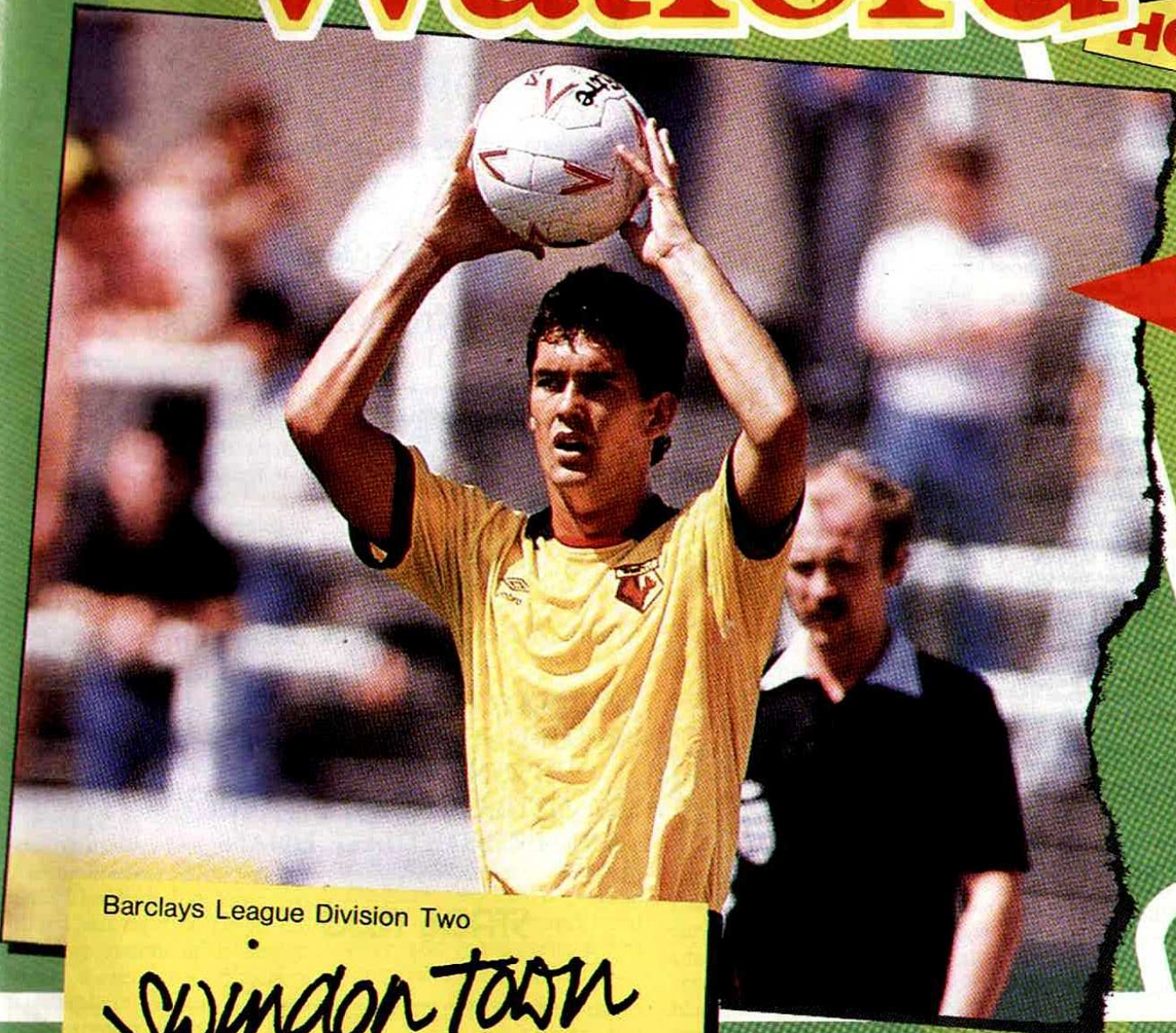


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STAGE TWO

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Seven League games gone, and now....

PHASE TWO IS ABOUT TO UNFOLD

YOU always hear people dividing a football season into sections, usually around certain time periods—the obvious ones are the Christmas and Easter periods, but you also hear people saying: “I wonder how they’ll get on when the muddy grounds are here?”, or “let’s see how they cope with the run-in at the end,” etc.

However, I personally feel that a season is divided into phases—and those phases are different every campaign and have nothing to do with time periods. For instance, we’re in a phase in home games at present where we’ve yet to concede a goal. Like you, I’d love that not to change, but we’ll all learn something if and when it does change, and I’ll learn something about the attitude of my players.

I’ve already learned a lot about their attitude from the “mini-phase” we’re experiencing in away League games, having drawn and lost our last two. The thing I’ve learned is that I was right to say in the first programme of the season that there is a different atmosphere around Watford compared to six months ago.

It would have been very

**By Steve Harrison
Manager**

easy to have resigned ourselves to defeat at both Ipswich and Leicester, but in both matches we showed the kind of fighting spirit that on other days might have won both those matches. The value of fighting spirit cannot be underestimated in the Second Division. Irrespective of quality, Second Division football is of a different nature to First Division football. To rely on individuals in Division Two can be a fatal error—good, all-round team work and team spirit is the most valuable commodity.

Phase one of the season feels to me like it’s drawing to a close—sunny Saturdays,



shirtsleeves etc. will soon be a memory. Through our early games we have earned, and I stress earned, vital League points, and now it is time to push on into phase two—who knows what it will hold? Phases cannot be exactly defined, because they come from feelings and my over-riding feeling is that we all, coaching staff, players and supporters took a deep breath prior to the start of the season—and plunged in. Now, having gained a solid start, it’s time to surface and get into our full rhythm.

PREVIEW:

One of the outstanding centre-forwards in my time in the game brings his side to Vicarage Road next Tuesday. That’s Joe Royle, one of the finest headers of a ball the game has seen. Thank goodness he’s not playing!

But his side will be very stiff opposition. Any side that can win 4–1 away at Manchester City must have something about them. Prior to today, Oldham are the Second Division’s top scorers, so we’ll have some firepower to keep under control.

Ironically, the following match, at Leeds, brings us up against the Division’s lowest scorers prior to today. United have scored only four times this season, but Elland Road can be a daunting stadium, and I really don’t think Leeds have done themselves justice yet. It’s always dangerous taking on a sleeping lion such as Leeds, and we’ll be preparing very carefully for the game. As always I hope to see you there.

Steve Harrison

BUZZ

WORDS

The news and views about Watford

SEASON TICKETS STILL MAKE SENSE

If you intend to come to most Watford home matches this season, it still makes eminent sense to buy a season ticket.

Every time a Watford home matches is played the season ticket price is proportionately reduced, so that now a terrace season ticket at the Vicarage Road End that cost £77.00 at the beginning of the season now costs £65.00 i.e. the four home matches played to date (including today's match) have been taken off at the pro-rata rate of £3.00 each.

Similarly, the top price season ticket in the Rous Stand, originally priced at £201.00, is now priced £168.00, the prorata ticket rate being £8.00.

In effect, a terrace season ticket gains you entry for every game at just £2.96 a match as opposed to the matchday admission of £3.50, whereas a

Rous Stand season ticket gets you one of the best seats in the house for just £7.73 a game, as opposed to £8.50 a match. And of course, a seat in the Rous Stand, or anywhere in the stadium, includes a matchday programme.

Other benefits to season ticket holders include automatic membership of the Supporters Club or Junior Hornets, depending on your age, plus priority booking for important Watford matches.

FOOTBALL FRIENDS

Today sees the first Finals of Football and Netball Friends, the two summer tournaments played throughout the area to encourage friendly participation in sport.

All the teams and details of the tournament are on page 16 of this programme—and the second set of finals will be played before the home match against Brighton on Saturday, October 15th.

SHOOT-OUT STARTS TODAY

The annual Watford Observer

half-time Shoot-Out, a penalty competition for local boys' sides, begins today. Here's the full draw:

First Round	Quarter-final	Semi-final	FINAL
Oct 1st (Swindon)	Feb 11th (Leeds Utd)	Apr 4th (Blackburn)	
MISSENDEN			
v.			
NASCOT WOOD			
Oct. 11 (Leicester)			
PARKFIELD	v.		
v.			
WATFORD BALLBOYS			
Oct. 16 (Brighton)	Feb 18 (Stoke)		
DON BOSCO		v.	
v.			
HERONS			
Nov. 5 (Chelsea)			
BOREHAMWOOD JFC	v.		
v.			May 1 (Sunderland)
CHILTERN BLUE			
Nov. 26 (Hull)	Mar. 4 (Man. C.)	April 22 (Leicester)	
ST. MERYL			v.
v.			
GADESIDE R.			
Dec. 10 (Oxford)			
S & K UNITED	v.		
v.			
ABBOTS YOUTH			
Dec. 31 (B'mouth)	April 1 (Ipswich)		
BUSHEY RANGERS		v.	
v.			
GARSTON BOYS			
Jan 14 (WBA)			
EVERGREEN	v.		
v.			
CHORLEYWOOD			

GHOSTS IN THE FAMILY AREAS

Panini Stickers sponsorship of the club's Family Areas continues apace with today's give-out of free "Real Ghostbusters" sticker albums from the Swop Shop.

We're told that the stickers look so realistic that the only thing missing is the slime. Bet that's a relief to the stadium sweepers!

GOODBYE ROGER

After a 10-year association, Watford bade farewell to Ticket Office Manager Roger Fleming last week, who has left the club to pursue a self-employed career.

Roger's departure sees Russell Lamford now running the day-to-day workings of the club's ticket operation. Russell has been with Watford since October 1983, beginning his time at the club in the Marketing Department and moving across to the Ticket Office in 1986.

SECOND CALL-UP?

If you have played in a full international for England in the past, the FA wants to call on you again.

That's because the World Cup qualifying match against Sweden at Wembley has been designated as the match to celebrate the 125th birthday of the Football Association.

As part of the celebrations, the Football Association is asking all past full England internationals to contact the FA's HQ at Lancaster Gate to receive an invitation to the match.

The number to phone is 01-402 7151, extension 215.

NOT LONG TO FIREWORKS NIGHT

If you are nipping into the Ticket Office today to buy tickets for future Watford matches, it's a good idea to buy tickets for the very popular Fireworks Night, which this year will be held at the Vicarage Road Stadium on **Thursday, November 3rd**.

Ticket prices are as follows: Seats: £3.50 adults/£2.00 children; standing: £2.50 adults/£1.50 children.

We experimented with holding two separate nights last year, but it proved that having one set night is more successful. But bearing in mind the years when we've had only one night, the event soon becomes a sell-out.

And as usual, it's an "all-ticket" evening, and there will be no cash admission on the night.

WANTED— AGENTS/SELLERS

Watford currently require a number of matchday sellers and agents to sell "The Supporter", the new-look magazine for Watford supporters.

You will earn a commission on all sales, and as part of the matchday staff at Watford be entitled to watch the matches when your duties are completed.

Applicants must be over the age of 16, prepared to work at all first matchdays and have an outgoing personality.

For further details contact **Teresa Parker in the Marketing Department on Watford (0923) 225761**.

FOXES SOON

Don't forget that amid all the League games coming up, we're at home to Leicester City in the second round, second leg of the Littlewoods Cup.

That match is at the Vicarage Road Stadium on **Tuesday, October 11th, Kick-off 7.45 pm**. Tickets are currently on sale for this match, but season ticket holders need only produce ticket no. 6 from their season ticket books. There are no Cup vouchers in the books this year, just tickets numbered 1-26 to take in 23 League matches and three Cup games.

WELCOME NIGEL

Continuing our series of welcoming the chaplain of the

visiting club, today it's the turn of Rev. Nigel Sands, who ministers to Swindon Town and Crystal Palace.

Nigel became the Robins Honorary Chaplain in November 1984, but recalls the club may have had their doubts about his appointment at the time, because the first match he attended was a home FA Cup defeat at the hands of non-League Dagenham.

ANY TIME, ANY GAME

Just a reminder that you can book seat tickets for any home Watford first team match at any time.

So, if you need additional tickets for the game against Sunderland for instance next May 1st, you can buy them after today's match or in the week.

The Ticket Office is open every weekday from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm, and from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon on reserve team Saturdays. Credit card bookings are also acceptable at any time for any game.

SUPPORTERS CLUB/JUNIOR HORNETS PACKS

The postal strike now being over, all Supporters Club and Junior Hornets packs that have been ordered have been dispatched.

Understandably, some may be delayed while the postal backlog is dealt with, but if you haven't received your pack within the next seven days, please let the Marketing Department know, and we'll chase it up.



BARCLAYS LEAGUE



Playing today in the Second Division:

Birmingham City	v.	Barnsley
Bradford City	v.	Portsmouth
Brighton & HA	v.	Leeds United
Chelsea	v.	Leicester City
Crystal Palace	v.	Plymouth Argyle
Hull City	v.	Walsall
Manchester City	v.	Blackburn Rovers
Oxford United	v.	Shrewsbury Town
Stoke City	v.	Bournemouth
Sunderland	v.	Oldham Athletic
West Bromwich A.	v.	Ipswich Town

Injury news

Following a tackle in last Saturday's League match at Leicester, Nigel Gibbs had five stitches to repair a cut on his shin, and the only other recent injury is a thigh strain to Stuart Rimmer. He suffered that in

training and did not play last Saturday.

Meanwhile, Mark Morris, who was 26 last Monday, is continuing his rehabilitation from his knee injury, doing body work at the club to arrest muscle wastage.

Winger Kevin Richardson is

almost ready to play having resumed training this week following the removal of the plaster from his broken arm, and youth trainee Marc Rice is hoping to be playing again in about a month's time, having had an exploratory operation on his knee.

SIDE ISSUES

Loan goal rangers

Last Saturday was a successful one for players currently on loan from Watford.

Striker **Dean Holdsworth**, now back from Swansea netted in the 27th minute against Wolves, but his side went down 5-2. Meanwhile, **Paul Rumble** netted his first League goal in a nail-biting finish at Exeter, where Paul's team, Scunthorpe, were the visitors.

