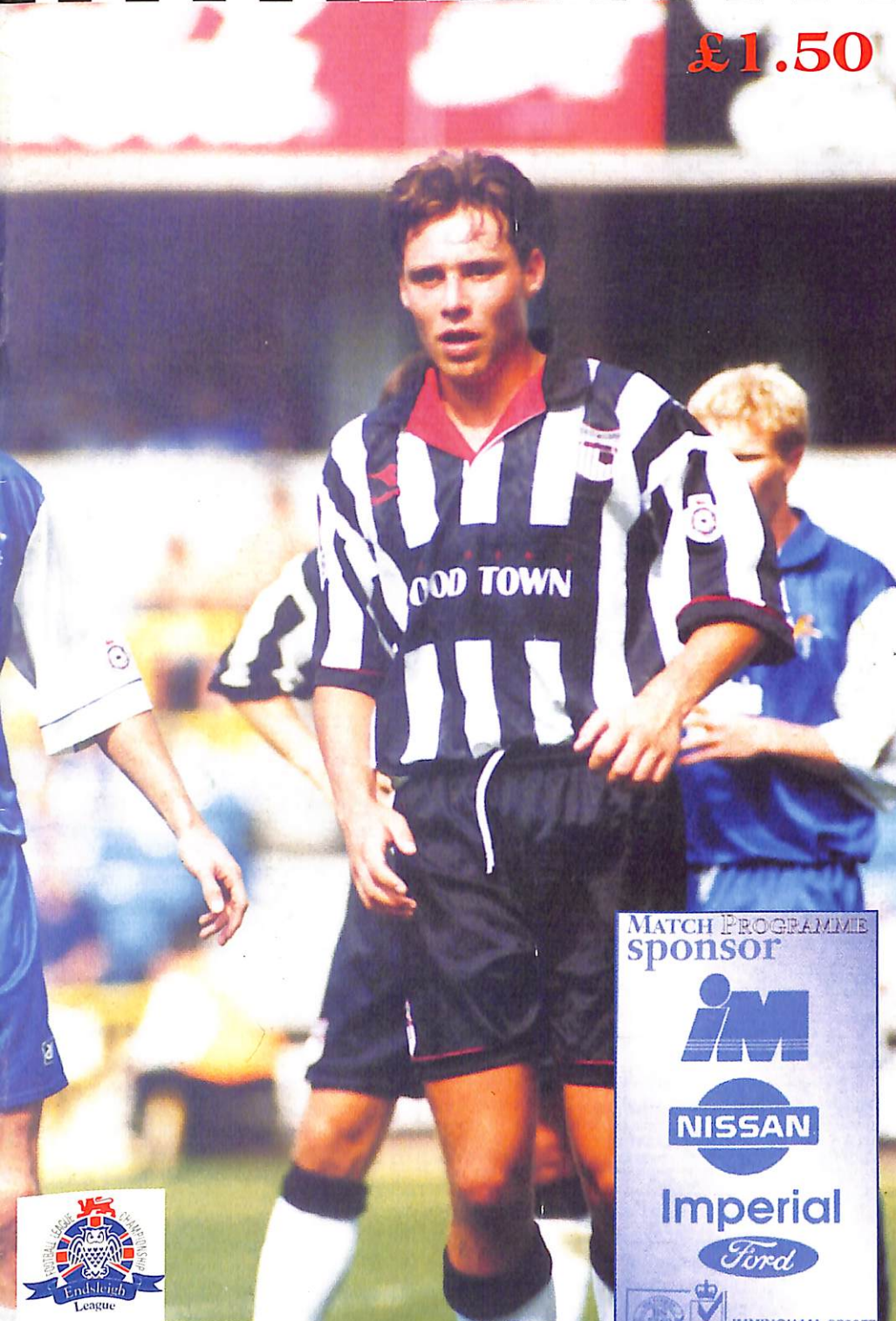


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The Manager's Notes with BRIAN LAWS



Good evening to all you Mariners' fans and a warm welcome to Blundell Park to the Luton Town Directors, players and supporters.

These notes were written prior to the Derby County game on Saturday afternoon, so hopefully we did you proud at the Baseball Ground.

Going back to our opening home game against Portsmouth a week last Saturday....what can I say!

From a slow start to an explosive finish: i.e the gaffer's tap in to Crofty's excellent individual goal and two sendings-off.

Unfortunately one was my fault of which I have apologised to Paul Crichton for a sloppy back pass. Say no more.

There were a lot of plusses coming out of the game with Pompey. In particular we looked fitter and

stronger than our opponents towards the end of the match. If we can start a game like we finish, who knows what might happen!

