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Chairman's

message

This is very much a day of mixed feelings for everyone with Huddersfield Town at heart, sadness at leaving Leeds Road and excitement at the prospect of moving to a new stadium which will be one of the finest in the country. Leeds Road holds so many precious memories for all of us and there will be a real lump in the throat when we leave.

The club has enjoyed a long and proud history at Leeds Road, with wonderful teams and players winning many honours, and that glorious heritage will certainly never be forgotten.

We have had a fabulous past, but now we are looking to create a successful future and we believe the new stadium will provide the perfect platform to achieve that.

The new stadium is a fantastic achievement for everyone and will be a tremendous facility for the whole community, but it is also a new base for Huddersfield Town.

We have a new board, new management and new team and, while we are leaving our traditional Leeds Road home, we hope this will be the start of great things for the club.




Terry Fisher
Huddersfield Town AFC - Chairman

Terry Fisher

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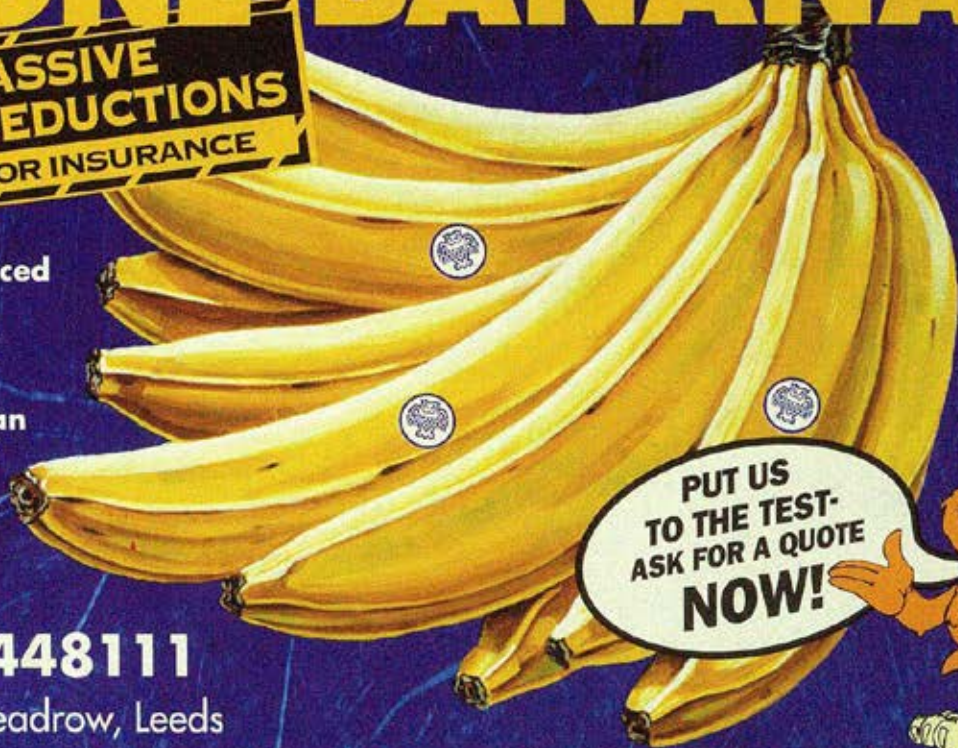
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DENIS LAW found football fame on the world stage but Leeds Road will always have a special place in his heart.

When Law arrived from Aberdeen he was a scrawny 15-year-old amateur who played football in spectacles because of an eye problem which was awaiting surgery. When he left, five years later, he was a fully-fledged Scotland international who was on the way to an F.A. Cup goalscoring record and had just become the most expensive player in British football.

Denis LAW

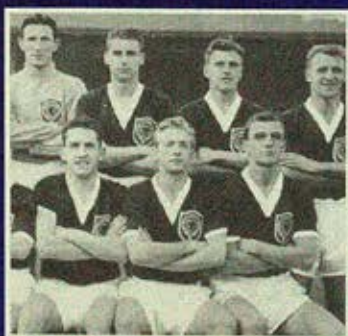
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To say that Leeds Road is a special place to me isn't the half of it. Leeds Road is where I learned all my football - that's how special it is," said Law, now a popular member of TV and radio commentary teams. "I spent my formative years in Huddersfield, growing up at a marvellous club and in very exciting times, and it still holds a very special place in my heart."

(Below) Law shortly after becoming Britain's most expensive player.



BORN: ABERDEEN - 1940
JOINED FROM: POWIS SCHOOL, APRIL - 1955
TRANSFERRED TO: MAN. CITY, MARCH - 1960
POSITION: INSIDE FORWARD
APPEARANCES: 91
GOALS: 19
INT. CAPS: 55 FOR SCOTLAND
 (6 with Town)



(Above) Denis Law in the Scotland team during his Leeds Road days.

Law was spotted playing schools' football in Aberdeen by Archie Beattie, brother of Town manager Andy, who also brought the likes of Les Massie and Gordon Low to Leeds Road. First impressions were less than favourable.

"Coming from Aberdeen, the clean granite city next to the sea, and landing in the heart of an industrial town like Huddersfield was a real blow at the start, but as time went on I grew to love the place," explained Law, who was Town's youngest ever debutant against Notts County on Christmas Eve 1956.

Bill Shankly, of course, took over in my early days and they were wonderful times. Town were a big First Division club when I first joined with some wonderful players like Jimmy Glazzard, Len Quisted, Ken Taylor and Vic Metcalfe, while Jimmy Watson and Willie Davie were the ones who looked after me. I'd never been in an environment like that, playing football every day, and for someone who had hardly been out of Scotland before, it was fantastic.

I played in the Northern Intermediate League to start with, at Beck Lane, and then when you came to Leeds Road you were talking about Wembley in comparison. Leeds Road had a marvellous pitch, especially in pre-season. It was in the days when they used to dig it up and re-seed it, and when the first team played the seconds in the first match of the season, it was always perfect."



Law was in lodgings at Milnsbridge and then Moldgreen. He played a lot of snooker in his spare time and used to frequent the old Empress on a Saturday night. He remembers little of his debut, or of scoring his first league goal against Notts County only two days later at Leeds Road, but he remembers the first of a record 41 F.A. Cup goals scored in a career with Town and the two Manchester clubs.

"We were playing Peterborough United in a fourth round tie at Leeds Road, we won 3-1 and I scored the first in front of a 48,000 crowd," recalled Law, who was put on a diet of chip butties by Shankly to build himself up. Three seasons later, of course, was when we played West Ham in the cup and after drawing with them 1-1 at Leeds Road, we won 5-1 down at Upton Park in the snow. I remember it like it was yesterday and it was undoubtedly one of the best performances by Town in my time at the club. The pitch was frozen and very tricky and caretaker manager, Eddie Boot came up with these boots which had suction pads on the bottom. They were like a flat sole with holes in and we'd never seen anything like them. While we ran all over the place without a problem the West Ham lads, who were a very tall side, were slipping and sliding all over and we 'hammered' them. As soon as the match was over, Mr Boot collected all the boots, put them in a box and wouldn't allow anyone to look at them!"

Law sat next to Shankly in the stand at The Valley on that famous occasion when Town lost 7-6 to Charlton after being 5-1 in front and, when he left Leeds Road in March 1960, he left with many happy memories.

"The new stadium will be terrific when it's finished and it's just a shame that we've got to see the wonderful Leeds Road ground go, but time marches on," he said. "People thought that they couldn't live without the Stretford End at Old Trafford, but time has very quickly proved them wrong and shown that sometimes things do change for the better. I'll never forget Leeds Road, though. Never. It was my 'home' for five very happy years and it will always have a place in my heart."

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Denis Law

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Manager's

message

How proud I was to lead out Huddersfield Town at Wembley last Sunday - the first time a manager of this club has been able to do that for 56 years. I must admit that it is the high spot of a manager's career to do just that. I have been a very fortunate man. I have been able to do it three times now and I like it even more each time! The atmosphere generated in the stadium by our supporters was absolutely magnificent and I can't thank you enough for that. To see so many smiling faces and the sea of blue and white in the crowd was a sheer delight. For me, my staff and the players - everyone in fact at the club - it was an emotional day and I am sure that goes for all of you too.

Of course it was a disappointment not to win, but we must be positive and reflect on the achievement of reaching Wembley. We overcame a lot of hurdles to get there and our players, particularly the younger ones, have gained a vast amount of invaluable experience on the way. We must use this as the platform on which to build for the future, especially as we move to our new stadium next season.

Hopefully by today any fear of relegation will have been dispelled. Today is another big occasion and I am only too well aware that many of you will be shedding a tear or two this afternoon. It is ironic that our opponents should be Blackpool, another team steeped in rich history and nostalgia. I still remember my father talking to me about the great Blackpool side and the legendary Stanley Matthews. Blackpool still have tremendous standing in the game and I know that any side managed by Billy Ayre will give us a hard time. I'm glad that Town supporters can legitimately feel that we have finished the season much stronger than we began it. I'm only too well aware that I have had my critics this season, but I'm single minded and I've been positive that if we could attain certain standards and maintain them that we could turn things around and that is what has happened. This is a tremendous club and there have been many glorious victories at Leeds Road over the years. I arrived at a difficult time, but I was, and still am, determined to do everything to help the club achieve further glories in higher divisions. I also want to take this opportunity of thanking some unsung heroes; my assistant Mick Jones who travels all over the country in our cause, Dave Wilson who is one of the best physios in the game, the backroom staff who have worked tremendously hard, and the directors who have been able to hold their heads above water during a sticky period. Today is a very special day. I hope you all enjoy it to the full. You deserve to. I offer my sincere thanks for your terrific



Neil Warnock
Huddersfield Town AFC - Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Neil Warnock". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal line underneath.

Welcome to



(Above) Blackpool AFC 1993/94
Back (L-R) Glen Little, Mark Bonner, Mark Murray,
Dave Robinson, Tony Rodwell, Chris Beech,
Neil Mitchell, Andy Watson.
Middle (L-R) Gary Briggs, Jamie Murphy,
Melvin Capleton, Mitch Cook, Steve McIlhargey,
Dave Bamder, Lee Martin, Phil Horner, Chris Speak,
James Quinn, Paul Stoneman.
Front (L-R) Ian Gore, Bryan Griffiths, Kevin Sheedy,
Michael Davies, Neil Bailey (Youth Coach), Billy Ayre
(Manager), Steve Redmond (Physio), Andy Gouch,
Grant Leitch, Johnathan Irvine, Andy Trickett.



(Above) Blackpool AFC Manager - Billy Ayre

Blackpool AFC 1887 - 1994

Formed in 1887 Blackpool were elected to the 2nd Division of the Football League in 1896. After failing to gain re-election in 1899 they had to drop out of the league for one season but returned in 1900.

In 1930 the 2nd Division Championship was won but they only survived in the 1st Division for three years. However four years later they returned having finished runners up in the 2nd Division to gain promotion again and this time stayed in the top flight for 30 years.

In 1948 Blackpool visited Wembley for the first of three F.A. Cup Finals within the space of five years. They were beaten that year by Manchester United 4-2 and in 1951 by Newcastle United 2-0. But in 1953 they beat Bolton 4-3 in a game that became known as the 'Matthews final', scoring 3 goals in the last 20 minutes after being behind 3-1. The late Stan Mortensen scored a hat-trick and Bill Perry the winner.

In 1956 the club finished Championship runners up to Manchester United, its highest ever placing, but in 1967 were relegated to Division 2 after winning only one home league game, 6-0 against Newcastle United. They returned to the 1st Division three years later but only for one season and have not been back since.

In 1971 they won the Anglo Italian Cup but in April 1978 a series of devastating results saw them relegated to the 3rd Division. Worse was to follow as three years later they fell to the 4th Division but gained promotion as runners up in 1985.

After being relegated again in 1990 they were denied immediate promotion through the new play offs, losing on penalties at Wembley against Torquay United. Just twelve months later they returned to the twin towers and this time success in the penalty shoot-out over Scunthorpe gave them promotion by the narrowest of margins. Last season they finished in 18th place, four points above the relegation zone of Division 2. The club recently announced plans to build a new 20,000 all seater stadium with a retractable roof on the present site.



(Above) Stanley Matthews

BLACKPOOL



(Above) Gary Briggs



(Above) Andy Watson



(Above) Bryan Griffiths

Stephen Mellhargey - 29 years old, 6'1" goalkeeper signed from Walsall before the start of the 1989/90 season having come from Scotland junior side Blantyre. Saved the penalty at Wembley in the play-offs final against Scunthorpe United that helped gain victory and promotion in 1992. Due to a serious injury only played 5 games last season. Regular substitute keeper this season only played two games plus one game on loan for Chester.

Gary Briggs - Signed during the 1989 close season from Oxford United for whom he made 501 appearances, being "Player of the Year" three times. Born in Leeds and commenced his career as an apprentice at Middlesbrough. Pool snapped him up on a free transfer when he was released by Oxford after 10 years loyal service. Key defender for Pool with 170 appearances. Scored at Brighton recently, his only goal of the season.

Ian Gore - Born in Liverpool in 1968, Ian was formerly with Birmingham City. 5'11" tall he can fit into all defensive positions but is now a regular at centre back. Missed the first part of last season with an injury. Has made 234 appearances but never scored for Pool.

Phil Horner - Signed from Halifax Town in 1990 for a fee of £175,000. Can play midfield or centre back. Regular last season mainly in midfield scoring some vital goals. He made 178 appearances with 20 goals. Has been playing at right back since Mike Davies' injury.

Tony Rodwell - Tony signed from Colne Dynamos in August 1990. He has been a regular in the side until last Christmas when injury forced him to sit out the second half of the season. Plays wing or midfield with an eye for goals, 158 appearances with 20 goals. Now back to his best after injury.

Andy Gouck - Local boy who came through the YTS scheme, now a full time professional. Tough tackling midfielder who has benefitted from a regular place in the senior squad. Total appearances 102 with 12 goals.

Michael Davies - 27 years old wholehearted utility player who came through the junior team to become an established regular in the first team. Hails from Manchester, now the longest serving player at the Club in his testimonial year. Has made 373 appearances to date with 19 goals, but after a recent operation is out for the season.

Paul Stoneman - Paul comes from Whitley Bay and signed professional in 1991, being a product of the Club's YTS scheme. A defender who made his league debut on the opening day of the 1991/92 season. 46 appearances to date.

Dave Bamber - Signed from Hull City in January 1991 for a fee of £25,000. This is the second spell at the Club for this well travelled striker. Injury forced him to miss the first half of last season but scored 13 goals in 24 games on his return. Since his return to the Club has scored 72 goals in 132 appearances.

David Robinson - 23 year-old striker signed on a free transfer from Newcastle United in the summer of 1992. A prolific striker in their reserves and has league experience on loan to Reading and Peterborough United. Injury has restricted him to 32 games and 5 goals for Pool.

Jamie Murphy - Utility player who is a product of the Club's YTS Scheme. Debut in 1991/92.

Mitch Cook - Defender signed from Darlington in March 1992. Missed the majority of last season through injury only playing the last 9 games. Experienced player with Scarborough, Middlesbrough and Halifax. Taken over as captain - 63 appearances for the club.

Grant Leitch - Another who has come through the Club's YTS scheme. Can play as a winger or striker. Has made 28 appearances with 1 goal. Been on loan at local club Fleetwood.

Chris Speak - Utility player who made his debut last season as sub at Swansea, 20 years old.

Neil Mitchell - Striker with much promise - another from the YTS scheme. A local product who played 16 games scoring 2 goals last season. Total record 36 appearances with 4 goals. Scored 2 goals at Swansea as sub.

Andy Watson - Signed from Carlisle in February 1993 previously with Halifax Town and Swansea City. Striker who made 15 appearances with 2 goals during 1992/93 season. Top scorer this season with 21 goals.

Lee Martin - Signed from Huddersfield at the start of the 1992/93 season. Goalkeeper who made 31 appearances last season. Regular keeper this season now with 72 appearances for the Club.

Chris Beech - Local lad who is the product of the Club's YTS scheme and made league debut on the last match of the 92/93 season. Signed full time professional contract this season. 33 appearances to date with 2 goals. Regular in first team squad.

Kevin Sheedy - Signed on a free transfer from Newcastle this summer. This experienced Eire International midfield player should prove an important capture. Previously played with Hereford, Liverpool and Everton. Now 32 years old. 25 appearances with 1 goal this season.

Bryan Griffiths - Signed from Wigan this summer for an undisclosed fee. This 28 year old was top scorer last season with 17 goals. Bryan plays wide on the left and can also play in an attacking role. Scored 14 goals in 43 appearances.

James Quinn - 18 year-old Northern Ireland International striker signed from Birmingham City this summer. Has much promise and hopes to get into the senior squad this season. Cost £25,000 at tribunal with further payment based on appearances. 20 appearances mostly as substitute with 3 goals. Been on loan at Stockport.



(Above) Lee Martin

young TERRIERS

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE



There are TEN differences between these 1920 cartoons depicting Town's Billy Smith.

CAN YOU SPOT THEM ?

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- RUN



TODAY'S MASCOT

Our mascot today is 10 year-old Benjamin Traynor

who attends South Crosland Junior School. He enjoys computer games but his main interest is football. Ben plays for Netherton U-10's, has always supported Town and his favourite player is Iain Dunn. Ben has been a member of the Young Terriers for 6 years and was chosen to be mascot for this last match at Leeds Road as being the longest attending present member of the Y.T's.

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- SHANKLY BOOT ROOM
- DUG OUT
- BOYS STAND
- TRIPLE CHAMPIONS
- BLUE AND WHITE
- STEPHENSON
- CUP WINNERS

See if you can spot all

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Kit



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THE REDBROOK PUB

Blackpool AFC are most appropriate opponents, compared with some of the clubs Town might have faced on such a nostalgic day. Like Town, Blackpool can point to a considerable pedigree. To date, they've spent 27 of their 79 league seasons in the old First Division proper - compared with Town's 30 out of 73 seasons.

CONNECTIONS

Town & Blackpool AFC

First and Last

Analysis of Town's home fixtures against Blackpool reveals some curious precedents. This is certainly not the first time Town have entertained Blackpool in the last match of the season. On no fewer than **THREE PREVIOUS OCCASIONS**, the Seasideers have crossed the Pennines to complete Town's league programme at Leeds Road. This occurred in season 1911-12 (Town won 4-0), 1939 - 40 (lost 0-1), and 1967-68 when Town also lost by 1-3. A further look at the fixture lists over the years reveals another remarkable quirk. How many seasons would you say Town have kicked-off against Blackpool?

Answer: **SEVEN** in all! This must surely be some sort of record! Blackpool were also here in 1980-81 for our first Saturday fixture, while in 1949-50 Town began the season at Bloomfield Road for a change.

When war broke out

The Blackpool match of August 26, 1939 was unique in becoming not only the **FIRST** league match of 1939-40, but also the **LAST** one played at Leeds Road before hostilities began. This match was also notable for the introduction of numbering by the Football League.

Teams:- **TOWN:** Hesford; Hayes, Mountford; Willingham, Young, Boot; Beasley, Isaac, Price, Mills, Mahon.

BLACKPOOL: Wallace; Sibley, Butler; Farrow, Hayward, Johnson; Finan, Astley, Dodds, Buchan, O'Donnell.

Result: **TOWN 0 BLACKPOOL 1**

Attendance: **15,588**

Finan was Blackpool's scorer but this game was of course expunged from the records as the season was abandoned and regional wartime leagues were arranged. League soccer returned in 1946-47, with Blackpool once again our first visitors!

Record Gate

Most Town fans know that Blackpool were on the receiving end of our biggest league win (10-1) - but how many remember what turned out to be the **RECORD LEAGUE GATE AT LEEDS ROAD?**

Football League **TOWN 2** **Blackpool 1**
Division One (Taylor, Hassall) (Mortensen)

Attendance: **52,479**

Teams:- **TOWN:** Wheeler; Gallogly, Kelly; McGarry, McEvoy, Boot; Nightingale, Glazzard, Taylor, Hassall, Metcalfe.

BLACKPOOL: Farn; Shimwell, Garrett; Johnston, Ainscough, Kelly; Matthews, Mudie, Mortensen, Brown, Perry.

This game took place on 7th April 1951 - exactly one week before the England v Scotland match at Wembley. The approaching international helped to create special interest in the Town game, which generated the huge crowd. But there were other factors of course, like Town's young prodigy - striker Harold Hassall. Hassall had just been called up for his England debut, and three of his England team-mates were in the Blackpool side - Harry Johnston, Stan Mortensen, and the incomparable Stanley Matthews. Matthews was a living legend, much as Gascoigne is today. In those pre-TV days, when few fans had cars, Matthews' annual visit was something not to be missed at league grounds throughout the land.