Two down with a minute left, Tony Daws pulled one back for

the visitors, before an injury-time free-kick was pumped into the Exeter box—Paul Rumble now describes the rest: "It was headed out to me and I caught it with a left-foot volley from the edge of the area, and in it flew. What Scunthorpe supporters there were were at the other end, so it was a celebration run to the other end of the field."

Sounds like something out of the **Rick Holden** repertoire.

Paul's loan period at Scunthorpe has been extended by another month, while Dean is now back at Watford and **Liburd Henry**, who's been at Halifax, is due back on Monday.

Sponsor spaces

Spaces in the players' kit sponsorship list are filling up fast, but if you look at page 26 of this programme, you'll see what's still available.

In return for your sponsorship, you get a mention in every home programme this season, plus tickets for the annual Players' Sponsors Dinner, where you will be seated on the same table as the player you sponsor.

All kit sponsorship enquiries should be made to **Annette Bugar**, the club's receptionist, on Watford (0923) 30933.

Switch to Ipswich?

If **Iwan Roberts** has a second-favourite club, it has to be Ipswich.

He made his Watford debut against them as a 17-year-old in March 1986 and recently renewed his happy association with 'Town by netting four goals at Portman Road in the space of four days.

First, he bagged a brace in the reserves' 2-2 draw on September 13th, returning with the first team the following Saturday to record another double in the 3-2 defeat.

Martin joins Pompey

After a minor last-minute delay, midfielder **Martin Kuhl** signed for Portsmouth last Monday for £125,000.

The delay at the Portsmouth end meant that Martin made one more outing in Watford colours, in the reserves' 3-1 home win over Millwall, a game in which **Luther Blissett** bagged a hat-trick.

Gibbs...

Songtitles that could have been suggested by Watford personnel: Steve Harrison when contemplating whether to make a substitution: UB 40's "I'll Keep Holden On"; Welsh Manager Terry Yorath at the match in Amsterdam a couple of weeks ago: "No Jackett Required"; Steve Harrison again on pre-match instructions to his right back: XTC's "Making Plans For Nigel"; then there's the obvious centre-forwards theme: Richie Valens: "La Bamba"; On a mistake by one of our midfield men: "Oh, Mr. Porter"; Could these all be choices on Desert Island Discs, compered by another Plumley?...Injured Mark Morris about our physiotherapist: "Billy Was A Hero"; Theme for the captain: "Big John" by Johnny Cash; The Ipswich defence after Roberts' second goal: The Bee Gees' "Iwan Again".

Any more suggestions? If so, please drop a line to the Programme Editor.

The Latest Odds

Looking around the odds on today's game, you can get 13/2 on Watford to win 1-0 or 2-0, and for a 0-0 draw it's 9/1, or 20/1 for 2-2. A 3-2 home win attracts odds of 33/1. All the variable odds and types of bet are on the "Soccer Spectacular" coupon available to seat holders in the Rous and East Stands.



First Team Barclays League Division Two

Tuesday, September 20th, 1988
Watford 2 Bradford City 0

Half-time: 0-0

Scorer: Holden 2 (71 and 86 mins)
Attendance: 12,296

Watford: Coton, Gibbs, Falconer, Jackett, D.G. Holdsworth, McClelland, Roberts, Wilkinson, Bamber, Porter, Holden. Subs: Sherwood, Thomas (neither used).

Bradford City: Tomlinson, Mitchell, Jackson, Banks, Oliver, Evans, Thomas, Sinnott, Ormondroyd, Kennedy, Leonard. Subs: Abbott, Jewell for Mitchell.

Referee: Ian Borrett (Harleston, Norfolk)

Steve Harrison said: "I thought it was a very mature performance, because we stuck to what we believe in, despite a frustrating first half."

Terry Dolan said: "We got what we deserved—nothing. We didn't have a problem until the second half. Certain people didn't do what they were told after the break and we didn't get off the bit. They (Watford) had their awakening last Saturday at Ipswich and we had ours tonight."

Saturday, September 24th, 1988
Leicester City 2 Watford 2

Half-time: 1-1

Scorers: Leicester: Walsh (29 mins), Reid (74 mins); Watford: Porter (19 mins), Wilkinson (81 mins).

Attendance: 10,957.

Leicester: Cooper, Mauchlen, Morgan, Ramsey, Walsh, Brown, Reid, Cross, Newell, McAlister, Weir. Subs: Paris, Quinn (neither used).

Watford: Coton, Gibbs, Falconer, Jackett, D.G. Holdsworth, McClelland, Sterling, Wilkinson, Bamber, Porter, Holden. Subs: Roberts for Bamber (74 mins), Sherwood (not used).

Referee: P. Wright (Northwich).

David Pleat said: "If that was the hors d'oeuvre, spectators should be happy with the main course and sweet! If you were neutral it was a splendid game."

REWIND

RECENT MATCH STATISTICS

Steve Harrison said: "I was pleased that we didn't let our heads drop. We showed a lot of spirit. I enjoyed it a bit more than the Ipswich game."

Reserve Team Ovenden Football Combination

Saturday, September 17th, 1988
Watford 2 Luton Town 2

Scorers: Watford: Rimmer, Blissett.

Luton: Farrell, Scott.

Attendance: 638

Watford: Rees, Naylor, Drysdale, Kuhl, Gardener, Soloman, Sterling, Rimmer, Blissett, Pullan, Hodges Sub: Towler (not used).

Luton Town: Chamberlain, Pouch, Harvey, Scott, James, Allpress, Lobb, Gray, Farrell, Rees, Tighe. Subs: O'Brien for Gray (82 mins), Brown (not used).

Saturday, September 24th, 1988
Watford 3 Millwall 1

Scorers: Watford: Blissett (3);

Millwall: Treacy

Attendance: 541

Watford: Rees, Naylor, Rostron, Pullan, Gardener, Soloman, Thomas, Smith, Blissett, Kuhl, Hodges. Subs: Drysdale for Smith (half-time), Price (not used).

Millwall: Brannigan, Morgan, Dowson, Henry, Sparham, Ruddock, Lewis, Treacy, Chick, Horrix, Babb. Subs: Baird, Cross (neither used).

Teams are reproduced in 1-11 order on these pages

RESERVE TEAM UPDATE

Up to 24/9/88	Apps	Goals
Ashby	4	
Blissett	6	3
Drysdale	5(1)	
Gardener	6	
Gunn	1	
Hodges	2	
Kuhl	6	1 (o.g.)
Naylor	2	
Price	1	
Pullan	5	
Rees	6	
Rimmer	3	
Roberts	3	2
Rostron	1	
Sherwood	2	
Smith	2	
Soloman	3	
Sterling	5	2
Thomas	3(1)	1
Towler	1	

Youth Team South East Counties Division One

Saturday, September 24th, 1988
Watford 1 Portsmouth 1

Scorers: Watford: Inglethorpe; Portsmouth: Albiston

Watford: James, Evans, Fuller, Price, Towler, Ashby, Bazeley, Inglethorpe, Bennett, Gunn, Cameron. Subs: Thomas, Brand (not used).

Portsmouth: Meek, White, Bishop, Beare, Symons, Alford, Albiston, Powell, Turner, Ross, Smith. Subs: Jones, S. Davies (not used).

Fixture news

Please note the following two pieces of fixture news:

The reserves game at Luton on Oc-

tober 25th has been brought forward to **Saturday, October 15th**, kick-off 2.00 pm.

This is because of first team commitments at the Luton end.

Luton Town are also the opponents for the Watford youth team in the second round of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup. That match is here at the Vicarage Road Stadium next **Wednesday, October 5th**, kick-off 7.30 pm.

YOUTH TEAM UPDATE

Up to 24/9/88	Apps	Goals
Ashby	6	1
Baldwin	2	
Bazeley	3	
Bennett	3	1
Brand	1(2)	
Cameron	4	2
Drysdale	4	
Emblem	1	
Evans	7	
Forrester	(1)	
Fuller	2	
Gallon	1(1)	
Gunn	4	
Harrison	1	
Inglethorpe	3	1
James	5	
Meara	1(1)	
Naylor	3	3
Price	6	
Rice	2	
Smith	4	3
Soloman	4	
Thomas	3	1
Towler	6	
Wood	1	

It's Leicester— again!

Watford are already in the middle of a Littlewoods Cup encounter with Leicester City, quite apart from the two League games the sides will contest this season.

But now it's Leicester again—this time in the first round of the Simod Cup. The Hornets and the Foxes were drawn to play each other in a game that will be played here at the Vicarage Road Stadium on **Tuesday, November 7th**, kick-off 7.45pm.

Normal League match prices will apply, but season tickets DO NOT apply for this match, although season ticket holders will be given the chance to buy 'their' seats.

Full ticket details will appear in forthcoming programmes.



Left: Frustration for Iwan Roberts at Ipswich two weeks ago, but he did score twice in the 3-2 defeat.
 Above: Head still, eyes on the ball—textbook stuff as Gary Porter prepares to cross at Portman Road.
 (Photo: Mick Young, Watford Review)

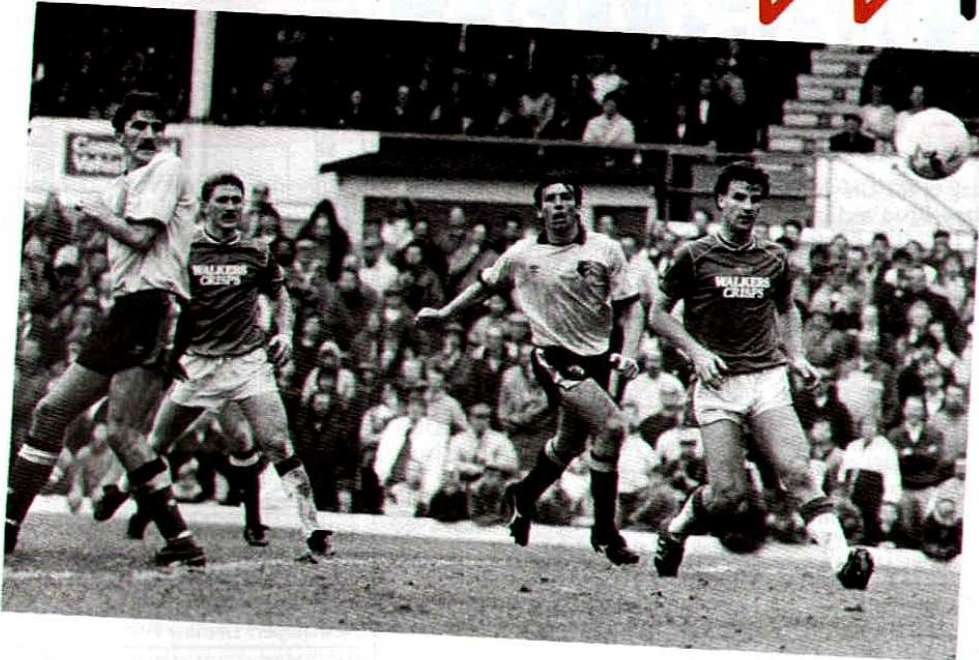


The 1, 2, 3 against Bradford City on September 20th. Above: Rick Holden comes in to put Watford one up in the 71st minute; Right: The ball's in the 'City net again 15 minutes later, thanks to a Rick Holden header; Far right: The scoreboard reflects another home clean sheet.
 (Photos: Dave Langfield)



LOST, WON AND DRAWN OUR LAST THREE LEAGUE MATCHES

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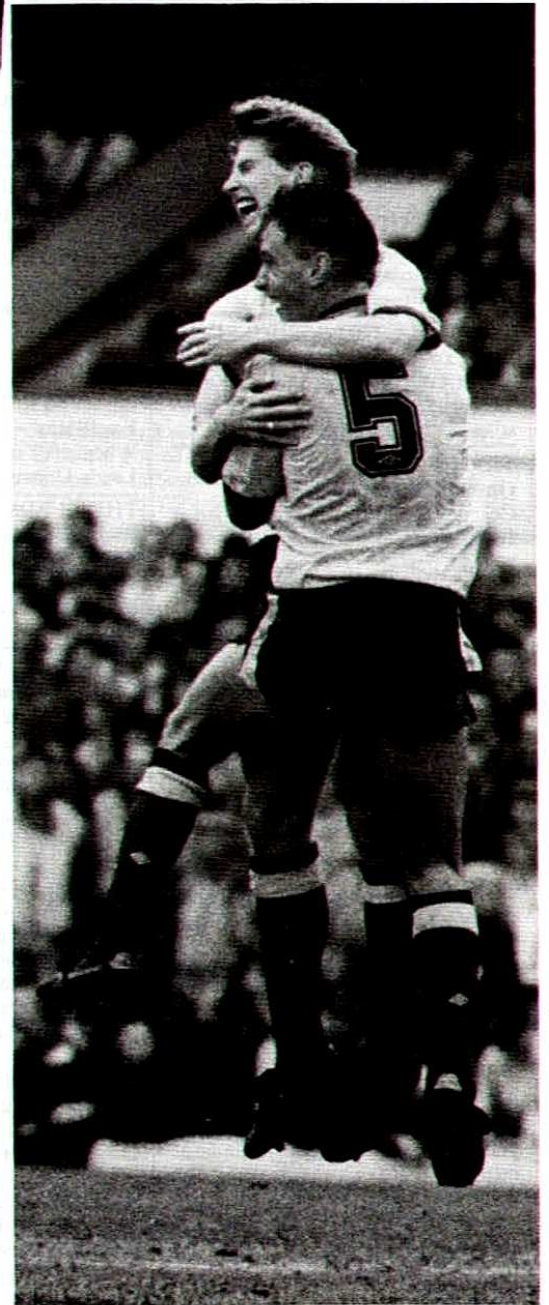


Above: Paul Wilkinson heads the Hornets 81st minute equaliser at Leicester in the League encounter last Saturday.

(Photo: Mick Young, Watford Review)

Right: And jumping for joy are David Holdsworth and Iwan Roberts.

(Photo: Mike Dellow, Watford Observer)



FAST FORWARD

THE HORNETS ARE BUZZING OFF...

LEEDS UNITED

Competition: Barclays League Division Two
LEEDS UNITED v. WATFORD
At: Elland Road
Date: Saturday, October 8th, 1988
Kick-off time: 3.00 pm

TICKET DETAILS/PRICES:
Seats: £6.00 (bookable at the Watford Ticket Office)
Terrace: £3.50 (payable at the turnstiles). Please use turnstile 14.