Another talking point was the three "subs ruling with no 'keepers on the bench. Although this is a bit of a gamble, at home we are expected to win and three outfield players can change the whole game if things go wrong.

Away from home, and in cup-ties, it's a different matter. Only time will tell if it's the right decision. Cheers for now

Keep up your support for the Mariners!

Brian Laws

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Middle Row: Clive Goodyear (Physio), Paul Lowe (Youth Development Officer), Richard Harvey, Aaron Skelton, David Oldfield, Mitchell Thomas, Des Linton, Marvin Johnson, Bontcho Guentchev, Matthew Woolgar, Wayne Turner (Reserve Team Coach), John Moore (Youth Team Coach)
Front Row: Jamie Woodford, Gary Waddock, Tony Thorpe, Ceri Hughes, Mick McGee (Assistant Manager), David Kohle (Chairman), Scott Oakes, Nathan Jones, Graham Alexander, Dwight Marshall*

Introducing...

Tonight we welcome Luton Town to Blundell Park for our second home League game of the season. The 'Hatters' under new manager Terry Westley, a former coach at Kenilworth Road, are hoping for a better campaign than they had in 1994-95 which saw them finish a rather disappointing 16th in the final First Division table - ten points clear of the relegation zone but 18 points short of a play-off place.

Since the end of last season there have been a few changes at the club. Former boss Pleat moved to Sheffield Wednesday while one or two players also departed, including Paul Telfer to Coventry City and David Preece to Derby County. Luton therefore have had to rebuild, and into the camp have come four useful players: David Oldfield (from Leicester), Gavin Johnson (from Ipswich), Bontcho Guentchev (from Ipswich) and defender Steve Davis (from Burnley), the latter for £500,000.

Still at the club are experienced goalkeepers Fred Barber, now 32 and The American Juergan Sommer (26) plus young 19 year-old 'keeper Kelvin Davis, who is highly rated at Kenilworth Road. In defence Luton can call on the services of David Greene, an Eire U/21 international; Richard Harvey, who agreed a new contract in

the summer; Julian James, a former England U/21 player; Marvin Johnson who has been at the club 10 years; Des Linton, once of Leicester; the veteran Trevor Peake who won an FA Cup winners medal with Coventry in 1987, new man Steve Davis and Mitchell Thomas, ex-Tottenham and West Ham.

To do battle in the midfield, manager Westley can choose from Welsh international Ceri Hughes; the versatile Gavin Johnson; Tony Thorpe, recruited from YTS in 1992; Gary Waddock, ex-Q.P.R. and Bristol Rovers; Scott Oakes, son of the Showaddywaddy star Trevor, who can also play up front; Matt Woolgar, a graduate from the YTS; David Oldfield, in his second spell at the club and Graham Alexander who can also defend if required.

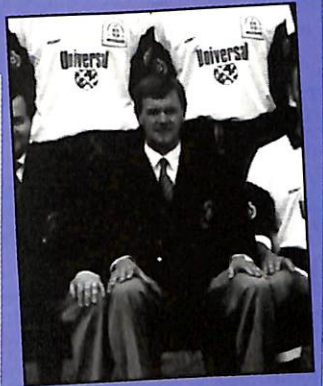
The Hatters' attackers will be chosen from Guentchev, a Bulgarian international; Jamie Woodford, who made his debut last season; Dwight Marshall, who cost £150,000 from Plymouth; Rob Matthews, secured from Notts County and £200,000 acquisition John Taylor from Bradford City, who hit three goals in nine games at the end of last season. Luton will be a difficult side to beat. They enjoy attacking but defend well. It should be an interesting contest.

The Manager

Terry Westley, the former coach at Kenilworth Road, was appointed team manager of Luton Town (in succession to David Pleat) in July of this year. He had been on the 'Hatters' coaching staff since 1991 and is now the club's 20th manager.

Once a player with Ipswich Town, Terry played non-League football for Bury St. Edmunds and also for Diss Town, being player-manager of the latter.

He returned to Portman Road in 1988 to take over their School of Excellence before Pleat persuaded him to join Luton. Since then he has been responsible for the youth set up at the club and has seen the likes of John Hartson and Kevin Davis progress in the game.



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Harry Haslam	1972-78
David Pleat	1978-86
John Moore	1986-87
Ray Harford	1987-91
David Pleat	1991-95
Terry Westley	1995

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There have been 28 previous
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nine have ended all square.
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for the Mariners.