Blackpool were also well on their way to an F.A. Cup Final at Wembley, riding high in the league - and unbeaten since Boxing Day. So on the day, Town pulled off a famous victory, against a team of quality! Now another chapter in the **TOWN v BLACKPOOL** saga unfolds today. Eleven goals unlikely - the record gate unassailable but, sadly, this match will remain unique as the last ever league game at Leeds Road. Blackpool FC - a Leeds Road "First & Last" - coincidentally - seem just the right opposition to share our piece of history. But ... who would bet against Town facing them yet again in the first match at the new stadium in August!

(Below) Robert Finan - scorer of the goal that didn't count.



(Above) Blackpool - 1953 F.A. Cup Winners



(Above) Stanley Matthews



(Above) Ray Charnley

Ernest Clough

SHIRTS: WILSON, HARRIS, WOODSON
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Huddersfield Town

1951-52

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Blackpool

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(Above) Team Line up 7 April - 1951

(Below) Herbert Chapman
Town's 5th Manager 1921 - 1925



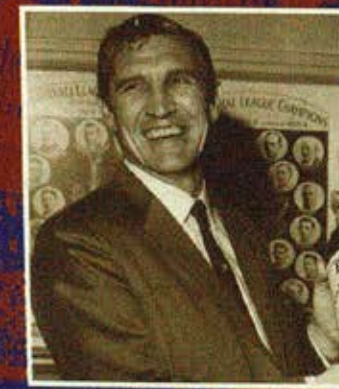
(Below) Clem Stephenson
Town's 8th Manager 1929 - 1942



(Below) Bill Shankly
Town's 13th Manager 1956 - 1959



(Below) Ian Greaves
Town's 16th Manager 1968 - 1974



FRED WALKER August 1908 - May 1910

Fred Walker was Town's first Secretary/Manager. He skippered the newly formed club while members of the North-Eastern League, only occasionally playing in Town's second season in the Midland League.

ALBERT 'DICK' PUDAN September 1910 - April 1912

Town were managed by Albert 'Dick' Pudan during their first two seasons in the Football League. After his brief foray into management at Leeds Road, he returned to Leicester Fosse as a player.

ARTHUR FAIRCLOUGH April 1912 - December 1919

Arthur Fairclough, the next manager, consolidated Town in the Second Division. It was his astute judgement which kept the young side together during the 1915-1919 period, providing the groundwork for future success.

AMBROSE LANGLEY December 1919 - March 1921

Ambrose Langley, succeeded in maintaining the club's continuing success during his spell as manager. In 1920, he guided Town to promotion to the First Division and their first appearance in the FA Cup Final.

Town's Managers

HERBERT CHAPMAN March 1921 - June 1925

Herbert Chapman, one of the most astute and innovative managers in the history of the game, had the ability to discover and motivate players to the highest level. Town won the FA Cup and two of their First Division Championships under his guidance. The Town Directors had such faith in his judgement that he alone selected the team and everyone was devastated when he moved to Arsenal.

CECIL POTTER July 1925 - August 1926

Cecil Potter had the unenviable task of succeeding Chapman. He guided the team to their third successive League Championship and enabled them to adjust their style to cope with the new offside law.

JOHN CHAPLIN August 1926 - May 1929

Scotsman John Chaplin, previously Trainer and Assistant Trainer, reluctantly became Town's next manager. Under his guidance the team were twice runners-up in the Championship, FA Cup Finalists in 1928 and Semi-Finalists the following year. A disappointing 16th placing in 1929 prompted his resignation and he reverted to Team Trainer until the outbreak of the Second World War.

CLEM STEPHENSON May 1929 - June 1942

After an illustrious playing career with Aston Villa and Town, Clem Stephenson's thirteen years in office makes him Huddersfield's longest-serving manager and perhaps one of the most successful individuals ever connected with the club. Having won three FA Cup Winner's medals from four appearances - (a member of Town's winning team in 1922) - he was to steer Town to two Wembley Finals, against Arsenal in 1930 and Preston North End in 1938, and the runners-up spot in Division One in 1934.

TED MAGNER June 1942 - September 1943

After assisting Clem Stephenson from December 1938, Ted Magner, a renowned specialist coach, became the club's Caretaker Manager. In September 1943, he reverted to his coaching role leaving in March 1944 to become manager at Derby County.

DAVID STEELE September 1943 - June 1947

David Steele, Scottish International and former Town half-back in their triple Championship winning team was the next manager. Success came in 1944 when Town topped the Football League (North) First Championship, played up to Christmas. Despite retaining First Division status, a series of disappointing results prompted Steele to resign in June 1947.

GEORGE STEPHENSON August 1947 - March 1952

Clem Stephenson's younger brother George was then appointed manager. To him fell the monumental task of preserving Town's First Division status. After successfully escaping for four seasons, a disastrous run of results led to his resignation on 11th March 1952. The struggle was lost and Town were relegated for the first time.

ANDY BEATTIE April 1952 - November 1956

Andy Beattie joined Town as manager but was unable to halt the slide to Division Two. However, he instilled new confidence into the club resulting in promotion straight back to the First Division the following season and guided Town to third spot in 1954. The club then began to slip again resulting in relegation two years later. Beattie tendered his resignation on 3rd November 1956.

(Below) Mick Buxton
Town's 19th Manager 1978 - 1986

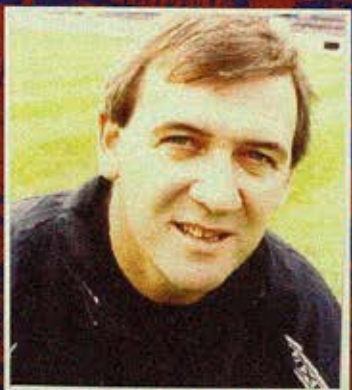


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(Below) Malcolm MacDonald
Town's 21st Manager 1987 - 1988



(Below) Eoin Hand
Town's 22nd Manager 1989 - 1992



BILL SHANKLY November 1956 - November 1959

Tee-totaller, non-smoker, perfectionist and football fanatic, Bill Shankly worked his way up the ladder via his village team Glenbuck Cherrypickers, Carlisle United and Preston North End to represent Scotland. He arrived at Leeds Road as assistant to Andy Beattie taking charge of Town's reserves and nurturing the talents of Law, McHale, Wilson and Coddington, players destined to fashion the club's fortunes in the following decade. Shankly took over as manager in 1956 and although Town were still in Division Two, it was a blow when he left in December 1959 to become manager at Liverpool.

EDDIE BOOT January 1960 - September 1964

Eddie Boot was confirmed as manager on 19th January, 1960. After an earlier career as Town's skipper and reserve team coach, he had to cope with the problems caused by the abolition of the player's maximum wage in 1961. With falling attendances and spiralling wages and transfer fees, Town were compelled to rely on home-produced talent. Apart from 1960-61, the team always managed to finish near the top of Division Two.

TOM JOHNSTON October 1964 - May 1968 and September 1977 - August 1978 (General Manager January 1975 - April 1977)

Tom Johnston had three separate spells at Leeds Road. In his first full season as manager Town came within two points of a Second Division promotion place and in 1968 reached the semi-final of the Football League Cup. Johnston's second spell began in 1975 as general manager alongside Bobby Collins but Town were relegated to Division Four. He retired after his third spell on 29th August 1978.

IAN GREAVES June 1968 - June 1974

Having been senior coach to Johnston, Ian Greaves was appointed manager on 11th June 1968 and developed a successful youth policy. In 1974 Town reached the FA Youth Cup Final against Tottenham Hotspur. They then clinched the Second Division title in 1970 but struggled in the premier league and suffered the ignominy of successive relegation from Division One in 1972 and from Division Two in 1973. Greaves resigned on 25th June 1974.

Years

BOBBY COLLINS

July 1974 - December 1975

Having enjoyed a successful playing career, Scottish International Bobby Collins was manager in 1975 when Town slumped into Division Four for the first time in the Club's history. He resigned on 23rd December 1975, seemingly unable to work alongside Tom Johnston brought in as general manager.

JOHN HASELDEN April 1977 - September 1977

John Haselden became caretaker manager on 22nd April but was unable to halt the continuing decline. When results failed to improve, he was replaced in September 1977 by Tom Johnston and returned to his original coaching position.

MICK BUXTON October 1978 - December 1986

Mick Buxton entered management at Leeds Road on 31st October 1978. Town were then lying third from bottom in Division Four but by 1980 were Champions of the Division. After a succession of injuries, Buxton rebuilt the side to win promotion to Division Two in 1983 but indifferent results led to his dismissal two days prior to Christmas 1986. However he returned in March 1993 as assistant to Ian Ross.

STEVE SMITH January 1987 - October 1987

Local born Steve Smith then became manager and although this popular ex-player initially produced better results, an alarming ten-match run without a victory at the beginning of the 1987-88 season persuaded him to resign on 6th October 1987.

MALCOLM MACDONALD October 1987 - May 1988

Malcolm MacDonald was the next choice as manager. His 206 days in office yielded only six victories from 32 games and with Third Division football looming his contract was mutually terminated on 4th May 1988.

EOIN HAND June 1988 - March 1992

Having assisted MacDonald, Eoin Hand became manager on 8th June after a caretaker role. His immediate task was to restore pride and stability for the club. After moderate placings Town looked set for the play-offs but a sudden dip in fortunes during February led to Hand's departure at the beginning of March.

IAN ROSS March 1992 - July 1993

Under Ross's rule, Town bounced back to a play-off place with seven wins out of the final eight games, only to be frustrated by Peterborough. The following season (1992-93) saw a slump in Town's fortunes and only when Ross brought in Mick Buxton did Town produce another dramatic finish - this time escaping seemingly certain relegation. The pair sensationally left in July 1993, to be succeeded by the present manager - Neil Warnock.



(Left)
Commercial Manager -
Alan Stevenson
(fourth left)
with his team



(Right)
Jean Leeming hard
at work in the
Laundry Room

take a *final look* behind the scenes

(Below)
Kevin Blackwell (left)
discusses scouting missions with
Mick Jones (right)



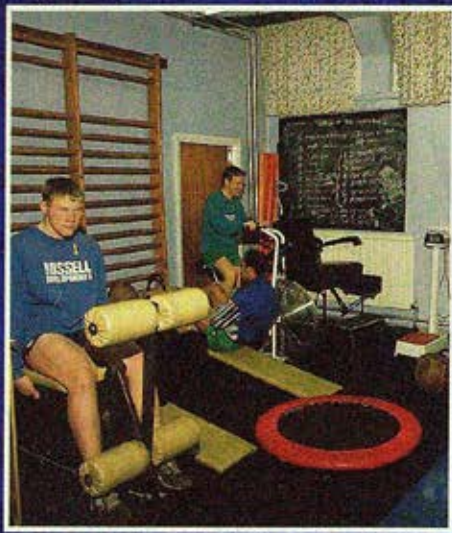
(Left and Above)
Before the game in the home team dressing room



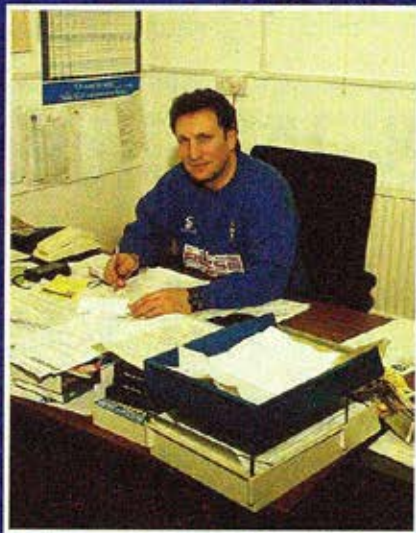
(Below)
Groundsman Raymond Chappell (left)
with his assistant Robert Ellis



(Left)
David Armitage (bottom right) with
the club's Catering staff



(Above)
Young Town professionals work out in the Gym



(Above)
Manager - Neil Warnock

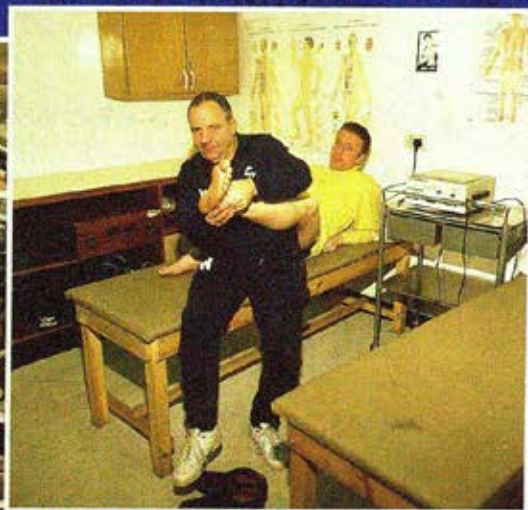


(Above)
Secretary - Alan Sykes and his administration team

...at Leeds Rd.



(Above)
The start of a professional football career - in the Boot Room



(Above)
Physio - Dave Wilson provides quick treatment to Ronnie Jepson



(Right)
Board meeting



(Below)
John Credland (left) and his Ground Maintenance team

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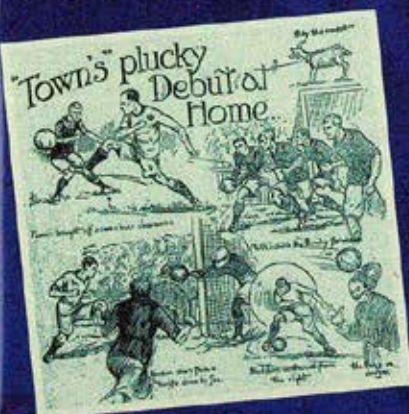
-v- Burnley,
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(Above) 'Extreme' left winger - Joe Jee



(Above) William Bartlett, Captain - 1910-1912



(Above) Cartoon drawing of Town's first Football League match

At a meeting of the Football League in June 1910, Huddersfield Town were voted into membership of the Football League Division Two.

In pre-World War One days it was decreed by the Football League that the playing of competitive matches between member teams should not start until September. In the event, Town opened their Football League career with a visit to Bradford's Park Avenue stadium and collected their first points in a solitary goal victory on Saturday, 3rd September 1910.

First LEAGUE

Match at Leeds Road...

The first Football League game in Huddersfield took place at Leeds Road on Saturday, 10th September 1910 when 'The Babes' - as Town became known in their early League days - entertained Burnley, original members of the Football League in 1888. The Lancastrians produced great teams either side of the 'Great War', but prior to that they spent thirteen consecutive seasons in the 'Second League' as it was then known.

One report on the game is headed:

"Town Disappoint - Large Crowd Witness a Creditable Victory by Burnley."

Only 7,371 turned out in beautiful weather to see Town's home League debut but this would almost certainly be a ground record for a Town match at that time. The crowd - said to be 'enthusiastic and encouraging' - saw Town kick-off in an all-white outfit with blue collar and cuffs. They were disappointed to see several early opportunities go begging. Joe Jee, one of the early Town heroes, and described by contemporary scribes as an 'extreme' left-winger, cut inside several times to send in testing shots from which Dawson, in the visitors goal, made good saves which were warmly applauded by the crowd. At the other end Mutch (Town's goalkeeper) had already ingratiated himself with the crowd when he ran almost to the corner flag to clear.

It was into the second half when a centre from the left by Morely found Mutch unsighted and Louis took advantage to shoot the 'Claret's' ahead. Mutch was injured when he collided with the post in trying to save and was unable to continue for several minutes.

"The fact that Mr H Eccles of Darwen who was officiating gave some decisions which seemed to go unfairly against the homesters, coupled with Town's weakness at half-back meant that the home supporters had little to cheer in the second period," wrote one reporter.

'Harricus' of the 'Athletic News' wrote

"Huddersfield people need not be disheartened. Their team will win many matches, and after all the score was only 1-0 against them Still the directors will soon recognise that it is points which will attract the populace."

A rather significant move was made by Town that same evening and was reported in the Sheffield Telegraph with a rather surprising revelation. The paper reported the signing of Richard Pudan the ex-Leicester, Bristol Rovers and Newcastle full-back as team manager. The report continued -

"...this shows that the Huddersfield directors mean business and as we all know the club have a tremendous power of wealth behind them - even more than Chelsea!"

As was usual in those days the local press employed an artist instead of a photographer to illustrate incidents during the match. The illustrations show that Morris and Mutch were dominant in defence and that Jee and fellow winger Blackburn were prominent forwards. Although 'Billy' the mascot (a goat) brought Town no luck the crowd did have something to smile about when, towards the conclusion of the match, the ball knocked off the helmet of an officer of the law.



(Right) The construction of the Main Stand - 1910



1908 *sees the club's* Formation



(Above) Huddersfield Town AFC - 1910/11

1908-9

Club formed and entered North Eastern League, finishing 6th.

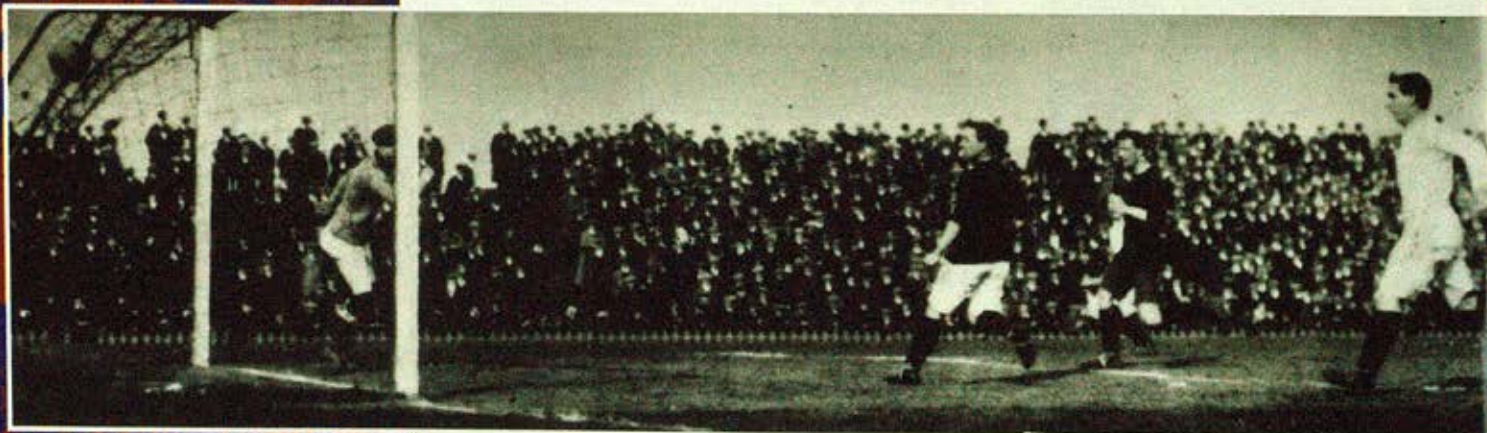
1909-10

Entered the more prestigious Midland League and finished in 5th position.

1910-11

A first-time application to the Football League succeeds and Town enter Division Two. The pitch is turned round 90° and the ground as we know it today begins to take shape. Disappointment on the field as the team end 13th in the Division. Ground record attendance of 15,459 v Chelsea, 18 April 1911.

(Left) Back Row - Mercer, Dinnie, Taylor, Roberts, Morris, Mutch, Metcalf, Clavering, Richardson, McCubbin, Felstead.
2nd Row - Whittingham, Messrs. Fudan (Manager), Hardcastle, Robinson, Moore, Crowther, Cotton (Directors), Carter (Trainer), Howie, Hughes, Ridge. 3rd Row - E. Hill, Beaton, Bullock, Bartlett, Duxbury, Proscot, Pagnam.
Front Row - Macauley, Blackburn, H. Hill, H. Taylor, Jee, Fayers, Wood



(Above) Leeds Road action - 1912



(Above) Leeds Road action - 1913

1911-12

Ground officially opened by Football League President John McKenna. Amateur International (England 2 - Ireland 0) played at Leeds Road in November. Team finish four places lower than previous season. Financial crisis means a re-construction of the company.



(Right) Club share issue - 1912

1912-13

Most successful pre-World War One season, finishing 5th and winning through to the second round of the FA. Cup for the first time. A record crowd of 17,000 for the visit of Southern League club Swindon Town see the visitors win by odd goal in three.



