

DIVISION ONE HIGHLIGHTS

WATFORD DISASTER DAY

bad day for **Watford** and manager HEATH as they crash in front of their won fans, who must have gone home wondering how their side lost by four clear goals, when they were probably the better side especially in the first hour. . However, **Leeds** were always quick to the ball in midfield, always dangerous on the counter-attack, and as manager HARGRAVES crowed after the game, 'it's goals that win games', and united certainly knew where the goal was in this game for sure. They certainly were clinical in their finishing but to be honest Watford played into their hands with an ultra-defensive display, at home, which gave the midfield to their opponents, and playing the ball round at the back, no matter for how long they did it, doesn't win matches if your strikers are starved of possession. Back to the drawing board I feel.

TOP OF TABLE CLASH

Saw homesters **Barnsley** edge home by the odd goal in three after a game that was close but which lacked any real excitement. **West Ham** took the lead with a very disputed penalty early on but you never got the impression that they were confident in their abilities to hold onto it. Though they had KEANE doing a useful job at the back, they were always under pressure and didn't really seem able to lift it and give their own strikers a chance. Add to this that the Tykes captain LUMSDON was irrepressible for the homesters and the Hammers couldn't cope with him, and it was no surprise that they shook off that penalty and won the game. Two goals from midfielder JARMAN settles it and it was no more than Barnsley deserved as they offered problems to a disappointing Hammers side all over the pitch. Barnsley go clear now at the top. Is this gonna be their season?

GOALLESS DRAW MERCHANTS

Three away games now, three goalless draws for **Liverpool** whose point at **Bolton** today wasn't

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

| ...TEAM NAME... | PL | W | D | L | F | A | Dif | Pts |
|-------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 BARNESLEY | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 11 |
| 2 LEEDS UTD | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 9 |
| 3 IPSWICH TOWN | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 8 |
| 4 WEST HAM UNITED | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 8 |
| 5 ALBION ROVERS | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| 6 ARSENAL | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 5 |
| 7 ASTON VILLA | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | -1 | 5 |
| 8 GLASGOW CELTIC | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | -2 | 5 |
| 9 NORWICH CITY | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | -2 | 5 |
| 10 BOLTON WANDS | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 13 | -5 | 5 |
| 11 WATFORD FC | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 11 | -5 | 5 |
| 12 LIVERPOOL | 5 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | -2 | 4 |

LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 1

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| 1 SINGH | LEEDS UTD | 5 |
| 2 SMITH(A) | LEEDS UTD | 5 |
| 3 BAROS | ALBION ROVERS | 5 |
| 4 LENNON | GLASGOW CELTIC | 4 |
| 5 JARMAN | BARNESLEY | 4 |
| 6 LUMSDON | BARNESLEY | 4 |
| 7 BA | BOLTON WANDS | 3 |
| 8 JAI OI | BOLTON WANDS | 3 |

THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :- STEPHEN CRAINEY [3] (ASTON VILLA) / LUND [1] (ASTON VILLA) / SVENSSON [1] (BARNESLEY) /

enough to stop them from dropping to the bottom of the table They really need to be improving their home form and picking up their first home win or they are going to be in deep, deep trouble I feel.

Great midfield performance from the Wanderers which should have led to a win for them, however Liverpool are strong at the back, even if they aren't the same force when going forward. Sweeper HANSEN was immense for them, keeper CHRIS KIRKLAND dealt ably with whatever went past his sweeper. Grabbed a point for the Reds but both sides look as if they might have problems this season. Goals being one of them!

DIVISION TWO HIGHLIGHTS

FIRST POINTS

Relief for manager STOCKS as his struggling **Chelsea** side pick up a first win of the season courtesy of a CRESPO penalty after just two minutes against **Newcastle Utd.** Not much happened in the game though. Neither side really created a chance even though United played four forwards. However, they never got the ball forward quickly enough to give their strikers a chance. A boring game, but wasn't for the home fans as their side got an important victory and BALLACK showed that he could well be the fulcrum around which manager STOCKS builds a better future for the struggling club.