Player	Position	Born	Previous Clubs
Jeurgan Sommer	Goal	27.2.69	U.S. University
Fred Barber	Goal	26.8.63	Darlington, Everton, Walsall, Peterborough, Chester, Blackpool, Colchester, Chesterfield
Kelvin Davis	Goal	29.6.76	Torquay (loan)
David Greene	Defender	26.10.73	School
Richard Harvey	Defender	17.4.69	Y.T.S.
Julian James	Defender	22.3.70	Y.T.S.
Marvin Johnson	Defender	29.10.68	Trainee
Des Linton	Full-back	5.9.71	Leicester City
Trevor Peake	Defender	10.2.57	Coventry City
Nathan Jones	Defender	28.5.73	Merthyr Tydfil
Steve Davis	Defender	30.10.68	Burnley, Notts County
Mitchell Thomas	Defender	2.10.64	Tottenham, West Ham
Ceri Hughes	Midfield	26.2.71	Trainee
Aaron Skelton	Midfield	22.11.74	Y.T.S.
David Oldfield	Midfield	30.5.68	Luton Town, Manchester C., Leicester City
Gavin Johnson	Midfield	10.10.70	Ipswich Town
Graham Alexander	Utility	10.10.71	Scunthorpe United
Tony Thorpe	Midfield	10.4.74	Y.T.S.
Matt Woolgar	Midfield	5.1.76	Y.T.S.
Gary Waddock	Midfield	17.3.62	Bristol Rovers, Q.P.R. Charleroi (Belgium), Millwall, Swindon Town.
Bontcho Guentchev	Forward	7.7.64	Ipswich Town
Scott Oakes	Forward	5.8.72	Leicester City
Jamie Woodsford	Forward	9.11.76	Y.T.S.
Dwight Marshall	Forward	3.10.65	Plymouth Argyle
Rob Matthews	Forward	14.10.70	Notts County
John Taylor	Striker	24.10.64	Bradford City, Colchester United, Cambridge United

LUTON TOWN

Season	Div.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	POS
1990-91	1	38	10	7	21	42	61	37	18th
1991-92	1	42	10	12	20	38	71	42	20th
1992-93	1	46	10	21	15	48	62	51	20th
1993-94	1	46	14	11	21	56	60	53	20th
1994-95	1	46	15	13	18	61	64	58	16th

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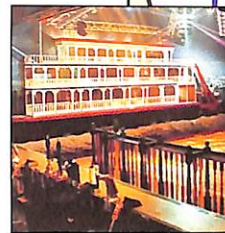
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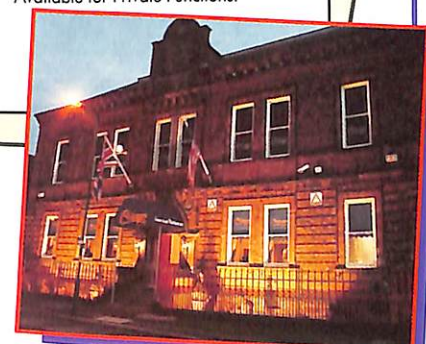
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DEBUTANTS

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Paul Jewell scored twice against his former club and is currently on loan for a month with the Mariners.

Scottish triallist Johnnie Walker (formerly of Rangers) has had his trial period extended from two weeks to a month. Former Wolves midfielder Mark Burke is also with us on trial. Despite struggling with an injury, Mark impressed at Bradford.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy goes to the family and friends of Ron Beeson who passed away recently.

Ron was a great supporter of the Mariners and regularly sat in the main stand with his wife.

Ron was a very popular figure who captained Lincolnshire County Cricket club in his younger days.

ROARING TRADE

The Grimsby Town Club Shop is doing a roaring trade this season with Sid

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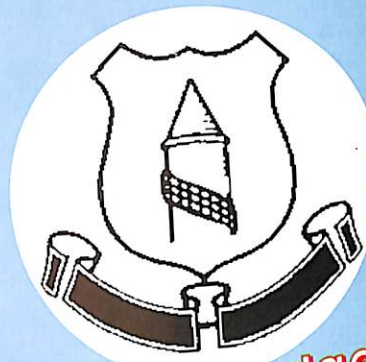
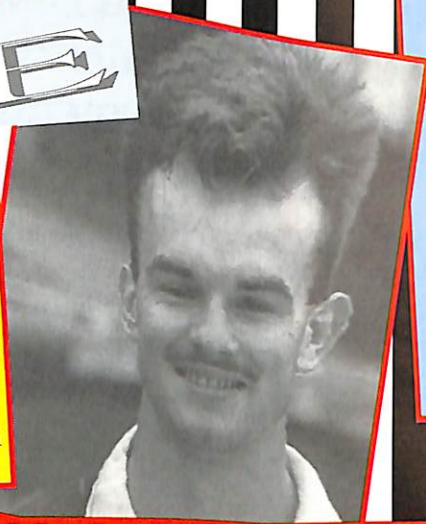


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- 1 With which club did Geoff Thomas begin his League career?
- 2 Which FA Carling Premiership club was once called Ardwick?
- 3 What is the nickname of Peterborough United?
- 4 Which was the first English club to achieve the Football League Division One championship and League Cup double?
- 5 Who scored 42 goals in the Barclays First Division during the 1992-93 season?