(Above) Huddersfield Town AFC - 1919/20

Town's FIRST



(Above) FA Cup Final - Huddersfield v Aston Villa - 1920



(Above) FA Cup Final goalmouth action - 1920

(Below) Winter game facing Cowshed - 1917

1913-14

Saw the first appearance of Town's famous blue and white vertical stripes. W.H. 'Billy Smith' - Town's most famous player signs in October 1913.

1914-15

The last season before 'The Great War' reduced football to regional competition saw Town end in 8th position (5 places above the previous season). More significantly the Reserve team - including a crop of talented youngsters - were Central League Champions.

Many of these players were the nucleus of the team which set the Town alight in the first post-war season. Two who did not were Larett Roebuck and Sidney James who tragically lost their lives in the conflict.



(Right) Cartoon depicting Town's new kit - 1913

(Left) Back Row - Murrell (Trainer), Wood, March, Bullock, N. Robinson (Director), E.C. Mitchell (Director), Middle Row - W.L. Hardcastle (Chairman), Slade, Wilson, Watson, Smith, A. Langley (Secretary/Manager), Front Row - Richardson, Mann, Taylor, Swann, Islip.

APPEARANCE in Blue & White stripes

1915-16 *3rd in Midland Section.

1916-17 *4th in Midland Section.

1917-18 *8th in Midland Section.

1918-19 *6th in Midland Section.

* War Time principal league positions.

1919-20

An amazing season in which Town escaped extinction by a hairsbreadth, rose from the ashes and won promotion and reached the Cup Final after looking almost dead just months earlier.

As the season progressed the ground record attendance was set no fewer than four times! Second to Tottenham Hotspur in Division Two and beaten by Aston Villa 0-1 in the Stamford Bridge F.A. Cup Final.

During Town's darkest Autumn weeks Jack Cock becomes Town's first England International and is then transferred to Chelsea several days later. Sammy Taylor takes over at centre-forward and sets an all-time Town record of 35 league goals for a season.

Record 47,527 see Town win through to the Semi-Final, beating Liverpool at Leeds Road.



(Left) WH ('Billy') Smith Cigarette card





1920-21
 The first season in Division 1 was one of consolidation. Two events which were to influence the subsequent rise to undreamt of heights took place this season. HERBERT CHAPMAN became manager in March 1921. Within weeks he signed CLEMENT STEPHENSON from Aston Villa, a man who, as player, captain and then manager, influenced the side for the next twenty one years. Fred Bullock became Town's second England International.



(Above) Herbert Chapman Manager 1921 - 1925

F.A. Cup Final Victory

Town 1 Preston North End 0



(Above) Smith's match winning penalty FA Cup Final - 1922



(Above) Panoramic view of Stamford Bridge during the FA Cup Final - 1922

(Below) Cartoon strip depicting Town's 3-0 victory at Old Trafford



1921-22
 Town's only F.A. Cup triumph came on April 29th at Stamford Bridge, Billy Smith scoring the game's only goal from the penalty spot - 53,710 attend the game. Smith and Sam Wadsworth selected to play for England. League position gave concern but in a Cup Final rehearsal six goals were put past Preston N.E. without reply at Leeds Road to ease relegation worries. Football Association Charity Shield and West Riding Senior Cup also won by the team.

1922-23
 A dramatic improvement in league fortunes (final position of 3rd) gave a hint of the sensations to come. FA Cup 3rd round replay at Bolton in Feb. 1923 attended by 61,609 - the largest crowd Town had played in front of.

1923-24
 Town win First Division Title by the narrowest margin in history - a decimal fraction over Cardiff City on goal average - thanks to a last match 3-0 defeat of Nottingham Forest at Leeds Road. Reserves are runners-up in Central League.



(Above) 'Action' Cigarette cards taken from photograph (opposite page) then hand coloured. Top card shows Town v Sheffield Utd - 1928



(Above) All time record goalscorer George Brown

1926-27
Town runners-up in the Championship. Billy Watson's career ends after 14 years with Town.

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1924-25
Billy Smith becomes first player in League history to score direct from a corner v Arsenal (11/10/24).
Town again Champions thanks to a tremendous thirty points from away games.
The Reserves went one better than the previous season, adding the Central League title to the list of honours.
A major blow when Herbert Chapman decides to leave in June for Arsenal.

1925-26
Close-season signing Alec Jackson from Aberdeen makes a big impact.
Town draw 5-5 at White Hart Lane.

TOWN BECOME FIRST TEAM IN HISTORY OF ENGLISH FOOTBALL TO WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP IN THREE CONSECUTIVE SEASONS.

George Brown equals Taylor's record of 35 league goals in a season.
Reserves win Central League for second successive season.



(Above) First Division Championship Cup

Hat-trick of Division 1 Championships



(Above) Huddersfield Town AFC - 1927/28
(Left) Back Row - Reclern, Goodall, Mercer, Wilson, Brown, Steele. Front Row - Jackson, Kelly, Stephenson, Smith, Barkas.

1927-28
Double runners-up. Two points short in the Championship and beaten 1-3 at Wembley by Blackburn Rovers after three Semi-Final tussles with Sheffield United.

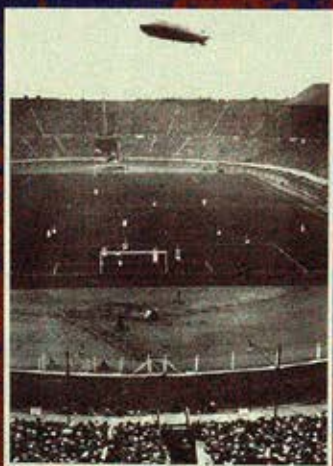
Five players appear in the 'Wembley Wizards' International match (England 1 Scotland 5) with Jackson scoring a hat-trick. Spurs thrashed 6-1 in quarter-final at Leeds Road after a 6-0 half-time scoreline. Bury defeated at Gigg Lane by a Town team which included 9 reserves.



(Above) King George V greeting Town's FA Cup final team - 1928

1928-29
Nearly at Wembley again - Town fail at the Semi-Final stage, beaten 1-3 by Bolton at Anfield. Clem Stephenson plays his last game and becomes the club manager in May.

(Below) Semi-Final action at Maine Road Town v Sheffield United - 1928



1929-30
Wembley-way again. Town go down to Chapman's Arsenal (0-2) in a game everyone wanted to see. German Zeppelin casts its shadow over this happy occasion (above).





1930-31
The great Alec Jackson leaves for Chelsea. Town record the biggest league win in their history; a 10-1 defeat of Blackpool at Leeds Road (left - newspaper headline). No joy in the Cup but a healthy 5th position in Division One.

Record attendance of

67,037

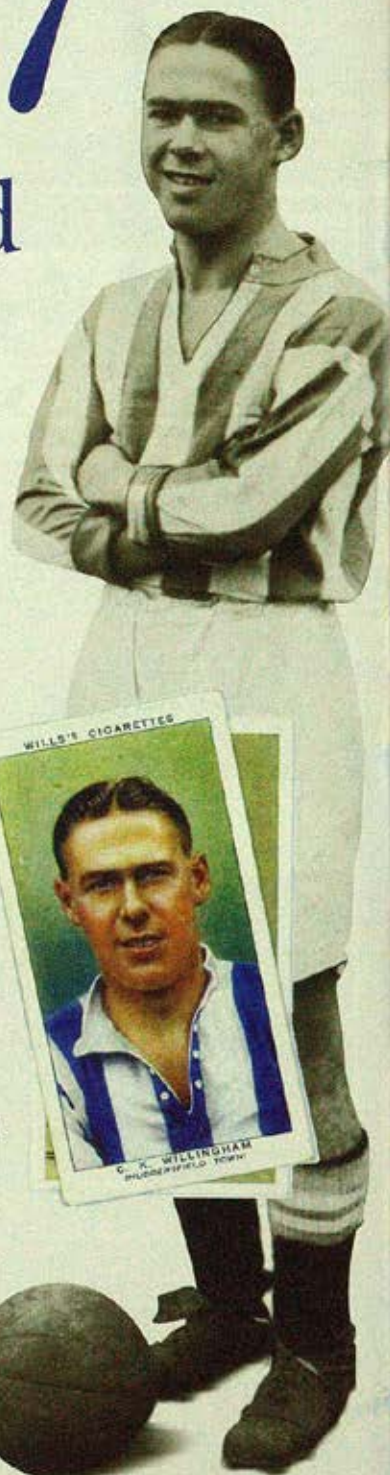
at Leeds Road



1931-32

One record is made and another tumbles in the same match. Leeds Road's record 67,037 crowd see Town's amazing unbeaten FA Cup home record go in a quarter final tie with Arsenal. A single goal defeat (Roberts scoring after two minutes) is the first in 26 consecutive home FA Cup ties going back to 1913. Goalkeeper Hughie Turner sets club record 181 consecutive appearances.

Dave Mangnall (*above left*) sets a club record of five goals in one match, during a 6-0 victory over Derby in November.



1932-33

Departure of Bob Kelly and an injury to Mangnall reduce Town's scoring capacity.

The emergence of Ken Willingham.

Only 2,429 see First Division fixture at Leeds Road.

1933-34

Goals flow again and Town finish second in the Championship.

McLean and Mangnall injuries end Leeds Road careers.

Billy Smith plays the last of his 574 games for Town after a League record fourth benefit.



(Above) Huddersfield Town AFC official team coach - 1933

(Right) Ken Willingham Cigarette card

1934-35

Town thrash Liverpool 8-0.

Lythgoe equals Mangnall's five goals in a game during a 6-0 victory over Blackburn.



(Left) Billy Smith receiving his 4th benefit. Presented by Mr J McKenna, President of the Football League - 1933

(Below) All ready for FA Cup Final - 1938



1935-36
Top of the table
after 10 matches.
Final position of third.

1936-37
Town fail to win a single away
fixture for the only time in
Club history. Early cup exit
(0-5) at Brentford.
Scottish record goalscorer
Willie McFadyen joins Town
from Motherwell and Eddie
Boot is recruited from
Sheffield United.



(Above) Alf Young, Town's captain during the 1930's.

The first televised F.A. Cup Final Town v Preston

North End

(Below) Preston's inside right, Mutch, scores from the spot via the crossbar in the last minute of extra time during the F.A. Cup Final - 1938

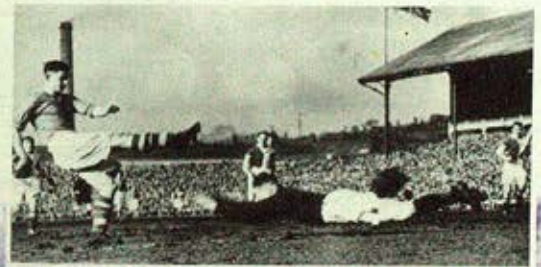


1937-38
Back to Wembley again - but Preston gain
their revenge in extra time with a disputed penalty goal.
Last-gasp relegation escape with a 1-0 win over Manchester City and Town finish
a comfortable 15th!

1938-39
Young Bill Price scores a second-half hat-trick to help Town change a 0-2 half-time
deficit into a 4-2 fourth round F.A. Cup victory at Elland Road.
Only 20 minutes from Wembley again, Town are eclipsed by Portsmouth in the
Highbury Semi-Final.

1939-40
Only 3 matches played before World War 2 puts an end to League Football.
Town finish as Champions in the North-East Regional division of the emergency War Time League.

(Right) FA Cup 6th Round replay, (Blackburn Rovers v Town) - 1939
Johnny Mahon scoring Town's 1st goal in a 2-1 victory.



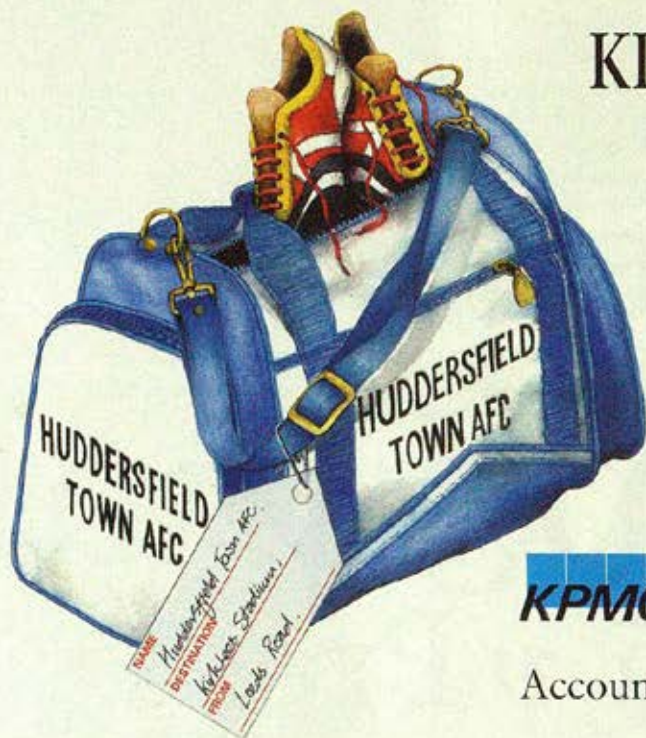
(Below) FA Cup 3rd Round, (Plymouth Argyle v Town) - 1934
Town's keeper, H. Turner clears a cross.



(Left) Billy Price

(Below)
Town's official
songsheet cover
- 1938





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1940-41

11th in North Regional War Time league.
11-0 win at Leeds Road against Rochdale watched by Town's lowest first-team gate, just 386! Robert H. Gordon killed in action, Sept. 1940.

1941-42

11th again in North Regional section (first comp.)
6th in North Regional section (second comp.)
Clem Stephenson resigns as manager and leaves after 21 years at Leeds Road.



(Above) Clem Stephenson Cigarette card

Wartime

forces Town's second lowest ever crowd

of **386**

1942-43

Price scores 38 goals in 31 matches as Town finish 5th and 8th in the two regional competitions.



(Above) Peter Doherty

1943-44

Price scores seven goals against luckless Crewe A. in an 8-0 win at Huddersfield on November 6th 1943. This is believed to be the highest individual tally in any official Town match.

1944-45

Champions of Football League (North), first competition.

1945-46

15th in Football League (North).
Town beat Middlesbrough 8-2 away and 7-0 at home on successive Saturdays.



(Above) Crowd scene behind Dalton Bank end goal - late 1940's

1946-47

Town in need of inspiration to avoid relegation sign Peter Doherty in December.
Two late wins save the day as Town end one place above the big drop.

1947-48

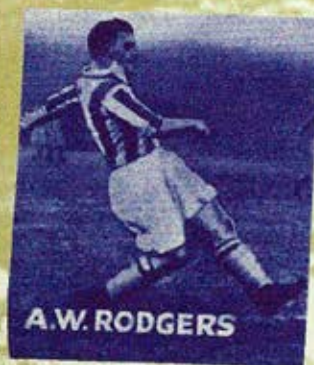
Doherty masterminds another escape.
Town draw 4-4 at Old Trafford.
Defeat at non-league Colchester in the 3rd round of the F.A. Cup causes a sensation.

1948-49

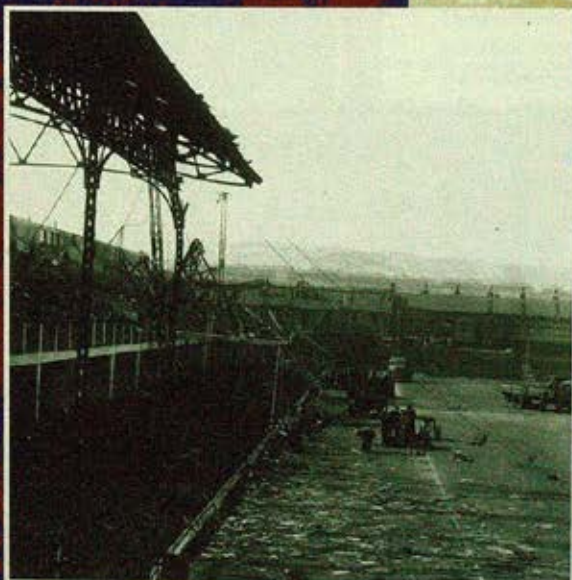
Another extraordinary escape.
80th minute goal by Arnold Rodgers beats the great Frank Swift in his last game for Manchester City and keeps Town in Division One.

1949-50

Town lose 1-7 at Wolverhampton for the second successive season.
On 3rd April 1950 the main stand was burned down and Town played two 'home' fixtures against Derby and Newcastle at Eland Road, Leeds.



(Above) Arnold Rodgers



(Left) Main stand demolished by fire - 1950



1950-51
Record 0-8 defeat at Middlesbrough in September sets the scene – but another narrow escape.
Harold Hassall becomes an International in virtually his first full season in League football. Vic Metcalfe also chosen for England.
Highest ever League gate at Leeds Road 52,479 when Blackpool visit on April 7 1951.

(Right) Vic Metcalfe
Huddersfield Town & England.



Town

Relegated

from the 1st Division

for the first time

...but promoted the next season



(Above) Bill McGarry

1952-53

Glorious promotion in first season down. The unchanged defence creates a league record.

All six plus left winger Vic Metcalfe play all 42 games.

Metcalfe – Glazzard partnership cemented in Leeds Road folk-lore at Easter, when Vic provides all four centres for Jim's four headed goals in an 8-2 demolition of Everton.

1953-54

Back to the big-time with a record average gate, Town finishing 3rd in Division One; their best post-war position.

Veteran Chairman of Huddersfield Town and the Football Association Amos Brook Hirst is Knighted in the New Years Honours List.

1954-55

Jim Glazzard is Division One's leading goalscorer.

'We'll see you at Wembley' writes skipper Len Quested before Town's quarter-final showdown with Newcastle at Leeds Road.

Match ends in a draw and Town lose at St. James' Park.

1951-52

A 1-7 defeat by Wolverhampton – the third such in four seasons!

Len Quested joins Town from Fulham.

Spurs player illegally plays ball twice in succession from a corner-kick and a goal is scored!

Town protest but result allowed to stand. Relegated for the first time in our history.

(Below) Huddersfield Town - 1952/3

(Left) Back Row - L. Kelly, R. Staniforth, W. McGarry, J. Wheeler, L. Quested, D. McEvoy.
Front Row - A. Gunn, J. Watson, J. Glazzard, W. Davie, V. Metcalfe.



(Below) Jimmy Glazzard scoring one of four headers in an 8-2 victory over Everton - 1953





1955-56
Roof goes up on the 'popular' side - the East Terrace (right).
Jim Glazzard ends season as top scorer for fourth successive season, with only 11 goals.
Town relegated, pipped by Aston Villa on goal average, despite winning the last four matches.



Bill Shankly

takes over



1956-57
Bill Shankly (above) takes over as manager. McHale and Law (both 16 year-olds) form youngest ever right-wing partnership. Biggest post-war gate 55,168 recorded in 5th Round of F.A. Cup against Burnley at Leeds Road.

1957-58
Vic Metcalfe departs but Ray Wilson establishes himself as permanent left-back. Town take part in the most amazing league match of all time - going down 6-7 at the Valley, Charlton, after leading 5-1 with only 28 minutes to go, the only such score in league history.



(Above) Charlton Athletic v Town - 1958



1958-59
Denis Law becomes Town's youngest ever International and Scotland's youngest this century.

1959-60
Shankly departs for Liverpool. Town thrash First Division West Ham 5-1 in cup replay at Upton Park. Denis Law is transferred to Manchester City for a then British record fee of £55,000. Two weeks later Ray Wilson played his first full International match for England.



(Above) West Ham v Town - 1960



(Above) News headlines for the 6-7 defeat against Charlton Athletic - 1958



1961- Town

(Below) Town players Chris Balderstone (left) and Les Massie defend against Jack Charlton (heading for goal for Leeds United), during a derby match - 1964



(Left) Villa Park's programme League Cup 2nd Round - 1960
Turf Moor's programme FA Cup 5th Round - 1964

1960-61

First game in new League Cup ends in a 1-4 defeat at Villa Park attended by 17,057 (programme cover below).
Town 'lit-up' as Leeds Road's first floodlit match (FA Cup Third Round Replay) against holders Wolves on Wednesday 11 January 1961 ends in a 2-1 victory in front of 46,155.

An incredible attendance, considering that Town were next to bottom of the Second Division and only 5,860 had attended the Brighton match just weeks earlier.

Over 44,000 attended the Fourth Round match at Leeds Road, also under floodlights, against neighbours Barnsley.



(Right) England U23 - Mike O'Grady

'Light-Up'

for the first time

1961-62

An improvement from 20th position last season to 7th in Division Two this season inspired by a mid-season signing of Len White from Newcastle.

Floodlights blown down in February 1962. Replaced by a new set, still in use over 30 years later.