KEEPER DROPS IT

Blunder by highly-ranked keeper MSITH gave **Manchester Utd** the lead form which the toffees found it difficult to recover at Goodison today. AKKARIN's half-hit strike from ten yards out, somehow managed to slip through his hands and into the net for a 21st minute goal. Shock to the home side who had started so well, and one it took them some time to recover from. In the end they managed to force an equaliser in the second half but really they dominated the possession with their midfield keeping a firm grip on the game, but had to settle for a point. Not a good result for Everton, hoping to bounce back into the top flight, but to be honest they had little threat upfront despite playing an attacking 3-3-4 formation.

LUTON DRIVE ONWARDS

Easy win for **Luton Town**, determined to get back into the top flight, at Kenilworth Road as they easily beat **Rangers** by three clear goals. Even without injured sweeper HEIKKENINEN they were far too good for the Scottish side and always looked as if they had the creative players who could open up the Rangers defence. However, better sides than Rangers might try to stop them playing, but the likes of BELL and captain SPRING look good enough to carry them back into that coveted top flight at the first attempt.

CUP HIGHLIGHTS

Liverpool live to fight another day but the way they were dominated at home by **Barnsley** then the replay looks like it could be a painful one for the Reds ***** great show by non-league **Sutton Utd** who go to St James Park and hold **Newcastle** goalless. Same problem for the Magpies, lack of a cutting edge as the league side

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

| ...TEAM NAME... | PL | W | D | L | F | A | Dif | Pts |
|--------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 SUNDERLAND | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 9 | 15 |
| 2 LUTON TOWN | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 13 |
| 3 BIRMINGHAM CITY | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 10 |
| 4 EVERTON | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 8 |
| 5 TOTTENHAM | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 8 | -1 | 6 |
| 6 MIDDLESBOROUGH | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 5 |
| 7 FULHAM | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 8 | -4 | 5 |
| 8 MANCHESTER UTD | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 10 | -6 | 5 |
| 9 NEWCASTLE UTD | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 6 | -2 | 4 |
| 10 CHELSEA | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 6 | -5 | 3 |
| 11 RANGERS | 5 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 5 | -5 | 2 |
| 12 GREENOCK MORTON | 5 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 10 | -9 | 1 |

LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 2

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| 1 | ANTHONY STOKES | SUNDERLAND | 7 |
| 2 | PONGATEZ | LUTON TOWN | 4 |
| 3 | OKAI | LUTON TOWN | 4 |
| 4 | PARKIN | LUTON TOWN | 4 |
| 5 | REYES | TOTTENHAM | 4 |
| 6 | ANDY JOHNSON | EVERTON | 4 |
| 7 | LINDEROTH | EVERTON | 4 |
| 8 | MICHAEL OWEN | MIDDLESBOROUGH | 3 |

THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :-RAFAEL [1] (MANCHESTER UTD) / JAMIE HAND [1] (MIDDLESBOROUGH) / ROBERT HUTH [1] (MIDDLESBOROUGH) /

were awful in front of goal ***** **Rangers** are held at **Southport** but will feel they can see off the non-league side at Ibrox in the replay ***** derby clash at White Hart Lane sees **Spurs** edge past **Middlesborough** who weren't helped when the aggressive ROBERT HUTH got himself sent off midway through the second half. Deserved win though, fine attacking play by the home side really should have led to more than that nail-biting one goal winning margin ***** Big game at Villa Park was settled by a SINGH goal six minutes before half-time. However, the Yorkshire men were always in control of the match, Villa were somewhat disappointing and didn't help themselves by having two men sent off in the first half. Keeper MYHRE kept them in the game though with a string of outstanding saves ***** **Glasgow Celtic** have the better of the game at **Norwich City** but have to settle for the replay. Both defences were firm in this one, and forwards were never given much room to play. Glasgow should have the edge in their play but all to play for really ***** Tight game at Goodison where both sides live to fight another day, but a great SAHA effort apart neither side really looked as if they

would be going to break the deadlock. **Ipswich** came on strong in the second half, but neither keeper really looked likely to threaten here *****

