

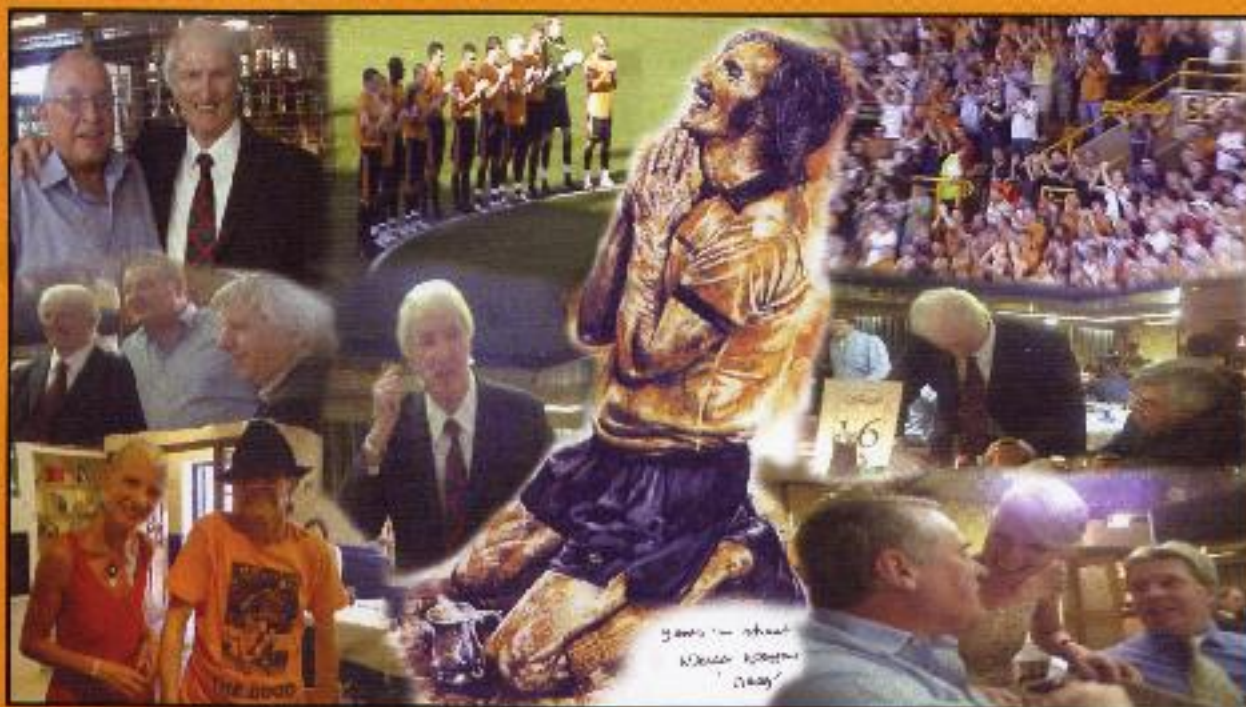


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DECEMBER 2007

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Hi Everybody,

This is a particularly sad edition of our newsletter because, as you will all know by now, we have lost our Honorary Life President, Derek Dougan, who sadly passed away as our last edition was being delivered to your doors.

I won't dwell on this but I have to say a big thank you to all who have contributed to The Doog's memory in our tribute section, especially our first ever newsletter editor, Tony Roche, now a highly respected journalist with The Sun, for his words of praise.

Special praise also goes to Peter Bartlett, who has produced a DVD of the funeral and also contains some clips of Derek in action on his home debut. Peter has spent many hours producing this very professional piece of work, and all proceeds it raises will be going towards the last charity Derek had been working with, X-Pro. This organisation helps ex players who are not as fortunate as many of the well-paid players of today.

Sadly another sad passing at the start of September, was that of Norman Deeley, scorer of two of the goals when Wolves last secured the FA Cup. Norman had attended a couple of London Wolves social events, and was a lovely character. Our sympathies go out to his family and former colleagues.

It does appear to me that these kind of notices are going to become, sadly, more frequent, as our heroes of the past begin to decline in numbers, but let's hope not too often or too soon.

Enjoy the tributes to the 'Great Man'. They certainly brought a tear to my eyes as I read them, as did the last issue of ALOB, retitled for the occasion "A Load Of Doog".

The season appears not to have got off to the sizzling start that was possibly expected, especially after the highs of the last, but at the time of writing we are definitely on the up after a victory over the lot from over this part of the world, which, as usual, gives me bragging rights in the local when Wolves sort out those Canaries.

Stuart



Calum and Trevor Reed with Peter Woodfield and Peter Bartlett presenting Matt Murray with his London Wolves Player of the Year Trophy.

AGM



W.W.L.S.C AGM HELD AT THE BROCKLEY SOCIAL CLUB ON JULY 28th 2007

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Richard Griffiths, Bob Venner, Sarah Knapp, Doug Pearl, Stan Arnett, Peter Abbott, Tim Richards, G.Mastbraker, P.Grant, D.Bracher.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS: Stuart made a speech regarding the loss of our Life President, Derek Dougan, "DOOG", and pointed out that it was a sad loss for all of us.

All in all the club had a good year even though we lost money on the fortieth anniversary dinner and dance. Stu thanked the Committee for all their work, especially Pete and Dave who once again took the brunt of it. He also thanked Stef for all his help. Stu thanked Cliff Egan from Wolves for once again attending.

MINUTES OF 2006 AGM: As the minutes had been previously sent by e-mail or in the magazine, there was no need to have them read out and they were duly accepted.

MATTERS ARISING: There were none.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
SUBSCRIPTION	£2,556.00	STAMPS	£371.28
DONATIONS	£23.00	PRINTING	£203.38
KEY/CAR FOBS	£3.00	ENVELOPES	£102.73
BADGES	£7.50	AFFILIATION	£10.00
25TH BADGES	£15.00	FOOD	£82.50
40TH BADGES	£83.00		
PROGRAMME SALES	£23.48	TOTAL	£769.86
TRAIN COMP	£51.00		
ATTENDANCE COMP	£7.00		
DOOG BOOKS	£60.00		
PONTOON	£125.20		
TOTAL	£2,933.66		

TREASURER'S REPORT: See details over page.

The only negative was the loss on the fortieth anniversary, but we had budgeted for this years ago and was agreed by the members. Matt asked about the loss and asked if there was any money outstanding. There was none. Stef stated that Mike Bailey had insisted on paying for his guests, but the offer was declined. Matt asked if we could have a follow up on how much was raised in previous years. It worked out that we spent about £3200 on the do, but this was compensated by the goodwill we have received.