(Above)
Mid-season signing of
Len White from Newcastle - 1961

1962-63

Unbeaten run of 13 matches from start of the season put Town among the early leaders before the 'big freeze' took its toll.

Outstanding performances by Stokes and O'Grady result in their selection for England U23 honours. Weather results in no match at Leeds Road from December 8 1962 until March 9 1963. Town find it difficult to regain their consistency and finish 6th.

1963-64

Town stun Plymouth and Chelsea in Cup but go down at Turf Moor, Burnley in 5th Round (programme shown left).

1964-65

Disastrous start to the season results in the resignation of Eddie Boot and the subsequent appointment of Tom Johnston in October 1964.

A late run, spurred by new signing Jimmy Nicholson from Manchester United, sees Town finish 8th in table.



(Above) Ray Wilson - Huddersfield's last England international whilst with the club, transferred to Everton - 1964

1965-66

A good start including a double hat-trick. (Gilliver and Massie (far right) being scorers) in a 6-0 demolition of Middlesbrough. Gates soar as Town stay with the leaders, averaging 18,322.



49,612 attend the Town v Sheffield Wednesday Fifth Round F.A. Cup Tie, with Wednesday victorious by 2-1 (ticket left). After defeats in the final two games, Town lose out on promotion, finishing fourth.



The 'Terriers'

lead 2nd Division from start to finish



(Above) Tony Leighton

1966-67

Amongst the leaders for most of the season, two 0-1 defeats by Wolves on consecutive days at Easter condemn Town to yet another Division Two season.

1967-68

League Cup success at last, but Town lose out to Arsenal in a two-leg Semi-Final. Tony Leighton brings the tie level at Leeds Road, but Arsenal score three second-half goals to go through to Wembley.

1968-69

Ian Greaves takes over as manager after bringing on many local youngsters in his previous capacity as coach.



(Below) Ian Greaves takes over - 1968



(Above) Town's captain, Jimmy Nicholson is presented with the 2nd Division Championship - 1970

1969-70

Promotion at last as the 'Terriers' - a new nickname - lead the Second Division from start to end. Promotion clinched with a 1-1 draw at Middlesbrough.

Championship sealed at Ewood Park in the next match, beating Blackburn 2-0 with two goals from top scorer Frank Worthington, who netted 19 in the season.

Poole, Clarke, Hutt, Nicholson, Ellam, Worthington and McGill played in all 42 league games.



1970-71

Back in the big-time after a 14 year absence, Town top the First Division after two matches.

113,896 see the three-match Fourth Round FA Cup tie with Stoke City. A 15th final placing for Greaves' young team.

Town in Europe. An Anglo-Italian double over Sampdoria.



(Above) Huddersfield Town's careers handbook - 1970

Anglo Italian Double over Sampdoria



(Above) Anglo-Italian handbook - 1971

1971-72

The goals dry up in League football and Town slump.

Only four league goals scored in the final sixteen games and two of these were courtesy of the opposition!

Relegated back to the Second Division.

Worthington, Ellam and Cherry leave Leeds Road.



(Above) Gordon Banks punching ball during FA Cup 4th Round Replay - 1971



Football cards
(Above from left)
Frank Worthington, Roy Ellam and Trevor Cherry - 1971

1972-73

Even worse disaster, another relegation - this time to the Third Division for the first time in Town's history.



(Above) Huddersfield Town's Youth Team - 1974
(From left) Stephen Barrest, Lloyd Maitland, Paul Cooper, Dave Nicholls, Martin Fowler, Peter Hart, Robert Newton, Robin Wray, Dick Taylor, Francis Firth, Alan Sweeney, Bob Mountain, Paul Holmes, Stephen Spriggs

1973-74

Tenth in Division Three and 25 goals for Alan Gowling.

Town become first Yorkshire club to win through to the Youth Cup Final. Having drawn 1-1 at White Hart Lane with Spurs in the first-leg, the youngsters attract 15,300 to Leeds Road, the largest crowd for any match for over two years.

A goal in extra time denies the young Terriers the trophy. By way of consolation, the Youth team entertain England Youth at Leeds Road the following season.

1974-75

Greaves departs and Bobby Collins takes charge as manager for what proves to be a disastrous season.

Town finish 24th and are doomed to sample life in the Football League basement for the first time.

Leeds United require three matches to dump Town out of the League Cup.



(Above) John Haselden

1975-76

Tom Johnston returns for a second spell at the helm.

A valiant effort for first-time promotion just fails.

Town lose to rivals Tranmere 0-3 at Prenton Park after conceding three disputed penalties.

A Fourth-Round FA Cup tie with Bolton attracts 27,894 to Leeds Road, the highest crowd of the decade bar First Division days.

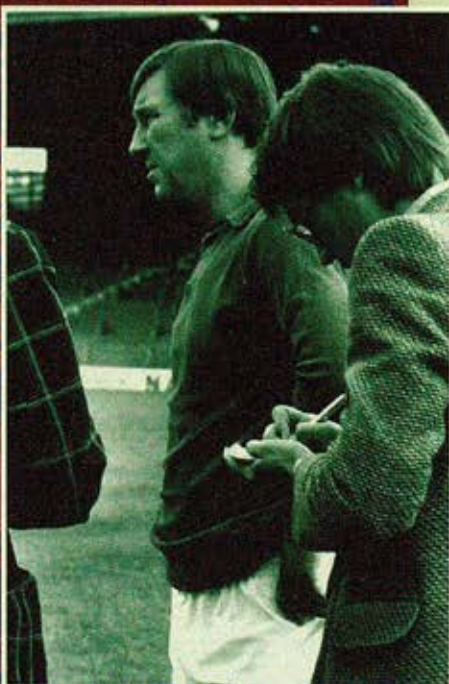
1976-77

Five defeats in a row late in the season put paid to promotion prospects.

John Haselden (left) takes over as caretaker-manager.

1980 -

101 league goals crowns championship



(Above) Mick Buxton talks to the Press following his appointment - 1978

1977-78

After a disastrous start to the season Town found themselves rock-bottom of the League and it was then that Mick Buxton was appointed manager.

For the first time (*but not the last*) Buxton's magic touch brought Town to an 11th final placing.



(Right) A diving header from Ian Robins takes Town's goal tally to 100 - 1980

1978-79

No immediate success for the new manager but he was gathering a team which would have a dramatic impact on the basement divisions in the seasons which followed.

1979-80

A wonderful Championship season in which Town for the first time in their history, record 100 League goals (*101 precisely*). Gates gradually increased and in a tremendous run-in Walsall were pipped for the title.

Ian Robins scores 29 competition goals and along with full-back Malcolm Brown (*right*) is named in the Professional Footballers' Association Fourth Division Team of the Year.

Steve Kindon joined the club at Christmas, became the crowd's 'darling', and scored 14 times in 22 games; strikes which proved decisive to the ultimate success.



Back Row: K. Hanvey, M. Brown, J. Watson, A. Starling, D. Sutton, P. Fletcher
Middle Row: J. Branagan, P. Hart, P. Sandercock, T. Armstrong, C. Topping
Front Row: T. Gray, P. Howey, I. Holmes

(Below) Huddersfield Town AFC - 1979





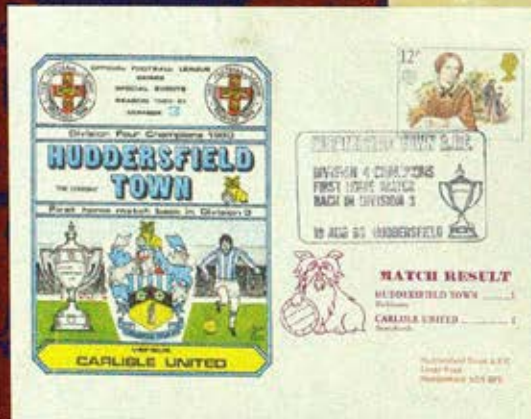
1980-81
 Success in glorious failure. Town just miss out on promotion. 28,901 view a home victory over Barnsley on February 7 1981, Town's biggest Leeds Road gate since October 1971, and the largest attendance in the stadium's final 23 years.
 Three different players don the goalkeeper's jersey in the home FA Cup tie against Shrewsbury.



(Above) 'Crowd favourite' Steve Kindon celebrates in style - 1980

biggest crowd for 10 Years

28,901 *Town 1 Barnsley 0*

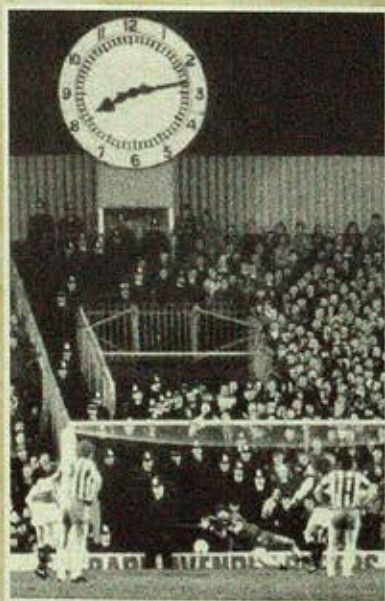


(Above) First Day Cover commemorates Town's return to Division 3 - 1980

1981-82
 Injury problems lead to a lack of goals with not a single player reaching double figures for the season.
 This results in faithful club-man Steve Smith, then the club chief scout, taking over at left-back at Workington, his first game for the club in 5 years.

1982-83
 A splendid season in both cup and league football with promotion back to the Second after a decade's absence.

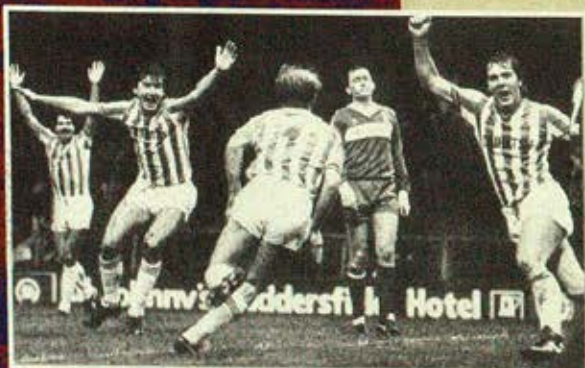
Malcolm Brown establishes new club record for consecutive appearances (259).
 League Cup progress via defeats of Doncaster, Oxford and Leeds (at Elland Road) to a Fourth Round showdown with Arsenal at Highbury.
 Once again Arsenal prove the stumbling block, but Town go out only due to a hotly disputed penalty.



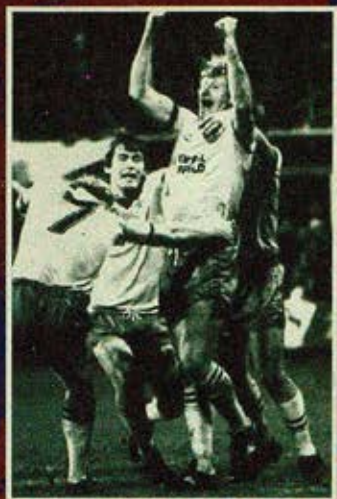
(Above) Arsenal's disputed penalty

1983-84
 Higher-grade Watford (defeated in Milk Cup) and Q.P.R. knocked out of the FA Cup at Leeds Road. Town finish a respectable 12th on their return to Division Two.

1984-85
 Erratic results abound - 2-10 double by Shrewsbury (both 1-5 defeats), but Town claw their way to 13th position.
 Dale Tempest top scorer with 16 goals.



(Below) Town celebrate after a Mark Lillis goal



1987/88



(Above) Duncan Shearer's goalscoring helped Town avoid relegation - 1987



(Above) Top scorer - Craig Maskell - 1989

1985-86

Town again in danger of relegation despite the flamboyant skills of Terry Curran.

Duncan Shearer signed late in the season and his seven goals in seven games (including a full-debut hat-trick at Barnsley) keep Town afloat.

(Right) 'Flamboyant' Terry Curran



Town's worst season in 80 years

1986-87

Shearer's 24 goals include four against Bradford at Leeds Road, sealing a 5-2 win.

Again Town escape relegation thanks to a late flourish of three straight victories.

Mick Buxton sacked two days before Christmas and Steve Smith appointed in January to become Town's only locally born manager.



(Above) Mick Buxton sacked - 1986

1987-88

Malcolm MacDonald became manager on 12 October. November 7, 1987 goes down as the blackest day in Huddersfield Town's history. Beaten 10-1 at Maine Road, Manchester by City's exciting young side.

Most goals conceded (100), most home defeats (12), fewest wins (6), and of course, relegation to Division Three.

MacDonald sacked and assistant Eoin Hand gets the nod. Town's worst season in 80 years of competition.

(Below) Steve Smith appointed - 1987



1988-89

Craig Maskell is recruited from Southampton Reserves and makes an immediate impact, scoring 31 goals in the three major competitions. On April Fools Day Town beat Bury 6-0 at Gigg Lane to equal their biggest winning margin in an away League match.

1989-90

Sequence of five straight defeats ended with a five goal thrashing of Cardiff at Ninian Park.

Craig Maskell scores four goals in this game, equalling highest individual league haul for a Town player playing away from Leeds Road. Bury reverse the previous April's scoreline as Town are hit for six at Gigg Lane.

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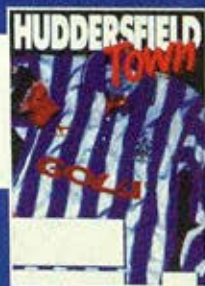
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1990-91

Town disappoint by just missing out on a play-off place. New forward Iwan Roberts, record £275,000 signing from Watford top-scores with 15 goals.



(Above) Town's club captain Peter Jackson

28,000 fans enjoyed a great day out



(Below) Mid-air action at Wembley



1991-92

A good start to the season includes another high-scoring game at Gigg Lane. Town recover from a 0-4 deficit to draw 4-4 with Bury. Despite a record 7-0 home F.A. Cup victory over non-League Lincoln United, a mid-season slump in league form sees Town drop well behind the leading pack.

Celebrations are held to mark Town's 3000th league game on 18th January 1992 versus Peterborough.

Recapturing early-season form,

Town secure 22 points out of a possible 24 with seven wins

and a draw in the last eight matches, notching a play-off Semi-Final with Peterborough. Four thousand Town fans travel to London Road and return well pleased with a 2-2 draw. Phil Starbuck strikes early in the second leg. Town are minutes from Wembley until dreams are shattered by two late 'Posh' goals.

Iwan Roberts scores post-war club record of 34 goals in the season.



(Above) Ian Ross - Town's Manager from March 1992 - July 1993



(Above) Top scorer - Iwan Roberts opens his account - 1991

(Right) The Huddersfield Daily Examiner's headline following Town's 4-4 draw at Bury.



back at Wembley after 56 years

1992-93

Town suffer six consecutive defeats early in the season and find themselves ten points adrift in the relegation zone at the beginning of March. Mick Buxton returns as assistant to Ian Ross. A dramatic reversal of form, 12 wins and 2 draws in the last 17 matches, results in a spectacular climb up the table to safety. The last third of the season constitutes Town's best finish since 1920, including all five championship campaigns.

1993-94

Mick Buxton and Ian Ross sensationally resign in the close-season and Neil Warnock is appointed manager. Simon Charlton (*to Southampton*), Iwan Roberts (*Leicester*), Chris Marsden (*Wolves*) are transferred in deals totalling almost one million pounds. New signings, Steve Francis (*from Reading*), Ronnie Jepson (*Exeter*), Pat Scully (*Southend*), Darren Bullock (*Nuneaton Borough*) and Richard Logan (*Gainsborough Trinity*) amongst others, help to inspire a late rally, securing a place in the Autoglass Trophy final at Wembley. Safety from relegation is assured with a late run of favourable results.

Town's largest ever away following (28,000) travel to the Twin Towers on Sunday, April 24th 1994. After Swansea City take a first-half lead, a second half equaliser by Richard Logan forces extra-time, but, with the scoreline deadlocked at 1-1, the tie is decided on penalties. The Welshmen deny Town their first success on their fourth visit to Wembley in front of 47,773 fans.

(Below) Andrew Booth foiled by Swansea's keeper



the Final Line



(Above) Huddersfield Town A.F.C., 1993-94

(Back Row) Scott Whitehead, Richard Ward, Rodney Rowe, Simon Baldry, Kevin Blackwell, Steve Francis, Chris Billy, Gary Clayton, Gerry Harrison, Simon Collins.

(Middle Row) Mick Jones (Assistant Manager), Richard Logan, Ronnie Jepson, Ifem Onuora, Pat Scully, Peter Jackson, Andrew Booth, Graham Mitchell, Jonathan Dyson.

(Front Row) Michael Midwood, Simon Trevitt, Tom Cowan, Phil Starbuck, Neil Warnock (Manager), Darren Bullock, Iain Dunn, Phil Robinson, Mark Wells, Dave Wilson (Physiotherapist).

up at *Leeds Road*





(Above) Alec Jackson - 1929

Boots

The famous Manfield Hotspur boot of pre-war years could be purchased for about £1 per pair. A high quality boot, it had a 'double fortified' toe-cap and brass rivet eyelets. The leather ankle-boot would be smeared with 'dubbin' - a kind of greasy polish which kept out the rainwater. The solid leather studs were driven into the sole by nails.



(Above) Typical playing boots from the 1930's

How they Looked

Shirts

In pre-war days the blue stripes were much paler than those of later years. In the mid 1920's a set of striped shirts could be purchased for 27s (£1.35) per dozen!

Town's first set of shirts for season 1908-9 were red. The set for the following season were all blue, while during the next three years white shirts with blue collar and cuffs were adopted. It was not until 1913 that the club first wore the now famous blue and white stripes. In pre-World War One days it was a broad stripe and, until the 1940's, of a much paler blue. The 1920's style with a lace collar was necessary because of the use of non-stretch fabric. In Town's five Cup Final appearances their players wore shirts emblazoned with two badges, a white Yorkshire Rose on the right-hand side and the Huddersfield Borough emblem on the left.

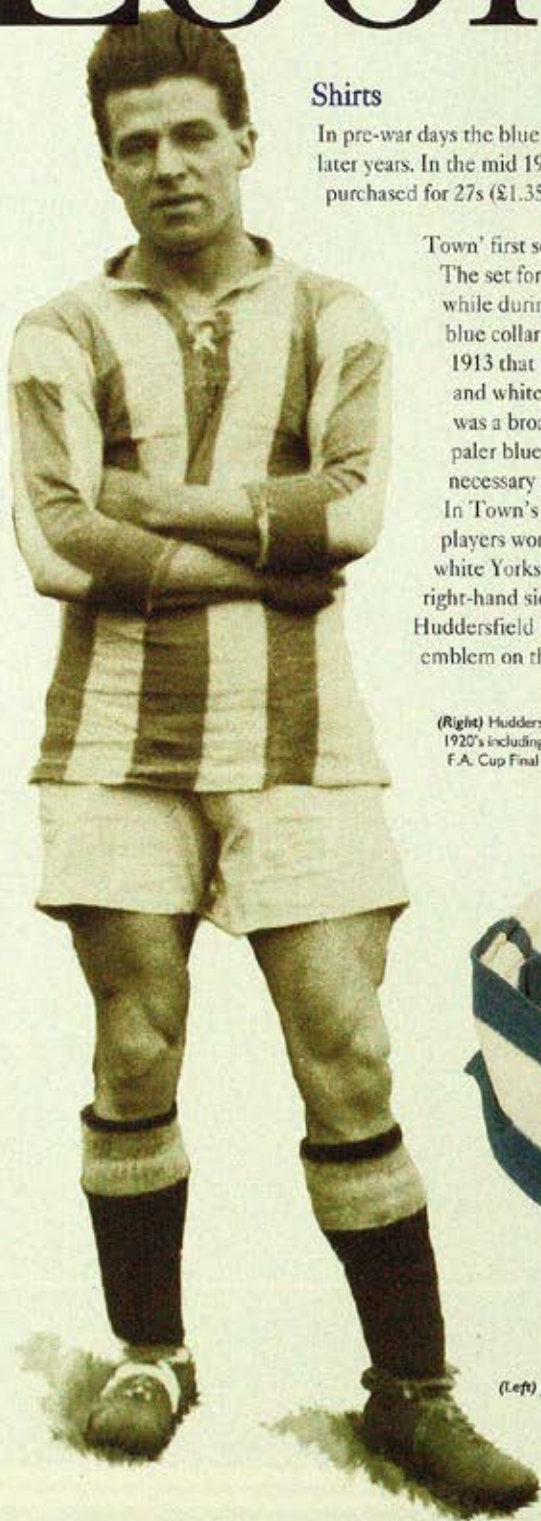
(Right) Huddersfield Town shirts from the 1920's including a shirt worn in the 1922 F.A. Cup Final (left)



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Huddersfield F.C.