2nd round Draw

West Ham Utd v Leeds Utd

Barnsley or Liverpool v Chelsea

Telford Utd[NL] or Watford FC[NL] v Tottenham

Rangers or Southport[NL] v Bolton Wanderers

Albion Rovers v Birmingham City

Glasgow Celtic or Norwich City v Sutton Utd[NL] or Newcastle Utd

Luton Town v Carshalton[NL] or Hednesford[NL]

Ipswich Town or Everton v Arsenal

Interesting games here. **West ham-Leeds** game looks as if it will be quite a battle. The hammers might go through with home advantage. **Barnsley** or **Liverpool** should feel they can both see off **Chelsea** no matter who goes through. **Bolton, Glasgow or Newcastle, and Luton** ought to book their places in the next round. **Albion** ought to have the edge over **Birmingham**, while the **Ipswich/ Everton _ Arsenal** game looks a really difficult game to call.

MANAGER OF THE MONTH

DIVISION ONE: goes to **HARGRAVES** of *Leeds Utd*, important league win to push them up into contention and a good session around for them.

DIVISION TWO: goes to **STOCKS** of *Chelsea*, first league win and cup progress as well, things starting to look up for them.

CHAMPIONS TROPHY

SECOND ROUND DRAW

Barcelona v Barnsley

PSV Eindhoven v Fiorentina

Dynamo Kiev v Albion Rovers

Leeds Utd v Bordeaux

THE EUFA CUP

SECOND ROUND DRAW

Aston Villa v Arsenal

Juventus v AZ Alkmaar

FC Cluj-Napoca v Shaktar Donetsk

Glasgow Celtic v Ipswich Town

RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Cool

Week ten

DIVISION 1

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| WATFORD FC Att 32625* Wind: Gale Pitch: Muddy | 0 : 4 LEEDS UTD (H - 0.3) Smith(a) 13 Singh 40 O'leary 73 Ashton 80 |
| ARSENAL Pires 62 Att 49000* Pitch: Good | 1 : 1 ALBION ROVERS (H - 0.1) Mulligan 75 Wind: Gale |
| IPSWICH TOWN Att 32195 Wind: Storm Pitch: Muddy | 0 : 0 ASTON VILLA (H - 1.3) bkd - Hangeland (45)/ Healy (1) |
| BARNSLEY Jarman 26,64 bkd - Weatherson (68)/ Joynes (18) Pitch: Good | 2 : 1 WEST HAM UNITED (H - 0.5) Jermaine defoe 18(p) Att 46659* Wind: Gale |
| NORWICH CITY Alan lee 7 Wind: Gale | 1 : 0 GLASGOW CELTIC (A - 0.5) Att 27757 Pitch: Muddy |
| BOLTON WANDS Att 39417 Pitch: Hard | 0 : 0 LIVERPOOL (H - 0.5) Wind: Storm |

DIVISION 2

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| GREENOCK MORTON Att 38319 Wind: Gale | 0 : 1 BIRMINGHAM CITY (A - 0.7) Ferenczi 81 Pitch: Wet |
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FULHAM v TOTTENHAM was POSTPONED

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| CHELSEA Hernan crespo 2(p) bkd - Stelios (23) Att 27844 Wind: Gale Pitch: Muddy | 1 : 0 NEWCASTLE UTD (H - 0.5) bkd - Stephen taylor (10)/ Dvid thompson (10)/ Jenas (2) Inj - Obafemi martins (1) |
| EVERTON Linderoth 65 Att 32522 Pitch: Wet | 1 : 1 MANCHESTER UTD (H - 1.1) Akkarin 21 Wind: Gale |
| SUNDERLAND Tainu 32 Kenwyn jones 60 Pitch: Good | 2 : 0 MIDDLESBOROUGH (H - 0.1) Att 26708 Wind: Gale |
| LUTON TOWN Bayley 11 Pongatez 24 Bell 56 bkd - Sito (28) | 3 : 0 RANGERS (H - 0.5) bkd - Barry ferguson (72) Att 33407 Wind: Gale Pitch: Good |