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London Wolves Accounts 2006-7

Income 2006-7

Fares	£16,460.55
Match Tickets	£21,125.50
Season Tickets	£3,269.00
Membership	£2,556.00
Postage	£13.76
Fares & tickets 2005/6	£359.00
Merchandise	£143.50
Pontoon	£125.20
Golden Gate draw	£571.00
Donations	£90.18
40th Anniv Dinner	£5,072
Ian Cartwright Fund	£283.00
Bank charges recovered	£0.00
Ian Cartwright Dinner	£250.00
Paul Ince Dinner 05/06	£100.00
Train Competition	£68.00
Bank Interest	£60.13

Total Income £50,603.30

Account Balances

HSBC Current A/C	as at 18/6/2007 £2,120.00
Investec Deposit A/C	as at 23/6/2007 £3,061.79

Expenditure 2006-7

Fares	£16,255.25
Match Tickets	£21,164.50
Season Tickets	£3,105.00
Magazine Expenses	£1,040.00
Secretarial Expenses	£677.35
Chairman's Expenses	£78
D Dougan memorabilia	£600.00
Pontoon	£97.70
Internet site	£204.71
AGM & Committee Exp	£92.50
40th Anniv Dinner	£9,122.42
Travel Secretary Exp	£417.05
Bank Charges	£8.00
Ian Cartwright Fund	£291.00
Ian Cartwright Dinner	£400.00
Kil Sponsorship	£775.50

Total Expenses £54,329.99

Loss for 2006-7 £3,725.69

TRAVEL SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Peter stated that people were still booking seats and not turning up and it was agreed that anyone doing this will be fined £5 at Peter's discretion. Virgin again provided a good service last season with most trains on time. Also, the Call Centre in India provided a better service. However, we still had to use Marylebone for some trips because Virgin would not accept Group Bookings over holiday periods. There was one major delay last season on a return train on the Marylebone line for which we received a refund from the train company. We ran trips to 24 home matches (inc Steve Bull testimonial), & 16 long distance away games, with thanks due again to Morris Jacobs for arranging transport to a number of the evening matches. - Highest attended trips: Home QPR 53 Colchester 51 Away Bamsley 24 Plymouth 24 There was a slight decrease from the 2005/06 season in the average number travelling to both home and away matches. - Profit from trips was £205.30. The Club part-subsidised the Hull and Sunderland away trips and the QPR home trip. - There has been no increase in Virgin Group Travel fares for next season. No details yet from the other Train Companies. - There are still members who having booked train tickets, fail to turn-up without notifying me beforehand. I would again ask members to let me know if they are unable to travel, so that I'm not waiting on the station concourse, unnecessarily. - One member still owes £164 from last season. One person owes £31 from 2005/06 season and two people still owe the club £135 from 2004/05 season. The latter three are no longer members and we have lost contact with them). - 7 club season tickets were purchased on Wolves 'Early Bird' scheme in March 2006 at a cost of £3106. We made a profit of £183, and thanks are due again to the club members who 'loaned' the club their season tickets when they were unable to attend home matches. We have again renewed the club season tickets for 2007/08 season on the 'Early Bird' scheme - There were 15 away season tickets purchased by members (inc. 2 by the club). - There has been no increase on season or match ticket prices for 2007/08 season. - Thanks were being offered once again to Wolves ticket office, particularly Pam & Steve, in meeting all our requests for match tickets last season. Thanks also to Dave Slape, Guy Thomas & Morris Jacobs, for their help during the season. - Travel details will be regularly updated on our website.

AGM



ENTERTAINMENT OFFICER'S REPORT: Unfortunately Sarah could not attend the AGM. Stuart pointed out that a night at the greyhounds is being arranged. Apart from that it has been very quiet. "Meet the Players" was a great success and the players gave their time willingly.

Dave Hodges said he has a DJ console and would we consider having him do one of our functions. He stated that he had music for all occasions and this would save the club money.

Peter stated that we had people attend the Ian Cartwright fund raising do and it was a successful evening.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT: At present we have nobody doing the job, but Stef had put one together. Stef also thanked the printer for a new layout newsletter. There were the usual problems regarding lack of contributions from members. The magazine contains the usual features, but we would welcome more input from members.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: It was proposed by Dave Hodges, seconded by Jack Leonard that the committee be re-elected en bloc. Passed unanimously

MEMBERSHIP FEE: Proposed by Mathew Hawthorne that it be kept the same.
Seconded by Peter Woodfield and passed unanimously.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Stuart said there was one matter which he asked to raise which would involve Club Rules. This was to install Stef Leonard as Deputy Chairman, so that he could represent W.W.L.S.C officially when Stuart was unavailable. This would mean changing rule 24. Proposed by D.Hodges and seconded by Mathew Hawthorne. This proposal was accepted by the members.

Dave and Matt asked if we needed an honorary life president with the passing of Derek Dougan. A discussion followed regarding certain things that could be done to honour him. This will be up for discussion at a later date.

Peter Barlett was thanked for his excellent website.

Jack Leonard stated that we should start thinking about the long term future of W.W.L.S.C re. the increasing age of travellers on the train. We should try and attract younger people to become members and travel. We should try and get some support from Wolves themselves to attract a new generation of supporters. It was accepted by the members, that we carry on with the kit sponsorship for Neill Collins.

Cliff Egan took the floor and stated he thinks there will be some sort of tribute to Derek Dougan by the club at the Watford game.

A discussion also followed on ways of recruiting younger members.

Further discussions and questions for Cliff Egan followed.

After these were finished and thoroughly enjoyed by the members, Cliff thanked W.W.L.S.C for inviting him to attend again and once again he had enjoyed it immensely.

There being no other business, the chairman closed the meeting at 17.35pm.

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WAT A GIVEAWAY

WOLVES 1-2 WATFORD

Saturday 11th August 2007



Wolves started the new campaign with a defeat in a game which they should have seen up long before two late goals gave their opponents Watford an undeserved win. The afternoon started noisily with Sir Jack Hayward introducing new owner Steve Morgan to the Molineux faithful before kick-off, this was followed by a minute's applause so that the whole of the ground could pay homage to the late and legendary Doris Doogan.

The game started brightly and it was Watford who carved up the first real chance when Priskin beat the offside trap but dragged his shot wide after breaking into the right hand side of the box. With the crowd getting behind them Wolves started to get a grip on the game and on the half hour Elliot saw a half-chance just inside the box saved by Poom. With the forwards pushing for an opening, Keogh especially was in the thick of things and shortly after firing a shot over the bar the new number 9 chipped a deft pass into Olofinjana who thrashed the ball over despite being in



plenty of space. However, the midfielder made amends right on the stroke of half time when he gave Wolves the lead, he clipped the ball over the advancing Poom and into the net after a superb through ball from Elliot.

The home side took the game to Watford in the second half and controlled the play for long periods with Elliot, Keogh and Stephen Ward all having good chances to extend the lead and make the game safe. However, with three minutes left the home side were made to pay for not finishing off



their opponents. Watford were awarded a free-kick on the edge of the box after a needless foul by Potter. Stewart stepped up to take the free-kick and his effort from 25 yards out deflected off the wall and past the hapless Hennessey. Worse was to come... in the last minute of four minutes stoppage time Watford were handed all three points when a dummy lunge by Collins on Kehha in the box enabled King to step up and blast in the penalty into the top right hand corner. Substitute Bothroyd almost equalised in the seconds remaining, but his shot hit the post and Poom gratefully grabbed the rebound.

Opinion: A good performance spoiled by woeful defending at the death.

Man of the match: Keogh

Team Rating: 6/10

Attendance: 20,115

Team: Hennessey, Collins, Darren Ward, Breen (Edwards 69), Gray, Potter, Kightly, Olofinjana, Stephen Ward, Keogh, Elliot (Bothroyd 74)

Unused Subs: Slack, Henry, Eastwood

Bookings: None

CRADDOCK ROASTS BANTAMS

WOLVES 2-1 BRADFORD CITY

Wednesday 15th Aug 2007 (Carling Cup 1st Round)

Wolves progressed to the second round of the Carling Cup at the expense of League two side Bradford City. The win came courtesy of two early second half goals from debutant Freddie Eastwood and unwanted Joey Craddock whose reward for a twenty yard screamer was to be later off loaded to Stoke City on loan.