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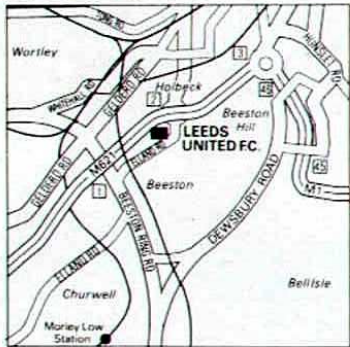
On Club transport:

Coaches depart from Cardiff Road at 10.00 am, returning at approximately 8.45 pm.

Cost: Adults: £11.00; Children/senior citizens: £10.50. Bookable now at the Watford Ticket Office.

Private transport:

Mileage: Watford to Leeds, approximately 175 miles.



Suggested route: Take the M1 northbound to the end and continue on to join the M621 (Manchester). Continue on to the second exit and take the A643 (Morley). Turn left at the roundabout and the Elland Road Ground is on the right hand side.

Parking: Parking at the Greyhound Stadium in Elland Road and in the Lowlands Road Industrial Estate.

AT ELLAND ROAD

Programme price: 80p

Refreshments: Tea bars selling hot/cold drinks, hamburgers, pies, crisps, etc.

Other hospitality: Executive boxes, executive restaurant, executive suite, family facilities, club room available. contact Leeds United direct for booking on 0532 716037.

Facilities for the disabled: Wheelchair section available. Phone Leeds United direct as above.

THE LEEDS MEDIA:

Radio: BBC Radio Leeds (388m MW, 92.4 VHF), Radio Aire (362m MW, 94.6 VHF).

Newspaper: Yorkshire Post (daily, 24p).

PLANNING A LONGER STAY?

Where to eat: All the following restaurants are situated in Leeds' City Centre—Nash's Tudor Restaurant (traditional English), 17 Merrion Street 0532 457194; Shabab (Indian), 2 Eastgate 0532 468988; La Ferrazza (Italian) 16 Greek Street 0532 432880.

En route: M1 to Junction 23, turn left towards Ashby de la Zouch, Pit Stop ¼ mile on right handside. Open 6 am—11 am Saturdays.

Where to stay: Crest Hotel, The Grove, Oulton 0532 826201; Hilton National, Wakefield Road 0532 866556; The Old Vicarage Guest House, Bruntcliffe Road 0532 532174.

Special Bargains: Contact local Tourist Board as below.

Local facilities/places of interest: City Art Gallery & Museum, Victorian Arcades, Armley Mills Industrial Museum, Kirkstall Abbey, Round Haypark—open park land with

Botanical & Butterfly Gardens, Golden Acre Park, Temple Newsam Stately Home and Park, Harewood House, Lotherton Hall.

For further information, contact: Leeds Tourist Information Centre 0532 462454.

STOKE CITY

Competition: Barclays League Division Two
STOKE CITY v. WATFORD

At: The Victoria Ground

Date: Saturday, October 22nd, 1988
Kick-off time: 3.00 pm

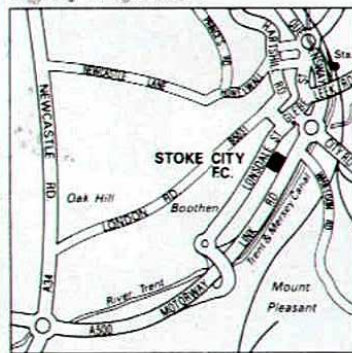
TICKET DETAILS/PRICES:
TO BE ANNOUNCED

TRAVEL:

TO BE ANNOUNCED

Private transport:

Mileage: Watford to Stoke approximately 130 miles.



Suggested route: Take the M1 northbound to Junction 19 and onto the M6 to Junction 15. Follow the A500 to Stoke past Victoria Ground on the left hand side. Turn left at the roundabout into Campbell Road.

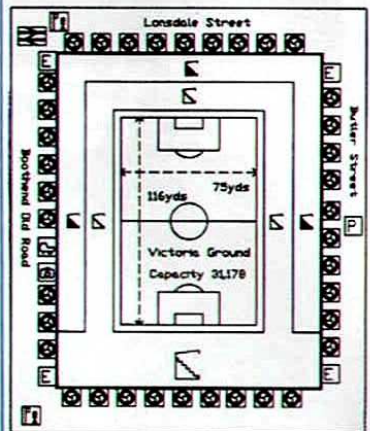
AT THE VICTORIA GROUND

Programme price: 70p

Refreshments: Tea bars selling

hot/cold drinks, hamburgers, pies, crisps, etc.

Other hospitality: None available.
Facilities for the disabled: Wheelchair section available. Phone Stoke City direct on 0782 413511.



THE STOKE MEDIA:

Radio: BBC Stoke-on-Trent (200m MW, 96.1 VHF), Signal Radio (257m MW, 104.3 VHF).

Newspaper: Evening Post (daily 17p).

PLANNING A LONGER STAY?

Where to eat: London Grill Coffee House, 31 London Road, 0782 48957; Capri, 13 Glebe Street, 0782 411889; Agmrah Tandoori, 16 Liverpool Road, 0782 48402.

En route: Hollies, Watling Street, Nr. Cannock, Staffs—M6 to Junction 12, A5 south towards Cannock, on left hand side one mile from Junction 12.

Where to stay: The North Stafford Hotel, Station Road, 0782 744477; Roebuck Hotel, Leek Road, 0782 744343; The Plough Motel, Campbell Road, 0782 414685.

Special Bargains: Contact local Tourist Board as below.

Local facilities/places of interest: Wedgwood Visitor Centre, Brindley Corn Mill, Shirley's Bone Mill, cheddleton Flint Mill, City Museum & Art Gallery, Royal Doulton Museum, Chatterley Whitfield Mining Museum and Alton Towers.

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PROFILE

On Ray Graydon,
new Youth Team
Coach at Watford

PART ONE: Ray talks about his career in football prior to joining Watford at the start of this season.

It was the year before the World Cup of 1966 that Ray Graydon began a career in professional football, but by the time World Cup year came around he was contemplating a non-League career.

Ray explains: "I joined my local club, Bristol Rovers, as an apprentice, but after less than a season, I was told that the club didn't think I'd made enough progress, and I was released, and went to play for Hambrook, a local non-League side. Because at that stage it didn't look like I had a future in the professional game, I started a four-year apprenticeship as an electrician.

"However, I kept in touch with Rovers, and as a non-contract player occasionally played for their youth and reserve sides. During that period I was selected for the England youth side, and Rovers then re-signed me as a part-time professional. It was on part-time basis because I wanted to finish my apprenticeship. There were no guarantees that I would make a living in football.

"I made my first team debut when I was 17 at Swansea in the Third Division, the same side against whom I made my debut for Oxford United years later."

So it wasn't until the age of 21 that a fully-qualified electrician signed professional forms, and within a season there came a change of clubs, when Aston Villa swapped Brian Godfrey and £25,000 for Ray's right-wing services.

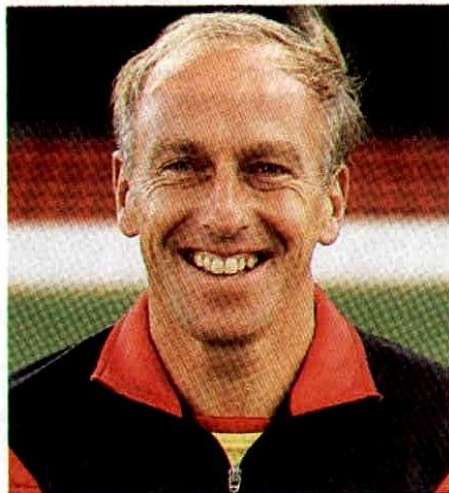
"That was in 1971," Ray recalls. "Vic Crowe was the Villa manager and Ron Wiley was his assistant. That first season there, 1971-72, we won the Third Division with a record number of points—I think it was 71 in the two points for a win days. We then followed that by finishing third in the Second Division the next season, but only two were promoted then. We struggled for one season and the club parted company with Vic Crowe. The new manager was Ron Saunders and in the 1974-75 season we gained promotion to Division One, with my personal tally of goals for the right wing slot coming to 27. I was selected by my fellow players for the Division Two side of that year, the medal for which is one of my

"I have never played for or been involved with a club that's been relegated while I was there."

best bits of football memorabilia. As today, it's a side that doesn't play, it's just selected by fellow professionals."

Ray stayed with Villa for a couple more seasons, and moved on to Coventry City in 1977-78. But by then a calf injury had begun to restrict him, and within a season he had moved "over the pond" to play for Washington Diplomats in the North American Soccer League. "My family and I had a lovely house in Springfield, Virginia," Ray recalls with some nostalgia, "but English clubs were still interested in bringing me back to the Football League, and eventually Oxford United flew me back to the UK at the end of the American season (Christmas time) to train with them, with a view to signing. I did so on the understanding that a coaching opportunity was to follow at the club when my playing days were over."

So in October 1978, Ray was back in "blighty" and first as a player and then as a coach, played



Ray Graydon—new man guiding the Hornets' youth team.
(Photo: martin Wolmark)

an integral part in Oxford's rise through the divisions—very much a repeat of the "Watford" story. "Mick Brown was the manager when I first went there, and I moved onto the coaching side after about three years, by which time Bill Asprey was at the helm. When Ian Greaves became manager I took over specific responsibility for the youth team and under Jim Smith's managership I moved up to help with reserve and first team coaching.

"When Jim left, I became assistant manager to Maurice Evans, and we went to Wembley to win the Milk Cup with a 3-0 win over Queens Park Rangers."

Of course, it wasn't Ray's first visit to Wembley as he had graced the hallowed turf in the 1974-75 season when Second Division Aston Villa tackled Norwich City in the League Cup Final—Norwich were the other side with Villa to go up from Division Two that season.

"We were awarded a second half penalty with the score at 0-0," Ray remembers, "and I was the penalty-taker. I hit it to Kevin Keelan's right, but he parried it on to the post and out. Moving in, I hit it again, with my right foot and in it went. No more goals and we'd won it."

Villa went from the Third through to the First division while Ray was there and won the League Cup again in 1977. Ray returning from injury to play in the second replay which Villa won 3-2. Oxford repeated that "League" Cup win in 1986, but Ray left the Manor ground before the end of last season.

"Having left before the end of the campaign, I can still claim to have not been involved with a relegated side," says Ray. "When Mark Lawrenson joined it was clear he had his own ideas and own men in mind for his coaching staff. The Chairman, Kevin Maxwell, asked me to stay, but after a lot of soul-searching and meetings with Mark, I decided that my time at Oxford was up. I'd had 10 great years with the club and I felt a change was needed."

But how did Ray come to Watford, and how does he see his rôle at his new club? See part two of this article in next Tuesday night's programme against Oldham Athletic for the answers, and a complete breakdown of Ray's career record.

SWINDON TOWN
3:00 PM.

October 1st

BACKGROUND TO TODAY'S MEETING

A 3-0 win over bottom-of-the-table Brighton last week pushed Swindon up to 10th place in the table, two places above their finishing slot last season.

Two of the Robins main strikers departed in the summer—Dave Bamber to our good selves and Jimmy Quinn to our opponents of last Saturday and last Wednesday, Leicester City.

The summer also almost saw the departure of Lou Macari to Chelsea, but a late agreement secured his immediate future at the County Ground. New striker Duncan Shearer was drafted in for a club record £250,000 from Huddersfield and Ross Maclaren, a central defender, was brought in to strengthen the defence—a move that meant Swindon paid Derby County £150,000.

Swindon's six League games to date have yet to produce an away win, but they have drawn at Barnsley (1-1) and Blackburn (0-0), lost at West Brom (1-3), while beating Bournemouth (3-1) and Brighton (3-0) at home, and drawing with Portsmouth.

This week also saw a new signing at the county Ground, when 23-year-old Aberdeen midfielder Tom Jones was signed for £50,000. He was formerly with Weymouth.

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PERSONNEL HERE TODAY:

GOALKEPPERS:

Fraser Digby—Birthplace: Sheffield. Last season was somewhat disappointing for the former Manchester United goalkeeper, who joined the club in December 1986.

Nicky Hammond—Birthplace: Chelmsford. Signed on a free transfer from Arsenal in July 1987, the former Highbury apprentice was forced into first team action last season.

DEFENDERS:

Dave Hockaday—Birthplace: Billingham. Dave signed a new two-year contract with the club in the summer of 1988. Former Blackpool player.

Phil King—Birthplace: Bristol. Phil was the only player to appear in every League match last season. Began his career with Exeter City in May 1985, before joining Torquay United in July 1986.

Tim Parkin—Birthplace: Penrith. This former Blackburn Rovers, Malmo and Bristol Rovers central defender was named "Player of the Year" in May 1988 by the club's supporters.

Colin Calderwood—Birthplace: Glasgow. Colin, who joined Swindon Town from Mansfield Town in June 1985, for yet another Tribunal-settled fee of £27,500, has been a stalwart at the heart of the Town's defence in the club's last three seasons.

Jon Gittens—Birthplace: Mosley. The former Southampton defender moved to the County Ground for a £45,000 Football League Tribunal fee in July 1987.

Ross Maclaren—Birthplace: Edin-

burgh. Ross joined Swindon Town from Derby County on a conditional transfer fee, decided by a Football League Tribunal at £150,000, in July 1988.

MIDFIELD:

Steve Foley—Birthplace: Liverpool. Steve joined Swindon Town from Sheff. Utd. in July 1987 for a League Tribunal fee of £35,000. Scored against Watford in the FA Cup fourth round tie v. Grimsby in January 1985.

Leigh Barnard—Birthplace: Worsley. A free transfer signing from Portsmouth in July 1984.

Charlie Henry—Birthplace: Acton. Charlie, who is due a testimonial match this season, after 10 years' service with Swindon Town, originally joined the club as an apprentice.

Alan McLoughlin—Birthplace: Manchester. The former Manchester United apprentice moved south to join Swindon Town on a free transfer in August 1986.

Paul Bodin—Birthplace: Cardiff. Signed from Newport County in March 1988 for £25,000, only four weeks after signing for County from Bath City.