Soccer oddity



Kenny Dalglish was appointed manager of Liverpool 10 years ago.

Did you know that West Germany provided all four sides for the semi-finals of the 1979-80 UEFA Cup competition?

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There aren't too many photographs contained in the book, but who wants pictures when there are so many facts and figures to digest. It's a good read, and a must for everyone who dabbles in individual players' facts and figures.

DIVISION ONE NEWS

First In Focus

This evening we take a look at how the opening few fixtures of this new season have gone (last weekend's games have not been included).

MARINERS IN THE LIONS' DEN

Current leaders Millwall defeated the Mariners 2-1 at home on the first Saturday and then followed up with a hard-earned, but deserved, 1-0 victory at Port Vale a week later, when veteran striker Kerry Dixon found the net shortly after the hour mark.

WOLVES HOLD ROVERS

Second placed Tranmere, after being held 2-2 at home by Wolves, found their feet in their next game and won 2-1 at Sheffield United, ace marksman John Aldridge scoring twice.

READING ROAR BACK

Reading drew 1-1 at Stoke and then beat Derby 3-2 at Elm Park where Lee Nogan notched the winning goal 30 seconds from time after the Rams had fought back from two down to equalise.

POTTERS PROGRESS

Stoke City won 3-2 at Leicester (after that draw with Reading) and indeed, they led 3-0 at Filbert Street with Canadian international Paul Peschisolido scoring twice.

UNDER-DOGS HAVE THEIR DAY

Relegated Norwich City were held 0-0 at home by Sunderland after opening their campaign with a 3-1 triumph at Luton, and Alan Buckley's West Bromwich stunned the home fans in the 26,000 plus crowd at Molineux nine days ago by holding favourites Wolves 1-1, Bob Taylor on target for the Baggies, this after former Mariner Dave Gilbert had scored on his debut for Albion in their first-day win over Charlton.

FOR THE RECORD...

No fewer than 12 clubs have won one and lost one so far including Oldham, Barry Fry's Birmingham City (who have 44 professionals on the books), Portsmouth, Crystal Palace, Leicester, Ipswich, Charlton and ourselves.

Wolves have so far registered two draws, while those on one point are Derby, Sunderland and Port Vale. Luckless Southend and Sheffield United have still to get off the mark points-wise.

Bob Taylor (West Brom) has scored four goals this season to date (League & Cup), while John Aldridge has already netted three times.



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Lee Thomas Griffith

...is aged 7 and comes from Cleethorpes. He goes to Signhills Junior School and his hobbies are football, tennis and attending 'Beavers'. His favourite players are Neil Woods, Graham Rodger and Clive Mendonca

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Before the game against Portsmouth, Mark Cordack and Melanie Forder presented Daphne Farquharson with a cheque for over £800 which they raised by completing a sponsored wheelchair push from Mansfield Town F.C. to the City Ground, Nottingham.

Mark is holding the 'Robert's Shield' presented to Mark and Melanie by Pete and Dave Roberts of the Appleby's family lounge for their achievement.

RESERVE ROUND-UP

with **Kenny Swain**
(or "Swain's World")



Our reserve team have started the season in fine form, beating Bradford City at Valley Parade 3-0 on Wednesday 16th and Mansfield Town 4-1 at Blundell Park on Wednesday 23rd.

On loan striker Paul Jewell scored once in each half and Rookie 'pro' Mark Brookes capped an impressive display with a goal to see off Bradford's challenge.

In front of an impressive crowd against Mansfield, Jim Dobbin scored a hat-trick and Jack Lester got in on the act to complete a satisfactory start to the 1995-96 campaign.

The team which defeated Mansfield was: Jason Pearcey, John McDermott, who made his comeback after injury, Jim Neil, Ashley Fickling, Mark Lever, John Walker, Tom Watson, Jim Dobbin, Jack Lester, Paul Jewell and Mark Brookes. The subs were Daryl Clare, Simon Buckley and Stewart Petchley.