Week eleven

THE PREMIER CUP

1st round

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| LIVERPOOL Att 52581 Pitch: Good | 0 : 0 BARNSLEY (A - 0.7) Wind: Storm |
| BIRMINGHAM CITY Ian bennett 10 Forsell 41 Inj - Smith (7) Pitch: Wet | 2 : 0 GREENOCK MORTON (H - 0.3) bkd - Millar (78) Att 34771 Wind: Gale |
| ALFRETON TOWN(NL) Att 28306 Wind: Gale | 0 : 2 WEST HAM UNITED (A - 1.3) Yossi benayoun 75,83 Pitch: Muddy |
| NEWCASTLE UTD Att 22363 Pitch: Good | 0 : 0 SUTTON UTD(NL) (H - 1.1) Wind: Gale |

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| SOUTHPORT(NL) Att 17017 Pitch: Good | 0 : 0 RANGERS (A - 1.1) Wind: Gale |
| TOTTENHAM Taarabt 10 bkd - Defoe (78)/ Reyes (40) Att 30410 Wind: Gale *Derby Game* | 1 : 0 MIDDLESBOROUGH (H - 0.7) bkd - Garth southgate (28)/ Jamie hand (49)/ Seb hines (82) off - Robert huth (65) Pitch: Good |
| ASTON VILLA off - Stephen crainey (8)/ Lund (42) Wind: Gale | 0 : 1 LEEDS UTD (A - 1.5) Singh 39 Att 33198* Pitch: Wet |
| WATFORD FC Att 23270 Pitch: Good | 0 : 0 TELFORD UTD(NL) (H - 1.7) Wind: Brisk |
| NORWICH CITY Mo camara 8 Att 27815 Pitch: Muddy | 1 : 1 GLASGOW CELTIC (A - 0.5) Jordan 47 Wind: Gale |
| FULHAM Att 33176 Wind: Storm Pitch: Hard | 0 : 4 LUTON TOWN (A - 1.1) Pongatez 17 Okai 55 Bayley 65 Hedman 72 |
| EVERTON Att 34069 Pitch: Wet | 0 : 0 IPSWICH TOWN (A - 0.1) Wind: Gale |
| CHELSEA Stelios 10 Smith 18 bkd - John mikel (57) | 2 : 0 SUNDERLAND (H - 0.5) Att 28611 Wind: Gale Pitch: Wet |
| ALBION ROVERS Mulligan 1 Baros 24,90 Harty 61 Rossi 64 | 5 : 0 MANCHESTER UTD (H - 1.1) off - Rafael (69) Att 45560 Wind: Gale Pitch: Wet |
| ENFIELD(NL) Att 21549 Wind: Brisk | 0 : 1 BOLTON WANDS (A - 1.3) Jaioi 10 Pitch: Muddy |
| HEDNESFORD (NL) Att 15319 Pitch: Wet | 0 : 0 CARSHALTON(NL) (A - 0.1) Wind: Brisk |
| WOKING(NL) Att 26861 Wind: Gale Pitch: Good | 0 : 2 ARSENAL (A - 1.7) Gallas 14 Campbell 86 |

FRIENDLY MATCHES

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|------------------------|--|
| WEST HAM UNITED | 3 : 1 WATFORD FC (H - 2.3) |
| LIVERPOOL | 0 : 1 MIDDLESBOROUGH (A - 2.3) |
| NORWICH CITY | 1 : 0 EVERTON (A - 0.9) |
| LUTON TOWN | 0 : 0 TOTTENHAM (H - 0.1) |
| CHELSEA | 2 : 0 BIRMINGHAM CITY (H - 0.5) |

Inj - Hernan crespo (1)

WEATHER FORECAST

Temperature next session: Cool
Predicted wind speed next session: Calm

MOST APPEARANCES (CAREER)