Peter Coyne—Birthplace: Manchester. The former Manchester United apprentice was Lou Macari's first signing for Swindon Town, when Lou took over as Manager in July 1984.

Mark Jones—Birthplace: Oxford. Ex-Oxford United midfielder who missed the whole of last season with a knee injury. Cost £25,000 in October 1986.

STRIKERS:

Bobby Barnes—Birthplace: Kingston-on-Thames. Joined Swindon Town from Aldershot for £50,000, in an exchange deal that took midfielder, Steve Berry to the Recreation Ground in October 1987.

Duncan Shearer—Birthplace: Fort William. Duncan was the subject of a £250,000 transfer deal during June—a record for both Huddersfield Town and Swindon Town.

Steve White—Birthplace: Chipping Sodbury. Signed on a free transfer from Bristol Rovers in July 1986.

The Boss

LOU MACARI



Lou Macari has been a well-known face in the football world for many years, having had a distinguished playing career that began with Celtic and continued and flourished with Manchester United, for whom he made well in excess of 400 outings.

He also won 24 full Scottish international caps in his career, with his playing days concluding at Swindon, where he became Player/Manager in July 1984. In 1985-86 he steered the Robins to the Fourth Division championship with a record number of League points (102) and the following season, Swindon won through the Third Division play-offs to claim a place in the Second Division.

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Back row, from left: Charlie Henry, Fraser Digby, Nicky Hammond, Tim Parkin.

Middle row, from left: Dave Hockaday, Phil King, Duncan Shearer, Jon Gittens, Ross MacLaren, Steve White, Leigh Barnard.

Front row, from left: Bobby Barnes, Peter Coyne, Paul Bodin, Colin Calderwood (Captain), Steve Foley, Alan McLoughlin, Mark Jones.

New Robins' signing Tom Jones from Aberdeen had this to say this week: "After a year in Scottish football, I'll obviously need to get used to English football again. I was very keen to come to Swindon, and had no hesitation in making the move back to England and hopefully helping Swindon get into the First Division, where every club wants to be."

Of course, Tom will meet up again today with Willie Falconer, his former Aberdeen colleague. He was also an ex-teammate of Tony Agana, now with Sheffield United. Both Tom and Tony came from Weymouth, a non-League club that has produced a succession of League players, such as Chelsea's

'TALK TALK'

Graham Roberts and Norwich's Andy Townsend.

Jones made his debut on Tuesday night in Swindon's 2-1 home defeat by Crystal Palace in the first leg of the second round Littlewood Cup tie. Palace's winner came as a

result of the referee overruling a linesman's offside flag, but the bright spot for Swindon was that new striker Duncan Shearer scored his debut goal.

After the match, Manager Lou Macari noted: "Fortunately, it's two legs, so we've a second bite at the cherry, but we did not zip around tonight as I know we can. We lacked a bit of fire and if players think they can win games any other way, they are mistaken."

Looking ahead to today's encounter, hailed as a tough match, Lou said: "Make no mistake, every match in this Division is a tough one."



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Alphabetically Speaking

B BERTIE BANKS (1903-04)

An England international, he formed a prolific partnership with Harry Barton in 1903-04, the pair scoring over 100 goals in all matches. Banks's contribution to the Southern League Division Two championship triumph was 21 goals in 19 games and in all competitive matches 33 at a goal a game. His season at Watford was sandwiched between spells with Bristol City and Coventry City. Had also served Everton, Third Lanark, Millwall and Aston Villa

B BILL BARBER (1957-60)

Sturdy wing-half, born in Watford, who progressed through the juniors to make 28 League and Cup appearances for the first team as a part-time professional. Joined Aldershot on a free transfer in August 1962, but played only once in their League side before dropping to the lower levels of Hillingdon Borough and Amersham. Signed by Melbourne George Cross (Australia) in February 1967.

D DAVID BARDSLEY (1983-87)

As a Blackpool player was selected for the England Youth team under Graham Taylor, who brought him the Vicarage Road for £150,000 in November 1983. Ever-present in the FA Cup run to Wembley. A long-striding full-back of great pace, which was sometimes used in a more attacking rôle. 117+4 League and Cup appearances (nine goals) before his transfer to Oxford United with

Richard Hill in September 1987.



David Bardsley joined Watford from Blackpool in November 1983 after then Watford Manager Graham Taylor had seen him play for the England Youth side, which Mr. Taylor also then managed. He appeared in the Hornets' FA Cup Final side of 1984 at right back, but also fulfilled a right wing rôle on occasions, often to great effect, such as in the FA Cup quarter-final at Arsenal two seasons ago.

C BARABARD (1921)

Scored six times as a trialist for the reserves in a friendly match against Amersham on September 29th, 1921. An amateur centre-forward who scored on his League debut and held his place the following week, but was never picked again. The two appearances were at home and away against Charlton Athletic. Had played for Aylesbury and Rotherham County before arriving at Cassio Road.

C, BARNES (1904-06)

Winger whose signature was obtained in August 1904, after service with Chesham Town, Reading and Bristol City. Never managed to hold down a regular first team place, and accumulated only nine competitive appearances, in which he scored twice. His goals contributed to handsome victories—7—1 against Biggleswade in an FA Cup tie, and a 5—1 Southern League success over Brighton & Hove Albion.

E, BARNES (1920)

Amateur goalkeeper who first signed early in 1913, after service with Tibshelf Colliery, but whose sole first team outing was delayed until February 20th, 1920. The occasion was a Southern League match at Norwich, which the home side won 1—0, and which marked one of "Skilly" Williams's rare absences from the Watford goal. Barnes turned out locally for Croxley Green, and also signed amateur forms for Southend United and Charlton Athletic.

G GEORGE BARNES (1922-24)

Well-known in Chesham both as a footballer and a boot manufacturer. Served Chesham United for many years, including a lengthy spell as captain, and later became club chairman. On the wing for Watford—as an amateur, of course—he played in five League matches, scoring on his debut at Southend on April 26th, 1922. His brother Maurice was killed in a Chesham game in which they both played.

J JACK BARNES (1931-33)

Held the left-wing position throughout his two full season at Vicarage Road, totalling 11 goals in 83 League and Cup games. Previously on the books of Coventry City and Walsall, he was transfer-listed by Watford at the end of 1932-33 with a fee of £300 on his head. The Football League, however, reduced this to £100 on appeal, and Exeter City were happy to pay up.

J JOHN BARNES (1981-87)

Undoubtedly one of the finest talent ever to blossom in Watford colours. A Jamaican, he was discovered at 17 in the Middlesex League. Progressed rapidly from park football to Watford's first team and then full England caps. His strength, pace and ball skills were employed in various attacking rôles, but mainly on the left-wing. 295+1 competitive appearances (85 goals, including a penalty), before Liverpool paid £900,000 for him in June 1987. At Anfield achieved even greater fame.

P PETER BARNES (1960-62)

St. Albans-born wing-half who graduated from the juniors, having also turned out for Sun Sports juniors and Hemel Hempstead Town. Was engaged in the printing trade and played as a part-time professional. Progress was not helped by his call-up for National Service in May 1957, but eventually had two short spells in the first team, totalling 10 League appearances.

• Compiled by Trefor Jones

The ABC of Watford players since 1896

COMMUNITY CHEST

A DAY TO REMEMBER

Today Watford Football club are hosting the Watford Football Friends Junior Final and the Asda Netball Friends Junior and Intermediate Finals. The tournament will kick-off at 2.00 pm, with each half lasting 15 minutes. After a break, the second halves will start at 2.30 pm. In the event of bad weather, the finals will be played after today's game at 4.40 pm. The second set of Finals will be played before the match v. Brighton on Saturday, October 15th.

FOOTBALL FRIENDS

This is the third year that the football tournament has taken place and this year's finalists are the Hemel Ninargs and the Watford Allstars. To reach the final, the teams had to compete during the summer months against children from the Watford, Dacorum and Three Rivers areas, playing football at local parks in 12 leagues—all organised by the Hertfordshire Constabulary. Well over 500 local children participated in teams of five boys and two girls.

Today team's:

Allstars:

Blue/White Stripes
Daryl Frost
Paul Allen
Mark Allen
John Coen
Daniel Blackwell
Gillian Hopkins
Joanne Butcher
Alison Hopkins (Sub)

Ninargs:

Orange/Black Stripes
Mark Fletcher
Sean Fletcher
Ryan Fletcher
Kelly Fletcher
Hayley Johnson
Jerad Juster
Chris Connors
Nigel Cushing (Sub)

NETBALL FRIENDS

At the other end of the pitch today you will see something not seen before at Vicarage Road—two netball courts. These have been marked out by Watford Borough Council to provide a unique venue for this inaugural netball tournament. Today's teams, Maple Cross/Westhyde YC and Eastbrook Old



The Zone Finals of Football finals in full swing at the Woodside Stadium, Garston on September 4th.

Girls (in the junior final), Gadeside and Watford Leisure Centre (in the intermediate final), reached the finals by competing in knockout tournaments held last month in the locality.

Today team's:

Asda Netball Friends Junior Final:

Maple Cross/Westhyde YC	Eastbrook Old Girls
Green	Black
Racheal Branch	Stacey Evans
Angelo Geeson	Nadine Wylde
Karen Smith	Sarah Hindle
Wendy Rooney	Julie Beard
Tammy Jones	Tracey MacGregor
Jenny Burns	Shelly Wood
Chloe Yandall	Judie Betteress
Paula Davidson (Sub)	Nina Daniels (Sub)
	Kelly Sleigh (Sub)

Asda Netball Friends Intermediate Final:

Gadeside	Watford Leisure Centre
Blue	White
Denise Baldwin	Karen Drew
Leigh Abbot	Ruth Underwood
Wendy Humphries	Kelly McDonald
Vicky Austin	Jennifer Allen
Vickey Carpenter	Anne Watts
Ruth Wakeman	Tracey Tolan
Anna Holloway	Angie Farrance
Alison Harrell (Sub)	Donna Taylor (Sub)

Today will be a very special day to remember for the teams and their parents.

who are here today as guests of Watford Football Club, so please let's hear you giving them every encouragement in the best Watford tradition.

THANKS TO

The Hertfordshire Constabulary, who organise the Watford Football Friends and the Asda Netball Friends, would like to thank the following for making this years Tournament possible.

Watford Football Club, for the use of their ground and for the free match tickets presented to all who have taken part this summer, and for the hospitality to parents at today's game.

Watford Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Dacorum Chamber of Commerce for the medals given to all who have played in Watford Football Friends.

Wander Foods for the gifts of Ovaltine and other products to all the players.

Asda Stores for the medals given to all the Netball players who have taken part and for the equipment used.

Killingdon Farm Shop for the teams bibs for the Netball finalists.

The referees and umpires for giving freely of their time.

Watford Borough Council and Dacorum Borough Council for the use of parks and sports equipment.

Parmiters School for the use of netball courts.

YOUNG though he is, winger Roderick has actually been associated with Watford for the past seven years.

"I used to train with the club when I was just 10," he says. "Originally, I came training with a mate, Andrew Gee, and we were trained by Tom Walley and Nigel Callaghan. Andrew now plays for Hendon."

But as the photograph overleaf shows, Roderick has now competed with Nigel at first team level. Does he find that level too demanding for his 17 years? "No, but I realise that I have to take things stage by stage. Of course, first team football is far more physical than anything I've been used to, and it's quicker. But to date, I've been used more as substitute to hopefully add something different—particularly in the later stage of the game."

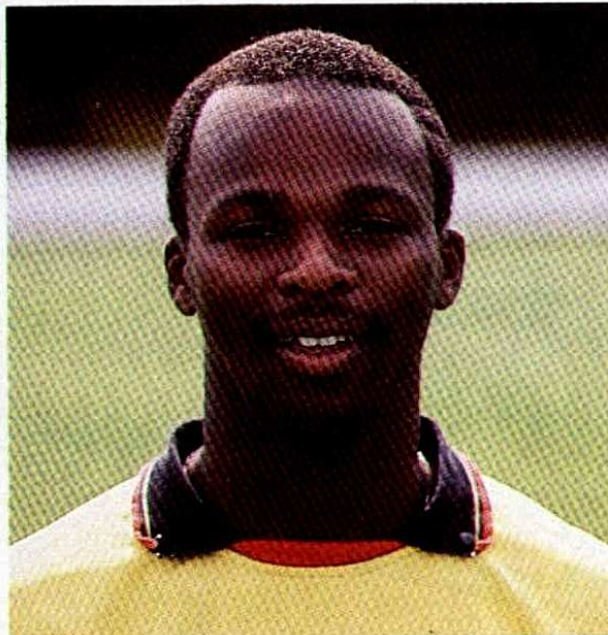
Natural ball skills

That "something different" often includes ball skills that apart from being natural, were also nurtured by Will Coerver, The Football Association's Dutch Coach who taught Roderick at the School Of Excellence in Lilleshall. "It's important to say that although we were taught different skills, we were also taught when and where to use them. Although I may roll my foot over the ball when running at a defender, it's not something I'd be trying when I'm back trying to clear the ball."

Roderick was one of the second set of boys to go to the FA School of Excellence. Was it worthwhile? "Undoubtedly," he says. "For the first few months, I was quite homesick, as were the other boys, but once I settled in it was a lot of fun and I made a lot of friends. It was really like going to a public school and it was a hard day's work. We were up every morning at 7.30, off to a local school

FACE to FACE

Roderick Thomas



(Photo: Martin Wolmark)

for the day, back for training with FA coaches Dave Sexton and Mike Kelly and then it was homework in the evening. I ended my two years with 'O' levels in Drama and Geography, and hopefully a better footballer."

Back at Watford, Roderick understandably drew comparisons with the young John Barnes, especially after his televised displays in England schoolboys matches. Fair comparisons, we wondered? "No, but it's very flattering," says Rod. "We're not really comparable because we were different kinds of players, with totally different kinds of physique. Mind you, I wouldn't mind having a left foot like John Barnes, and shooting with my left foot is the part of my game that I'm concentrating on at present."