As far as entertainment was concerned it was a woeful first half in front of a half full stadium. Wolves created the first opening of the night in the sixth minute when Andy Keogh was only inches away from giving them the lead after just failing to connect with Elliot Bennett's ball across the box. From that point on it was Bradford who had the better chances and on loan Wolves goalkeeper Graham Stack was forced to make the first real save of the

night when keeping out Omar Daley's long-range effort. With just four minutes left to half-time the home team were given a major let-off when Stack completely misjudged a right-wing free-kick from Paul Evans and could only watch on as the ball glanced off the face of the crossbar before being cleared out of defence.



The deadlock was finally broken in the first minute of the second half when Darren Ward crossed from the left and it was flicked on by Keogh to Eastwood who

planned his header firmly into the back of the net. Two minutes later it was 2-0, Keogh's corner was cleared out of the box but Craddock raced onto the ball and sent an unstoppable 25 yard volley past Rickelms. Bradford never really recovered from that double setback but made sure Wolves had to endure a nervy final 12 minutes when striker Ndumbu-Nsungu hit a low cross across the box and Kyle Nix followed up to score from six yards at the far post. In the remaining minutes the home defence remained solid and Stack's goal was well protected as Wolves easily held out to progress to the second round of the competition.

Opinion: Game will only be remembered for Craddock's wonder strike

Man of the match: Craddock

Team Rating: 5/10

Attendance: 9,625

Team: Stack, Foley, Craddock, Edwards, Murgaw (Clapham 30), Kightly, Henry, Potter, Bennett (Stephen Ward 45), Keogh, Eastwood

Unused Subs: Hennessey, Gleeson, Collins

Bookings: Bennett (26 - Foul), Henry (56 - Foul)

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SHARPSHOOTERS

SHEFFIELD WED. 1-3 WOLVES

Sunday 19th August 2007

Wolves gained their first three points of the season to open their Championship account after winning against Sheffield Wednesday at a damp Hillsborough. Freddy Eastwood continued his impressive start to the campaign following his summer move by scoring one and creating another in the 3-1 victory.

After a 15 minute delay due to traffic congestion play got under way with the home team playing the more attacking football. But for all their possession Wednesday lacked quality in front of goal whereas Wolves in contrast looked dangerous on the break, and it was no surprise when the visitors took the lead in the 14th minute after some suicide defence by Wednesday. Dean Burton gave away the ball to Kightly on halfway and the midfielder then quickly sent Andy Keogh racing clear into the box. The Irish striker hit a low shot towards goal and was denied by the outstretched leg of goalkeeper Lee Grant only for the ball to rebound to Eastwood who took one touch before firing the ball into the corner of the net.



Wednesday continued to dominate play and equalised just before half-time following some sloppy defending by the Wolves defence. Glenn Whelan's deep corner was misjudged by keeper Hennessey allowing Jermaine Johnson to fire the ball goalwards at the far post. Michael Gray used his hand to prevent a certain goal but Small was on hand to tuck the ball into the net, earning Gray a yellow card when it could easily have been red.

Three minutes after the break Wolves struck again with Eastwood again the provider. Keogh's pass found the striker on the edge of Wednesday's box, he beat two defenders before an inch perfect pass

gave Kightly the opening to fire a low right-foot shot past goalkeeper Grant. Wednesday pushed forward in search of an equaliser but when a glimmer of a chance did come along Kevin Foley was on hand to make crucial block from Small's shot and in the 71st minute Johnson's mis-hit cross hit the crossbar. After easily soaking all the pressure Wolves had the final say when Bothroyd chased Oforjiana's lofted through ball before confidently clipping the ball over Grant to seal the points.

Opinion: Clinical finishing on the break.

Man of the match: Kightly

Team Rating: 7/10

Attendance: 22,131

Team: Hennessey, Darren Ward, Breen (O'Brien 33), Foley, Gray, Oforjiana, Kightly, Potter (Henry 63), Keogh, Stephen Ward, Eastwood (Bothroyd 67)

Unused Subs: Slack, Bennett

Bookings: Oforjiana (25 - Foul), Gray (45 - Hardball), Potter (55 - Foul)

HIGHWAYMAN FREDDY

WOLVES 2-1 BLACKPOOL

Saturday 25th August 2007

Freddy Eastwood scored two second-half goals as Wanderers came from behind to beat Blackpool. The new signing, who scored on his international debut for Wales against Bulgaria in midweek, netted his fourth and fifth goals of the season and his fourth within a week.

Blackpool totally outplayed Wolves in the first 45 minutes of a goalless first half. The visitors put the home team under constant pressure early on but were unable to convert that pressure into goals. The visitors set their stall from the off and even though they won a string of early corners Wolves were quite comfortable in defence and cleared up with no great alarm. Taylor-Fletcher came the closest to breaking the deadlock for Blackpool when he saw his 17th minute drive cleared off the line by Michael Gray.

Both sides ran out unchanged for the start of the second half that opened with the visitors once again on the attack. However, Wolves were quick to break on the counter-attack through Andy Keogh whose cross-shot from the right flashed harmlessly across the face of goalkeeper Rachubka's net. Blackpool eventually took the lead in the 54th minute when Taylor-Fletcher latched on to a cross-field ball

from David Fox before chiling home at the far post. Wanderers responded with a double substitution as Neil Collins and Karl Henry replaced Michael Gray and Darren Potter respectively. Wolves then had strong appeals for a penalty turned down when Oforjiana tangled with defender Keith Southern who sent the midfielder sprawling, but it wasn't long before Wolves were level. In the 69th minute Keogh turned on a long clearance from Hennessey and fed Eastwood who finished brilliantly from 18 yards. Ten minutes later and the game was turned upside down when Wolves took the lead, and it was that man Eastwood again who nodded into an empty net from six yards after Blackpool goalkeeper Rachubka had parried Andy Keogh's shot.



Opinion: Mick McCarthy called it daylight robbery, but who cares

Man of the match: Eastwood

Team Rating: 5/10

Attendance: 24,294

Team: Hennessey, Foley, Darren Ward, Breen, Gray (Collins 54), Kightly, Oforjiana, Potter (Henry 54), Stephen Ward (Bothroyd 67), Keogh, Eastwood

Unused Subs: Slack, Edwards

Bookings: Potter (29 - Still Pulling), Oforjiana (63 - Foul)

THE MORECAMBE AND UNWISE SHOW

WOLVES 1-3 MORECAMBE (AET)

Tuesday 28th Aug 2007 (Carling Cup 2nd Round)

Wolves were humiliated at home in the Carling Cup second round at the hands of league two newcomers Morecambe who had only played three games of league football in their entire history. The home team were void of any kind of ideas and all aspects of their play was poor, there was no stomach for a fight and the you'll see better crossing of a ball from a pub team on a Sunday morning.

From the off Wolves decided to adopt a patient passing game, but too often there

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was no penetration in the last third of the field and it was Morecambe with their 'dis for the cause' attitude who had the better of the chances. Twiss saw a 10th minute goal disallowed for offside before Craig Stanley then hit the bar after 27 minutes. Wolves only first half effort came three minutes before the break when a close-range header from Foley was foiled by a one handed reflex save from goalkeeper Lewis.



On the hour mark skipper Karl Henry was dispossessed in midfield by Hunter who then released Twiss, his powerful run into the area was halted when he was brought down by goalkeeper Stack and the referee immediately pointed to the spot. Baker then stepped up and slotted home the penalty to the goalkeeper's right. Wolves were given a lifeline in the 63rd minute when Baker's challenge saw Keogh crashing to the floor, the striker dusted himself down to take the penalty and he made no mistake from the spot to take the tie into extra-time.