DIVISION 1

| | | | |
|---|-------------|---------------|-----|
| 1 | ROBINSON | LEEDS UTD | 143 |
| 2 | VIEIRA | ARSENAL | 142 |
| 3 | KAY | ALBION ROVERS | 140 |
| 4 | CAMPBELL | ARSENAL | 140 |
| 5 | MCKENZIE | ALBION ROVERS | 132 |
| 6 | BERKOVIC | ALBION ROVERS | 132 |
| 7 | LUMSDON | BARNLSLEY | 132 |
| 8 | PAUL DICKOV | LEEDS UTD | 131 |

DIVISION 2

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|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----|
| 1 | JOHN MAISANO | GREENOCK MORTON | 134 |
| 2 | MCDONALD | GREENOCK MORTON | 132 |
| 3 | LINDEROTH | EVERTON | 130 |
| 4 | MATTHEW UPSON | BIRMINGHAM CITY | 129 |
| 5 | JASON KOUMAS | RANGERS | 128 |
| 6 | MAT ETHERINGTON | MANCHESTER UTD | 127 |
| 7 | JAMIE HAND | MIDDLESBOROUGH | 125 |
| 8 | IAN BENNETT | BIRMINGHAM CITY | 125 |

LEADING SCORERS (CAREER)

DIVISION 1

| | | | |
|---|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 | JERMAINE DEFOE | WEST HAM UNITED | 35 (in 123 games) |
| 2 | SMITH(A) | LEEDS UTD | 33 (in 128 games) |
| 3 | TONY COTTEE | ARSENAL | 32 (in 125 games) |
| 4 | LEE | LIVERPOOL | 28 (in 118 games) |
| 5 | LARSSON | ALBION ROVERS | 28 (in 123 games) |
| 6 | LUMSDON | BARNLSLEY | 27 (in 132 games) |
| 7 | WEATHERSON | BARNLSLEY | 27 (in 117 games) |
| 8 | ANGEL | ASTON VILLA | 26 (in 116 games) |

DIVISION 2

| | | | |
|---|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 | MCGREGOR | GREENOCK MORTON | 34 (in 125 games) |
| 2 | REYES | TOTTENHAM | 28 (in 68 games) |
| 3 | JOHN MAISANO | GREENOCK MORTON | 27 (in 134 games) |
| 4 | REDKNAPP | TOTTENHAM | 23 (in 117 games) |
| 5 | LINDEROTH | EVERTON | 23 (in 130 games) |
| 6 | DEFOE | TOTTENHAM | 20 (in 55 games) |
| 7 | GRAVESEN | EVERTON | 19 (in 115 games) |
| 8 | SPRING | LUTON TOWN | 18 (in 122 games) |

MANAGERIAL RATINGS

DIVISION 1

Nigel Smith - Ipswich Town - 1
John Johnstone - Albion Rovers - 2
Oliver Jones - Arsenal - 3

DIVISION 2

Tony Roscoe - Everton - 6
Graeme Miller - Sunderland - 13
Paul Sutton - Luton Town - 14

Since A Draw

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| Tottenham | 9 games |
| Leeds Utd | 7 games |
| Sunderland | 6 games |
| Chelsea | 5 games |

Since A Win

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| Liverpool | 7 games |
| Arsenal | 5 games |
| Greenock Morton | 5 games |
| Rangers | 5 games |

AUCTION RESULTS

| POS | STATS | NAME | CLUB | FEE | NO | NHIGH |
|-------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|----|-------|
| 3) MF | 21-12 | DICKSON ETULU | (FULHAM) | 611K | 5 | 468K |
| 4) MF | 19-11 | LEE COOK | (NORWICH CITY) | 580K | 4 | 568K |

All players not shown were unsold.

THE AUCTION

2) DF 18-2 S FUT

Hangeland of Aston Villa
{RES 110k - 42% BW/ 44% CR}

OUT-OF-CONTRACT PLAYERS

3) MF 20-8 P/S -

Carrick of Bolton Wands
{RES 320k - 57% BW/ 45% CR}

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