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VENUE

(Above) Len Butt - 1936



(Left) Joe Walter - 1923



(Above) Derek Parkin in Town's all blue shirt from season's 1967-68 and 1968-69.

through the

(Below) Alan Gowling - 1974



In the 1928 F.A. Cup Final the team wore a change strip of white shirts and black knickers. 'Knickers' was the official term given to the garment we now know as 'shorts'. This was the way in which the Town programme referred to them until 1959. These 'knickers' or shorts had always been white until season 1993-94. In the inter-war years socks were mainly dark blue with a white and light blue hoop at the top. The 1940's and 1950's were blue and white hoops, whilst early 1960's hosiery was all white with a small blue hoop. Official notification of a team's 'change strip' was less rigorous in years gone by but from photographic evidence Town's can be logged as follows:

- Pre 1913 - All blue shirts
- 1920's and 1930's - Red shirts
- 1950's/early 1960's - White shirts, black shorts
- Late 1960's early 1970's - Red/Black vertical stripes, black shorts
- Late 1970's early 1980's - Yellow shirts and blue shorts

(Right) John Coddington - late 1950's



JOHN CODDINGTON
Huddersfield Town

Years

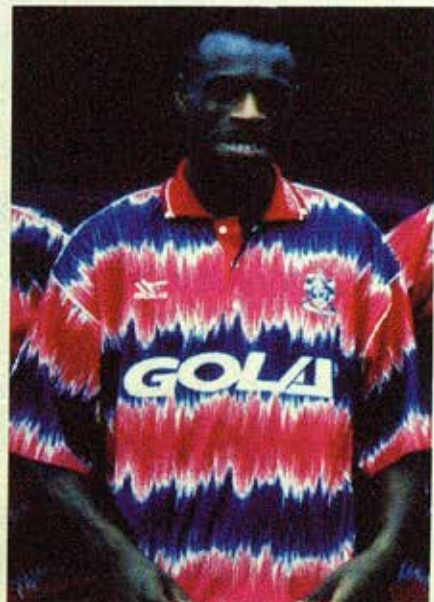
Lately, a variety of 'away kits' have been worn, the most popular being the red and black electric - hooped shirts of the 1991-2 and 1992-3 seasons which, at one time, became nationwide bestsellers. On two occasions, for a couple of seasons in the late 1960's and again in the mid 1970's, the club adopted all blue shirts. On both occasions they changed back to the traditional stripes by public demand. A survey in 1969 showed that five out of six supporters favoured the famous blue and white stripes.

(Right) Ray Wilson, Mike O'Grady and Coach Alf Young (all England internationals) discuss tactics in 1963



(Below) Craig Maskell - 1989

(Below right) Ifem Onuora sporting Town's unmistakable away kit of red and black 'Electric Hoops' - 1991-92 and 1992-93



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STEVE KINDON chose Leeds Road ahead of Los Angeles, Fort Lauderdale and Houston – and didn't regret it for a minute. Nor did Town's supporters, with whom the juggernaut striker became a huge favourite. Kindon crashed 37 goals in 82 games for Town – and played a key role in helping them win the Fourth Division title in 1979-80. After fighting a losing battle with a knee injury – probably the only time he admitted defeat in a 15-year career which also included spells at Burnley and Wolves – he became Town's promotions manager. He attacked his backroom role with as much gusto as he had opposing defenders, helping form the highly-successful Young Terriers, and staging a sponsored walk to Blackburn which raised enough cash to build the area for the disabled in the main stand at Leeds Road. And yet it was only the plea of a Town supporter which persuaded Kindon to come to Huddersfield. He was in his second spell at Burnley when Town manager Mick Buxton – who had just signed experienced goalkeeper Andy Rankin and saw burly frontman Kindon as the final piece in his promotion jigsaw – offered the Turf Moor club £50,000 in December, 1979.

STEVE Kindon

“*I was uncertain about the move. I'd never played outside the top two divisions, and Town were in the Fourth. At that stage in my career, it seemed like a backwards step,*” says Kindon, who these days works as sales manager for Huddersfield basket-ware importers Rolyat. *“I had offers from two other Second Division clubs and nine in the North American Soccer League, so without wanting to sound big-headed, I was spoiled for choice. I'd said no to Town once, but was asked to come across as a guest to watch a Friday night match against Rochdale at Leeds Road. The Examiner had carried the story of Town trying to sign me, and a few fans started suggesting I thought myself too good to join the club. It was all good-natured stuff, and we swapped a bit of banter, but then one old bloke came up and said: ‘Steve, please reconsider, we've got the basis of a great team here, and an old head like you would make all the difference.’ I felt a bit insulted at being called an old head – I was only 29! – but I took on board what he said, and when Mick called me into his office after the game – which Town won 5-1 – I ended up signing.”*

Kindon's Town debut was in a 2-1 defeat at Halifax Town on Boxing Day, 1979, but from then until the end of the season, Town lost just once more, clinched promotion with three games to spare, and then took the title – and topped 100 league goals for the term – in a memorable final-day meeting with Hartlepool. Kindon was the perfect foil for fellow striker Ian Robins – and the extent to which the supporters took him to their hearts was illustrated when Town staged an official photo call to mark their title win.



“It was done on a Thursday morning, just after the season had finished, and we had to put on our match-day kit and go out onto the Leeds Road pitch,” he recalls. “We were all walking down the tunnel when Keith Harvey grabbed me by the arm and said: ‘That's the first time in six months that I've come out onto the pitch and not heard the chant Kin-don, Kin-don.’ That really brought home to me what a great time I'd had, and how much success meant to Town.”

There was more joy for Kindon the following November when he netted his 100th league goal in a 2-0 Leeds Road defeat of Chesterfield. The 1980-81 season eventually ended in disappointment – Town missed out on promotion to Division II by just one place – but only after Kindon had staged a spectacular one-man show to salvage a point for Town in a league game at Sheffield United. Town were trailing 2-0 when Kindon came on with 13 minutes to go, netted twice in five minutes, and had the travelling supporters dancing with delight. Earlier in the campaign, Kindon had played four matches wearing a skull cap after breaking a cheek bone.

“In my first game back I had to take a penalty, so I took the skull cap off, scored, and then quickly put it back on before the lads jumped on me!”

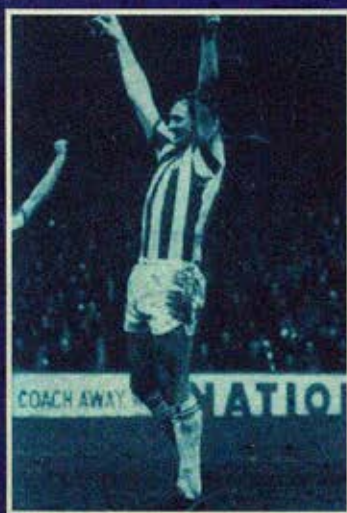
Kindon, who lives at Honley, eventually broke off day-to-day involvement at Leeds Road when he became general manager of Imperial Travel in 1986, but still watches Town regularly, and remains immensely proud of his connection with the club.

“I was extremely lucky, because in Burnley, Wolves and Town, I played for three great clubs with a magnificent history. I used to show people around Leeds Road, and when we reached the boardroom, I always got a kick out of seeing the shield which marked three successive championships in the twenties. Sure, the likes of Wimbledon, Crystal Palace and Norwich have all achieved more on the field in recent times, but they haven't got an ounce of the tradition that seeps from every corner of Leeds Road.”

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Steve Kindon

(Below) Steve Kindon celebrates his goal in a 5-0 victory against Stockport County, 16th February - 1980



BORN: WARRINGTON - 1950
 JOINED FROM: BURNLEY, DEC - 1979
 TRANSFERRED TO: RETIRED INJURED, MAY - 1982
 POSITION: FORWARD
 APPEARANCES: 78 / 4 sub
 GOALS: 37



(Above) Kindon's shot bound for the woodwork Town v Charlton Athletic, 1st November - 1980

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messages...

(Right) Message from then Prime Minister Harold Wilson, December 5 - 1967



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Whitehall

December 5, 1967

Dear Mr Kaye,

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your letter of December 1 and for your kind invitation to him to attend the replay of your Football League Cup Tie with Fulham on Tuesday, December 12 at 7.30 p.m.

Mr. Wilson much enjoyed the match at Craven Cottage last week and would have liked to have seen the replay, but he has a number of engagements in London that evening, including an Audience with The Queen, which make it impossible for him to come to Huddersfield to see the match.

Yours sincerely,
A. J. Davie

Bobby CHARLTON CBE

“Leeds Road always conjures up many recollections of great tussles on the field, with the likes of Vic Metcalfe and Bill McGarry. The Yorkshire / Lancashire derbys were big events in those days, and the atmosphere was always electric...”

Goodbye Leeds Road and thanks for the memories.”

Sir Stanley MATTHEWS CBE

“I played for the RAF team at Leeds Road, and also many times with Blackpool. I wish Huddersfield Town good luck in their new stadium and...”

I'll remember Leeds Road with much fondness.”

Tom FINNEY CBE OBE JP

“Leeds Road to me was always a big ground with a good playing surface. I played there many times, on numerous occasions for Preston and in the International match for England against Holland. I had several battles on the field with my old friend Vic Metcalfe, whom I still keep in touch with and I visited Leeds Road to see Andy Beattie in his managerial days for Huddersfield...”

I wish Huddersfield Town all the very best in the new stadium and hope the change of home will bring a change of fortune to them.”

Sir Harold Wilson

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Wilson of Rievaulx KG, OBE, FRS



14 January, 1994

It is with very great fondness and affection that I remember the visits I made to Leeds Road to watch Huddersfield Town play. I have been a devoted supporter over very many years, and have carried in my wallet since my young days, a photograph of the team taken at that time.

To have the opportunity to move into what I know is going to be a splendid stadium is just the kind of boost the Club needs. This building is a wonderful development for the football club and for the town of Huddersfield. I warmly congratulate all those who have made the venture possible.

My I wish the Club all the very best in their new ground and I sincerely hope that they will go from strength to strength.

Harold Wilson

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Nat LOFTHOUSE

OBE “My memories of Leeds Road were always ones of a good crowd, who gave credit to good footballing teams...”

In spite of being a Lancastrian 'there's now't wrong wi' Yorkshire folk' and I wish Huddersfield Town and it's supporters as much success in the new stadium as it had down the years in the old.”

Graham KELLY

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Graham Kelly Chief Executive The Football Association

(Above) Message from Graham Kelly Chief Executive of the Football Association

LEEDS ROAD

Memories

MIDDLESBROUGH

(Below) Jimmy Nicholson with Leeds United's Alan Clarke in close attendance at Elland Road, 3rd October - 1970



BORN: BELFAST - 1943
 JOINED FROM: MAN. UTD., DEC - 1964
 TRANSFERRED TO: BURY, DECEMBER - 1973
 POSITION: RIGHT-HALF BACK
 APPEARANCES: 309 / 1 sub
 GOALS: 28
 INT. CAPS: 41 FOR NORTHERN IRELAND
 (31 while with Town - The club's most capped player)



(Above) Jimmy Nicholson in action against Leicester at Leeds Road, 14th August - 1971

THE 18-year professional career of JIMMY NICHOLSON took him to some top-line locations. The skilful midfielder, who won 41 Northern Ireland caps, all but 10 of them while he was at Leeds Road, played at Wembley, Hampden Park and a host of leading club stadia. He travelled to Holland, Italy, Albania, Turkey, Cyprus and Russia. And he even made it to Downing Street! The gilt-edged invitation to No. 10 (Harold Wilson was the prime minister of the day) arrived after he had skippered Town back to the big time as one of seven ever-presents in the 1969-70 Second Division title winning side.

Jimmy Nicholson

“It was one of a number of evenings held by the Labour Party for people who had performed particularly well in their chosen profession, although I'd like to stress that I got the invitation only because I was captain,” says the modest Nicholson. “It was a great occasion, particularly for me, because even though there were Harley Street specialists, Old Bailey barristers and showbusiness stars present, Harold Wilson headed straight towards my wife and I. Of course it wasn't because we were such entertaining company. More that Harold Wilson was a mad-keen Town fan. He pulled a photo of the triple title-winning side of the Twenties out of his wallet and named the lot without blinking! That extra-special night out was the perfect end to a thrilling season.”

Town had romped to promotion in real style, winning more than half of their 42 matches to end 14 successive seasons of Second Division football. Nicholson, striker Colin Dobson and rugged centre-back Roy Ellam provided the mature backbone of a side which included an impressive array of talented youngsters like goalkeeper Terry Poole, defender Trevor Cherry and striker Frank Worthington.

The on-field action ended with a sizzling 3-1 win over Watford, after which Nicholson received the title trophy and led his teammates around the Leeds Road pitch to lap up the cheers of a 28,000-strong crowd. That kind of occasion must have seemed a long way off when he first came to Leeds Road. A schools' international, the Belfast boy signed for Manchester United in 1958 and played for Northern Ireland's B team at the age of 16 a year later.



He made the first of 68 appearances for United at Everton in August, 1960, and three months after became the youngest player this century to appear in a full international, when, at 17 years and eight months old, he played against Scotland in Glasgow. As his club took their first steps on the road to eventual European glory, however, Nicholson's career nose-dived, and he was struggling to win a place in the reserves when Tom Johnston paid £7,500 for his services in December, 1964. Overweight and plagued by a back injury which still troubles him, Nicholson scored an own goal on his debut at Ipswich, but thanks to hard work and good man management by Johnston and Ian Greaves, became one of the Leeds Road club's best-ever signings. While Town flirted with success under Johnston, especially in the 1965-66 season when they finished just two points away from promotion, things really took off when Greaves moved into the hot seat in the summer of 1968.

“I've got to give great credit to Ian - he was a great coach and knew how to get his ideas across,” says Nicholson. “While we were all very fit, we also did a lot of work on possession football and quick passing, and it really paid off.”

Town, of course, struggled to adapt to the extra demands of top-flight football, and lasted only two seasons in the first division. “The promotion-winning side really was good, and I think with a couple of signings, we could have held our own in the First Division. Ian and I were always discussing players we wanted to bring to Leeds Road, but the big moves never seemed to come off, partly because Town weren't a glamorous club, and partly because they couldn't afford to pay out big wages.”

Nicholson suffered more than his fair share of injuries while at Leeds Road, but had still totted up 310 appearances by the time he left for Bury in December 1973. He played 83 games for the Gigg Lane team, whom he helped win promotion from Division 4 in 1973-74, and later turned out for non-league clubs Mossley and Stalybridge Celtic. Now 51, he manages the Walton Park Leisure Centre, just five minutes walk from his home in Sale, Cheshire. His only real contact with football is via the TV, but once a week his thoughts drift back to his days at Leeds Road. “To anyone who loves football - be they a player or supporter - Saturday is a special day, and as three o'clock approaches, I still get the old butterflies!”

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Jimmy Nicholson

LEEDS ROAD

Memories

HUDDERSFIELD

TOWN'S chief scout Harry Hooper was quietly confident he had unearthed a real gem when he introduced a skinny 15-year-old lad from Halifax to the apprentice ranks at Leeds Road in April 1964. "This boy is going to make a very good player," said Harry of the 5ft 6in stripling, who was given a trial and a signing-on form even though he had not officially left school. The lad in question was FRANK WORTHINGTON.

Unrecognisable at that stage from the gifted and stylish forward who was to help fire Town into the top flight and gain eight England caps. Worthington explained the transformation.

Frank WORTHINGTON

(Below) Frank Worthington in action during Town's 1969/70 2nd Division Championship campaign



BORN: SHELE HALIFAX - 1948
JOINED FROM: RIPPONDEN FC, APRIL - 1964
TRANSFERRED TO: LEICESTER CITY, AUGUST - 1972
POSITION: CENTRE FORWARD
APPEARANCES: 187 / 5 sub
GOALS: 48
INT. CAPS: 8 FOR ENGLAND
 (none with Town)

(Below) Frank pauses for a photograph during his pre-season training - 1971



“

I wasn't very tall and didn't have much meat on me when I first came to the club, so Ian Greaves stuck me on a special diet to build me up,' he recalled. "It was a carbohydrate-loaded menu and I'd got to go to the Town Cafe and eat as much steak, bread and potatoes as I could. I had also got to drink as many pints of milk a day as I could manage and from the age of 15 to 18 I shot up from 5ft 6in to well over 6ft. Even then I still needed to fill out, and I don't think I reached full strength until I was about 20."

Worthington didn't mind having to spend his afternoons in the Town Cafe, because that was the meeting place for all the players in those days. Along with mates like Derek Parkin and Billy Legg, Worthington would while away the hours talking of his football heroes – Bobby Charlton and Pele – and dream of the day when he could get into Town's 'A' team!

"There was a big staff at the club and it just seemed an enormous task ahead of me when the third team and reserves were full of what I felt were very, very good footballers," said Worthington, who netted 261 goals in 866 senior games for 11 professional clubs. "They were very exciting times, though, and Leeds Road was a wonderful place. As groundstaff lads, we used to idolise the pro players and we also used to get up to some daft stunts."



It wasn't until February 1967 that manager Tom Johnston called Worthington into the first-team line-up in a vital Second Division fixture against Crystal Palace at Selhurst Park.

"Both teams were vying for promotion and there were nearly 19,000 in the ground – I can remember it as though it were yesterday," said Worthington. "It finished 1-1 and I remember our goal because I challenged for the ball with John Jackson, the Palace goalkeeper, and managed to knock the ball down for John Coddington, who scored."

That side finished sixth in Division 2 and the following season went on to reach the semi-finals of the Football League Cup. They finished sixth again in 1968-69 under new manager Greaves and then came the Second Division Championship.

"It was a great year in my career and a great year in the history of the club," said Worthington. "We clinched promotion up at Middlesbrough and then I scored twice at Blackburn to make sure of the championship. Then, of course, we had those wonderful scenes back at Leeds Road for the final match against Watford when we did the lap of honour. Memories to treasure for the rest of your life."

Strangely enough, it's a match from Town's relegation season from the top flight which sticks in Worthington's memory more than any other.

"West Ham in the FA Cup," he said with relish. "I'd scored my first ever senior goal for Town against West Ham in the League Cup in 1967-68, which was an important moment, but the FA Cup tie in 1971-72 was something special. They were the aristocrats of playing good football at the time and had a star-studded team including Bobby Moore and Geoff Hurst, but we completely outplayed them in very difficult conditions. There were 27,000 at Leeds Road that day, we won 4-2 and everyone who was there has never forgotten it. I scored the last goal, but it was just a magical performance from the whole team. Just great."

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Frank Worthington

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CONSOLIDATED COMPETITIVE RECORD

	TOTAL						AWAY						Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
Div. 1	1260	+322	154	+154	1072	648	158	163	309	802	1206	1277	
Div. 2	1116	287	137	134	933	560	146	146	266	674	933	1211	
Div. 3	414	111	50	46	341	185	50	60	97	221	318	544	
Div. 4	230	68	29	18	198	86	32	35	48	139	160	264	
(New)2*	87	17	13	13	52	46	13	9	22	48	69	112	
	3107	805	383	365	2596	1525	399	413	742	1884	2686	3408	

* TWO OF THESE 'HOME' MATCHES WERE IN FACT PLAYED AT ELLAND ROAD, LEEDS IN APRIL 1950 AFTER FIRE DAMAGED LEEDS ROAD STADIUM. ONE MATCH WAS WON, THE OTHER LOST.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A
F.A. Cup	225	58	21	23	227	108	45	27	51	148	162
League/Milk Littlewoods/Rumbelows/ Coca-Cola Cup	98	17	14	12	63	58	16	13	26	70	89

* NEW DIVISIONS FORMED 1992-93 OLD DIV.1 = PREMIER LEAGUE DIV.2 = DIV. 1 DIV.3 = DIV. 2* DIV.4 = DIV. 3

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30 in the FIRST DIVISION

9 in the THIRD DIVISION

29 in the SECOND DIVISION

5 in the FOURTH DIVISION

(THIS INCLUDES THE LAST TWO SEASONS IN THE NEW SECOND DIVISION)

AVERAGE LEAGUE GATES : SEASON BY SEASON

Season	Gate	Season	Gate	Season	Gate	Season	Gate	Season	Gate
*1910/11	7228	1927/28	19408	1949/50	23555	1964/65	9644	1979/80	8713
*1911/12	6092	1928/29	16715	1950/51	27140	1965/66	18322	1980/81	11548
*1912/13	6184	1929/30	15782	1951/52	24250	1966/67	14904	1981/82	6746
*1913/14	6599	1930/31	13971	1952/53	27764	1967/68	11553	1982/83	9262
*1914/15	6513	1931/32	13010	1953/54	30820	1968/69	10157	1983/84	11043
*1919/20	9290	1932/33	11985	1954/55	24974	1969/70	17524	1984/85	7242
*1920/21	22018	1933/34	14585	1955/56	20024	1970/71	23228	1985/86	6827
*1921/22	19270	1934/35	15419	1956/57	14860	1971/72	15464	1986/87	6617
*1922/23	16267	1935/36	15097	1957/58	14151	1972/73	8175	1987/88	7124
*1923/24	17551	1936/37	15812	1958/59	14846	1973/74	5696	1988/89	5821
*1924/25	18206	1937/38	17004	1959/60	14772	1974/75	5428	1989/90	5630
*1925/26	19571	1938/39	16490	1960/61	13433	1975/76	5430	1990/91	5347
*1926/27	19536	1946/47	19810	1961/62	13247	1976/77	6144	1991/92	7535
		1947/48	25547	1962/63	16164	1977/78	4508	1992/93	5918
		1948/49	22146	1963/64	12470	1978/79	3649	1993/94	?