Kenny Swain

95/96 FIXTURES

AUGUST 1995
Wed 16 Bradford 3-0
Wed 23 Mansfield Town 4-1

SEPTEMBER 1995
Tue 5 Burnley
Wed 13 Manchester City
Wed 20 York City
Tue 26 Middlesbrough

OCTOBER 1995
Tue 3 Port Vale
Tue 10 Rotherham United
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Wed 25 Barnsley

NOVEMBER 1995
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FEBRUARY 1996
Tue 6 Manchester City
Wed 14 Sunderland
Wed 21 Blackpool

MARCH 1996
Tue 5 Hull City
Mon 11 Leicester City
Tue 19 Aston Villa
Tue 26 Port Vale

APRIL 1996
Tue 9 Rotherham United
Tue 16 Barnsley
Wed 24 Huddersfield Town
Tue 30 Coventry City

MAY 1996
Mon 6 Preston North End

NEXT MATCH

BURNLEY

Tuesday, September 5

K.O. 7.00pm

Youth Up Date

with **John Cockerill**



Our game at West Brom, scheduled for Saturday, 19th August last was put back to Tuesday 22nd.

After taking the lead on 68 minutes with Lee Stephenson slotting the ball home from 10 yards out, Albion equalised after 75 minutes. The score remained 1-1 and we left the West Midlands with a valuable away point.

It was good to see Richard O'Kelly again. Although I was reasonably pleased with the result, I felt that we only did 'alright'. I know we can play a lot better.

Our side for the game against Albion was: Andrew Love; Danny Louth, Stephen Fraser; Matthew Bloomer, Andrew Mundell; Daryl Clare, John Hamnett, Paul Harsley, Pietro Carinci, Lee Stephenson and Andrew Burdon. The subs were John Oster and Paul Jarvis.

Our next scheduled match is away to Birmingham City next Saturday (2nd September).

John Cockerill

PLAYER PROFILE



James Brown

Date of birth
13.9.78

Position:
right-side midfield

Moved to Grimsby Town from Grantham, having previously played for the Mariners' Under 15 and Under 16 sides.

James lists his main attribute as his speed on the pitch and declined to answer any questions about his favourite food!

NEXT MATCH
COVENTRY CITY
Saturday September 9th

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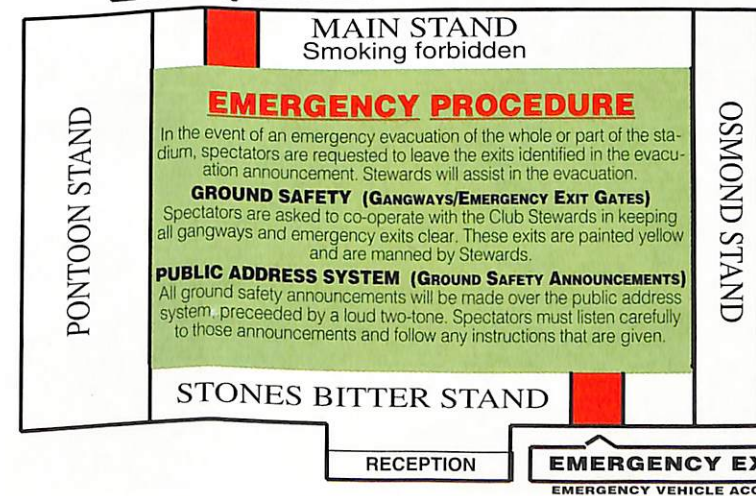


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- 1) if a match is postponed after spectators have been admitted to the Ground but before the match has kicked off, ticket-holders and any spectators having entered the Ground should be offered free admission to the re-arranged game.
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Mariners' magical moments

by Tim Harvey

Mariners had beaten both Southend United (4-1) and Notts County (2-1) at home and away and had gained a 1-1 draw at Middlesbrough.

David Pleat's Luton side were out for revenge after Dave Gilbert's last minute free-kick had given the Mariners a 2-1 victory at Kenilworth Road back in November. But it was to be no revenge mission at Blundell Park!

A pre-match downpour had turned the pitch into something of a quagmire hardly compatible to the passing game and consequently the 4,615 fans may not have expected the feast of quality football, the Mariners were about to serve up.

Lying in 8th position with 41 points to their credit, Grimsby kicked-off towards the Osmond End and by half-time were two goals to the good.

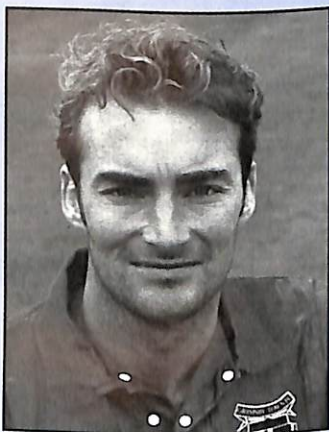
Jim Dobbin rolled in the first on eight minutes after Woods had sprung the Luton offside trap and then Gilbert rammed home from close range just before the half-hour mark.