Prolific results

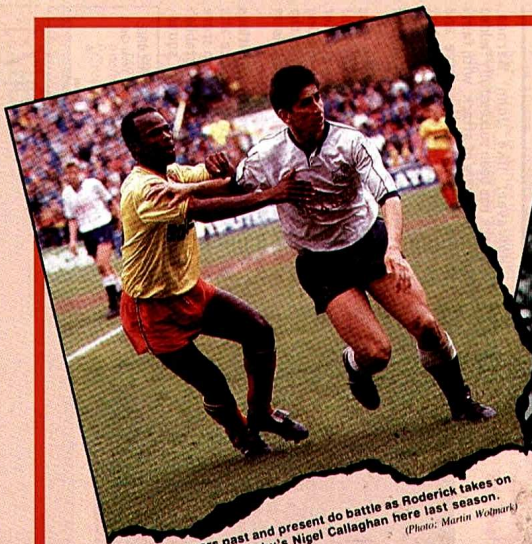
However, like John Barnes, Roderick has been successfully fielded down the centre of attack, with fairly prolific results, as his reserve and youth team statistics show (see box below). "I used to play in midfield, but it was Tom Walley who pushed me up front."

And it's Tom and Watford boss Steve Harrison who are still encouraging Roderick to greater things, and with his parents, making sure his feet are kept firmly on the ground—except when the ball is in the air of course!

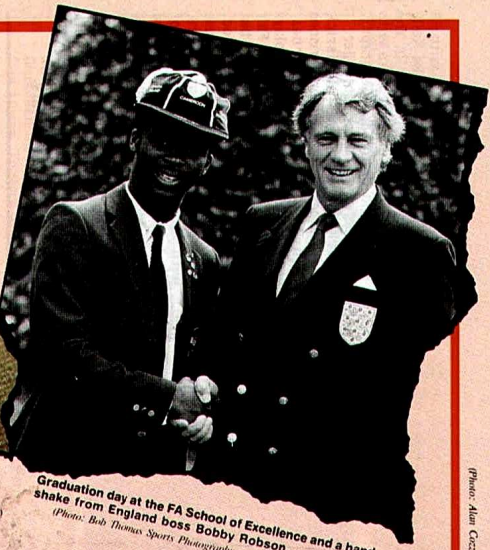
But Roderick is rightly an ambitious lad, so what are his immediate and longer-term hopes? "Firstly, to score for Watford's first team and establish myself in the first team squad."

RODERICK'S COMPLETE CAREER RECORD:

Season	Club	Total Apps	Total Gls
1987/88	Watford	1 + 3	0
1988/89	0 + 3	0
Total:		1 + 6	0
Reserve team: 12 + 1 as sub., 1 goal.			
Youth team: 46 + 1 as sub., 23 goals.			

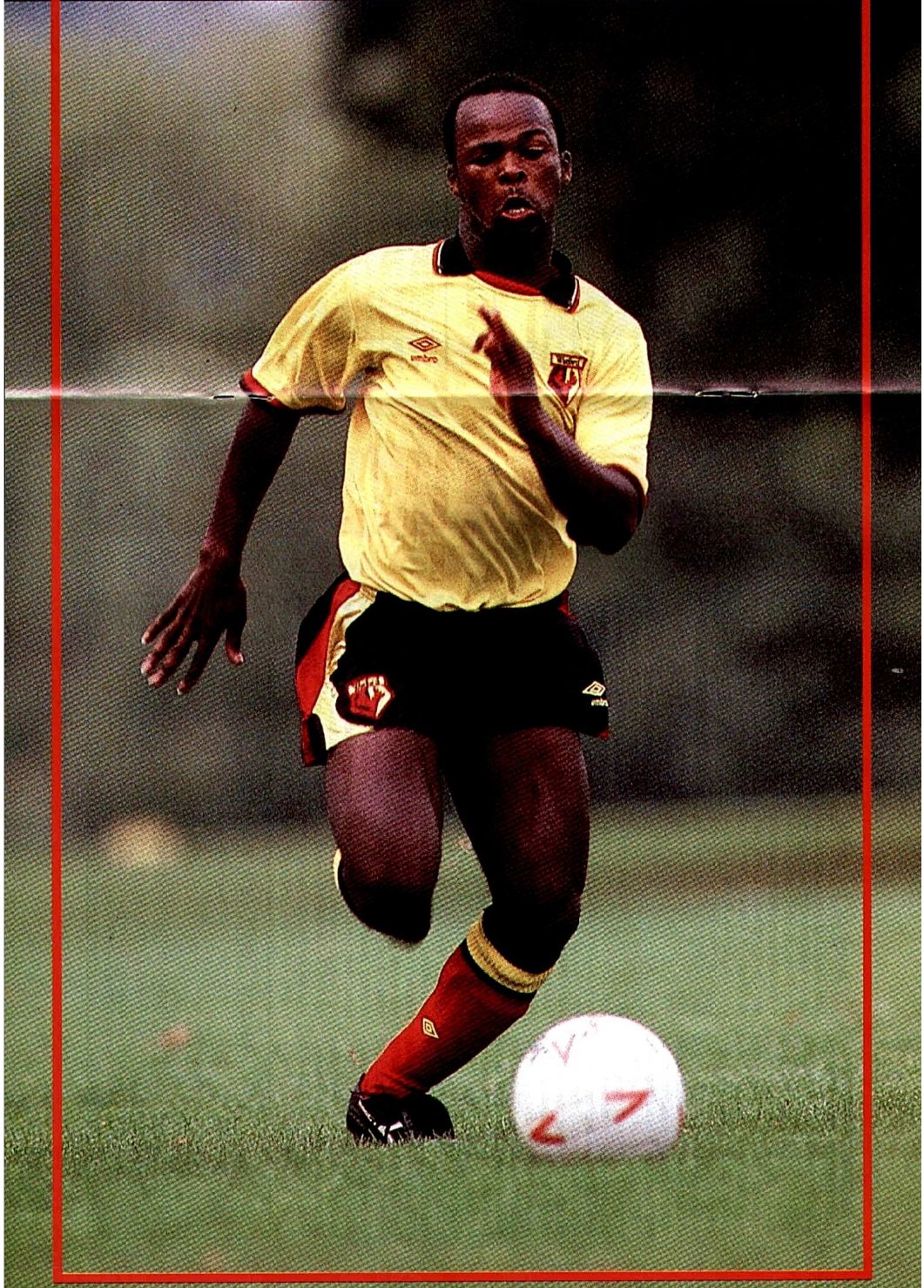


Wingers past and present do battle as Roderick takes on Derby's Nigel Callaghan here last season.
(Photo: Martin Wolmark)



Graduation day at the FA School of Excellence and a handshake from England boss Bobby Robson.
(Photo: Bob Thomas Sports Photography)

(Photo: Alan Cress)





News

SUPPORTERS CLUB

We're on the look-out

The club's Marketing Department are currently looking for Watford supporters who would like to get more involved with the club through various types of work.

Firstly, we are looking for two people who'd like to work in the Marketing Department on matchdays helping out on the lottery, bingo and Golden Goals operations.

Applicants would be required to work on a Saturday from 9.30 am to 5.15 pm and for midweek matches 5.30 pm to 10.15 pm. A basic wage will be paid to the chosen applicants with the opportunity of watching all Watford home matches free of charge.

The club are also looking for more matchday lottery and Golden Goal ticket sellers. A 10 per cent commission will be paid on all ticket sales and entry to see all games at Watford is also guaranteed.

If you are interested in either the matchday lottery and Golden Goal ticket sellers or the matchday Marketing Department vacancies please contact **Mike Sullivan, Promotions Manager, Marketing Department, Watford Football Club, Watford, Herts WD1 8ER**, for an application form.

By hook or by crook

At half-time today we will be drawing the regular weekly prizes for the Top Draw private members club.

It would seem that if your name was Crook you would stand a better chance of winning than most. Over the past few months the name Crook has been draw out on at least three occasions as a winner. On week 33—June 18th, Julie Crook, who is the secretary of the club's Chief Executive, Mr. Eddie Plumley, was greeted on her way back from lunch to the news that her Top Draw number 0456 had come out of the draw and she had won the top prize of £600. Recently on weeks 44 and 45 Jonathan Crook of Sotheron Road, Watford has had his number 0134 drawn out of the drum. On both occasions he received a £25 runners-up prize.

Just around the corner

Half-time today sees the draw for week 48 of our popular private members club Top Draw. There will be 10 prizes drawn, ranging from £25 to the weekly Top Draw of £600. However, it will be a different story on October 25th during the half-time interval v. Barnsley. This will be the evening that we draw out the major prizes of our annual Top Draw. On the evening

some lucky Top Draw members are going to win in addition to the weekly prizes, a colour television, a video recorder, a £250 holiday. Full details will appear in a later programme, but remember if you're not a member of Top Draw you won't win. In other words—you've got to be in it—to win it!

Last chance!

Don't forget we shall be drawing the winners out of the drum for a "once in a lifetime" holiday raffle at half-time on Tuesday evening, October 4th v. Oldham Athletic. The draw will be made by Mr. Peter Cox, Chairman of the Development Fund, and the prizes to be won are:—

- 1st prize**—a Californian holiday for two including a week in Hawaii
- 2nd prize**—a supersonic trip for two on Concorde
- 3rd prize**—a day trip for two to Bath or Leeds Castle aboard the Venice-Simplon Orient Express

All in all three superb "once in a lifetime" prizes. It's still not too late to enter the draw as all counterfoils must be returned by no later than 7.45 pm on the evening of the draw for entry into the draw. Tickets are priced at 50p each and are available from the Marketing Department.

Recent Top Draw winners

Week No. 46: September 17th		Week No. 47: September 24th	
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£50	D. Puddephatt, Harrow Road, Leighton Buzzard	0345	£600—P. Lancashire, Cavendish Road, London
£25	P. James, Hempstead Road, Bovington	0318	£50 —D. Puddephatt, Harrow Road, Leighton Buzzard
£25	D. Reynolds, Longdean Park, Hemel Hempstead	0810	£25 —A. Cutts, Greensward, Bushey
£25	E. Pears, Muirfield Road, Watford	0380	£25 —S. Dunham, Firtree Close, Hemel Hempstead
£25	A. Okolotowicz, Shaggy Calf Lane, Slough	0404	£25 —M. Carpenter, Balmoral Road, Watford
£10	D. Wicks, Shenley Lane, London Colney	0160	£25 —A. Hornsby, Hempstead Road, Watford
£10	Mr. Fox, Hibbert Avenue, North Watford	0558	£10 —Heather Simmons, Redwood Close, South Oxhey
£10	R. Conisbee, Firtree Close, Leverstock Green	0671	£10 —Susan Liske, Hyde Terrace, Pimlico
£10	I. Randall, Burnell Gardens, Stanmore	0077	£10 —Mrs. Tobia, Munden View, Garsmouth Way, Watford
			£10 —D. Woodward, High Ash Road, Wheathamstead



JUNIOR HORNETS

Update

The Junior Hornets is a club for all Watford supporters under the age of 16. Full membership details are contained on the application form available from the Matchday Information Centre or the Marketing Department. The form also contains a full list of benefits and privileges.

A Presidential message

From John McClelland, club captain and President of the Junior Hornets:

"I'm very pleased to have been asked to be the first-ever President of the Junior Hornets. As club captain and as an individual I represent Watford Football Club as best I can on the field of play. I hope that all Junior Hornets play their part in representing the club off the field—together we make a good team, along with Ann Swanson, Angela Bray, Pat Haddon and all the other people who spend a lot of time and energy devoted to your enjoyment.

"Along with my 'Vice-President' Dominic Naylor, I hope to be at the first Junior Hornets evening of the season on **Thursday, October 5th**, and I'm looking forward to meeting as many new members as possible.

"In the meantime, keep flying the Watford flag. You should be proud to be a supporter of this football club."

Best wishes

John McClelland

Blackpool lights

On the day we play Stoke City, October 22nd, we are taking a trip to Blackpool to see the lights after

the game. It will be a long day out and you can sleep all the way home. We will be leaving from the Hornet Shop at 8 am, playing matches v. Stoke, have lunch, watch the first team game, have tea and then on to Blackpool to see the lights.

Get well

Special greeting to Junior Hornet Gary Morton who is recovering from illness hope you will soon be back cheering on the lads.

If you know any Junior Hornets who are ill, please let Ann Swanson know and we will be in touch.

Leeding the way

We will be taking a Junior Hornet coach to Leeds on Saturday, October 8th who will be our hosts for the day. More details in our next programme.

International at Wembley

More details about the international game England v. Sweden will be in the programme v. Oldham. We shall be taking a coach, so please let us have names as soon as possible.

Membership Packs

Most of this season's packs have now been sent—so if you haven't yet received yours, it should be with you shortly. We apologise for the delay due to extra goodies being included in the pack, and the post strike, but we feel sure you will be pleased with the contents.

Junior Hornet football

Many thanks to Barry Ashby and Josh Price for attending the Junior Hornets' football. The next matches are versus Brighton' and Luton.

Girls' evening

We shall be arranging an evening especially for the girls in the near future—date to be announced soon. In the meantime, please would all girl Junior Hornets let us know if they are interested.

Welcome

We would like to extend a warm welcome to John Timms and his Junior Robins from Swindon. We hope you have enjoyed your visit and that the matches went well earlier.

Club evening

Last reminder for our first club evening in the Rous Stand at 6.30 pm. Our president John McClelland and vice-president Dominic Naylor will be joined by Steve Harrison, Tom Walley and Oliver Phillips, Sports Editor from the Watford Observer.

Fireworks

Please set aside November 3rd in your diary. This year the display will be tuned into Elton John's music, so should be one of our best and most popular. More details about special arrangements for Junior Hornets will be in a future programme.



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HOW TO BUY TICKETS

You can purchase seat tickets for Watford home matches at any time for any game. So, if you want to buy a ticket now for the match against Leicester City next April, you can.

Of course, you can only buy tickets for areas where tickets are printed—i.e. all seats and the Family Terrace area. Admission prices are elsewhere on this page, and you should also read the section relating to "members only" areas.

You can book or buy tickets in the following ways at Watford:

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3. By 'phone—only credit card bookings can be made on the 'phone, and these must be made at least 48 hours in advance of the match.