*Based mainly on estimated figures

The Football League insisted on official figures being released at start of 1927/8 season.

ATTENDANCES AT LEEDS ROAD

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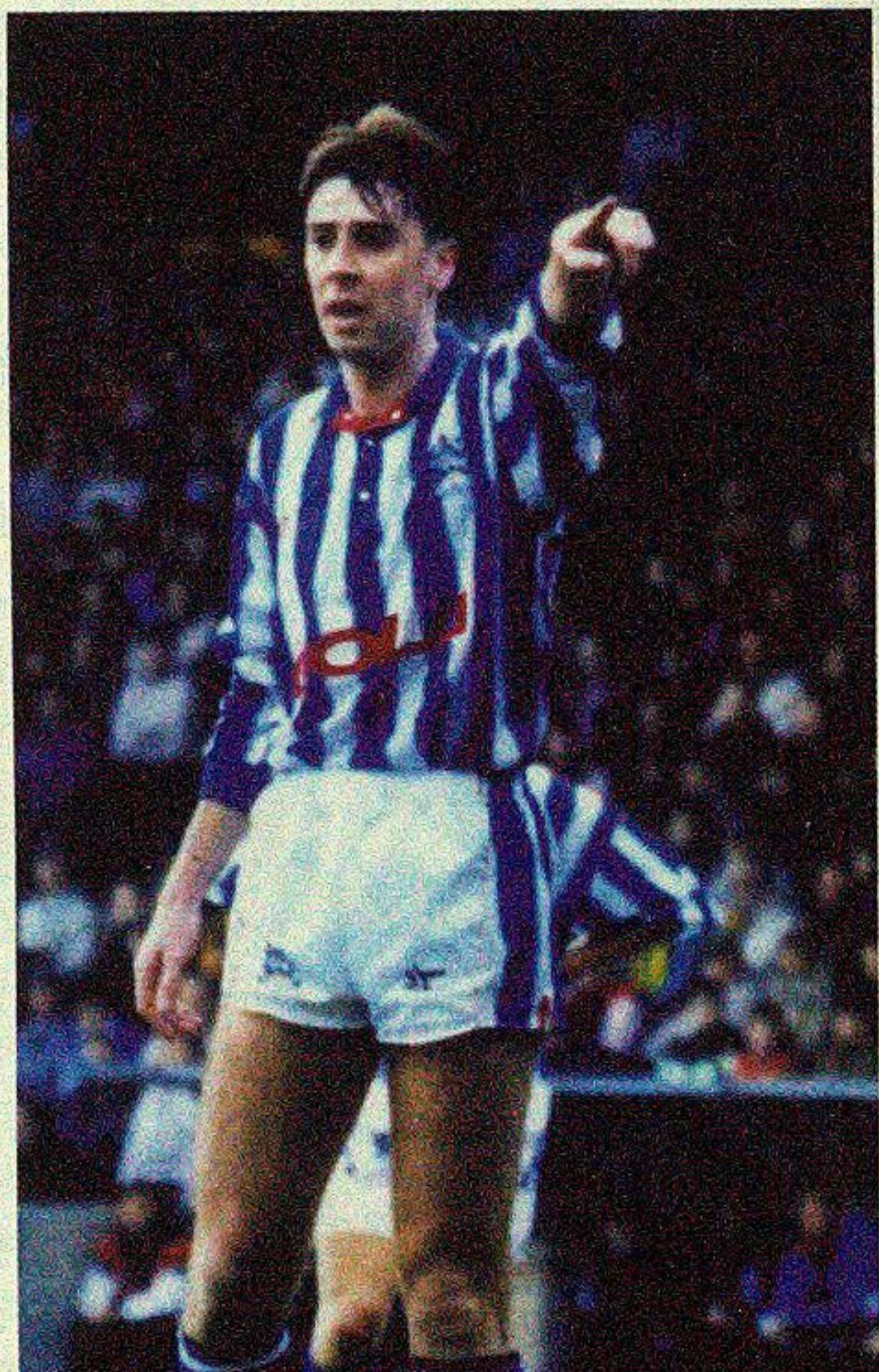
67,037	27 Feb	1932 FAC Rd. 6	Town	-v-	Arsenal
63,210	21 Mar	1936 FAC SF	Arsenal	-v-	Grimsby T.
62,813	10 Apr	1937 FAC SF	Millwall	-v-	Sunderland
58,682	9 Mar	1938 FAC Rd. 6R	Town	-v-	York C.
56,518	4 Mar	1939 FAC Rd. 6	Town	-v-	Blackburn R.
55,200	18 Feb	1928 FAC Rd. 5	Town	-v-	Middlesbrough
55,168	16 Feb	1957 FAC Rd. 5	Town	-v-	Burnley
54,960	12 Mar	1955 FAC Rd. 6	Town	-v-	Newcastle U.
54,952	9 Mar	1964 FAC Rd. 6R	Sun'land	-v-	Man. U.
53,700	26 Jan	1929 FAC Rd. 4	Town	-v-	Leeds U.
52,479	7 Apr	1951 Div. 1	Town	-v-	Blackpool
52,390	3 Mar	1928 FAC Rd. 6	Town	-v-	Tottenham H.
51,961	18 Mar	1933 FAC SF	Derby	-v-	Man. C.
50,012	4 Feb	1928 Div. 1	Town	-v-	Everton

LOWEST

2,429	1 Feb	1933 Div. 1	Town	-v-	Sheffield U.
1,624	30 Apr	1979 Div. 4	Town	-v-	Torquay U.
1,000	2 Oct	1909 FAC	Town	-v-	Mirfield U. 1Q
1,000	16 Oct	1909 FAC	Town	-v-	Rothwell W.R. 2Q
2,363	26 Aug	1986 FLC	Town	-v-	Halifax T. Rd. 1 (1)



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18.	ISLIP E.	44
19.	COWLING D.R.	43
20.	MASKELL C.D.	43

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FIVE GOALS - League

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LYTHGOE A.	-v-	Blackburn R.	(H)	Di

FOUR GOALS - League

COCK J.	-v-	Bury	(H)	Di
WILSON C.	-v-	Burnley	(A)	Di
McLEAN G.	-v-	Blackpool	(H)	Di
GLAZZARD J.	-v-	Everton	(H)	Di
TAYLOR K.	-v-	West Ham U.	(H)	Di
LILLIS M.A.	-v-	Cardiff C.	(H)	Di
STANTON B.	-v-	Bradford C.	(H)	Di

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(Above)
Anne Sedgwick (Secretary), Maureen Procter (Chairman), Raymond Chappell (Groundsman) and Alan Sedgwick (Membership Secretary) pictured here presenting a cheque for £1,500 to the club to obtain a mechanical spreader.

HTAFC Supporters Club

Who could ever have dreamt (apart from Keith Hanvey!) that our Great Football Club would actually move to a brand new Leisure complex literally yards away and attract Worldwide attention, most of which we hope will be accompanied by admiration. Even last summer there were many who said it would not look anything like the artist's impressions, even if it got off the ground, oh ye of little faith!!

From a Supporters Club point of view, members and committees down the years have seen and done so much at Leeds Road, and had everything been recorded it would have made a book in itself. We can but apologise for those we do not mention and say you are, like the old ground, in someone's memories. Although our records do not go back as far as the first meeting of the Huddersfield Town Supporters Association in 1921, we can see from old programmes that they were selecting a Miss Huddersfield Town, holding dances and at one point (1958) selling coach tickets in the Leeds Road end of the Paddock. We believe that our current title goes back to the 'sixties' and a look at Town's 1965/66 handbook reveals that we were affiliated then to the National Federation of Football Supporters Clubs. The Secretary then (as in 1958!) was Jack Evans, with Jimmy Firth Chairman. Jimmy lived on Leeds Road - just a 'stones throw' from the ground and was our President right into his 90s! Many people have given up so much time for Town behind the scenes and outstanding Chairmen include Derek Brown and Maureen Procter. Jack Evans, Edith Hargreaves, Jill Metcalfe, David Wood and for the last 12 years Anne Sedgwick have done excellent work as Secretaries. Amongst those looking after the money that helped to buy so much equipment at the ground have been Maureen Brown and Michael Scott. Mary Wright, who along with Mrs Brown and a few others (sadly no longer alive), ran our away coaches 'virtually' single-handed for over 20 years, 'lived' at the ground, and was still booking seats at the age of 72. Many thousands of pounds were raised by Mary for Town. Other members who have spent a lot of unpaid time for the club they love have included Harold and Joan Ackroyd, Ernest Jones, Chris Patzelt, Alan Sedgwick, Keith Walker, Jim & Margaret Wightman, Marcus Zientek and others who know who they are!

Although we no longer run double decker buses to home games as we did from Gomersal and Cleckheaton in the 1960's our members now travel from as far as the Isle of Wight to get here. Tord Akerberg has journeyed 36 hours from Sweden and David Stell once headed to Leeds Road from his then home in South Africa. Other activities carried out at the ground have included two bonfires on the main car park. Our match day bases near the ground have shifted from the old Souvenir shop to rooms above it, from the pavement outside the Cow Shed to a caravan there (loaned by Goodalls) and to our final portacabin today. Our most comfortable spot has of course been the Function Suite where we have made many friends, not just locally but with visiting speakers and quiz teams from other Northern clubs. So much History!

Anne Sedgwick - Secretary

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LEEDS ROAD
Memories
 HUDDERSFIELD

NO man alive has played more matches at Leeds Road than VIC METCALFE – Town's flying left winger in the days when Huddersfield sport was among the best in the country. Only five wartime years in the RAF robbed Metcalfe of the chance to become Town's all-time appearance record holder and he became an automatic choice over a dozen seasons in the 1940s and 50s. He was good enough to play twice for England when Stanley Matthews and Tom Finney were in their pomp and also represented the Football League, but he remains fiercely proud of his 18-year playing association with Huddersfield Town.

VIC Metcalfe

(Below) Vic Metcalfe - described on the reverse of this period football card as 'a very tricky dribbler and beautiful crosser'



BORN: BARROW-IN-FURNESS - 1922
 JOINED FROM: RAVENSTHORPE BOYS' CLUB, JUNE - 1940
 TRANSFERRED TO: HULL CITY, JUNE - 1958
 POSITION: OUTSIDE LEFT
 APPEARANCES: 459
 GOALS: 90
 INT. CAPS: 2 FOR ENGLAND



(Above) Metcalfe in action for Town

“Town were a fantastic club in those days and, having been associated with them since I was a boy, it's very hard to imagine the club playing anywhere else but Leeds Road,” said Metcalfe, who made 459 league and cup appearances in Town colours. “Leeds Road was a great ground to play on – the pitch was always excellent – and I'll be very sad to see the ground go because it holds so many wonderful memories. We always attracted big crowds because in those years after the war, people were hungry for sport. I can still see that popular side packed from top to bottom and I wouldn't swap my time as a player for anything. I only wish I could have carried on another 30 years, that would have suited me fine.”

Signed by Clem Stephenson after playing for Ravensthorpe YMCA Boys' Club (who were managed by one-time Mayor of Kirklees, Alf Ramsden), Metcalfe played only one game at the end of the 1939-40 season before joining the RAF. When he returned to the club under David Steele he had to fight for his place but, from 1946 to 1958 under George Stephenson, Andy Beattie and Bill Shankly, he was almost the first name on the teamsheet every week.

“One of the first matches I remember playing for the club was against Manchester City, who had Peter Doherty in the team,” he recalled. “Peter was a much better player than when he came to Town and he absolutely murdered us. Ken Willingham had been told to mark Peter and I remember him saying at half time, ‘has anybody seen that bloody Irishman, because I haven't!’ After the war, we struggled a bit as everyone got to know each other again but, under Andy Beattie, we became a very good side again. He was the best manager of the lot, very shrewd.”



Metcalfe – who, like the legendary Matthews, had his lightweight boots specially made at Heckmondwike Co-op – reckons the 1952-53 promotion side which went on to finish third in the top flight was the best at Leeds Road since the war. He was an ever-present in the promotion team which also featured the famous unchanged defence of Jack Wheeler, Ron Staniforth, Laurie Kelly, Bill McGarry, Don McEvoy and Len Quedsted and, by then, he had forged a prolific partnership with centre-forward Jimmy Glazzard, who missed only one game and scored 31 league and cup goals.

“Andy Beattie had been organising the defence during our relegation season and the team which came back up was a magnificent side,” said Metcalfe. “We had pace and strength, fine players in every department, and we didn't concede many goals. That was the secret. There wasn't a quicker player in the league than Len Quedsted, the skipper, who we called ‘The Horse,’ because he would run all day. Don McEvoy was a big rugged centre half, Ron Staniforth an England international and, up front, Jimmy Glazzard was a marvellous centre-forward. He had the uncanny knack of being right where he should be in the penalty box, he was the best header of a ball I ever saw – even matching Tommy Lawton – and, as I've said many times over the years, all I had to do was put the ball in the middle.”

Metcalfe did just that. So many times, in fact, that he helped Glazzard finish his career as the club's joint record goalscorer at league level, matching George Brown's 142. Now 72 and living in Golcar, Metcalfe fondly remembers tours around Europe, America and Canada – “Town were among the pioneers in those sort of trips” – and didn't even miss a Town match to get married! The club provided a taxi for him and his new bride Maureen to travel over to Preston after their morning wedding in 1948, and Metcalfe helped Town win before going on to honeymoon in Blackpool. Town beat the great Tottenham side of the early 50s three times in one season, Metcalfe earned his England caps against Argentina and Portugal and he counts himself very fortunate to have played both with and against all the best players in the country.

“They were great times, every team had star players and, with big crowds coming down to every game, Leeds Road was the perfect stage.”

Vic Metcalfe

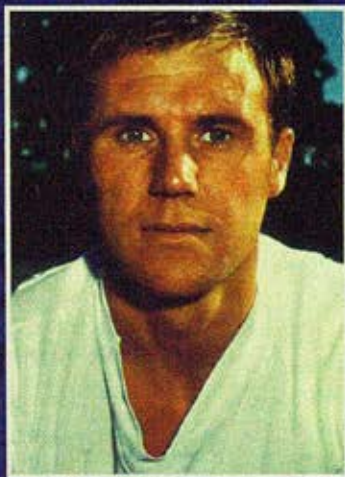


RAY Wilson

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In many respects Leeds Road was a wonderful ground and certainly among the top half dozen in the country in the 1950s,” said Wilson, now a funeral director at Outlane. “The place had tremendous tradition and many of the teams who came to play us, particularly in the Second Division, used to freeze up a wee bit.”

(Below) Ray Wilson during his time at Leeds Road



BORN: SHIREBROOK, 1924
 JOINED FROM: LANGWITH BOYS' CLUB - 1952
 TRANSFERRED TO: EVERTON, JUNE - 1964
 POSITION: LEFT-BACK
 APPEARANCES: 283
 GOALS: 6
 INT. CAPS: 63 FOR ENGLAND
 (30 with Town)



(Above) Ray defending for England at Wembley during the 1960's

RAY WILSON was an ambitious young forward when he first arrived at Leeds Road in the early summer of 1952. Town had just been relegated from the First Division, Andy Beattie had been manager for barely a month and Wilson was a 17-year-old fresh from working nights on the railway.

He had played only one match for the club at that stage, a third-team trial at South Kirby towards the end of the 1951-52 season. It was the first, however, in a career which led to stardom as Town's most capped England international and footballing immortality as a 1966 World Cup winner at Wembley. Since being transferred to Everton in June 1964, Wilson has been back to Leeds Road on only a couple of occasions, but he retains fond memories of the ground and the people from his 12 years at the club.

First-team football, of course, was a long way off when the teenage Wilson first stepped off the bus outside Leeds Road. It seemed an awful lot further when in March 1953, with only a couple of Central League matches under his belt as a wing half, Wilson began two years of national service as a signaller with the Royal Artillery in Egypt.

“I was certainly a forgotten man when I returned to Leeds Road, especially as the team had done really well in the two seasons I was away,” he recalled. “I played in the reserves at wing half and it wasn't until we had a poor start in the 1955-56 season that Andy Beattie asked me if I fancied playing at left-back. At first I said no, because I didn't realise he was talking about the first team! When he explained that he was, I quickly said that I'd give it a go.”

Wilson made his debut against Manchester United at Old Trafford, but it was the first of five straight defeats for a Town side which was eventually relegated. The following season, he shared left-back duties with Laurie Kelly before establishing himself in the 1957-58 campaign.



“At the time, an old side was breaking up and a new one coming through, with players like Jimmy Glaszard leaving and others, like Denis Law, coming in,” he said. “I played mostly behind Vic Metcalfe on the left wing and he was a wonderful player. Bill McGarry was also a big influence on me because Bill Shankly kept him on.”

Wilson missed only one game in two seasons under Shankly and catapulted himself into the England side, making his debut against Scotland in 1960.

“Bill Shankly was a revelation and a complete change from Andy Beattie,” he explained. “I had played under Bill in the reserves and felt the wind of change even before he took over as manager. His training methods were 20 years ahead of their time. Instead of just running during the week to keep us hungry for the ball on a Saturday – which was the age-old way of doing things – we played five-a-side and did lots of ball work to keep training interesting. I think it was the biggest mistake ever made at Leeds Road to let Bill go, I really do. But the marriage between Bill and Liverpool – the club and the people – was so perfect that I don't think it could have been matched in Huddersfield.”

Wilson played in the 7-6 defeat at Charlton and the famous 5-1 FA Cup win against snowbound West Ham, while he was captain on a well-remembered occasion at Leeds Road for the opening of the floodlights against Wolves in January 1961. Town's inability to get out of the Second Division, however, made it almost inevitable that an established England international would move on.

“I didn't really make any fuss about leaving, although I was very ambitious and knew a lot of lads from big clubs through playing for England,” he said. “Every time I asked about moving I was turned down and it looked as though I would be staying with Town, so I bought a house. Ever since I first came to Huddersfield I've never wanted to live anywhere else, but no-one used to buy at the time because of the chance of being transferred and moving on. I don't think we'd been in the house more than a couple of months when Eddie Boot, who had replaced Bill as manager, had an offer from Everton and that was that. I told Eddie that I wished I'd bought the house five years before!”

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Ray Wilson



(Above) 1910-11 The earliest known issue Vol. 1 No. 10 - January 2nd - 1911 v Hull City

PRE WORLD WAR ONE

For the first two seasons in Football League competition the club produced its own programmes and production is attributed to one 'Brisco Brayton'. Features include - 'Certain News of the Present Week' by 'Noha Lot' and 'Our Visitors Today' by 'Hugh Gnaw'. Size and colour varied from season to season, and when the club gave production to the Fleet Street firm, Allen Greaves in season 1912-13 the programmes were printed in a variety of pastel shades. The Volume One productions were just eight pages but by 1914-15 they had increased to sixteen. Price remained 1d throughout.