The boys in black and white had controlled the game and the second half was to continue in that pattern. Woods looped in a fortunate third, the ball flying off the striker's knee and over the luckless Sommer in the Luton goal on 73 minutes and within four minutes it was 4-0 with the classic Watson goal which we review in detail below.

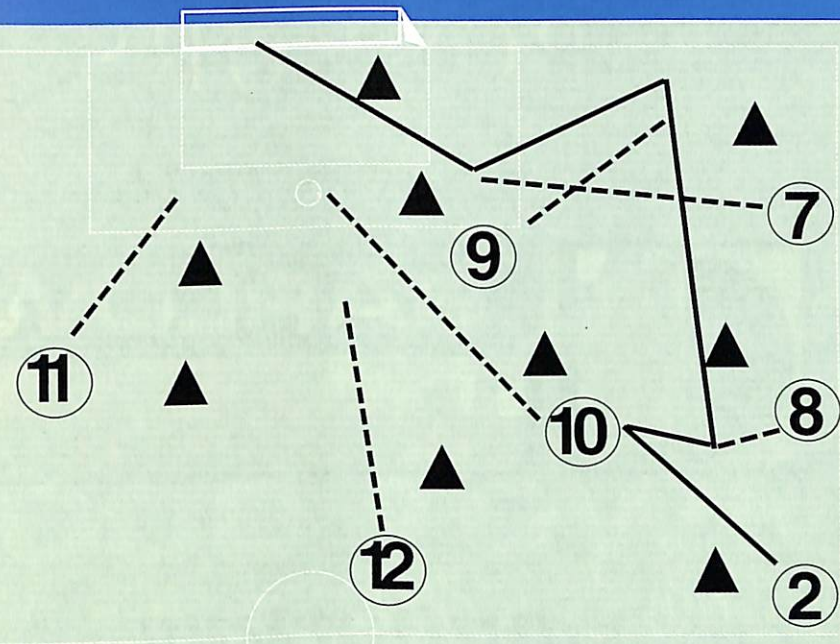
Luton's misery was completed when Tommy Watson was again on hand to put the finishing touch to a good build up. Grimsby Town's classical football in attack coupled with an immaculate performance by Peter Handyside and Paul Crichton's two fine reaction saves deservedly gave them their biggest win of the season. Tommy Watson's first goal of the season followed an intricate bout of passing and movement involving McDermott, Dobbin and Mendonca. As the diagram shows, full-back 'Macca' plays the ball in to Mendonca's feet. His one touch lay-off sets up Dobbin to knock a first time ball into the 'channel' with Neil Woods already spinning into space.

The Luton defence struggling to cope with the split runs of Mendonca, after his lay-off, and Woods synchronizing with Dobbin's perfectly weighted pass. Meanwhile Tommy starts his run in from the at his mercy the Town No.7 takes the ball on, before a confident finish in the corner of the net. The perfect end to a great team move!

After a disappointing 2-0 defeat at Millwall on the Saturday before, Brian Laws was looking for a return to the form of the previous three games when the



Tommy Watson



- KEY:**
- RUN WITHOUT BALL
 - PATH OF BALL
 - ▲ BOLTON DEFENDER
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| 7 | WATSON | 11 | GILBERT |
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Paul Groves in action against Millwall at the New Don

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Talk of the Town

Q - If Alan Buckley became England manager would Tony Rees play for England?
A - No....he's Welsh!

Now that that question has hopefully grabbed your attention, today's 'Talk of the Town' is simply about managers and their loyalties to certain players (and not about whether Alan Shearer would read Rees' back heels!).

A manager is someone who gets results from people. In all professions, managers need to have employees who can understand instructions and put them into practice effectively. When a boss moves on, he (or she) often takes their most effective staff with them.

In football it is no different and sometimes players who are more naturally skilful are not picked ahead of players who can carry out the manager's instructions.

Look at the England side of the early 1980s, when the manager was Bobby Robson, he had a few Ipswich players in the team that surprised a number of people at the time.

Although the last two England managers' selections have not been littered with ex-Villa and/or Spurs players, Graham Taylor always got the best out of David Platt, and Darren Anderton has been in fine form under Terry Venables.

with
Paul Cope



Probably the best example of an effective, but not overly skilful or flamboyant, player scaling great heights is John McGovern. In the late '70s, McGovern helped win the old First Division championship and European Cup with Nottingham Forest.