OPENING HOURS

The Ticket Office: 9.00am to 5.00pm Mondays to Fridays; 9.00am to kick-off on first team matchdays (open again after matches) and 9.00 am to 12.00 noon on all other Saturdays.

The Marketing Department: 9.00am to 5.00pm Mondays to Fridays; 9.00am to kick-off time on first team matchdays. Closed on non-first team Saturdays.

The Hornet Shop: 9.00am to 5.00pm Tuesdays to Saturdays (closed Mondays)—open until kick-off time for midweek matches and again after all matches.

FACILITIES FOR THE DISABLED

Watford's Disabled Enclosure and facilities (see stadium plan for its position) have been upgraded this season, and apart from the building of new ramps, a disabled toilet has also been installed.

There are places for 32 wheelchairs and 32 helpers in the Disabled Enclosure, and the price is £3.50—the same as the home supporters terrace price at the Vicarage Road End.

If full, there is an overspill area adjacent to the Rous Stand Enclosure.

All the above ticket booking methods apply, and season tickets are available too.

MEMBERS' ONLY AREAS

In line with Government instructions, the following areas of the Vicarage Road Stadium have been designated as "members only areas": The Upper Tier of the Rous Stand, and all the Family Areas of the stadium (Family Enclosure, Family Terrace and the Family Block—which used to be "F" Block).

A "member" is defined as a season ticket holder wishing to buy additional tickets, a Supporters Club member or a Junior Hornets member.

When booking or buying seats for the areas mentioned, your season ticket or rele-

vant membership card must be produced. If booking by letter or 'phone this number MUST be quoted.

MATCH VIDEOS

Videos of every home game Watford have played this season can be ordered from the Hornet Shop, or bought over the counter if they are in stock. Each video costs £14.95 has a full match commentary. Only VHS tapes are available. The Hornet Shop will also accept 'phone credit card orders for videos, but if the video is to be posted a postage and packaging charge of £1.50 will be added. Hornet Shop: Watford 0923 220847

SPONSORSHIP/ADVERTISING

All this side of the club's business is handled by the Marketing Department. Upon enquiry, full details, such as the up-to-date list of sponsorship opportunities and/or an advertising rate card will be supplied.

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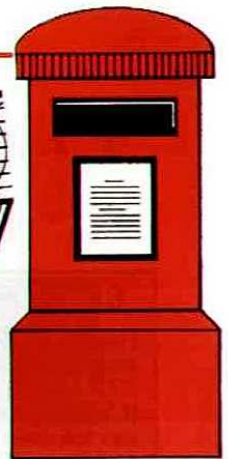
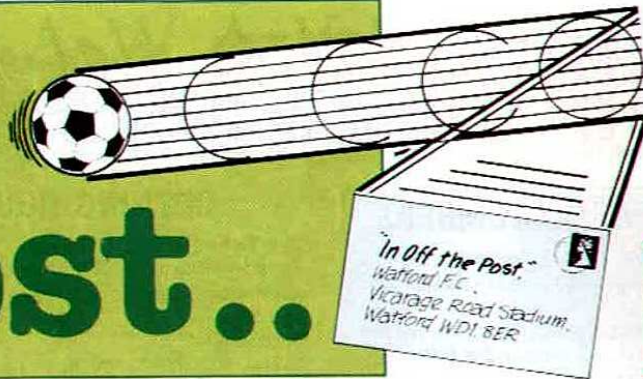
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Badges request

I am a collector of enamel lapel badges and would be most grateful if through the medium of your matchday magazine you could assist me.

I was born in Watford and lived in the town until 1973. I am attempting to obtain as many Watford badges as possible, including those in blue and white, issued prior to the days of the colour change to black and gold. I have pictures of the badges required, which unfortunately could not be reproduced in this programme. I will be prepared to cover any costs incurred and pay any reasonable prices for the badges if anyone can be of assistance.

Many thanks for your assistance and good luck in this seasons campaign in your quest to regain First Division status at the first attempt.

Derek Elston,
Northampton

● If you can help Derek please contact him direct on 0604 847004.

Bogey men?

Having been a Watford supporter for 37 years, I have

always thought that Leicester City have always been our "bogey team". You can imagine how I felt when I saw in last night's programme (Bradford City) that Watford are to play Leicester four times this season!

J. B. Allaway
St. Albans

● Well, Mr. Allaway, the table below showing our League results against Leicester seems to disprove your "bogey" theory. But are there other teams you've always felt have been a bogey team for Watford. If so let us know and we'll publish the statistics.

Watford v. Leicester City League results:

Season	Div.	Home	Away
1969-70	2	2-1	1-3
1970-71	2	0-1	1-1
1979-80	2	1-3	0-2
1981-82	2	3-1	1-1
1983-84	1	3-3	1-4
1984-85	1	4-1	1-1
1985-86	1	2-1	2-2
1986-87	1	5-1	2-1

Summary:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home	8	5	1	2	20	12	15
Away	8	1	4	3	9	10	7
Total	16	6	5	5	29	22	22*

*Three points for a win introduced in 1981-82 season.

From the Football Association

Under-21 International match England v. Denmark September 13th, 1988

I am writing to express our very sincere thanks to your Club for staging the above match.

All the arrangements for the match were carried out in a most exemplary fashion and I shall be grateful if you pass on our thanks, and congratulations to everybody at your Club who was involved.

I thought your staff were a credit to Watford Football Club and without their help and co-operation the evening would certainly not have been such a success.

Once again, many thanks for all your efforts.

Alan Odell
International Secretary
The Football Association
Lancaster Gate
London W2 3LW

Programme Fair

Kingstonian Football Club will be holding its Annual Programme Fair in their clubhouse at their former ground at Richmond Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey.

on Sunday, October 9th, from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm.

Access to the clubhouse is now only possible via the Earle Gardens entrance; Earle Gardens is off Latchmore Road which is 50 yards from the Shell Petrol Station in Richmond Road.

Stallholders at the Fair will include some of the country's leading programme dealers and club shops will also be represented.

Admission is by programme at the door—price 20p.

Latchmore Road is approximately one mile from Kingston Town Centre and Kingston Railway Station and is off the main A307 Kingston-Richmond Road.

J. A. Trevor
Kingston FC.

Pen-pal request

This 13-year-old Watford supporter from Aylesbury regularly comes to watch Watford play at Vicrage Road. She would like to write to anyone aged between 12 and 16 years.

Alison
11 Mellstock Road
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ON THIS DAY

OCTOBER 1st

ON this day in Watford's history, the following happened . . .

1938—Torquay United visit Vicarage Road for a Division Three South fixture. The match ends goalless—the first of three consecutive 0–0 League draws. Such a run of goalless draws have occurred only twice since—in March 1973 and January 1981.

1949—October 1949 sees Watford play five League matches, winning each one without conceding a goal. The first of these games was at Bristol Rovers, with the Hornets scoring twice through Thomas.

1955—Exeter City, with only one win from 12 matches are third from bottom as they travel to Vicarage Road. Wing-half Arthur Shaw makes the last of his three appearances for Watford, and full back David Bewley makes his 100th League outing. Herson scores, as does Graham with a penalty, but strikes from John (2) and Simpson sees the visitors win 3–2.

1957—One week after Brentford's 4–1 defeat at Vicarage Road, the sides meet again, at Griffin Park. Thirty-one years ago today, the points were shared in a goalless draw.

1958—The Hornets travel to Sealand Road, taking on Chester in a Division Four fixture. At the break, the home side lead 1–0, but the second half sees Watford press forward, and equalise

through Chung. Looking for both points, the Hornets are caught out minutes from time, as Webster nets from the penalty spot—his second goal of the match.

1960—Watford take the field at Vicarage Road in second spot, with the visitors, Chesterfield, lying 21st. Two goals from Smith, and one from Holton earns a victory, with Chesterfield netting a consolation goal through Foley.

1963—Twenty-five years ago today saw the visitors Barnsley, and the last occasion on which Watford have won a home fixture on this day. The previous season, the match had been abandoned at half-time, due to a torrential down pour—this match was not dissimilar, it rained heavily, but the game was played to a finish. Barnsley's defence is tough and uncompromising—Watford are caught offside on 23 occasions. However this tactic eventually hands Watford their victory, since goals from Gregory and Livesey are scored as the visitors play for an offside decision. Ron Crisp makes his 50th League outing, and the match ends 2–1, Leighton scoring for the Yorkshiremen.

1966—Mansfield visit Vicarage Road, playing with a tightly packed defence. Whilst Watford make most of the play, the only

goal is scored by Curry, as the Stags win 1–0.

1977—Watford travel to Rochdale, inflicting an eighth consecutive defeat on the home side. Roger Joslyn scores in a first half, which ends 1–1. Keith Mercer returns from injury as a second half substitute and scores, as does Alan Mayes. A 3–2 victory leaves Watford in second spot, and Rochdale bottom of Division Four, where they are to finish at the season's end.



Five years ago today Jimmy Gilligan was in the Watford side that travelled to West Bromwich Albion.

1983—Five years ago today, Watford travelled to the Hawthorns. Goals from Regis and Thompson earn West Bromwich a 2–0 victory. As Watford line-up: Sherwood, Palmer, Sinnott, Jobson, Terry, Bolton, Callaghan, Barnes, Gilligan, Jackett, Rostron, and Richardson (sub).

•Compiled by Jonathan Elliott

Also on this day . . .

1843—The News of the World begins publication.

1870—Halfpenny postage and stamped postcards are introduced in Britain.

1908—Henry Ford brings his Model "T" Ford onto the market.

1938—German troops enter Sudetenland.

1949—The People's Republic of China is proclaimed (it's a National Holiday there today).

1960—Nigeria becomes independent.

1974—The Watergate trial begins in the United States.

Today's birthday people: (ages in brackets): Musical star Julie Andrews (53); Newsreader/reporter Sandy Gall (61); Actors Richard Harris (55); Walter Matthau (68) and George Peppard (60).

Hornets with birthdays around now: Last Thursday: Wilf Rostron (32); coming soon: Roderick Thomas (18) and Stuart Rimmer (24).

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1988-89 will see The Football Trust increase its commitment by investing further sums in closed circuit television, transport facilities for supporters and projects to bring Football League clubs closer to their local community.

WARNING

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Past League encounters between **WATFORD and SWINDON TOWN**

By Paul Levene

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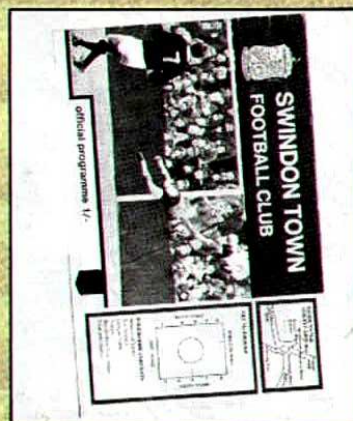
Watford have met Swindon Town 116 times in Southern League and Football League encounters with the records coming out marginally in favour of the Hornets. Watford have won 46 matches to Swindon's 43 with 27 drawn games. Until recent years matches between the two sides were often high scoring affairs and one game that certainly fits into this category was a Division Three (South) encounter at Vicarage Road in 1934-35. The 3,823 spectators present were lucky enough to witness the highest aggregate score in a League match at Vicarage Road as Watford ran out 7-4 winners. Billy Lane and Alan Fowler both scored hat-tricks for Watford and Swindon, respectively, on that day. Swindon Town can claim to have inflicted Watford's heaviest ever League defeat at Vicarage Road in the 1951-52 season. On that occasion the Wiltshire side coasted home by the tune of seven goals to one, but Watford in turn had recorded their biggest win at the County Ground 15 or so years earlier when they ran home 6-1 win-

ners. This was part of a three game winning sequence where 16 goals were scored and just one conceded. The highest aggregate score at the County Ground was recorded in 1925-26 when The Robins won 5-3 in an eight goal thriller. The highest score draws in encounters were recorded in 1909-10 and 1962-63. On both occasions the result was three goals apiece with the first taking place at Swindon and the second in Town's first promotion season to Division Two, 1962-63, at Vicarage Road. In the "double" stakes Watford also lead the field having recorded 10 such successes, three more than their Wiltshire counterparts.

FIRST AND LAST

The first encounter between Watford and Swindon Town came in the 1900-01 season. The game, only Watford's third ever game in the Southern League Division One, took place in front of around 3,000 spectators at Cassio Road in September 1900 and resulted in a 1-1 draw. This followed wins against Chatham and a heavy 6-1 defeat at Bristol City in the first two games of the season.

The most recent meeting between the two sides at League level was at the tail end of the 1978-79 season in a crucial Third Division promotion clash captured by the Match of the Day cameras. Watford led the table with six games to go, one



The programme from our meeting at Swindon in March 1969.

point ahead of Swansea, but Gillingham, Shrewsbury and Swindon were not far behind and all had games in hand. The game resulted in that gap narrowing as Bobby Smith's Swindon emerging as 2-0 winners with a goal in each half. Ross Jenkins headed his 36 goal of the season after 15 minutes to start proceedings, but unfortunately on this occasion it was in the wrong net. Swindon preserved this narrow advantage into the second half and sealed the game after 79 minutes when Northern Ireland international Bryan Hamilton set up Andy Rowlands to notch the Robins second of the game.

THE CONNECTION FACTOR

Dave Bamber is, of course, the latest player to have represented both Swindon and Watford over the years. Another striker to have moved in the opposite

direction in recent years was Alan Mayes, who started his career as an apprentice at Queens Park Rangers at the start of the 1971-72 season.

Mayes was unable to break into the first team at Loftus Road and signed for the Hornets in October 1974, celebrating his debut with a goal in a 3-2 win over Port Vale at Vicarage Road. Mayes scored only once more that season as Watford plunged into Division Four and the following season made just 11 full appearances in addition to 10 whilst on loan to Northampton Town. He gained more favour in the 1976-77 season appearing in 48 League and Cup games and scoring 17 goals. Another 16 goals followed in the Fourth Division championship season including a hat-trick at York, but was not included in Graham Taylor's first team plans in 1978-79. He made only occasional appearances that season and was eventually transferred to Swindon in February 1979. Mayes spent one and a half seasons at the County Ground and scored 38 goals in 89 appearances before moving to Stamford Bridge for a £175,000 fee. After scoring 18 goals in 66 outings for Chelsea he returned to the County Ground in time for the 1983-84 season and helped himself to a further 17 goals in 39 appearances. Mayes eventually moved to join Sam Ellis at Blackpool making his final

BACK...