After dragging themselves back from the dead Wolves immediately gave the initiative back to Morecambe in the second minute of the first period of extra time when Blinkhorn squared from the right and fellow substitute Newby netted thanks to Stack's blunder. The game was all but finished in the final minute of the first period when Thompson eclipsed Stack to find the back of the net to make it 3-1 and give Wolves another early Carling Cup exit courtesy of a lower division team.

Opinion: Total Garbage...
Man of the match: Keogh
Team Rating: 2/10
Attendance: 11,295
Team: Stack, Foley, Edwards, Neil Collins, Gray, Bennett (Kightly 62), Gleeson (Potter 46), Henry, Mulgrew (Rosa 87), Keogh, Eastwood
Unused Subs: Hennessey, Lee Collins
Bookings: Edwards (42 - Foul), Stack (63 - Foul)

RORY FALLS OVER ON THE LAST DELAP

STOKE CITY 0-0 WOLVES

Saturday 1st September 2007

Wolves came away from the Britannia Stadium with a battling point against Stoke following the midweek debacle against Morecambe. The game ended goalless as both teams failed to find a breakthrough in a close fought clash.

It wasn't until the 24th minute that there was a shot at goal, and it came from Stephen Ward who cut in from the left and fired just over from 25 yards. Stoke then went closest to opening the scores in the 32nd minute, Fuller's shot was deflected by Gary Breen and with keeper Hennessey stranded the ball looped narrowly over the crossbar. Wolves were next to threaten when Stoke defender Gabor Zakari deflected Breen's long-range effort wide. The last chance of the half fell to Stoke when Fuller found space down the right and pulled the ball back for Lawrence, but the midfielder shot straight at Hennessey from a tight angle.



The second half was a more open affair with Wolves starting brightly and in the 54th minute defender Neil Collins headed Michael Kightly's cross straight at goalkeeper Simonsen with the goal beckoning. Minutes later Wolves gave the ball away to Lawrence who repeated his first half 'miss' when he shot too close to Hennessey. Kightly was again in the thick of the action when he cut in from the right and tested Simonsen with a 20-yard drive, but Stoke came closest to the opener in the 61st minute. Fuller ran onto a long ball out of defence and his left-footed effort from the edge of the box rolled narrowly wide. Wolves then gained the ascendancy again, with Ward's header testing Simonsen while strike pair Freddy Eastwood and Andy Keogh frequently got behind the Stoke defence without gaining little reward. With two minutes left to play Stoke nearly stole all three points when Jon Parkin put midfielder Rory Delap

through on goal, the midfielder took the ball round Hennessey but stumbled as he tried to get a shot on goal. Stoke players claimed a penalty but the referee quite rightly waved play on.

Opinion: Defence looked solid but the team lacked creativity in midfield.

Man of the match: Breen

Team Rating: 6/10

Attendance: 17,135

Team: Hennessey, Foley, Breen, Daman Ward, Neil Collins, Kightly, Oforjiana, Henry, Stephen Ward, Eastwood (Elliott 85), Keogh

Unused Subs: Edwards, Stack, Bennett, Lee Collins

Bookings: Stephen Ward (35 - Foul)

BLADE RUNNER BEATTIE

SHEFFIELD UNITED 3-1 WOLVES

Saturday 15th September 2007

A second-half double from James Beattie and a Jon Stead's injury-time tap-in earned Sheffield United a flattering 3-1 win over Wolves at Bramall Lane. Jay Bothroyd, Darren Potter and Michael Gray all returned to the Wolves bench, while Elliott was preferred to Wales international Freddy Eastwood up front. Wolves looked the better footballing team for long spells and can count themselves unlucky not to have taken away a point in their first league defeat of the campaign.

United started the brighter of the two teams and nearly took the lead on 18 minutes when Quinn's cross deceived everyone except Kilgallon who's header hit the bar from a tight angle. But Wolves responded immediately with Seyi Oforjiana's raking pass allowing Karl Henry to set up Stephen Ward inside the area, but the striker dragged a low left-foot shot wide. Wolves then took the lead on 24 minutes following a quickly taken free kick. Michael Kightly found Ward on the edge of the box and when his shot came back off Paddy Kerry, Elliott pounced to lash home the rebound.



(Match Reports continue after Doug Tributes)

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BLADE RUNNER BEATTIE (cont.)

United probed for the equaliser after the break, but Wolves were quick to counter-attack and Andy Keogh arrowed a shot just wide. The home side pulled level on 57 minutes when Ward's header back to Hennessey was short following a Leigh Bromby long hoof up the pitch, and Beattie squeezed in between the pair to head into an empty net. Wolves at last regained the lead when Breen headed Kightly's free-kick back across goal but Ward's header hit the crossbar and the defender's follow-up was scrambled clear of the goal line. The home side endured another scare when Ward's cross just evaded Keogh in the box, but United took an undeserved lead via the penalty spot with seven minutes remaining. Beattie and Breen raced back following another long ball over the top and the referee did not hesitate in awarding a spot-kick after the United striker tussled with the Wolves defender and went to ground in good old theatre style. Beattie made a miraculous recovery to get up and place the kick inside Hennessey's left-hand post. Then in the closing stages at Wolves pressed for an equaliser Steve Storer decided to shoot home from close range and make the score 3-1 to the home team.

Opinion: Wolves denied by terrible penalty decision.

Man of the match: Stephen Ward

Team Rating: 6/10

Attendance: 26,003

Team: Hennessey, Darren Ward, Neil Collins, Foley (Eastwood 88), Breen, Olofinjana, Kightly, Harry, Stephen Ward, Keogh, Elliot (Bothroyd 69).

Unused Subs: Stack, Potter, Gray

Bookings: None

DREADFUL HULL

WOLVES 0-1 HULL CITY

Tuesday 18th September 2007

Wolves threw away three points when losing at home to Hull City during this midweek encounter. Dean Windass's second-half penalty gave the visitors all three points as the home side paid the price for some wasteful finishing at Molnux. Before the match a minute's silence was held for the diminutive winger Norman Deeley who was the main inspiration in the 1960 FA Cup win.

After a scrappy opening Okocha produced a moment of class to play in Hughes, but the midfielder shot straight at Hennessey and when the ball fell into the path of Okocha his goal-bound shot hit team-mate



Garcia. Wolves eventually sprung no life with Kightly and Keogh combining neatly but failing to deliver an end product. Keogh should have broken the deadlock 25 minutes in when Kightly picked him out at the back post, but the striker saw his downward header kept out by the feet of Hull keeper Myhill. Kightly was Wolves' most dangerous attacking threat and he once again produced an inviting cross for Stephen Ward whose header looped over Myhill, only for Ashbee to make a crucial clearance. With the half-time whistle looming it was once again Keogh who was guilty of wastefulness as he blazed over the crossbar with only Myhill to test.

Hull stunned the home supporters four minutes after the break when Collins upended Garcia and the referee awarded a penalty, substitute Windass took full advantage sending Hennessey the wrong way with his kick. McCarthy wasted no time in making his first changes with Keogh and Darren Ward replaced by Jay Bothroyd and Michael Gray. Bothroyd looked lively and tested Myhill with a vicious left-foot drive from 25 yards out. Eastwood finally produced a moment of magic with just over 20 minutes remaining, picking up a pass from Gray and creating space for himself before unleashing a stunning right-foot strike that rattled Myhill's left post. Kightly once again produced another dangerous cross but Bothroyd blazed over the bar at the back post. Eastwood had a final opportunity to earn a point in stoppage time but his free-kick went straight into the wall, which just about summed up Wolves' night.

