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KETTERING TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

A BRIEF HISTORY

Kettering, situated in the county of Northamptonshire, has a poulation of approximately 50,000. Boot and shoemaking transformed Kettering from a market town into an industrial town over 100 years ago.

The town now has one of the top tourist leisure attractions in the country with the famous Wicksteed Park, situated on the main A6 road.

The home of the Poppies is at Rockingham Road which is on the A6003 Kettering to Oakham Road. The ground has a capacity of 14,000, seats being available for 2,000 while covered accommodation is for 7,000. When Kettering became a founder member of the Alliance League in 1979, it was the 13th time they had begun a league season in new surroundings. Founded in 1875, they graduated through the ranks of Midland League, 1892-1900; Southern League, 1900-04: Northants League, 1904-1909; returning to the Southern League, 1909-1912. A spell in the Central Alliance Football League from 1912-1923 before a third spell of Southern League football, 1923-1930. Competition in the

Birmingham League lasted just one season prior to a return to the Northants League in 1931-1933. Pastures new came in the Central Combination, 1933-1935; the United Counties League, formerly the Northants league, held the Poppies' interest from 1935 to 1946 before a second spell of Birmingham League Football from 1946 to 1950. A more stable membership of the Southern League followed from 1950 to 1979 with the championship being won in 1956-57 and 1972-73. The League Cup was won in 1974-75 and Alliance Football came in 1979. Their best season so far was in 1980-81 when they were runners-up in both League and Bob Lord Trophy. Kettering went to Wembley in May 1979 for an FA Trophy final, losing to Stafford Rangers, 2-0, in front of a 32,000 crowd. The FA Cup has brought its share of publicity, Kettering having been in the first round on 33 occasions. Victories have been achieved against Swindon Town, Millwall, Swansea City and Oxford United. in later years.

Many famous players have worn the Kettering colours and among their former managers are Tommy Lawton, Jack Froggatt, Ron Atkinson and Don Masson.



Kettering Town squad pose for this picture to show off thier silverware haul so far, with them are the three winners of the local Rotaract Wish Week, Sam Wyldes, Karen Green and Andrew Elmore.

NICK GOODWIN — Returned to the Poppies from Ioan to Shepshed Charterhouse when Mark Harrison was injured. He first joined the club in 1984 from Derbyshire side Graham Street, playing in the Central Midland League.

STEVE WARD – Started his football with Brighton and Hove Albion. From there he had a brief stay with Northampton Town but left in the summer of 1980 when moving to Halifax where he became a regular member at 'The 'Shay' until his release in the summer of 1986, when he joined the Poppiles.

ARTHUR MANN — Returned to the Poppies during the summer from Telford United. Arthur began in Scotland with Hearts before Mancheser City paid £65,000 for his services. He also played in the football league for Notts County, Shewsbury and Mansfield and joined Kettering in summer 1983, but joined Boston United in October 1983. Later became player manager before moving to Telford in the summer of 1985.



BILLY KELLOCK – A Glaswegian whose football career has seen him move from Aston Villa to Cardiff to Norwich City (where he cost £40,000) to Chelmsford City and then Kettering Town in February 1976. A proven goalscorer during his period with Kettering brought further attention from league clubs and Peterborough United signed him in the summer of 1979. Further moves to Luton Town, Wolves, Southend United, Port Vale and Halifax Town have been made before his return to the Poppies in July 1986.



RUSSELL LEWIS – Central defender from Northampton Town who has vast experience during his career in the football League with Swindon Town and Northampton whom he joined in 1983. Signed or the Poppies in the summer of 1986.



IAN WOOD — This rugged defender signed for the Poppies in November 1985 and continued to display the qualities that made him popular with his previous clubs. Ian sarted his career with Mansfield Town (149 appearances) then on on to Aldershot (14 appearances). He joined Boston United but injury forced him out of the game for a time but a comeback with Wellingborough Town renewed his football career and Kings Lynn became his next stop prior to Kettering. Voted Players Player for the Season 1985/86.

PHIL CAVENER — This North Shields-born winger joined the Poppies after an experience of league football with Burnley, Bradford City, Gillingham, Northampton Town, Peterorough United and Southend United Phil joined the 'Cobblers' in 1984, but was released in March 1986 to join Peterborough United for the remainder of the season. During the summer he signed for Southend United but decided to obtain his release to play part time and concentrate on business interests. Joined the Poppies in Sepember 1986.