He was often seen as being Brian Clough's most effective 'foot soldier.'

Another ex-Forest player managed by Cloughie is Brian Laws. Some fans hope he will build a 'North East connection' at Blundell Park.

Certainly the signing of Middlesbrough-born Nicky Southall from Hartlepool and the return to goalscoring form of Steve Livingstone (also born in Middlesbrough) is both ironic and impressive.

Of all the areas (outside South Humberside/Lincs) in the U.K. to chose from - I'd pick the North East - with some of the country's most skilful players (Gascoigne, Beardsley, Bryan Robson, Waddle) hailing from this region.

Copey

Mariners in the Community

with Ian Knight - 01472 291776

Good evening everybody and welcome to tonight's match.

With only one week left of the schools' holidays there will be two one-day soccer courses. The first of these is on this coming Thursday 31st August which is a goalkeeper's course which will be staged at Toll Bar School, New Waltham. It is open to boys and girls, aged 8-16 years. To help me that day will be our own 'keeper, Steve Sherwood, and also Town's current U/16 'keeper Steve Crosson. I'm sure their experience and enterprise will be invaluable to the youngsters.

Anyone wishing to attend this course is asked to turn up on the day at 9.30am with a packed lunch and their kit.

On Tuesday 5th September my final soccer course of this holiday period will be a skills course for boys and girls, aged 5-16 years.

The venue will be CIBA, Moody Lane, Pyewipe Estate, Grimsby. As a one off special and in readiness for the coming school term every child that attends this course will receive a free G.T.F.C. school pack as well as the usual certificates, free Pizza-Hut pizza voucher and chances to win other prizes.

Application forms for this course are available from G.T.F.C. club shops at Blundell Park and Asda. If any club, school or youth organisation is interested in taking part in a half-time 6-a-side game at Blundell Park, please contact myself on the number given on this page or write to me C/O Grimsby Town F.C., Blundell Park, Cleethorpes.

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WATFORD

On the opening day of the season, Watford posted their promotion intentions by beating Sheffield United 2-1 at Vicarage Road with goals by Derek Payne and Richard Johnson. As if to emphasize what a closely competitive

Division this will be, the Hornets lost their next match, 1-0 at Huddersfield!

The Watford side which finished 7th in the First Division table last term, has not seen many changes during the close season.

Their only new signing has been goalkeeper Steve Cherry on a free transfer from Notts County, while both last season's top scorer Craig Ramage and defensive stalwart Colin Foster have not yet forced their way into the side after recovering from injuries.

The management team remains the same, with Glenn Roeder assisted by player-coach Kenny Sansom, formerly of Arsenal and England.

Players to look out for in the Watford side include goalkeeper and last season's Supporters' Player of the Year, Kevin Miller; the Scotland U/21 international full-back Gerard Lavin and top striker Kevin Phillips, who has yet to play at Blundell Park.

Phillips was a bargain buy from a local non League side last January and promptly cracked in nine goals in 14 games at the tailend of last season.

With Nigel Gibbs and David Holdsworth (the twin brother of Wimbledon's Dean) in defence/midfield and Gary Porter up front, Watford have three former England U/21 internationals who will be aiming for a play-off place.

Last season we finished five points below the Hornets who themselves were just six points adrift of a play-off place.

On Saturday 2nd September (starting at 3pm) both sides will be going all out for three points.



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WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS

Saturday, September 9

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SEPTEMBER

Our next away game will be against Wolverhampton Wanderers on Saturday 9th September, 1995, kick-off 3.00pm. Already marked down as favourites to win the First Division title this season, Wolves 1995, have already drawn their opening two League games of 1995-96, 2-2 at Tranmere and 1-1 at home to Black Country neighbours West Bromwich Albion, before playing at Roker Park against Sunderland last Saturday.

There hasn't been a great deal of transfer activity at Molineux during the summer, manager Graham Taylor deciding to hold on to what he's got, although he's recently sold defender Peter Shirtliff to Barnsley and he did secure the permanent transfer of £1.2 million defender Dean Richards from Bradford City, who had been on loan to the Wanderers since March.

He has got three key players fit again after long term injuries - two ex-Aston Villa wingers Tony Daley and Steve Froggatt - and Dutch international skipper John De Wolf who is still searching to regain full fitness. Geoff Thomas, the former England international, though is also out of the side with an ongoing leg injury.