Opinion: Woeful finishing proves costly yet again.

Man of the match: Couldn't find one

Team Rating: 3/10

Attendance: 21,352

Team: Hennessey, Foley, Darren Ward (Gray 53), Breen, Neil Collins, Kightly, Olofinjana, Harry, Stephen Ward (Ffarr 79), Keogh (Bothroyd 53), Eastwood

Unused Subs: Stack, Potter

Bookings: Hennessey (48 - Dissent)

LAIRY CANARIES

WOLVES 2-0 NORWICH CITY

Saturday 22nd September 2007

Wolves hit back in spectacular style after the midweek shambles at home to Hull, they attacked a poor Norwich City side from start to finish and the 2-0 score line could have reached double figures as the home side were guilty of missing several easy chances. Norwich didn't muster one shot on goal all game, were outnumbered 17-1 in the corner count and were reduced to nine men by the end of the 90 minutes as ill discipline set in.

As if with a point to prove Wolves attacked the Norwich goal from the off and totally dominated the early exchanges of the game. The first real chance fell to Kightly in the sixth minute when neat link-up play down the right released the winger, but the angle was too tight and his shot hit the side-netting. The midfielder was causing havoc on the flanks and it was no surprise that he was instrumental in the opening goal in the 22nd minute. The young



Englishman won a corner and took the flag kick himself, Foley intercepted the subsequent clearance down the right before powering his way through the Norwich defence

and unleashing an unstoppable right-footed shot which flew past goalkeeper Marshall and into the bottom left-hand corner of the net. Wolves doubled their advantage in the 34th minute with a great individual goal from Keogh. The striker picked up the ball on the edge of the centre circle as Wolves hit on the counter attack, he evaded several challenges before dribbling past defender Coker and unleashing a shot into the bottom left corner and past the static Marshall. Kightly was in inspired form and came close to scoring again right on the stroke of half-time, defender Murray appeared to clip Kightly in the penalty area when he was through on goal, the winger managed to stay on his feet but screwed his shot wide.

Wolves squandered another chance in the 51st minute. A swift counter-attacking move saw Kightly deliver a low cross to the back post but Elliot could only direct

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his shot wide from close range. Seven minutes later Craddock, recalled from his loan spell at Stoke, went close with a header from Gray's corner but saw his goal-bound effort diverted wide by Elliott. Norwich's afternoon got worse in the 82nd minute as Shackell was sent off for a dangerous high tackle on Karl Henry. Wolves continued to storm forward and had another gear change in the 70th minute when Oforijana intercepted a loose pass and fed Keogh, but he failed to hit the target, with only Marshall to beat. Norwich were then reduced to nine men in the 74th minute when Brierley was shown a second yellow card for heading down Ward and then petulantly kicking the ball at Gray. That man, Kightly almost grabbed a spectacular third in the 78th minute after popping up on the left flank, his run across the box culminated in a shot which seemed destined for the top right hand corner but Marshall somehow managed to tip the ball over.

Opinion: Best of the season so far
Man of the match: Kightly

Team Rating: 8/10

Attendance: 22,564

Teams: Hennessey, Foley, Breen, Craddock, Gray, Kightly, Oforijana, Henry, Stephen Ward, Keogh, Elliott.

Unused Subs: Stack, Neil Collins,

Bathford, Potter, Eastwood.

Bookings: Henry (81-foul),

Stephen Ward (79-foul)

PILGRIMS ESCAPE AFTER BEING CORNERED

PLYMOUTH ARGYLE 1-1 WOLVES

Saturday 29th September 2007

As far as Wolves are concerned it was a case of two points dropped rather than one gained in a thrilling performance away to Plymouth at Home Park. Wolves were dominant from start to finish and were only denied victory by an outstanding display from Plymouth keeper Luke McCormick. Wolves showed their intentions from the



off as they tore into Plymouth, and the first of many chances fell to Elliott when forcing a great save from McCormick after just five minutes. Keogh was next to go close when heading narrowly wide from Michael Gray's inswinging corner. The chances kept coming and Wolves again came within inches of grabbing a deserved opener when Kightly flashed a curling effort agonisingly wide of McCormick's left-hand post. Plymouth struggled to cope with the Wanderers attack and as the first half wore on Kightly again forced a superb fingertip save from McCormick after his close-range effort looked destined for the bottom corner. Plymouth remained on the back foot and McCormick was in the action again when keeping out Keogh's go-bounce effort from 12 yards just before the half-hour mark. Wolves finally got a deserved breakthrough just before the interval, Elliott firing Keogh's inch-perfect cross into the roof of the net from close range. As the half-time whistle blew the corner count was 14-0 in Wolves favour but they were still only one goal to the good for all their possession.

Wolves started the second half exactly where they left off at the end of the opening 45 minutes, Kightly again forcing a good save from McCormick. Desperate measures forced Plymouth boss Ian Holloway into a double substitution after 65 minutes, Fallon and Chadwick coming on for Ebanks-Blake and Buzzsaw. The change had an immediate effect as Chadwick drew the hosts level against the run of play when he brushed off a Craddock challenge before firing home. The equaliser did little to change the pattern of the game though, as the outstanding McCormick was again called into action to deny Elliott and Kightly midway through the second half. Jay Bothroyd entered the contest for the closing stages in an attempt to find the vital breakthrough but failed to make any real impact, and it was David Norris who almost snatched an undeserved win for Plymouth at the death, but he was denied by a great reflex save from Hennessey.

Opinion: Continued where they left off last week with great attacking display but still two points dropped.

Man of the match: Kightly

Team Rating: 8/10

Attendance: 13,638

Team: Hennessey, Foley, Breen, Craddock, Gray, Kightly, Oforijana, Henry, Stephen Ward (Potter 60), Keogh, Elliott (Bothroyd 77)

Unused Subs: Stack, Neil Collins, Eastwood

Bookings: Craddock (69 - Foul), Breen (90 - Handball)

NOT MUCH OF A DOGFIGHT

LEICESTER CITY 0-0 WOLVES

Tuesday 2nd October 2007

It was a point each in this dull Midlands derby with neither side able to break the deadlock. Wolves scored here four times in last season's corresponding fixture when a 4-1 win on the final day of the season booked a play-off spot. Manager Mick McCarthy again left Freddy Eastwood on the bench as he stuck with the side that drew at Plymouth on Saturday.



Cheered on by 2,000 travelling supporters Wolves threatened in the very first minute when Kightly's dangerous cross was hacked clear by the home defence. Next it was Leicester's turn to threaten and when the Wolves defence failed to deal with a long throw Fryatt blasted wildly over the bar from close range. Just two minutes later play swung to the other end and City keeper Fulop did well to get down quickly to push away Karl Henry's low drive from the edge of the area. Wanderers finished the half the stronger and Elliott should have done better when put clean through by Oforijana, but a clumsy first touch enabled Fulop to come off his line and smother. Right on the stroke of half-time Keogh found Kightly wide on the right but his dangerous ball low across the face of goal evaded everyone, including the onrushing Elliott.