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2 Garrard Way, Rothwell Road, Kettering, Northamptonshire NN16 8TD. Telephone (0536) 85371 **PAUL RICHARDSON** — Paul has returned to football after a year's lay-off due to injury. This former Notts Forest and Eastwood Town player joined Nuneaton Borough in the summer of 1983, a transfer to Derby County followed but injury at the Baseball Ground curtailed his football and he joined the Poppies in the summer of 1986.

IAN CRAWLEY — Ian played at Wembley, in the FA Vase victory for Valley Sports of Rugby, where he has been a prolific goalscorer, previously with Nuneaton and Bedworth, this Coventry-born striker will be hoping to continue goalscoring in the Alliance League. Born May 18th 1959 he joined the Poppies in the summer of 1985.



MARK SMITH — A forward who returned to the Poppies in October 1985 from Shepshed Charterhouse. This Sheffieldborn player bagan his football career with Sheffield United but was allowed to move into non-league football with Gainsborough Trinity. Moves to Worksop and Buxton followed before joining Kettering in October 1984. Signed for Shepshed in the summer of 1985 and has attracted the attention of football league clubs.



STEVE DALEY Recently signed from Rhyl where he was player manager. A player with a wealth of experience, became a million-pound player at Mancheser City. Steve has also played for Wolves and Walsall.

DOUG KEAST — Joined Kettering from Shepshed Charterhouse in December 1983 and has become a popular player with the home supporters. This powerful midfield player will be hoping for an injury free season, having suffered in previous years. Before coming south Dougie played for Hibernians.



That well known master of the art of selfdefence, Derek Richardson, manages to miss Dougie Keast and Paul (Tigger) Richardson, to punch the ball!

RAY BIRCH — Signed from Corby Town during January of this year. This Liverpoolborn forward also played for Rushden Town in the Southern league this season. Although only 23 years of age, Ray has had experience with three football league clubs.

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Message from Kettering Town Manager . . .

ALAN BUCKLEY

Tonight's game is the last of the season for us. It is strange how it is also possibly the biggest game of our season. The GMAC Cup in a relative sense is the 'League Cup' for non-League teams. I have said in the past that no one could complain of our right to be in the final, and now we are there, it would be a super end to the season if we were to win it.

However, no one at the club should be in any doubt of the difficult game ahead. Any team that reaches the final of any competition does so on merit and must be treated with respect - as is the case with Hendon.

Obviously with the game being played at Kettering we have the benefit of home advantage — but we have come this far after beating a couple of the top Conference League teams away from home. Let's hope that tonight's game is an entertaining one and that we can make it a memorable night by winning the cup.

Last Friday evening saw a tremendously successful 'Player of the Year' night at the Southside in Desborough. My congratulations go to Arthur Mann on winning the Player of the Season award, Paul Richardson on winning the Travel Club award — and to myself on winning the 'Desborough Player of the Season' award — having polled 51 per cent of the votes with Trevor Peck a distant second with 49 per cent. No doubt about it — our players know a bit of a player when they see one!!

Seriously though, it was the first time my wife and I had attended a function held in that manner and my thanks on behalf of the players and wives to to all those people whose hard work made it possible. It was a very enjoyable and professionally organised evening. I believe that there is one more presentation — that being the Vice-Presidents' Player of the Season — a different player has won this one — albeit no less deserved than Arthur's or Paul's.

One very pleasing piece of news is the fact that Paul has agreed to stay at Kettering for a further two years — if we are going to be successful it is important that we keep players of his calibre and age at Kettering.

I hope you all have an enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing you again next August.

A message from the Kettering Chairman . . .

CYRIL GINGELL

I welcome everyone tonight to the last match at Rockingham Road in our 1986-87 season, especially officials, players and supporters of Hendon FC, and Phil Poulton, Director, and his staff from the GMAC Cup sponsors.

Tonight promises to be a fine climax to our season, thanks to some excellent performances in previous rounds by our players – against very good opposition.

Congratulations to the supporters' Player of the Year, Arthur Mann (he's got no hair but we don't care!). Sincere thanks to the organisers of both 'Player of the Year' and the 'Stan Boardman' night, both proved very successful and must spread good will for the club.

We need to carry out a considerable amount of safety work at the ground during the summer and if anyone can give us some of their spare time, please contact either P. Bradley, G. Ellitson or D. Aldridge leaving your name and how you can be contacted.

Thank you for your support this season, we look forward to next season with enthusiasm, confidence and anticipation of much better things.





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By DAVID THORPE

(Northants Evening Telegraph)

WHAT a funny old season it has been.