Gordon Cowans and Neil Emblen are holding the fort in midfield, hoping to release and create for the three main strikers, Steve Bull (over 250 goals already scored for Wolves in nine years), Don Goodman and David Kelly. Brian Law, De Wolf, Richards and full-backs Jamie Smith, Neil Masters and Andy Thompson will contest the places in front of experienced goalkeeper Mike Stowell.

We lost narrowly at Molineux last season, and no doubt this time round the Mariners will be aiming to reverse that scoreline (at least).

Unless something dramatic happens during the course of the next seven months or so, Wolves should be in with a shout when the prizes are being handed out at the end of the season. But football is a funny game. They looked all set to win promotion last term only to lose out to Bolton Wanderers in the play-off semi-finals.

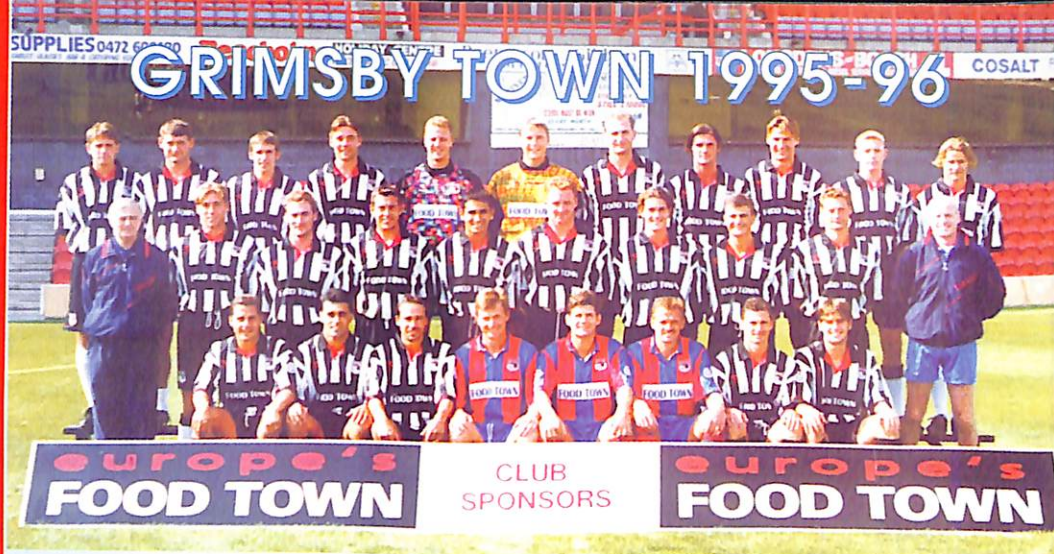
Will they go one better this time round. We shall see.

NB.....Molineux has a capacity of 27,500 and 24,000 fans are expected when the Mariners go there next month.

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Born: Birmingham, 26th October 1963. A Midfield player who helped West Bromwich Albion to promotion from Division Two in 1993 before moving to Grimsby for £115,000. An apprentice under the then Walsall manager Alan Buckley, he played 284 League games for the Saddlers prior to a £300,000 transfer to Sheffield Wednesday in 1989. A skilful footballer, his Grimsby career to date has been hindered by injury and last season he scored three goals in 19 outings (including three as sub).

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Forward Bill Chalmers, Town's new signing from Newcastle, makes his debut v. Huddersfield Town. Chalmers made only six appearances for the Mariners, though after the war he went on to manage Italian giants, Juventus.

1951

An early 'local derby' brings Lincoln City to Cleethorpes. Jimmy Hernon and recent signing Fred Marlow both find the net over the eventual Third Division North champions, with Town finishing runners-up.

1962

Ron Rafferty, in his last season with Grimsby, scores Town's goal in a 2-1 home defeat by Portsmouth. The Mariners' return to Second Division soccer was proving hard, with this game marking the start of six successive defeats.

1964

An own-goal by defender Des Anderson sets Grimsby on the way to a 2-1 victory over Exeter City. Keith Jobling hits the winner - one of only five League goals during his 16-year Mariners' career.

1970

Alan Woodward continues his good form since joining the Mariners from Alfreton Town, notching his second goal in three games. The 1-1 draw

with Hartlepool United lifts Grimsby into mid-table.

1978

The League Cup second round draw takes Grimsby Town to Manchester City. The First Division side however, prove too strong, running out 2-0 winners before a 21,000 crowd.



Ron Rafferty

1989

Thrills galore in an exciting League Cup Tie against Hull City. Gary Childs finally ensures a 2-1 aggregate victory over the Tigers with a powerful shot in the last minute of extra time.

AND IN THE NEWS.....

1929

The airship, Graf Zeppelin completes a round-the-world trip in 21 days, 7 hours

1973

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