After a neat exchange of passes early in the second period Foley was found wide on the right, but his final ball was beyond the advancing strikers Elliott and Ward at the back post with the City defence stretched. With chances far and few between Wolves introduced Eastwood for Elliott after 67 minutes and was greeted with the biggest cheer of the night by the away supporters. But they soon turned to boo upon the arrival of former striker Carl Cort six minutes later and he quickly showed that he had made no improvement since Dave Jones wasted two million pounds of Jack Hayward's money on him in 2004. Within five minutes of coming on

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Cort had a golden chance to open the scoring when Michael Gray hit a stray pass straight to him, but he predictably shot into the side netting with team mates better positioned. Olsirjana nearly stole the points with full time approaching when his 25-yard shot went just wide, it was to be the last action in a lack lustre game.

Opinion: Another two points down the pan to a poor Leicester team.

Man of the match: Kightly

Team Rating: 4.10

Attendance: 21,311

Teams: Hennessy, Foley, Breen
Credlock, Gray, Kightly, Olofinjana,
Henry, Stephen Ward (Neil Collins 90)
Keogh, Eliot (Eastwood 66)
Unused Subs: Slack, Brombyrd, Potter
Bookings: None

Wolves charged out of the blocks at the start of the second half and went into the lead within 25 seconds of the restart. Andy Keogh produced some good work on the right wing and he picked out Henry whose cross was deftly turned home at the near post by former Charlton man Bothroyd. Five minutes later and the lead was nearly doubled when Knighty's inswinging corner found Keogh, but the striker sent his header just wide of the upright.

Cheriton tried to find a way back into the game and had their best spell at around the four mark when Varney was twice denied by goalkeeper Hennessey. Denny Mills who was barracked all game by the home fans also blazed over when well-placed. But the Wolves defence always looked comfortable and it was the home team who went closest to scoring again nine minutes from time, only for Weaver to superbly save Olsinjan's close-range header. Wolves sealed the points five minutes from time when Henry took full advantage following more good work by Bothroyd to beat Weaver with a low shot into the corner of the net from 14 yards.

Man of the match: Bothroyd (only just from Goltyv)

Team Rating: 8/10

Attendance: 24,058

Team: Hennessy, Foley, Darren Ward, Craddock, Neil Collins, Kightly, Odujiana, Henry, Gibson, Keogh, Bothroyd (Janis 88)
Unused Subs: Slack, Potter, Little, Eastwood

Bookings: Gibson (64 - Foul)

SUBLIME FINISH BY COLLINS

WOLVES 1-0 COVENTRY CITY

Saturday 6th October 2007

Manager Mick McCarthy named an unchanged side for the third successive Championship match which again meant no starting place for Freddy Eastwood.

Wolves started this game where they left off at Leicester on Tuesday, struggling to make any kind of early impact. Loca riva's Coventry created the first goal attempt early in the game courtesy of Michael Misud, but his angled shot from the edge of the area was smothered by Hennessey. The home team's cause wasn't helped by two injuries within the first half hour, both Michael Gray and Wayne Hennessey were kicked out of the action by Robbie Simpson in the 20th and 29th minutes respectively. Michael Kightly, who had been Wolves' best player in the previous three games nearly celebrated a goal after a superb piece of individual skill just before the break, he flicked the ball through Berrowdale's legs on the right-hand side of the area before unleashing a shot that was parried to safety by Andy Marshall.

Coventry pushed forward in the early stages of the second half and Hughes shot straight at Slack after Simpson had presented him with a chance after 62 minutes. Immediately at the other end Olofinjana was allowed time and space inside the Coventry half but fired over the crossbar from long range. It took a great block by Gradcock to deny Simpson from close range in the 70th minute and Doyle fired wide of goal when put through by Tabb in the 80th minute.

Opinion: In his time as a striker Coventry manager Ian Dowle was regarded as a bit of a donkey and now it seems that he's now formed a team of donkeys whose intentions seem to be kicking their way out of the Championship and into the Premier.

Man of the match: Foley

A JAY WALK IN THE PARK

WOLVES 2-0 CHAFLTON ATHLETIC

Saturday 20th October 2007

Wolves put in a battling display against an experienced Charlton Athletic side who last season were grazing their skills in the Premiership. Two second half goals ensured the home team took all three points to move up to fourth place in the Championship table.

Charlton started the brighter of the two teams and created the first real chance in the fifth minute when Hennessey saved easily from Verney's weak effort from five yards following a nod down from Iwelumo. Wolves hit back quickly with a corner that was taken by Knightly but goalkeeper Weaver was equal to it as he cleared the danger at the near post. The closest any team came to taking the lead in the first half came in the 22nd minute when Hennessey produced a brilliant one-handed reflex save to somehow keep out Iwelumo's powerful header. The game

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HALF TIME CARD SHUFFLE COMES UP TRUMPS

CARDIFF CITY 2-3 WOLVES

Wednesday 26th October 2007

A brace from Michael Kightly and a late Jody Craddock header gave Wolves all three points after they came from behind to defeat Cardiff at Ninian Park and move to third place in the Championship.

Wolves unbeaten in their last five games, began the brighter with Andy Keogh the first player to register an attempt, pulling his 20-yard effort wide of the right post. In the ninth minute Cardiff should have taken the lead, a quick free-kick was dummed by Hasselbaink leaving Fowler free on goal but the former Liverpool striker rolled his shot beyond Hennessey and beyond the far post. The home team were made to pay for that easy miss in the 13th minute when Keogh received the ball wide on the right and his low cross was met by Kightly who sideflected home from close range. The home team drew level in the 25th minute when Karl Henry fouled Ledley in the box, Fowler stepped up to make up for his earlier miss when he slotted the spot-kick into the bottom left hand corner. Four minutes later and the game was turned on its head when Hasselbaink made it 2-1 to Cardiff after being played in by Fowler. The last chance of the half came just before the break when former Wolves keeper Michael Davies did well to parry away a stinging 33-yard drive from Bothroyd.



As the teams came out for the second half Stephen Ward replaced Darrin Gibson and within five minutes Eastwood was also called upon to replace Andy Keogh. Mick McCarthy's tactical changes seemed to give his team a better balance as Wolves took the game to Cardiff and pressed forward in search of an equaliser. The pressure finally paid off in the 66th minute when Kightly aimed his second of the night when he found the net from the right side of the six-yard box after leaving defender Llovers for dead. With sixteen

minutes left on the clock the constant Wolves pressure finally paid off when they regained the lead. Bothroyd sent over a corner and the unmarked Craddock headed high into the net. Cardiff searched in vain for an equaliser and a late rally saw Hennessey twice called upon to deny Thompson and Rae, but Wolves easily kept the home side at bay to move within eight points of leaders Watford.

Opinion: Great second half fightback in hostile surroundings.

Man of the match: Kightly

Team Rating: 8/10

Attendance: 15,000

Team: Hennessey, Foley, Craddock, Darren Ward, Neil Collins, Kightly, Clifton, Gibson (Stephen Ward 46), Henry, Bothroyd (Patter 89), Keogh (Eastwood 53)

Unused Subs: Slack, Little

Bookings: None

WOLVES PAY PENALTY FOR EARLY MISSES

IPSWICH TOWN 3-0 WOLVES

Saturday 27th October 2007

Wolves came crashing down to earth following their midweek win at Cardiff as their six game unbeaten run came to an end and Ipswich ended up 3-0 winners at Portman Road. Stephen Ward returned in place of the injured Darrin Gibson and Andy Keogh took a place on the bench with Freddy Eastwood starting his first game since mid September.