It started out with soaring hopes, as all seasons do, of course, but especially so in this case after the run to the semi-final of the FA Trophy.

Then it plunged deep into despair with the realisation that instead of challenging for a Football league place Kettering faced a long struggle against relegation.

And now, afrter a change of leadership in mid-stream, the campaign comes to a close in a way nobody would dared to have forecast, even in most optimistic times, with a home final in non-League football's most prestigious knock-out competition outside the FA Trophy.

Many of the 80-odd also-rans might publicly scoff at the suggestion that the new competition is on a par with the Wembley showpiece of the semiprofessional game.

But there's no club who started out in September who won't be envying Kettering and Hendon tonight as they contest the right to lift what is effectively non-League's 'super cup'.

Perhaps if they had called it that from the start there would have been less problem getting the stature of the competition over to the paying public. As it is newspapers and clubs have been forced to add a brief note of explanation whenever the event is mentioned, in anticipation of the recurring questions 'what?' and 'who?'

As it is, the popularity of the event will rest on the approach of the clubs themselves. It wouldn't matter how much money was poured in if the participants didn't approach it with the kind of passion and commitment great matches are made of.

That's why Aylesbury's action in the semi-final, when they put out what amounted to a reserve side in a desperate effort (unsuccessful) to salvage promotion hopes sabotaged by the Southern League's unsympathetic administrators, was so unfortunate, undermining the excitement and anticipation which had been building up round by round.

NOBODY could make such accusations against the two finalists, who have done as much as any teams could to instil the touches of magic needed to make any new competition capture people's imagination.

Kettering's whole run has been the stuff legends are made of, though I'm not sure the organisers would have fully approved as round by round the Poppies disposed of opponents from the very top of the betting.

Each Poppies game has thrown up heroic deeds and stirring team performances, most of them turning the form-book upside down. Few people would have given Alan Buckley's men a prayer away to Telford, Altrincham or Runcorn — yet here are the Poppies staging the final with those relatively 'big names' long gone by the wayside.

Hendon, too, have raised eyebrows all along; the club which just escaped relegation from the top section of the Vauxhall-Opel League last season having eliminated the new Southern League champions, Fisher Athletic, two Vauxhall Conference teams, including Poppies' bogey-side Sutton away, and FA Trophy finalists Burton Albion.

It finally comes down to a triumph for tradition, of course, the Poppies having been high among non-League elite for a century while Hendon are among the proudest of the old amateur set with no fewer than five Wembley appearances behind them.

Much more than the money it will be the prospect of adding further chapters to those glorious tales of old which will hopefuly inspire both teams to memorable heights this evening.

PATH TO THE FINAL

HENDON

Round	Op,	Opponent **		Goal Scorers
Qualifying Round	<	v. Hayes (away)	2-1	Tate, Wolstenholme
1st Round	<u></u>	v. Kingstonian (Home)	3-1	Bickles, Dowie, Wolstenholme
2nd Round	<	v. Fisher Athletic (Home) 1-0	1-0	Drummy
3rd Round	<	v. Dagenham (Away) 1-1 Dowie	<u>'</u>	Dowie
3rd Round Replay	<	v. Dagenham (Home) 2-1	2-1	Dowie, Worley
4th Round	<	v. Sutton United (Away) 2-0	2-0	Wade, Drummy
Semi-Final	<	v. Burton Albion (Away) 1-1	- -	Drummy
Semi-Final Replay	<	v. Burton Albion (Home) 3-1		Drummy (pen), Wolstenholme,

(a.e.t.) Wade

KETTERING

Round	Op.	Opponent		Goal Scorers
1st Round	۲.	v. Telford United (Home) 0-0	0-0	
1st Round Replay	۲.	v. Telford United (Away) 2-0	2-0	Lewis, Keast
2nd Round	5	v. Boston (Home)	3-2	Keast, Jeffrey (2)
3rd Round	<	v. Altrincham (Away)	2-2	Crawley, Smith
3rd Round Replay	<	v. Altrincham (Home)	2-0	Crawley, Smith
4th Round	.5	Runcorn (Away)	2-1	Cavener, Smith
Semi-Final	5	Aylesbury (Away)	2-0	Heywood, Daley
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The final is a one-off game decided after extra time and failing that, penalty kicks.	KETTERING TOWN 2 Hendon 1 3	Maidstone United 0 D HENDON 2 KETERING TOWN 2 Scarborough D	Croydon 1 Morecambe 1 Scarborough 2 HENDON 1 2 Yeovil 1 Alvechurch 1 Bath City 0	Bognor Regis Town1Maidstone United3Fisher Athletic0Boston United2Gateshead0Aylesbury United1Yeovil Town1Morecambe2Dulwich Hamlet2Altrincham13

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Message from the Hendon Manager . . .