(Right and below) 1920's programmes

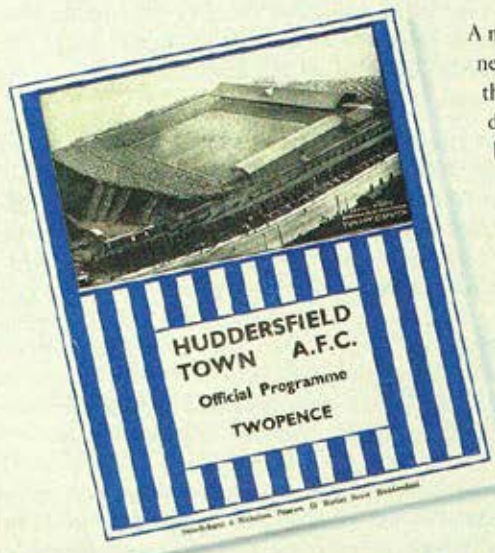


match Programmes

1920's

The early 1920's issues were published and printed by Blower Brothers of Watford. Black and white issues, these were back to a mere 8 pages, but the price had doubled to 2d. By the mid-1920's production had returned to Huddersfield and Owen and Son of Queen Street printed a much improved twenty page issue containing a blue cover. Production of the 'blue back' as it was popularly known then went to local printers Swindlehurst and Nicholson, the firm who continued to do the job for the next 42 years until 1967, and who produced some leading matchday magazines of their day. Team photographs first appeared in the late 1920's as did a matrix giving the full season's First Division results.

(Left) 1933-34 programme



1930's

A new look programme with a different square size greeted the new decade. Although the size altered little during the 30's there were several eye-catching front covers. The 1933-34 design was years ahead of its time but contrary to popular belief the photograph of a packed Leeds Road was not taken during the record gate match, but is in fact a picture of the ground during the 1933 F.A. Cup Semi-Final between Derby and Manchester City.

Another futuristic design was the matchday magazine of 1938-39. The aerial view is incorporated together with action shots from Leeds Road and a crowd scene of Town supporters at Wembley the previous spring. Printed in blue the 20 page issue sold for 2d. Often printed on the morning of a match, any sudden improvement in weather conditions, and therefore a larger than expected crowd, meant a 'sell-out' of the programme.

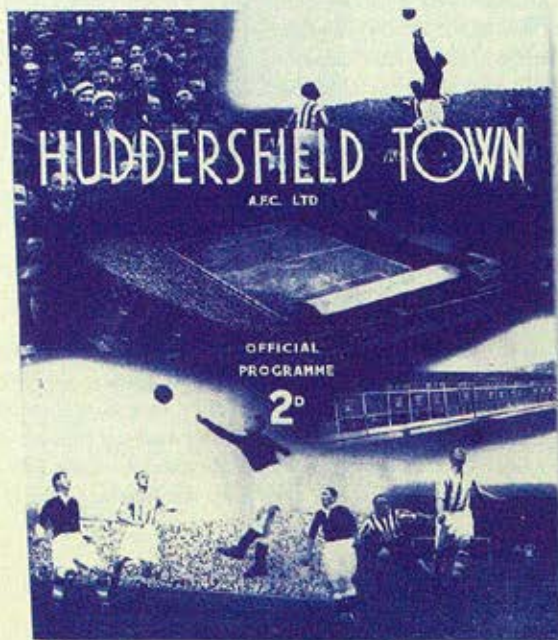
40's and 50's

The 1940's programmes were small black and white issues reflecting the austerity of post-war years, and although the 1950's saw a return to a blue cover and a small increase in the number of pages there was generally a large proportion (around 60 or 70%) given over to advertising throughout the 20 pages.

(Left) 1939-39 programme
(Below) 1950's programme



(Above) 1912-13 September 14, 1912 v Castleford T. (Yorkshire Senior Cup)



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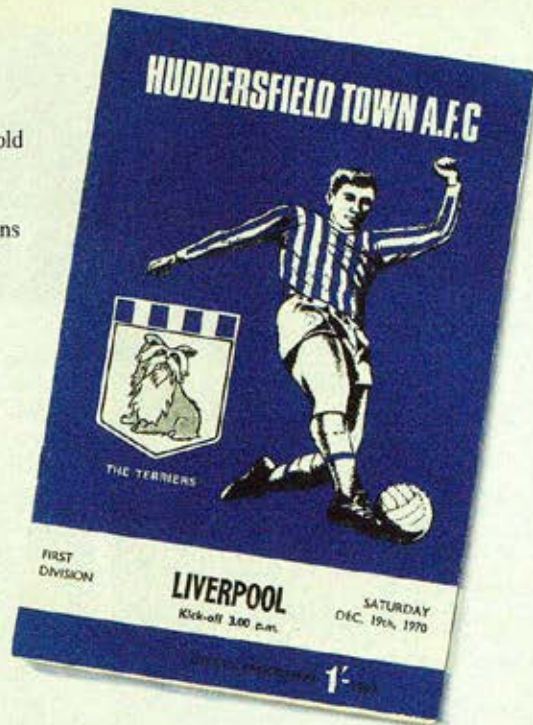
OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 4s.

1960's

The programmes for the early 1960's showed no improvement on their previous counterparts, despite an increase in price to 4d. The cover shows the silver and gold triple championship plaque but printed in blue on poor quality paper. From 1965 onwards an official Football League Review insert in most clubs' matchday productions boosted sales dramatically despite a 2d increase. Team line-ups appeared on the back cover for the first time, although still in the time-honoured 2-3-5 formation!

1970's

The twenty A5 size pages of previous decades continued to be the norm for 1970's programmes, but now most seasons had a different front cover. As an indication of inflation during this decade the 5p price tag in 1970 had increased six-fold to 30p ten years later. Sadly the 'League Review' disappeared in the mid 70's and with it came the end of the 'golden-age' of programme collecting, as most clubs' sales declined in the following years.



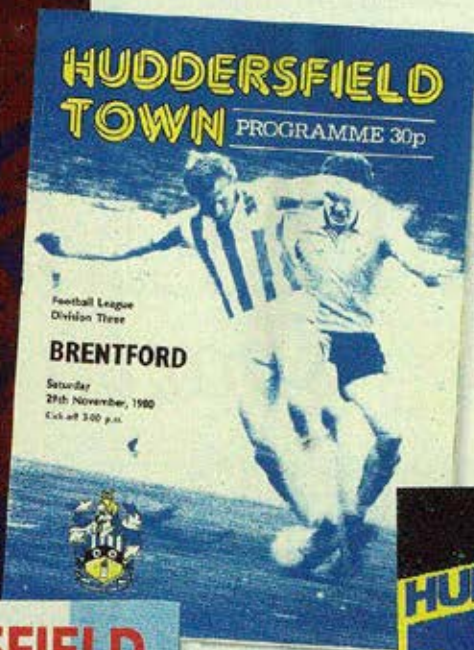
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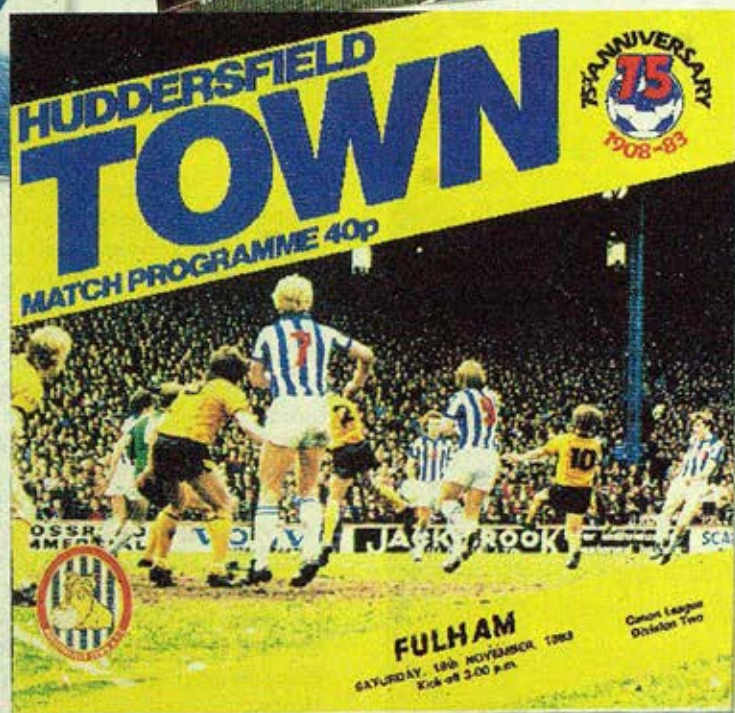
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1980's

1980's issues, like most of their 1970's counterparts were printed by Edgar Woffenden at Birkby. Programmes for this decade were much more colourful and both size and reading content increased - as did the price - from 30p in 1980 to 80p ten years on. A rise to 32 pages by the end of the decade helped to soften the blow and quality articles with clear match-action photographs kept Town programmes up-to-date and of a reasonably high quality for a lower division club.



A selection of Town's 1980's full colour programme productions



PATRONS *association*

It was Steve Kindon who came up with the idea of the Patrons Association while Commercial Manager at Leeds Road. Included in his considerations for the Association was its financial input to the club and it is estimated that since 1985 the football club has received in excess of £170,000 from the subscription of members - income, which, has been greatly needed over the years.

Since the inception of the Association, we have welcomed to our monthly meetings at Leeds Road a wide variety of guests. Players and ex-players have included Vic Metcalfe, Don McEvoy, Frank Worthington, Ian Robins, Joey Jones, Iwan Roberts, Peter Jackson and, most recently, Darren Bullock and John Whitney. Between them they have covered many years and probably every blade of grass on the famous Leeds Road turf. We have also welcomed Town Managers - Messrs Buxton, Smith, McDonald, Hand, Ross and, present Manager, Neil Warnock. Other guests have included Football League referees, press, police, YTV's John Helm and, Chairmen Keith Longbottom, Graham Leslie and Terry Fisher and their fellow Board members.

Over the years, the Association area representatives have also organised meetings in various parts of the country to cater for members living away from Leeds Road.

Among the first ideas presented at meetings was the possibility of the Club moving into a new stadium, this first being mentioned by Keith Hanvey. We have always been kept up-to-date with the developments for the new stadium and were the first group of supporters to see the plans and model for the stadium now being built. The Patrons Committee has had an active role to play towards the development of the new stadium, and we were asked by Paul Fletcher to help with the process towards establishing the admission prices and packages. We obtained details that were needed by the Club to help them decide what to charge for admission. We were asked to visit various grounds around the country to see how they had priced up facilities when opening new stands, setting up Family stands or, in the case of Millwall, moving to a new 'all seater' stadium.

As we look to the future in our superb new stadium, the Patrons Association will continue its support of the Club's youth policy through sponsorship of staff and events, including the annual award of the Patrons' Young Player of the Year Trophy. This is currently held by Stephen Payne and is awarded to a young player, outside the first team squad, who has shown the most improvement during the season and is awarded on the recommendation of the Club's Manager and Coaching Staff.

All in all, the Patrons Association has an important role to play in the Club's future and we, as a Committee, feel that a good package is offered for the current subscription rate of £5 per quarter. If only we had more members just think how much we could raise for the Club.

GENTLEMANS *sporting club*

Billy Bremner tells the TV story about the presenter who asked Jack Charlton if he thought the Don Revie side in which he played with such distinction could beat the Leeds United team of today. After a lot of verbal sparring, Charlton has to commit himself and he does so in the affirmative. "Yes," he says. "1-0." "You're being very specific," retorts the interviewer. "Why 1-0? Why not 2-0 or 3-0?" "Well," replied Charlton, "I think just 1-0. Remember we've all turned 50 now!"

It's a Monday night at the Huddersfield Town Gentlemen's Sporting Club and the story goes down well for openers at the sort of evening which has produced a whole new ball game for former sporting celebrities. Footballers, cricketers, rugby league men, rugby union men, snooker players, golfers and referees who have been international names have now found a new lease of life. They're telling the tale at "Sportmen's evenings where the fun can be as juicy as the refreshments."

The club have had their fair share of the famous since Middlesex cricketer Peter Parfitt opened the batting for them in March, 1982. Bobby Charlton, Jack Charlton, John Charles, David Gower, Bill Beaumont and Brian London are just a handful of the many who have been so bright on the night to the delight of the club's members. The key note has been the informality. The guests have the spotlight to themselves for the first half of the evening. And then, after a break for the buffet, it's question and answer time when, in many cases, they don't pull their punches on controversial topics of the day. They know, however, they won't be "reported." There might be a journalist or two in the audience but there isn't a pen in their pocket or a tape recorder up their sleeve for this chat show with a difference. The club usually have nine meetings a year plus the annual dinner which, previously held at the Pennine Hilton National Hotel at Ainley Top, will soon be in the banqueting suite of the new Kirklees Stadium. One of the highlights of the November dinner has always been the appearance of a Living Legend. Last year it was Freddie Trueman. He was preceded by Bob Paisley, Denis Compton, Billy Wright, Gordon Banks, Nat Lofthouse, Tom Finney, Sir Stanley Matthews, Geoff Hurst and Godfrey Evans. Great names, great nights ... and they're all set to continue. If you fancy joining the club, ring secretary John Morgan on 0484 602496 ... and put yourselves on the way to some marvellous Mondays.



(Above) The Patrons Committee -
Back: M. Garside, M. Lister, R. Pepper,
J. Morgan, C. Telford, R. Syles.
Front: D. Castle, G. Hudson, D. Herbert.

In 1985, the Patrons Association was formed with the aim of helping the club to secure top grade football at Leeds Road.

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(Above) Sporting Club Dinner - Pennine Hilton
(From left) Fred Trueman, Terry Fisher, Ron Yeats,
Stan Taylor and John Waterhouse.

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LEEDS ROAD

Memories

HUDDERSFIELD

(Below) Mark Lillis and Dale Tempest celebrate Town's second goal against Middlesbrough, November - 1984



BORN: MANCHESTER - 1960
 JOINED FROM: MAN. CITY JULY - 1977
 TRANSFERRED TO: MAN. CITY JUNE - 1985
 POSITION: MID-FIELD
 APPEARANCES: 234 / 8 sub
 GOALS: 63

(Below) Mark is now Huddersfield Town's Community Officer seen here at a coaching course



MARK LILLIS agreed a sponsorship deal with a Manchester butcher which rewarded him with steaks for goals – and promptly scored eight times in the next 12 days!

It was a purple patch in Town's 1982-83 promotion season which confirmed Lillis – now 34 and working as the club's Community Football Scheme manager – as one of the most popular Leeds Road players of the modern era.

That campaign remains the most precious memory of Lillis's eight years playing with the club, particularly that wonderful afternoon when David Cowling's goal against Newport County ensured Town were going up.

MARK Lillis

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I had become captain of the side, I was scoring goals and there's no doubt that 1982-83 was my best season at the club," said Lillis, who has played this season under Sammy McLroy at Macclesfield. "It was a superb time because the team played without fear. We never thought we were going to lose whether we were playing at Leeds Road or away from home. At one stage we had seven straight wins in the league and the atmosphere here at the ground was fantastic. The highlight, though, was that game against Newport. I played centre-half that day and I'll never forget the scenes of celebration when the final whistle went. It was a great night as well because I'd promised all the old lads in the clubs that when we went up, I'd go and have a pint with them. I don't really think they thought that I would, but I spent that night going around half a dozen places celebrating with all those characters and it was brilliant to share it with them."

Lillis, despite going to Wembley with Manchester City (Full Members' Cup) and winning promotion to the top flight with both Aston Villa and Derby County, has never lost the common touch and he had a close relationship with Town's fans. It surprises many, looking back, that Lillis – who was offered a trial by Town Director Maurice Bland, signed for Tom Johnston and made his debut under Mick Buxton – never appeared in the 1979-80 Fourth Division championship side.



"I'd played about a dozen games the previous season and well remember making my debut at Newport," he said. "Mick Buxton used to reveal his team when he threw out the training bibs on a Thursday. If you got one, you were in the side. I remember my legs turning to jelly when I got mine. At the end of the season, I asked for a two-year contract, which was unusual for an 18-year-old, but I felt I deserved it and wanted the security. Mick said no problem and I signed the same afternoon, but I wasn't in the team at the start of the 1979-80 season and then I couldn't get in because they were playing so well."

"Just to be around Leeds Road was fantastic, though, because the whole place was booming. I used to love talking to the experienced players, like Andy Rankin and Bernard Purdie, because they'd seen it all before, and when Steve Kindon arrived he made a big impact. Not only was he a tremendous player, but he was great in the dressing room as well. After every weekend he used to ask us younger lads what we'd been doing, and more often than not I'd say that I'd been to the curry house. Steve started calling me 'Bhuna' and the nickname stuck. It even followed me to Manchester City and I blame Steve Kindon for that. I also blame him for my back operation, because I was the one who used to have to carry him on my back during pre-season training!"

Lillis and Kindon even played as emergency goalkeepers in that well-remembered F.A. Cup tie against Shrewsbury when Rankin got injured, and Lillis won his first Player of the Year award in that 1980-81 campaign when Town finished fourth in Division III.

The following season was ruined by injuries before Lillis established himself as Town's main goal-getter on the way to promotion and continued his scoring form in the Second Division.

"I think those steaks from Harry Hancock must have helped," joked Lillis, "but it was a great feeling when we achieved promotion. We worked extremely hard for it, often training at the playing fields until late in the afternoon, but we reaped the benefits. I've no doubt that Mick Buxton got the best out of me. He used to have a real go at me during half time virtually every game, no matter how well I'd been playing. I used to run out for the second half green with rage and thinking 'I'm going to show you' and it was a perfect piece of man management. Kindon picked up on it straight away, calling me the Incredible Hulk. They were smashing days and I felt very proud to be at the club during two promotions. Very proud indeed. It has been superb to be back at Leeds Road working on the Community Scheme, but those memories of playing at Leeds Road will always be with me."

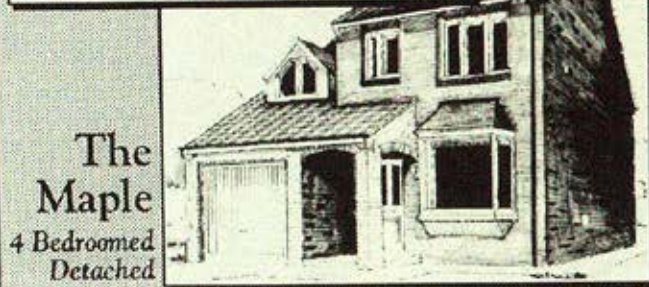
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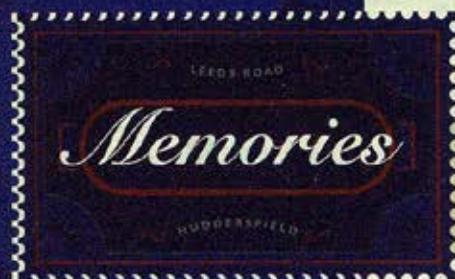
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Turner

When 87 year old HUGH TURNER walked out at half-time on to Town's Leeds Road pitch on the 3,000th League game celebrations, there was thunderous applause followed by bated-breath silence. The occasion, on 18th January 1992, was a special treat for the children of the town. Over 2,000 pairs of young eyes watched his every move and never strayed from the frail but dignified ex-Town and England goalkeeper as he made his way to the centre circle.

Not that they, or even their fathers had ever seen him play for Town. Perhaps grandfathers or great-grandfathers might have seen some of his 394 appearances for the club between September 1926 and January 1937.

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Hugh Turner was born in August 1904 in Wigan and at the age of two he moved with the family to Windy Nook in the North East, not far from Gateshead. When Hugh started work at the pit head of nearby Felling Colliery, he joined the colliery team. He was with Gateshead High Fell FC when he signed for Town in April 1926. It was, in fact, Town director Dick Parker, who travelled to watch Turner play in a match against Bishop Auckland. Turner was informed by a High Fell official that *“There's a chap from Huddersfield Town wanting to sign you, what shall I tell him?”* The reply from Turner was *“Run after him like hell and don't let him go!”*

(Below) Hugh Turner (right) presents Daniel Fisher of Clayton West (left) his family holiday prize to Disney World at Town's 3000th game against Peterborough United.



When he arrived at Huddersfield the established first team keeper was Ted Taylor – an England international. Turner shared understudy duties with William Mercer until Hugh eventually became a permanent fixture. His debut was made on Tuesday 14 September, 1926 against Sunderland, when a boy was sent round to his home with the message, *“Don't have any tea as you might be playing tonight”*. Turner remembers the visit as he was about to sit down to strawberries and cream! The score was 0-0 and, according to the following week's programme, *“Turner fitted the bill very well indeed”*. In a 2-1 home win against West Ham United, Turner recalled a 'missed' penalty by the visitors as the player taking it ran half the length of the pitch to do so only to see the heavy ball barely reach the goalkeeper in the ankle-deep mud. He remembers that the Leeds Road pitch soon became very heavy after torrential rain and especially so at the Bradley Mills end of the ground.