Wolves made all the early running and were awarded a penalty in the fifth minute when Kightly intercepted a weak back pass from Winitz and was sent crashing to the ground as he tried to round goalkeeper Neil Alexander. Amazingly Alexander was only shown a yellow card instead of red, and to make matters worse the fortunate keeper was hardly tested as he easily saved Eastwood's weak effort from the spot. Even after the early setback Wolves continued to push forward and Kightly was

in the thick of the action again in the 22nd minute when his fierce drive from the edge of the area flew just over the bar.

Ipswich who were lucky to be on level terms after the early onslaught slowly got a foothold in the game and made Wolves pay for their early misses when they went ahead in the 42nd minute. Garvan provided the pass from midfield for Lee to force his way past Craddock and then beat Hennessey from a tight angle. Wolves looked for an immediate response and Alexander needed two attempts to claim a long range effort from Henry. Bothroyd was even closer as half time approached, he picked up a ball that was only half cleared just outside the box and hit a shot that Alexander knocked into the air and then ran back to smother on the goal-line. Mick McCarthy made two changes for the start of the second half with Matthew Jarvis replacing Eastwood and Mark Littles coming on for Craddock, but unlike Wednesday night against Cardiff the substitutions had little effect on the outcome of the game. Garvan almost doubled the home side's lead two minutes after the restart with a long-range effort which Hennessey just managed to tip round a post, however it wasn't long before Ipswich doubled their lead. In the 52nd minute Counago collected a throw on the right and went past two defenders before firing a second. Wolves never looked like getting back into the game and in injury time Ipswich made the result a little flattering when they scored a third as substitute Haynes made space for himself before firing his shot just inside the post and past the helpless Hennessey.

Opinion: Lack of speed in centre of defence exposed by Ipswich forwards.

Man of the match: Henry

Team Rating: 3/10

Attendance: 23,308

Team: Hennessey, Foley, Darren Ward, Craddock (Little 46), Neil Collins, Kightly (Keogh 74), Clifton, Henry, Stephen Ward, Eastwood (Jarvis 46), Bothroyd

Unused Subs: Slack, Patter

Bookings: None

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Provisional travel arrangements for matches during December, are:-

Home Matches

Meeting place: Station concourse outside main ticket office, at least 20 minutes before train departure.

Fare : Members £16; Junior Members £8

Guests £10; Junior Guests £9.50

Sat 1/12/07 v Preston	◆ Outward - Depart Euston 09:27 - Arrive Wolverhampton 11:36 ◆ Return - Depart Wolverhampton 18:05 - Arrive Euston 20:06
Sat 8/12/07 v Burnley (K/O 5:20pm)	◆ Outward - Depart Euston 11:28 - Arrive Wolverhampton 13:36 ◆ Return - Depart Wolverhampton 20:05 - Arrive Euston 22:39
Mon 22/12/07 v Leicester City (K/O 5:20pm)	◆ Outward - Depart Euston 11:38 - Arrive Wolverhampton 13:33 ◆ Return - Depart Wolverhampton 19:35 - Arrive Euston 22:26

Away Matches

The following times are provisional. Please contact Travel Secretary for confirmation of travel arrangements. Please also note that the majority of away matches are likely to be all-ticket for Wolves fans.

Tue 4/12/07 v Barnsley ALL-TICKET MATCH	◆ No official club trip arranged. Any member wishing to travel to this match, please contact Travel Secretary.
Sat 15/12/07 v QPR ALL-TICKET MATCH	◆ No official club trip arranged. Nearest underground stations: White City/ Shepherds Bush (Central Line); Shepherds Bush (Hammersmith & City Line). All are a short walking distance from the ground.
Wed 26/12/07 v Hull City ALL-TICKET MATCH	◆ No official club trip arranged, due to no trains running on Boxing Day. Any member wishing to travel to this match, please contact Travel Secretary.
Sat 29/12/07 v Norwich (Fare TBA) ALL-TICKET MATCH	◆ Outward - Depart Liverpool St 09:30 - Arrive Colchester 11:10 (bus) Depart Colchester 11:22 - Arrive Norwich 12:27 (train) ◆ Return - Depart Norwich 17:30 - Arrive Colchester 18:30 (train) Depart Colchester 18:40 - Arrive Liverpool St 20:20 (bus)

FA CUP DATES: 3rd round 5/1/07; 4th round 26/1/07; 5th round 16/2/07

Please also note that dates and times of matches are likely to be changed because of live TV coverage by Sky Sports.

Any member wishing to book a train ticket for travel to home or away matches from Euston, must now contact Travel Secretary AT LEAST 10 DAYS prior to the match. Bookings for travel with other train operators, must be made 3-4 weeks before the match. This is because early booking is essential in order to obtain the cheapest tickets. Fares will be collected on the outward journey. Payments in advance are accepted. Cheques/P.O's payable to WWLSC.

Any member booking a train ticket, who subsequently cannot travel, must contact the Travel Secretary at least 10 days before the match to cancel, or they will have to pay for the ticket. This also applies to members who book a ticket and fail to show up on the day, as the train companies will not offer any refunds on unsold tickets, except in exceptional circumstances.

Members requiring match tickets for HOME matches please contact Travel Secretary AT LEAST 16 DAYS prior to match. Please enclose s.a.s. with postal applications.

Please note that for all-ticket away matches where Wolves allocation is limited, ONLY AWAY SEASON TICKET HOLDERS CAN BE GUARANTEED A MATCH TICKET. Tickets for every away match go on sale 21 days before the match to away season ticket holders & also to home season ticket holders, unless Wolves have a limited allocation. Home season ticket holders can apply for away tickets, by ringing the ticket office on 0871 880 8433 between 9 am - 5 pm, and giving their Supporter Number. There are 7 club season tickets available to members on a match to match basis. Full match day price will be charged. Members must travel on the official club trip for the particular game for which the ticket is required.

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POSTBAG



Since receiving Julys magazine I have been meaning to sit down and type a notewhich may or may not be of interest to others and at last here I am typing away

Of course in between time The Doc has moved on but my childhood memories of watching him towering over the oppositions defences remain very strong great player I am sure he will be willing on Freddy Eastwood to make as big an impression as Wolves as he and Steve Bull did theres no doubt exciting as the games and players attitude were last season ... looking at the final league total clearly demonstrated what we have all seen for many years we need a genuine goalscorer.

The real reason for writing (and I hope I havent bored you with this before) ... (I have written so many times to Southampton United I if they are getting hacked off with me !!) is what a painful time Wolves vs. Saints was last season and not just the two results recorded in last season.

The first painful memory was of course a fairly undistinguished display (I thought) at St Mary's with Wolves losing 2 - 0 only to be followed by the staggering 5 - 0 defeat on our own ground (I think the biggest deficit I have ever seen Wolves give away) even so I think I thought put up a spirited display but it made the long drive back to Kent a bit gloomy the picture in the magazine of Mick McCarthy cradling his head in disbelief probably being shared by many of us supporters. I guess the only consolation in the season being that we still finished above them in the League I think its time we turned our results against them around more scope for Freddy to show his skills perhaps !!

Anyway as if the above were not painful enough the real painful incident occurred on the way back to the car park from St Mary's on the buses supplied by Saints (Good name not sure yet if it is merited though)

I had encouraged a fellow season ticket holder Peter Martin (but not LW member I am working on that) to come down to Saints last November. We spent a pleasant afternoon seeing a retired ex work mate that lives down there and then headed on through a drag of traffic queue with lots of optimism for a good game and maybe three points. We parked in the their away fans car park which I have used before without trouble its a good service in essence.