League outing for the Seasiders in the 1986-87 season.

A MATCH TO REMEMBER

Although there have been many incredibly high scoring affairs between the two sides over the years, none could have been more important than the game at the County Ground on Saturday, March 29th, 1969, just two weeks after the Wiltshire club's League Cup triumph. The game had a 7.30 kick-off and an amazing 28,898 crowd packed into the County Ground that night with many more locked out. It was a tense occasion for all present and in the first-half referee Harry New from Portsmouth awarded Watford a penalty to thicken the plot. The normally deadly Keith Eddy was denied by a marvellous save by Peter Downsborough and as a result, despite end to end football the game remained goalless until four minutes from the end. Dixie Hale suddenly set Barry Endean free with an inch perfect pass and the Watford striker shot decisively past Downsborough for a crucial winner. Ten days later Watford were to celebrate promotion with that famous 1-0 win over Plymouth Argyle at Vicarage Road.

THE PAST MATCHES Football League

Season	Div.	Home	Away
1920-21	3(S)	0-1	0-2

1921-22	3(S)	2-2	3-0
1922-23	3(S)	0-3	1-1
1923-24	3(S)	0-0	1-1
1924-25	3(S)	1-0	1-0
1925-26	3(S)	3-2	3-5
1926-27	3(S)	2-2	2-4
1927-28	3(S)	2-5	0-4
1928-29	3(S)	3-2	0-5
1929-30	3(S)	4-1	3-1
1930-31	3(S)	3-0	1-2
1931-32	3(S)	4-1	1-4
1932-33	3(S)	2-2	2-1
1933-34	3(S)	4-0	0-1
1934-35	3(S)	7-4	1-2
1935-36	3(S)	2-1	6-1
1936-37	3(S)	2-2	1-1
1937-38	3(S)	4-0	2-0
1938-39	3(S)	4-1	0-3
1946-47	3(S)	1-1	0-5
1947-48	3(S)	1-0	0-3
1948-49	3(S)	0-3	0-1
1949-50	3(S)	1-2	1-0
1950-51	3(S)	1-2	2-3
1951-52	3(S)	1-7	1-0



Watford captain Keith Eddy had a penalty saved in a vital Third Division League match between today's two sides in March 1969. But Watford did later score to win 1-0 on their way to the Third Division championship. (Photo: Watford Observer)

1952-53	3(S)	2-1	0-0
1953-54	3(S)	2-1	2-2
1954-55	3(S)	3-0	1-6
1955-56	3(S)	2-1	0-0
1956-57	3(S)	3-4	0-2
1957-58	3(S)	0-0	0-0
1960-61	3	1-0	2-1
1961-62	3	2-0	1-3
1962-63	3	3-3	1-3
1965-66	3	2-0	1-0
1966-67	3	2-0	2-1
1967-68	3	2-0	0-2
1968-69	3	0-0	1-0
1969-70	2	0-0	0-1
1970-71	2	1-2	1-1
1971-72	2	0-0	0-2
1974-75	3	1-0	2-2
1978-79	3	2-0	0-2

Summary:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	43	23	11	9	82	56
Away	43	12	9	22	45	77
Total	86	35	20	31	127	133

Southern League

Season	Home	Away
1900-01	1-1	1-1
1901-02	3-0	3-1
1902-03	5-3	0-3
1904-05	1-0	0-2
1905-06	1-2	0-0
1906-07	0-0	0-0
1907-08	0-0	0-2
1908-09	1-0	1-4
1909-10	0-1	3-3
1910-11	1-3	1-5
1911-12	2-0	0-4
1912-13	3-1	2-1
1913-14	1-2	0-3
1914-15	3-0	0-6
1919-20	3-1	2-1

Summary:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	15	8	3	4	25	14
Away	15	3	4	8	13	36
Total	30	11	7	12	38	50

CATCHING UP WITH BARRY ENDEAN



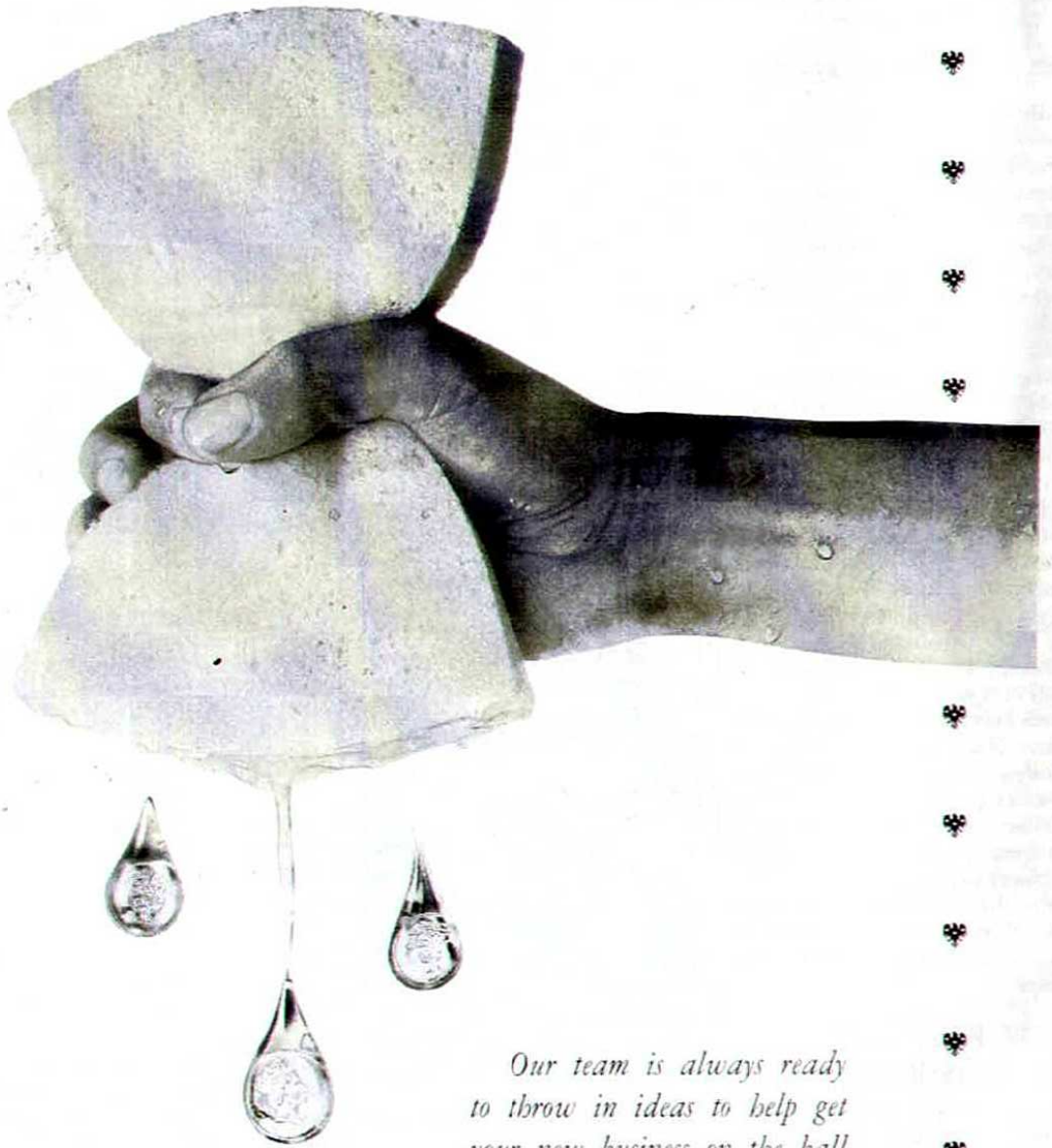
Centre-forward Barry came from pub football in Chester le Street for a trial with Watford and joined Ken Furphy's promotion-hunting side of 1968-69 in November 1968, finishing the season with 18 goals in 28 League appearances and also bagged two FA Cup goals—and a promotion medal.

He stayed at Watford until early 1971 and left for Charlton with a career record that read: appearances: 87 + 6 as sub; goals: 37.

From Watford, Barry joined Charlton for £10,000 and managed Workington, having played for Blackburn, Huddersfield, Workington (loan) and Hartlepool in the interim.

He was appointed Manager of his hometown club Chester le Street in March of this year, and as far as we know makes windows as his full-time trade.

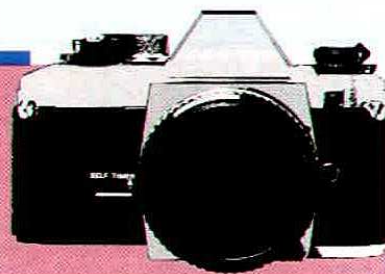
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IN FOCUS



SHOOTING—BY GARY LINEKER of Barcelona and England

In the first of an occasional coaching series by well-known players, Gary Lineker writes about shooting techniques. Obviously, the article is directed more to young players, but hopefully will prove of interest to all who play the game.

Shooting is not only the most exciting part of Association Football it is also the most important part of attacking play.

It is also important that every member of the team should understand the importance of shooting because, in the modern game, chances often fall to defenders especially when they come forward into attacking positions at set plays.

I want to give you a few important tips which I know will improve your shooting irrespective of whether you are an attacker or defender. Here they are:—

1. MISSED OPPORTUNITIES

By this I mean having the chance to shoot but failing to take your chance, ie, not shooting. Of course, I appreciate that on occasions, you may decide that you are too far out from goal to shoot, or you may decide the angle is too acute, or there may be a defender in the way who would block your shot.

The fact is, however, that the number of goals scored at every level would increase if all players shot for goal on every occasion when they had an opportunity to

shoot. You must understand that you will miss more often than you will score but the more often you shoot the more often you will score. Furthermore, the more often you shoot, the better and more accurate you will become. You will become more confident. Crowds can adversely affect players in their shooting, so do not be put off by a crowd.

2. SHOTS OFF TARGET

It is also a fact that a high per-

centage of shots which are taken miss the target. These are shots which do not even require the goalkeeper to make a save. Young players often make the mistake of going for power before accuracy, but my advice to you is this: Go for accuracy before power and try and always force the save from the goalkeeper.

3. THE IMPORTANCE OF LOW SHOTS

Shots which are on the ground are more difficult for a goalkeeper to save than shots which are in the air.

Ref. Diagram 1

In the diagram you will see that a goalkeeper will move quicker to a ball at point B than he will at point A. Point A is actually further away than point B. Furthermore, the goalkeeper has to move the whole of his body to save at point A. At point B it may be possible to save by stretching out one arm. Shots along the ground are also more likely to bump, skid or stick, all of which make the stopping of the shot a little more difficult. So, my advice to you is to concentrate on low shots.

4. THE IMPORTANCE OF SHOTS GOING AWAY FROM THE GOALKEEPER

Shots going away from the goalkeeper—that is shots to the far post—are usually more difficult to save than shots coming in to the goalkeeper—that is shots at the near post. I assume, of course, that the goalkeeper is well positioned and that he has not left the



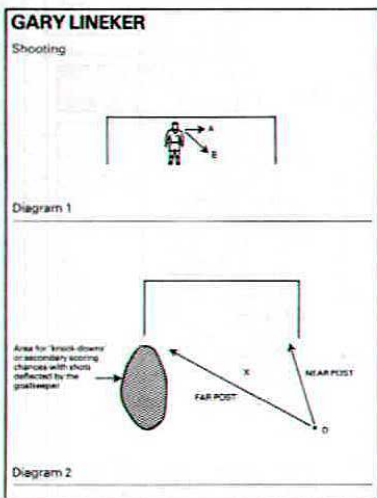
Gary Lineker—his prolific goal-scoring rate has been based on an excellent shooting technique.

near post open.
Ref. Diagram 2

Not only is it more difficult to reach shots to the far post but, because the ball is going away from the goalkeeper, the ball is more difficult to hold, even if the goalkeeper reaches it. This often leads to secondary scoring chances of “knock-downs” in the area of the far post. In fact, I can tell you that a very large number of goals are scored from the position which is shaded in diagram 2. Roughly one goal in four is scored in that area.

So, my advice is to shoot for the far post. You may not score but you may provide a “knock-down” for one of your team mates. You will certainly make it more difficult for the goalkeeper.

There are, of course, many more different aspects to shooting but I have given you the basic principles. These, combined with good technique, will certainly help you to score more goals.



FACTS AND FIXTURES

Barclays League Division Two

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Blackburn	6	2	1	0	6	1	3	0	0	6	2	16
2 WATFORD	7	3	0	0	6	0	2	1	1	7	5	16
3 Ipswich	6	2	1	0	6	3	2	1	0	7	2	14
4 Portsm'th	7	2	1	1	9	4	1	2	0	5	4	12
5 Bradford	7	2	1	0	3	0	1	2	1	3	3	12
6 Oldham A.	7	2	2	0	10	3	1	0	2	5	6	11
7 B'mouth	6	2	1	0	3	1	1	1	1	4	5	11
8 Man. City	7	1	1	1	5	7	2	1	1	6	4	11
9 West B.A.	7	1	1	1	3	2	1	3	0	4	3	10
10 Swindon	6	2	1	0	7	2	0	2	1	2	4	9
11 Leicester	7	1	2	1	4	4	1	1	1	4	6	9
12 Oxford U.	7	2	1	0	5	3	0	2	2	3	7	9
13 Plymouth	6	2	1	0	7	1	0	1	2	2	6	8
14 Hull C.	7	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	2	5	6	8
15 Walsall	6	1	2	1	8	4	0	2	0	2	2	7
16 Barnsley	7	1	2	1	4	4	0	2	1	1	3	7
17 Chelsea	7	0	1	2	3	6	1	2	1	4	3	6
18 Leeds	6	1	2	1	4	4	0	1	1	0	4	6
19 Stoke	7	0	2	1	3	4	1	1	2	2	6	6
20 C. Palace	6	0	2	1	2	4	0	3	0	2	2	5
21 Sun'land	6	0	3	0	2	2	0	1	2	2	5	4
22 Shrewsb'y	6	0	2	2	3	8	0	1	1	1	2	3
23 Birm'ham	6	1	0	1	5	5	0	0	4	0	13	3
24 Brighton	6	0	0	3	2	6	0	0	3	3	8	0

(up to and including Saturday, September 24th)

First Team Update

Up to 29/9/88	League Aps	Gls	L Cup Aps	Gls	S Cup Aps	Gls	FA Cup Aps	Gls	Totals Aps	Gls
Bamber	7	2	1						8	2
Coton	7		1						8	
Falconer	5		1						6	
Gibbs	7	1							7	1
Hodges	4								4	
Holden	7	2	1						8	2
Holdsw'h D.G.	6		1						7	
Jackett	7		1						8	
McClelland	7		1						8	
Morris	1								1	
Porter	7	3	1						8	3
Pullan			1						1	
Roberts	2(1)	2	(1)						2(2)	2
Rostron	1								1	
Sherwood	1		(1)						1(1)	
Sterling	1		1						2	
Thomas	(3)								(3)	
Wilkinson	7	3	1	1					8	4
Own goal										

Key: Playing substitute in brackets; S Cup = Simod Cup.