On Tuesday 12 September 1926, he made an appearance in a 2-1 defeat against Glasgow Rangers in the Hospital Cup, after which he competed with the two senior keepers for the next two seasons. Following the 1928 FA Cup Final, he was a regular in the first team and set a club record of 181 consecutive appearances between 1928 and 1932.

This record stood until the early 1980's.

One regular instance that Hugh recalls with a smile were the occasions when, during this record run, he would return home from training each Friday and the family would ask him the team for the following day. His reply became a family joke, for he never knew...having only looked at the first name on the teamsheet, he would reply – *“It's Turner and ten others!”* Turner's position was never in doubt until the 1936-37 season when Bob Hesford played 41 games and Hugh only one. He was snapped up by Fulham in June 1937. In those 11 seasons he had played 394 matches and received a benefit after the sixth season. His greatest disappointment was not being selected to play in the 1928 FA Cup Final, the experienced Mercer being preferred.

Hughie maintains that he would have punched the ball away instead of trying to catch it in the incident that gave Blackburn Rovers a first-minute lead. Indeed, he preferred punching the ball clear in a crowded penalty area and admits to accidentally giving a number of black eyes to team-mates as well as the opposition! Among his favourite defenders, he names Roy Goodall, Alf Young and Sam Wadsworth. He regarded Alec Jackson as the greatest player he played with, and Hughie Gallaher, Alec James, Dixie Dean and Frank Yorston as his most feared opponents. One of his two England caps was against France in May 1931 (a stinker, he says) and the other was in the same season, against Belgium in Brussels. He also represented the Football League against the Irish League at Blackpool in a 3-0 win and took part in an England v the Rest match at Highbury.

He still lives in Huddersfield and follows the fortunes of the Terriers and other sports via radio and television. Hugh has many vivid memories of the great Huddersfield teams of the 1920's and 1930's when week after week the line-up was *“Turner and ten others.”*

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Ian Thomas - Club Historian



(Above) Hugh Turner in action for Town - 1930

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by **Sian Halliwell**
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Town Reserves have had a highly-productive season in the Pontins Central League Division 2 with Kevin Blackwell and Peter Jackson at the helm. A healthy position in the table has been ensured with a steady stream of young players being prepared for selection by manager Neil Warnock.

Striker Andrew Booth has emerged to fulfil the potential at first-team level which he has always shown since joining the club as a schoolboy. Winger Rodney Rowe and, more recently, Simon Baldry - who has been awarded a two-year senior contract - have shown promise in the Reserves, which has been maintained with their performances in the Endsleigh League.

It has been a landmark season for the trio - all are Huddersfield born and bred - and at the outset none of them could have dreamed of being involved in a Wembley squad. Others are still waiting to come through, including defenders, Scott Whitehead and Steve Payne and striker Michael Midwood, who has just signed his first full professional contract. Former favourites like Iwan Roberts and Chris Marsden have made the scoresheet in the Reserves this season plus new arrivals like Richard Logan, Jon Whitney and Richard Ward.

The early season included a strong scoring sequence by Simon Collins, who made fleeting appearances at senior level, enjoyed a loan spell at Halifax and is finishing the season in Hong Kong. The Reserves biggest win of a season which will come to a busy conclusion with three matches in five days was a 6-1 triumph against (believe it or not) Blackpool at Leeds Road, in which Iffy Onuora scored a hat-trick.

... & Youths

At the end of my first year in charge, it has been a very hard but rewarding year. To see two young players making their mark in the first team and two more on the verge makes the job very worthwhile indeed. The two players of course being

Simon Baldry and Rodney Rowe, with up and coming youngsters Scott Whitehead and Stephen Payne, last year's Young Player of the Year pressing hard for recognition. The Northern Intermediate League is for players under nineteen. This allows us to play first year pro's alongside our YTS players. This allows our younger players to learn more from experienced players. The season started very brightly, with the club not losing for nine successive games: This put us in the top position in the league alongside Middlesbrough and we managed to stay in the top half all season. A weak patch in February caused us to lose a few games but we recovered well enough to be top of the league at the end of March. This could well change as Middlesbrough and Leeds still have games in hand caused by the bad winter which has jeopardised the fixtures throughout the season.



(Above) Huddersfield Town Youth Team 1993/94
(Back) Kevin Blackwell (Youth Dev. Manager), Paul Crowther, Mark Kelly, Brendan Aspinall, Liam Garside, Michael Midwood, Sam Collins, Gerry Murphy (Youth Dev. Officer).
(Front) Ged Doherty, Nick Wood, Simon Baldry, Scott Whitehead, Rodney Rowe, Mathew Heddon, Jeremy Illingworth.

The Intermediate League side had a healthy run in the F.A Youth Cup, the best Huddersfield has experienced in seven years. We managed to overcome Guisborough Town, Darlington, Carlisle and Tranmere Rovers before the cup run was halted by Crewe. We finished amongst the last thirty two clubs in the competition which hopefully means next year we will not have to go through the exhausting preliminary rounds.

answer: They were all brought to the club by Youth Development Officer ... *Gerry Murphy*

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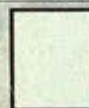
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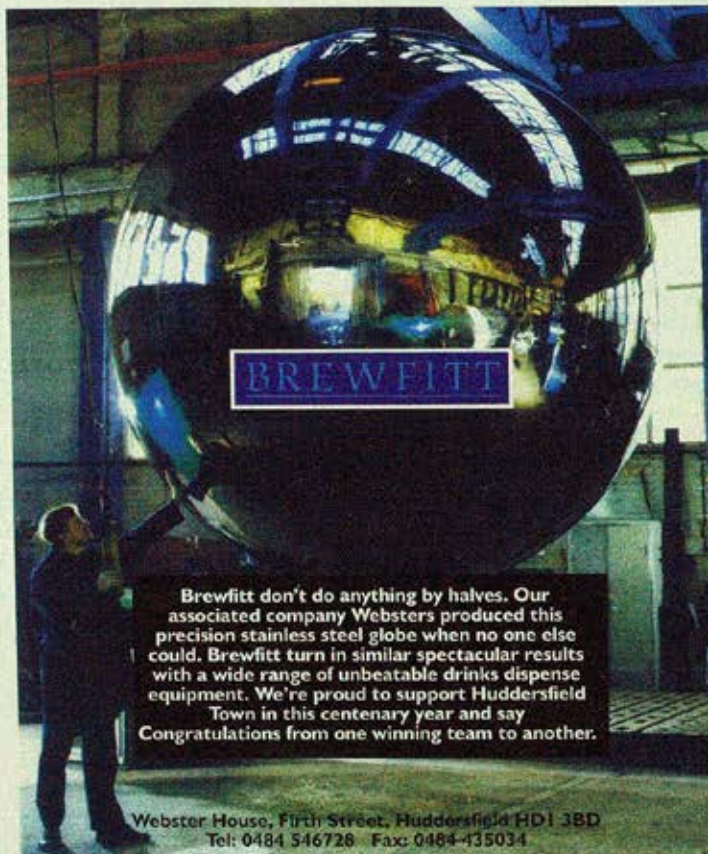
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(Above) Joe Walter - 1920

JOE Walter

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Dogged by injury during his time at Leeds Road, Joe remembers another game when he received severe treatment from his marker. It was in September 1923 against Notts County at Leeds Road.

"It was like a bear garden. Many players were cautioned and two sent off and afterwards there was an F.A. enquiry." Despite his personal trials he remembers his time at Leeds Road as being the happiest days of his career. *"It was a grand place to be in those days. Herbert Chapman was a wonderful manager and a real gentleman. We were very well treated and there was a wonderful team spirit which carried us through."*

Joe made twenty-six appearances in the Number 7 shirt during the 1923-4 season and therefore received a Championship Medal. He also assisted the club in gaining a second successive Championship the following season, but again due to injury he played only seven games. He moved on to play for Taunton, Blackburn Rovers and Bath City and points out that - *"All my professional clubs played in blue and white of some kind."* Asked which he preferred he gave no reply but simply held up a blue and white striped pennant with the logo - 'Huddersfield Town - Division One Champions 1923-24' (pictured with Joe on right). Joe was thrilled to hear that there were still regular supporters who remember seeing him play in those famous colours in the early 1920's.



Joe Walter

JIMMY Glazzard

BORN: NORMANTON - 1923
 JOINED FROM: ALTOFTS COLLIERY, JULY - 1943
 TRANSFERRED TO: EVERTON, AUGUST - 1956
 POSITION: FORWARD
 APPEARANCES: 321
 GOALS: 154



(Above) Jimmy Glazzard in action at Leeds Road

*"*There are plenty of candidates for the Huddersfield Town 'Hall of Fame' as over 40 players have gained International honours whilst members of the club. Many others spring readily to mind and one who would be a leading contender is 'Gentleman JIM' GLAZZARD - a man of the people who still watches Town from the East Terrace.

Jimmy spent fifteen years with Town and when peace-time football recommenced in 1946 he had already scored over 30 goals in War Time Leagues. Because these do not count in official lists, he stands second in the all-time Town goalscorers, with an aggregate of 154 goals - five behind George Brown.

The 32 he secured in season 1954/5 made him top scorer in Division One and almost brought him International recognition when he was chosen as travelling reserve for England, once to Germany and once at Wembley. He knew then however that his career was drawing to a close and had already established himself in a grocery business in Browning Road, Sheepridge. Jim was signed as a professional in October 1943 and he was used mainly as an inside-forward. Shortly after the war he found himself still having to do shifts down the mine on Saturday mornings. He tells of travelling to the ground in those days -

"After arriving back home from the early morning shift I had just time to grab a bite to eat and catch a tram and bus into Huddersfield, with many of the supporters as company. If we were doing well I was a hero but after a bad result I got some ribbing!"

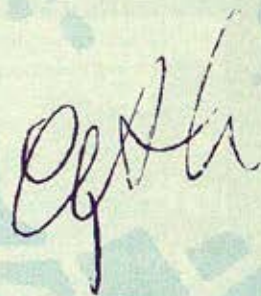
During Town's 1952-3 promotion season he made the centre-forward berth his own. It was in that campaign that the legendary Metcalfe - Glazzard partnership flourished and was cemented in club - folklore at Easter 1953 when Jimmy scored four headed goals (all from Metcalfe centres) in an 8-2 defeat of Everton. In Jim's own words - *"It was as though there was a certain telepathy between us and we still retain that camaraderie even now when playing golf together."*

Jim Glazzard

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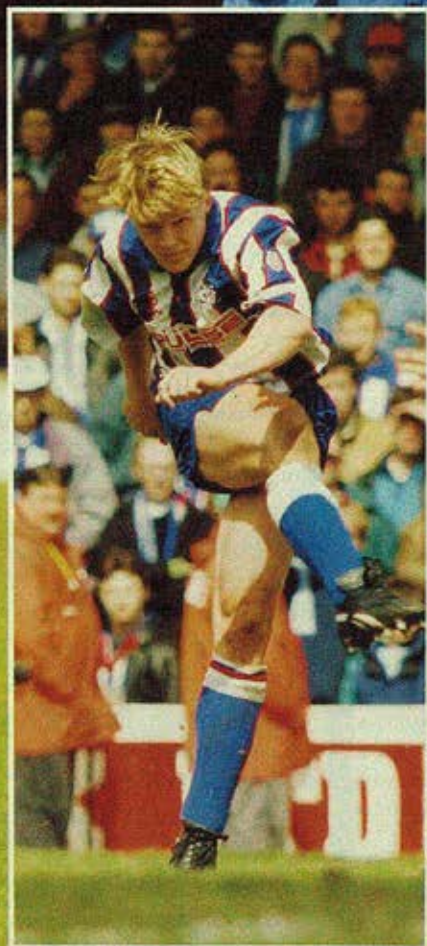


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IAIN DUNN fires home Town's late equaliser.



PHIL STARBUCK shoots at Bradford's goal.

Bradford's Dean Richards times his tackle well on SIMON BALDRY.

LEEDS ROAD

Memories

Huddersfield

Alan

GOWLING

ALAN GOWLING'S three-year stint with Town coincided with one of the most miserable spells in the club's history, but he still retains fond memories of Leeds Road. The Stockport-based 45-year-old, now the general manager of a chemical manufacturing firm in Buxton, believes he's still benefiting from lessons learned during his days at the ground. Gowling, who after earning a degree in economics became the first professional footballer to gain a Master of Arts qualification while he was at Leeds Road, was given the task of leading Town's bid to bounce straight back into Division 1 when he was signed by Ian Greaves for a then club record £65,000 in June, 1972.

The six-footer, who played for the Great Britain Olympic team and England Schools, Amateurs and Under 23s, had spent the previous four seasons with the mighty Manchester United, but failed to book a regular first-team berth alongside the likes of Bobby Charlton, George Best and Denis Law.

(Below) Alan Gowling - 1973



BORN: STOCKPORT - 1945
 JOINED FROM: MAN. LTD., JUNE - 1972
 TRANSFERRED TO: NEWCASTLE LTD., AUG - 1975
 POSITION: FORWARD
 APPEARANCES: 139
 GOALS: 61



(Above) Gowling in a goalmouth tussle with Notts Forest goalkeeper, Jim Barron at Leeds Road

“Playing at Old Trafford was a fantastic experience, especially for a youngster, but I really wanted regular first-team football, and Ian Greaves made a superb job of selling Huddersfield to me,” says Gowling, whose accent quickly gives away his Mancunian roots. “I didn’t know that much about him before learning that Huddersfield had come in for me, but I remember being very impressed by his knowledge of the game and his go-ahead attitude. Huddersfield had just been relegated, Trevor Cherry had moved to Leeds and it was obvious that Frank Worthington was also going to leave, but Ian was confident that he had a squad of players capable of going straight back up.”

Gowling, converted from a midfielder to a striker by Greaves, certainly impressed in his first season, scoring 17 goals to head the club charts, just as he was to do in his other two Town campaigns. But lack of support up front proved costly, and as Town struggled to a mere eight wins in 42 league games, the horrifying thought of being relegated to Division 3 for the first time became a reality.

“Relegation really crept up on us. We completed our fixtures before everyone else, and were left with an agonising wait for the others to play their remaining games. Discovering we’d gone down was one of the worst experiences of my career.”

Gowling agreed to stay on as Town found themselves in unlikely locations like Rochdale, Hereford and Southport the following season. The striker totalled 24 goals, and Town finished a reasonably respectable 10th, but that didn’t stop Greaves handing in his resignation at the end of the campaign. He was succeeded in the hot seat by Bobby Collins, then Tom Johnston, who was left with the task of trying to persuade Gowling to remain when Town suffered the ultimate humiliation of relegation to Division 4 in 1975.

“Bobby and Tom both had their own ideas on management, and both, to an extent, were victims of the circumstances which existed at Leeds Road at the time. I liked Bobby a lot, and even though Tom was harder to get close to, I got on well with him and respected his knowledge and experience. But by the time we were relegated, I’d made it clear that I couldn’t contemplate playing in the Fourth Division at that stage of my career.”

Gowling got his wish when in a \$70,000 deal, he moved to Newcastle United to form a potent partnership with future Town manager Malcolm Macdonald. He also had a successful stint at Bolton Wanderers, where he once again joined forces with Greaves and played alongside Worthington in the Burnden Park forward line.

“I thoroughly enjoyed my time at both Newcastle and Bolton, and playing with both Malcolm and Frank was a wonderful experience,” he says. “But I honestly think that my time at Leeds Road was more valuable, because it gave me vital self-confidence, which I didn’t have while I was playing in the shadow of so many stars at Manchester United. It was a very difficult time in Town’s history, but it was very good from a character-building point of view. Some things are sent to test us, and I always look on Leeds Road as my examination room!”

As well as toughening him up mentally, Town also played an important role in bringing Gowling his M.A. Part of the Manchester University course involved writing a 60,000-word thesis on an aspect of occupational sociology, and Gowling based his work on professional football. Player power and their relationship with teammates, managers, coaches, directors, supporters and even newspaper reporters came under scrutiny in the thesis, which formed the basis of Gowling’s book, ‘Football - Inside Out,’ published in 1977.

“Much of the thesis was based on my experiences with Town, and a lot of lessons I learned at Leeds Road, like the importance of team work, have helped me in my business career.”

Alan Gowling

Endsleigh Division 2

STATISTICS 1993/94

ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION 2 1993/94

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Reading	43	25	10	8	77	41	85
Plymouth Argyle	43	22	10	11	74	54	76
Port Vale	42	22	10	10	69	44	76
Stockport County	41	22	10	9	68	40	76
York City	44	20	11	13	60	38	71
Burnley	43	20	9	14	74	53	69
Hull City	44	18	12	14	61	53	66
Bristol Rovers	44	19	9	16	56	57	66
Bradford City	42	17	13	12	55	47	64
Cambridge United	43	18	9	16	67	63	63
Brighton & Hove	44	15	14	15	59	62	59
Wrexham	43	16	10	17	63	73	58
Brentford	44	13	19	12	55	49	58
Swansea City	43	15	12	16	53	54	57
Rotherham United	43	15	11	17	62	58	56
Huddersfield Town	43	14	14	15	49	55	56
Leyton Orient	44	13	14	17	54	66	53
Bournemouth	44	13	14	17	48	57	53
Cardiff City	42	12	15	15	61	67	51
Blackpool	44	15	5	24	58	72	50
Fulham	44	13	10	21	48	61	49
Exeter City	42	10	12	20	47	75	42
Hartlepool United	43	9	9	25	38	74	36
Barnet	42	4	12	26	35	78	24

HALF TIME SCORE BOARD

GROUP A

- A - Barnet v York City
- B - Bristol Rovers v Stockport County
- C - Burnley v Brentford
- D - Cardiff City v Cambridge United
- E - Fulham v Rotherham United
- F - Hull City v Bournemouth
- G - Leyton Orient v Swansea City
- H - Plymouth Argyle v Bradford City

GROUP B

- A - Port Vale v Exeter City
- B - Reading v Brighton & Hove A.
- C - Wrexham v Hartlepool United
- D - Arsenal v West Ham United
- E - Coventry City v Blackburn Rovers
- F - Ipswich Town v Manchester United
- G - Leeds United v Everton
- H - Liverpool v Norwich City

GROUP C

- A - Manchester City v Chelsea
- B - Oldham v Sheffield Wednesday
- C - QPR v Swindon Town
- D - Sheffield United v Newcastle United
- E - Southampton v Aston Villa
- F - Wimbledon v Tottenham Hotspur
- G - Middlesbrough v Crystal Palace
- H - Peterborough United v Notts. Forest

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Month	Date	Home Team	Score	Away Team	Goalkeepers	Substitutes
Aug	14	Reading	0-3	FARNES	TRENT	DRISN
Aug	17	Scarborough C.C.C 1	H	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Aug	21	Rotherham United	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Aug	24	Scarborough C.C.C 1,2	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Aug	28	Stockport County	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	31	Swansea City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	4	Brighton & H.A.	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	11	Exeter City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	14	Port Vale	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	18	Hull City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	21	Arsenal C.C.C 2,1	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	25	Fulham	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Sept	28	Doncaster (Autoglass)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Oct	2	Plymouth Argyle	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Oct	5	Arsenal C.C.C 2,2	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Oct	9	York City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Oct	16	Barnet	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Oct	23	Burnley	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Oct	30	Bristol Rovers	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Nov	6	Bradford City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Nov	13	Rotherham United	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Nov	20	Blackpool	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Nov	27	Telford Utd. (FA 1)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Dec	3	Preston (Autoglass)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Dec	10	Port Vale (FA 2)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Dec	17	Rotherham United	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Dec	24	Reading	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Jan	7	Hartlepool United	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Jan	14	Leyton Orient	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Jan	21	AFC Bournemouth	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Jan	28	York City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Feb	5	Burnley	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Feb	12	Stockport County	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Feb	19	Swansea City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Feb	26	Brighton & H.A.	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Mar	5	Exeter City (Autoglass)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Mar	12	Cardiff City (Autoglass)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Mar	19	Port Vale	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Mar	26	Fulham (Autoglass)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Apr	2	Plymouth Argyle	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Apr	9	AFC Bournemouth	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Apr	16	Hartlepool United	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Apr	23	Cardiff City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
Apr	30	Leyton Orient	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
May	7	Exeter City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
May	14	Swansea City (Autoglass)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
May	21	Cardiff City	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
May	28	Swansea City (Autoglass)	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
May	30	Blackpool	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN
May	31	Brentford	A	FRANKS	TRENT	DRISN



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