TED HARDY

This is the 75th and last competitive match of what has been a long and gruelling season. It has been one of success, finishing fourth in the league, two cup finals, two cup semi-finals, and the players and my management team have worked hard and loyally. I would also like to pay a special tribute tonight to our supporters. They've been wonderful, and the team fully appreciate them.

It's nice to come back to Kettering; I've been here as manager of Enfield and Dagenham, but this is my first visit with Hendon.

Let's hope this first-ever GMAC cup final is an enjoyable contest. My only complaint is that I consider it unfair that a team has to play on opponents' grounds in the semi-final and final. This is not a direct criticism at Burton and Kettering, but I do think the semi-final and final should be either a two-legged affair or played on a neutral ground.

Enjoy the game.

A message from the Hendon Chairman . . . CHARLES GEARY

My feelings about our season and my gratutude to our manager Ted Hardy, his coaching staff and the players, could not be expressed in such a short space.

After too many years in the doldrums, our club has once again emerged as a major force in non-League football. This is due to the dedication and hard work of everybody connected with the club.

The fact that we are playing here at Kettering this evening, having progressed through from probably the best 88 non-League clubs in the country is a tremendous achievement for a team that only just avoided relegation last season.



May I take this opportunity to thank our loyal and devoted band of supporters who cheered the team on all season — the players do appreciate it.

I hope you enjoy tonight's game and have a safe journey home. See you all again in August.



CONFERENCE NEWS

Championship Triumph

An estimated crowd of 25,000 people turned out in atrocious weather conditions to celebrate Scarborough's promotion to the Football League. Following their champagne breakfast the GM Vauxhall Conference champions paraded the trophy around the town in an open top bus.

Chairman Terry Wood commented: It's been a fabulous weekend. We've received hundreds of telegrams congratulating the club on it's achievment." He added: "Now we can't wait to start preparations for next season. It's such an important stage in our history, we must get things right."

Conference Promotion Comment

Vauxhall Conference champions Scarborough last week confirmed their ability to meet the financial requirements set by the Football League in order to gain automatic promotion to the Fourth Division. Although this is the case, Conference officials are hoping that the positive negotiations, held thoughout the season between the two bodies, will continue including discussion with regard to financial clauses.

Mr. Jim Thompson, Chairman of the Conference, stated: "Scarborough's achievement both on and off the field has been a credit to the GM Vauxhall Conference. Their facilities and financial structure satisfy League requirements and the Conference will be sad to lose them."



Alan Buckley seems to be studying his prize as the team proudly display the Daventry Charity Cup after their win over Wellingborough.

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HENDON FOOTBALL CLUB

Hendon Football Club was formed in 1908 as Hampstead Town and played in local junior football in the Finchley League (in which they won the championship for three years in a row) and the Premier Division of the Middlesex League before joining the London League in 1911; they were runners up in the First Division in 1913 and champions of the 'A' Division 12 months later. After the First World War they entered their reserve team in the London League from 1920 to 1922 and in season 1925/26 while their first team competed in the Athenian League to which they were admitted in 1919.

Their membership of the Athenian League lasted until 1963 but during this time the club twice changed its name - to Golders Green (in 1933) and then to Hendon (in 1946). After being runners-up in 1929, 1933, 1948, 1949 and 1952, the club eventually won the Athenian League title in 1953 by five clear points from second placed Wealdstone, conceding only 21 goals in their 26 league matches; they also won the championship in 1956 and again in 1961. By this time they had done well in county competitions, winning the first of their 12 victories in the Middlesex Charity Cup in 1922 (they completed four in a row between 1945 and 1948) and having the first of their ten successes in the Middlesex Senior Cup in 1934 (at the end of their first season as Golders Green).

During the Second World War the club made its first appearance on the hallowed turf of Wembley Stadium in a Middlesex Red Cross Cup final; in addition they were one of the clubs invited to try out the stadium's floodlighting system when it was first installed. However, the first time that they caught the general public's notice on that ground was in the 1955 FA Amateur Cup final when they lost 2-0 to Bishop Auckland, at that time without much doubt the leading amateur team in the country. Before that season their best ever run in the Amateur Cup had come in season 1950/51 when they were losing semi-finalists against Pegasus in a replay at Selhurst Park following a draw at Highbury.