South East Counties Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Tottenham	7	7	0	0	14	2	14
2 Arsenal	6	4	1	1	26	12	9
3 Southend	6	4	1	1	11	5	9
4 Charlton	5	4	1	0	11	6	9
5 Leyton O.	6	3	2	1	8	8	8
6 Ipswich	6	3	0	3	13	11	6
7 WATFORD	5	2	2	1	7	6	9
8 QPR	6	2	2	2	6	8	6
9 Gillingham	6	2	1	3	9	10	5
10 Norwich	6	2	0	4	13	15	4
11 Chelsea	6	1	2	3	11	13	4
12 West Ham	7	2	1	4	9	11	5
13 Fulham	6	2	0	3	8	11	4
14 Millwall	6	1	2	3	8	13	4
15 Ports'th	6	0	3	3	5	11	3
16 Cambridge	6	0	0	6	1	18	0

(up to including Sat. Sept 24th)

A Aug. 27 Norwich City	D 3-3	H Jan. 14 Charlton Ath.
H Aug. 31 QPR	D 1-1	H Jan. 21 Tottenham H.
A Sept. 3 West Ham Utd	W 2-1	A Jan. 28 Portsmouth
A Sept. 10 Tottenham H.	L 0-1	H Feb. 4 Ipswich Town
A Sept. 12 West Brom(SJFC-1)	W 5-1	H Feb. 11 Millwall
A Sept. 17 Norwich City(LC-1)	L 0-3	A Feb. 18 Gillingham
H-Sept. 24 Portsmouth	D 1-1	A Feb. 25 Southend Utd
A Oct. 1 Ipswich Town		H Mar. 4 Cambridge Utd
H Oct. 5 Luton T. (SJFC-2)		H Mar. 11 Fulham
A Oct. 8 Millwall		H Mar. 18 Arsenal
H Oct. 15 Gillingham		A Mar. 25 Leyton Orient
H Oct. 22 Southend Utd		H April 1 Chelsea
A Nov. 5 Cambridge Utd		A April 8 Charlton Ath.
A Nov. 12 Fulham		
A Nov. 19 Arsenal		
H Nov. 26 Leyton Orient		
A Dec. 3 Chelsea		
H Dec. 10 Norwich City		
H Dec. 31 QPR		
H Jan. 7 West Ham Utd		

Key: SECLC: South East Counties League Cup, SJFC: Southern Junior Floodlit Cup, FAYC: FA Youth Cup.

Ovenden Papers Comb.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Arsenal	6	5	1	0	18	6	11
2 Tottenham	5	5	0	0	8	2	10
3 Norwich	6	3	1	2	17	11	7
4 Luton	5	2	2	1	15	9	6
5 Chelsea	4	3	0	1	8	3	6
6 Fulham	5	3	0	2	8	6	6
7 WATFORD	6	2	2	2	10	9	6
8 West Ham	7	2	2	3	10	12	6
9 Brighton	4	2	1	1	9	6	5
10 Swindon	4	2	1	1	6	8	5
11 Portsmouth	4	2	0	2	8	7	4
12 Millwall	4	2	0	2	6	5	4
13 South'ton	4	2	0	2	5	5	4
14 C. Palace	4	2	0	2	8	9	4
15 Ipswich	5	1	2	2	8	13	4
16 Oxford	6	2	0	4	11	20	4
17 Wimbledon	4	1	1	2	7	9	3
18 Reading	6	1	0	5	7	16	2
19 Charlton	5	0	1	4	7	11	1
20 QPR	4	0	0	4	1	10	0

(up to and including Sat. Sept. 24th)

Combination Diary

A Aug. 30 Wimbledon	L 3-1
H Sept. 3 Fulham	L 1-0
A Sept. 7 Oxford United	W 2-0
A Sept. 13 Ipswich Town	D 2-2
H Sept. 17 Luton Town	D 2-2
H Sept. 24 Millwall	W 3-1
A Oct. 11 Portsmouth	
A Oct. 15 Luton Town (2.00)	
H Oct. 18 QPR	
H Oct. 22 Oxford United	
H Oct. 29 Crystal Palace	
A Nov. 8 Reading	
H Nov. 12 Southampton	
H Nov. 19 Norwich City	
A Nov. 29 Swindon Town	
H Dec. 3 Chelsea	
A Dec. 13 West Ham United	
H Dec. 17 Arsenal	
H Jan. 7 Wimbledon	
A Jan. 11 Brighton & HA	
A Jan. 17 Charlton Athletic	
H Jan. 21 Brighton & HA	
H Jan. 28 Charlton Athletic	
A Feb. 7 Fulham	
H Feb. 14 Ipswich Town	
H Feb. 21 Tottenham Hotspur	
A Feb. 28 Millwall	
A Mar. 7 Arsenal	
H Mar. 11 Portsmouth	
A Mar. 18 Tottenham Hotspur	
H Mar. 21 West Ham United	
A Mar. 28 QPR	
H Apr. 8 Reading	
A Apr. 15 Southampton	
A Apr. 25 Norwich City	
H Apr. 29 Swindon Town	
A May 9 Chelsea	
A May 17 Crystal Palace	

WATFORD Res Pos Att 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 Sub(s)

Month	Date	Opposition	W	D	L	Res	Pos	Att	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub(s)
AUGUST	27	Birmingham City	W	1	0	-	12,656	Coton	Gibbs	Falconer	Jackett	Morris*	McClelland	Hodges	Wilkinson	Bamber1	Porter	Holden	Thomas ● /Rimmer	
	29	West Brom	W	1	0	-	10,242	Coton	Gibbs1	Rostron	Jackett	D.G.Holds'th	McClelland	Hodges	Wilkinson	Bamber	Porter	Holden	Rimmer/Sherwood	
SEPTEMBER	3	Crystal Palace	W	2	0	2	10,474	Coton	Gibbs	Jackett	Sherwood	D.G.Holds'th	McClelland	Hodges	Porter1	Bamber	Wilkinson1	Holden	Thomas/Pullan	
	10	Plymouth Argyle	W	3	0	1	12,040	Coton	Gibbs	Falconer	Jackett	D.G.Holds'th	McClelland	Hodges*	Wilkinson1	Bamber1	Porter1	Holden	Sherwood/Thomas ●	
	17	Ipswich Town	L	2	3	1	14,844	Coton	Gibbs	Falconer	Jackett	D.G.Holds'th	McClelland	Roberts2*	Wilkinson	Bamber	Porter	Holden	Sherwood/Thomas ●	
	20	Bradford City	W	2	1	1	12,296	Coton	Gibbs	Falconer	Jackett	D.G.Holds'th	McClelland	Roberts	Wilkinson	Bamber	Porter	Holden2	Sherwood/Thomas	
	24	Leicester City	D	2	2	2	10,957	Coton	Gibbs	Falconer	Jackett	D.G.Holds'th	McClelland	Sterling	Wilkinson1	Bamber*	Porter1	Holden	Roberts ● /Sherwood	
28	Leicester City LC (2r, 1l)	L	1	4	-	9,512	Coton	Pullan*	Falconer	Jackett	D.G.Holds'th	McClelland	Sterling	Wilkinson1	Bamber*	Porter	Holden	Roberts ● /Sherwood ●		
OCTOBER	1	Swindon Town																		
	4	Oldham Athletic																		
	8	Leeds United																		
	11	Leicester City LC (2r, 1l)																		
	15	Brighton & HA																		
	22	Stoke City																		
	25	Barnsley																		
	29	Walsall																		
	NOVEMBER	1/2	L'woods Cup 3																	
	5	Chelsea																		
12	Manchester City																			
19	Shrewsbury Town																			
26	Hull City																			
29/30	L'woods Cup 4																			
DECEMBER	3	Sunderland																		
	10	Oxford Utd																		
	17	Blackburn Rovers																		
	26	Portsmouth (12 noon)																		
31	Bournemouth																			
JANUARY	2	Plymouth Argyle																		
	7	FA Cup 3																		
	14	West Brom																		
	17/18	L'woods Cup 5																		
	21	Birmingham City																		
	28	FA Cup 4																		
FEBRUARY	4	Oldham Athletic																		
	11	Leeds Utd. (all-ticket)																		
	14/15	L'woods Cup s/f 11																		
	18	Stoke City																		
	21/22	L'woods Cup s/f 21																		
25	Brighton & HA																			
28	Barnsley																			
MARCH	4	Manchester City																		
	11	Chelsea																		
	14	Walsall																		
	18	Bradford City (FAC6)																		
	24	Crystal Palace (3.00)																		
27	Portsmouth																			
APRIL	1	Ipswich Town																		
	4	Blackburn Rovers																		
	8	Bournemouth																		
	9	L'woods Cup Final																		
	15	Swindon Town (FAC s/f)																		
22	Leicester City																			
29	Hull City																			
MAY	1	Sunderland (3.00)																		
	6	Shrewsbury Town																		
	13	Oxford United																		
20	FA Cup Final																			

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4 Crockett & Tubbs	4	5	1-0
National Westminster Bank plc	4	5	2-0
Near Post Corner	4	5	1-0
Watford Supporters Club	4	5	2-1
8 Dutch Courage	4	7	1-0
9 B.P.C.A. Advertising, Marketing	4	8	1-0
10 Dot's Lot	3	6	2-0
11 The Firkin O'Reillys	3	7	3-0
12 Charles Simpson Organisation	3	9	1-0
13 Densil's Dilemma	2	7	3-0
D.R.G. Envelopes	2	7	1-1
Lord Snood	2	7	2-0
16 Compusec	2	8	3-0
Mailmen	2	8	1-0

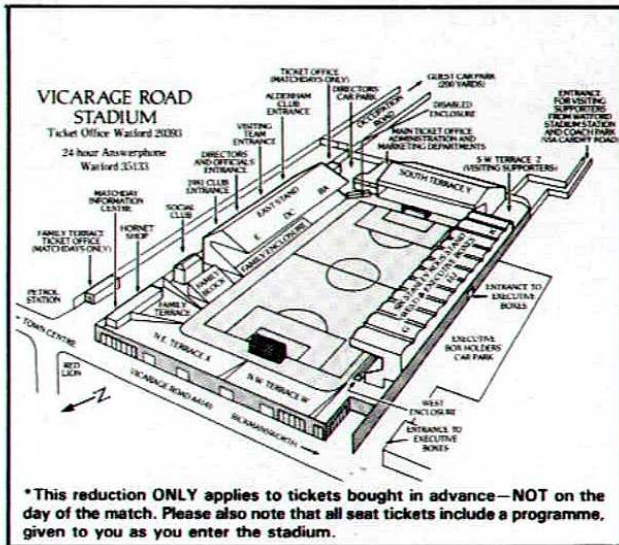
Opsec Design & Assembly Services	2	8	3-1
19 The Sportsman	2	9	2-1
20 Watford College Advertising Courses	2	11	2-0

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Scoring System
 i.e. Final Score Watford 2 Oxford 1. Three points are awarded for a totally correct forecast of score and result (i.e. your forecast Watford 2 Oxford 1—score 3 points).
 One point for a correct forecast only (i.e. Your forecast Watford 1 Oxford 1—score 1 point).
 No points for an incorrect result (i.e. Your forecast Watford 3 Oxford 2—score 0 points).
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	South	Y	£4.00
Family Areas	North East/West	X/W	£3.50
	East	Family Block (Adult)	£5.50
	East	Family Block (Child)	£4.00
	East	Family Terrace (Adult)	£3.50
	East	Family Terrace (Child)	£1.50
Disabled Enclosure	East	Family Enclosure (Adult)	£6.50
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	East	N/A	£3.50



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"Brain Teasers" answers: 1. 10 differences: Diving players nose; number, player on right; shadow on ball; floodlight out; ref's collar; left hand, centre player; badge, tackling player; whistle note balloon; cloud, centre picture; knee bandage, player on right. 2. 1891. 3. Sir Stanley Rous (stand name/ref that Cup Final). 4. Osvaldo Ardiles. 5. Jimmy Greaves. 6. Six.

TODAY'S LINE-UPS

WATFORD

Team changes

1. Tony COTON
2. Nigel GIBBS
3. Willie FALCONER
4. Kenny JACKETT
5. David HOLDSWORTH
6. John McCLELLAND
7. Worrell STERLING
8. Paul WILKINSON
9. Dave BAMBER
10. Gary PORTER
11. Rick HOLDEN

Subs: no:
 no:

SWINDON TOWN

Team changes

1. Fraser DIGBY
2. Dave HOCKADAY
3. Phil KING
4. Ross MacCLAREN
5. Tim PARKIN
6. Jon GITTENS
7. Steve SOLEY
8. Colin CALDERWOOD
9. Duncan SHEARER
10. Steve WHITE
11. Bobby BARNES

Subs: no:
 no:

Half-time: Full-time: Att:

MATCH OFFICIALS: Referee: MICHAEL BAILEY (Impington, Cambridge).
Linesmen: G. Butland (Chelmsford—red trim flag), P. A. Vosper (Enfield—
yellow trim flag). Reserve Official: To be announced.

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