Well we know what happened on the pitch and the atmosphere on the return bus was quiet thinking of what could have been. All of a sudden the peace and quiet was shattered by a loud explosion by my left ear and a cloud of dust or something in front of my eyes.

I turned to Peter (a gentle giant if there ever was one) to say what the F*** was that but the aisle seat next to me was empty. I thought for a minute he had done a Frodo Baggins on me and disappeared (which was worrying because it was Pete's car we were heading back to !!) but no he was laying a crumpled heap (sorry Pete) on the floor of the aisle out cold.

It transpired that two or three large stones had been thrown through the window showered me with glass (thank goodness I had my glasses on to protect my sight) but had struck Pete right out for the count. The bus screamed to a halt but a neither the driver or us wolves supporters knew where the hell we were in the pitch black outskirts of Southampton so it was difficult to contact police or ambulance though in time they did arrive (I'm not sure who contacted them ... but thanks anyway)

Pete was out for a couple of minutes and at first I panicked because I could not get him to respond fortunately one of the fans was either a doctor or had some medical knowledge and as we both tried to check him over he returned to consciousness. PHEW. His face was bruised and his hands were cut from falling on the glass but apart from that he seemed OK.

We were seen by the police and tended to by the paramedics and Pete was OK but did not want to go to hospital. Stubbornly he insisted on driving home after we eventually reclaimed his car but after a few miles he realised he was not feeling too good ... and let me take over which I was pleased to do. I kept him talking as I was worried maybe he was concussed but he seemed OK when we got back to his place.

The next day he did not feel too good and had to attend his GP and subsequently lost a few days work which is not an easy pill to swallow when you are self employed. Fortunately there was no long term damage.

I however I then embarked on a long and drawn out (and boring a bit like this really) correspondence with the Saints the bus company the bus companies insurers but no one was prepared to take any responsibility or offer any compensation for Pete's mishap.

No one was identified as the culprit and there was no definite proof that the incident was football related (though I am not personally convinced on the truth of that).

To be fair one of the Saints contacts (Transport Manager I think) did say he was sorry for what had happened and said if Peter wants to attend next time we visit them (November again this season I think) that they (Saints) would make sure he has a good time !!

Needless to say I will be writing to them nearer the time to request them to make good on that promise.

So if travelling on Saints buses in the future maybe we should all take "Hard Hats " to protect us especially as hopefully we will go down there this season and upset them with a few goals of our own !!

Up the Wolves lets hope this is the season Mick takes us back up to the Premier and we can leave the likes of Saints far behind.

Cheers

Tony Hughes

Sales & Competition



To commemorate the Doog's life and his Presidency of London Wolves, we are producing a DVD with excerpts of his life, included are his home debut hat trick, his goal for LA Wolves, his goal against Brazil, the post match interview at Wembley, interviews about George Best and his appearance on BBC's Question Time.

For availability, check the London Wolves website www.londonwolves.com or email doog@londonwolves.com. All proceeds will go to The Doog's International charity for ex Professional Footballers, (Xpro).

Competition: Win a copy of Dave Instone's fabulous new book "Wolves in Pictures"

The ex-Express & Star sports journalist, Dave Instone, has kindly donated two copies of his new book to London Wolves for this competition. With over 400 pictures, it's a great Wolves souvenir. One copy will be for LW members, the other for other entrants.

All you have to do is answer this simple question:

Two former Wolves International legends died this year, Derek Dougan and Norman Deeley. Between them, how many goals did they score at Wembley?

Answer: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5

Enter online at www.londonwolves.com, or you can email your details to doog@londonwolves.com, or by word-of-mouth or snailmail to Dave Slape.

There will be a draw from all correct entries to select the winners. Competition closes at 7.00pm after the QPR away match on Sat 15th December, and prizes will be available at the Leicester home match. It will give the winners something to read over Christmas (or give as a present)! If you can't wait, Dave's book is available to buy at the Wolves shops for £17.99.

We have some autographed copies of "The Doog's" book, 'The Sash He Never Wore...Twenty Five Years On' for sale, as well as some signed limited edition prints of him celebrating his goal for us in the 1974 League Cup Final. If you'd like to be the proud owner of one of these rare items then contact Dave Slape. The book is £10.00 + p&p and the picture is £35 framed or £20 unframed.



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Tribute to Norman Deeley

I have to confess I only saw Norman on a few occasions so I'm not an authority. However my Wolves love affair was well established at the height of his career and the times I opened the paper at the results section to find he'd scored was all too often. So it was no surprise that in the 57-58 championship season he was Wolves second top scorer with 23 goals, only Jimmy Murray scored more with 32. What a forward line he was part of...on the other wing was Jimmy Mullen the inside men were Bobby Mason along with the great Peter Broadbent all spearheaded by Jimmy Murray, scoring between them, 103 league goals and 11 FA cup goals.



Norman took over the number 7 shirt from Harry Hooper, Wolves top scorer the previous season. Norman had originally been a halfback in his early days, even trying out at inside forward but his speed and pinpoint crosses meant he was destined for the wings, after all Wolves were obsessed with short wingers.

Championship followed Championship and Norman contributed another 19 goals with 25 appearances in the no 7 shirt and a further 17 at no 11.

Where do I go from here...It's well documented, the England caps, The FA Cup Final goals against a quality Blackburn side containing The Doc, Peter Dobing, Brian Douglas and Ronnie Clayton. It's so worth making the pilgrimage to find out more...in fact 237 reasons more. It's up to you.

This is where I come in come in. It's Saturday 30th April 1960 at Stamford Bridge and it's my first Wolves game. That day was full of promise for Wolves who were chasing their 4th title, their 3rd in a row, not only that the first double of the century was a reality. A 5-1 victory for Wanderers, a sound performance from Norman but that day belonged to 2 goal Des Horne...another story. Alas the title went to Burnley who went to the top for first time that season holding on against Man City side containing Dennis Law. The next game was The FA Cup Final, a victory for Wolves and 2 goals for Norman.

I would see Norman on number of occasions the following season, again at Stamford Bridge a 3-3 draw, Craven Cottage a 3-1 win, a 1-1 draw at White Hart Lane, a game Wolves should have won but for Farmer handling the ball in when it seemed easier to head it, but the prize of the season was an outstanding 5-1 win at Highbury. Norman's goal tally that season was only 7. No doubt Stan said to him pull your finger out!!!

The following season was Norman's last at the Wolves. He moved to Leyton Orient along with Bobby Mason and I like many other Wolves fans went along to see us win 4-0 and to salute Norman and Bobby.

At around the same time as Norman's death sadly, the former Sunderland player Ian Portfield also died. The press reported the death of Ian with big headlines where as Norman only received one notable obituary in The Times.

Norman Deeley was a twice Championship medal winner, an FA cup winners medalist, capped by his country, played in European Cup competitions. In fact played with and against some of the worlds greatest players. What was it again Ian Portfield did?

Dodges



Dave Hodges attended Frank Munroe's 60th birthday party recently. It was well attended by former players and Dave nearly managed to stay sober.



Late News

On Sunday, November 4th, London Wolves' own 'Supergirl' **Phil Bant**, ran the New York Marathon to raise funds for **Dreams Come True**. Details at <http://www.londonwolves.com/html/marathon.html> or <http://www.justgiving.com/superphil>