On April 23 1960 Hendon were at Wembley again in the Amateur Cup final; with five minutes to go it seemed that the famous trophy was on its way to Richmond Road as Kingstonian were leading by the only goal. However, Hendon pulled out all the stops and scored two goals right at the end and it was the Hendon supporters who went home rejoicing. To reach that final Hendon beat Vauxhall Motors (3-0), Wimbledon (2-1), Redhill (6-0), West Auckland (2-0 following a 1-1 draw) and Enfield (2-0) in the semi-final on Brentford's Griffin Road around.

Further Amateur Cup success came Hendon's way in 1965 when Whitby Town were beaten 3-1 in the final, and again in 1972 when their old Middlesex rivals Enfield were beaten 2-0. In between, in 1966 they reached the final again but were losing finalists (3-1) to Wealdstone. As a result of their third triumph they played for the Barassi (European Amateur Cup winners) which they won by beating the Italian side Unions. In addition Hendon also won the London Senior Cup in 1964 and 1969.

Over the years the club has been able to field many outstanding footballers: Laurie Topp who played many, many times for the England amateur team and for Great Britain in the Helsinki Olympic Games;ranked as one of the most stylish right halves in the game. John Drinkwater, who later signed for Aston Villa; Rod Haider who was signed from Kingstonian was a superb midfield player . . . and so on, the list is endless.

Hendon over the years have also had connections with the world of cricket: Dennis and Leslie Compton (both Middlesex) played in the Hampstead days before joining Arsenal — Arthur Phebey the Kent batsman played there in the 1950s; Micky Stewart, the Surrey and England opening bat and current England manager, played for them before being a professional with Charfton — and the current Middlesex and England captain, Mike Gatting was a bustling forward to wear the green and white before becoming established in the summer game.

But to return to the club in general. In 1963 Hendon were one of four clubs elected to the Isthmian League. In their first season they finished as runners-up to Wimbledon scoring 124 goals in 38 league matches. In the following season they won the league (Wimbledon had turned to the professional ranks and joined the Southern League) which they did by defeating Enfield 4-1 in a play-off at Dulwich after both clubs had finished level on points. In those days neither goal difference nor goal average was recognised by the Isthmian League. Up to 1974 Hendon were never out of the top six at the end of the season but only one more championship came their way - in 1973, when they lost only two of their 42 league matches and finished 13 points ahead of runners-up Walton & Hersham. Then came their famous run in the FA Cup when they did incredibly well to draw their third round match 1-1 in the cauldron of St James's Park, Newcastle. Although being a very well equipped ground at Claremont Road, Hendon switched the replay to Watford because so many people wanted to see the match which they lost 0-4.

Since then their fortunes have slowly declined with the last two seasons being worst of all as they spent much of them in the bottom half the Premier Division table and came very close to relegation in both seasons. At the beginning of 1986 with the writing well and truly on the wall the Hendon committee took the drastic (and fairly desperate) step of appointing Ted Hardy as manager. In non-League football Hardy has a first class record as a manager and has seen service at Leyton, Dagenham, Enfield, Bishop's Stortford and Leytonstone; he was far more used to winning trophies than fighting for survival but his methods saw Hendon keep their Premier Division status. This season has seen Hendon finish fourth in the league, reached the GMAC and AC Delco cup finals, and the semi-final in both the Middlesex and London senior cups.



Back row: (left to right): Ted Hardy (manager), Tony Gibson, Ian Downie, Phil Gridelet, Andy Smith, Dave Root, Neil Wolstenhome, Glen Bickles, Colin Tate, Alan Campbell, Bill Fenlon (trainer), Joe Parish (physio), Ronnie Duke (coach).

Front row (I to r): Gary Keen, Dermot Drummy, Alan Roughan, Roger Wade (captain), Bobby Harding, Erskine Smart, Mick Kiely. Inset Micky Janes (assistant manager). DAVE ROOT (goalkeeper) – Summer signing from Walsthamstow Avenue. Previously played for Launcesten Town and Barking. Has also toured with Middlesex Wanderers. Chandelier restorer. ERSKINE SMART (defender) – Promoted to the first team last season after serving his apprenticeship in the club's reserve side. Was apprentice at Watford. Postal worker.

ALAN ROUGHAN (defender – Experienced player who has played for Tooting & Mitchum and Dulwich Hamlet before returning to Hendon. Taxi driver.

ROGER WADE (defender) – An experienced player who transferred from St Albans City during last season, once on the books of Tottenham Hotspur and was an England youth international as well as playing for Eire at under-21 level. First nonleague club was llford and from there he had spells with Enfield and Dagenham. Club captain, British Rail engineer.

ALAN CAMPBELL (central defender) – Tall, commanding, popular player who has returned to Claremont Road. Originally signed from Finchley, he has for the past few seasons played in the Gola League with both Barnet and Dagenham. Brewery executive.



Ted Hardy, manager, being presented with the "Manager of the Month" award for March (Vauxhall-Opel Premier Division) after leading Hendon to victory in all nine matches played.

PHIL GRIDELET (defender) — A 20-yearold product of Hendon's youth policy, he is considered to be a defender with a very promising future. Made his league debut in the opening match of last season. Has also been an apprentice at Watford. Hotel maintenance employee.

TONY GIBSON (defender/midfield) – A much travelled and experienced player

who was signed from Dartford early in 1986. His other clubs include Bishop's Stortford where he was a member of the side which won the last ever FA Amateur cup final in 1974, Ilford, Enfield and Dagenham. British Telecom computer engineer.

DERMOT DRUMMY (midfield) — Popular player, recently returned to Claremont Road from Enfield, who he helped win the Gola League last season. This very skilful player was once on Arsenal's books and he played four football league games for Blackpool while on loan. Won player of the Year award in 1983/84. Trainee taxi driver.

IAIN DOWNIE (striker) — Has scored regularly since his transfer from St Albans last October. He scored twice on his league debut for Hendon at Hitchin Town. Aerospace engineer.

COLIN TATE (forward) — Another regular marksman, he joined Hendon in August 1985 and scored two goals which brought the Middlesex Senior Cup to Claremont Road last season. Began his career with Brentford and QPR and has since played for several non-league clubs amongst whom are Southall, Hayes, St Albans, Wycombe Wanderers and Slough Town. He was Player of the Year in 1985/86. Legal executive.

NEIL WOLSTENHOLME (midfield) – Signed in the summer from Walthamstow Avenue, he previously played for Stalybridge Celtic and was once on the books of Preston North End. Trainee accountant.

GARY KEEN (defender/midfield) – Versatile player recently signed from St Albans City, whom he helped win promotion last season to the Premier Division. Self-employed industrial cleaner. MICKY KIELY (forward) – Signed in mid season early in 1986 from Slough Town despite competition from several other clubs. A proven goalscorer, he has also played for Wycombe Wanderers and Hayes. School teacher. Smith, Wood, Lewis and 'Tigger' are all in shot as a hard pressed Aylesbury defence manage to clear.

Mark Smith just fails to reach the ball as the goalkeeper collects a back-pass.

Sadly it has been brought to our attention that Frank Deacon, supporter of 50 years passed away on May 5, 1987.

Frank savoured the Lawton-Froggatt-Atkinson years and held a special love for the Wembley Year.

We know he would love Kettering to win tonight in true football style.

So, I quote Frank:

"Up the Poppies You Red Devils"

'Tigger' takes a tumble as an Aylesbury defender gets in his tackle.



5 forwards in the box? No wonder it beats the opposition.

The 120mph Manta GT/E.



BETTER, BY DESIGN,

Ke	ttering Town
ALL	RED 4
1.	Nick Goodwin
2.	Steve Ward
3.	Arthur Mann
4.	Billy Kellock
5.	Russell Lewis
6.	lan Wood
7.	Dave Heywood
8.	Paul Richardson
9.	Ian Crawley
10.	Mark Smith 1
11.	Steve Daley 1
12.	Doug Keast 1
	Phil Cavener 1

Hendon

ALL WHITE

1.	Dave Root
2.	Erskine Smart
3.	Alan Roughan
4.	Roger Wade
5.	Alan Campbell
6.	Phil Gridelet
7.	Tony Gibson
.8.	Dermot Drummy
9.	lain Dowie
10.	Colin Tate
11.	Neil Wolstenhouse
12.	Gary Keen
14.	Micky Kiely

Referee J. Rushton (Stoke)

Linesmen	Red Trim	W. D. Edwards (Stafford)	
	Yellow Trim	R. Lane (Leicester)	

MAN IN THE MIDDLE

JIM RUSHTON. Married — one boy. Occupation: Pottery Chargehand — Joined West Midland League and became Football League linesman in 1984. Linesman 1986 F. A. Vase Semi-final.

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