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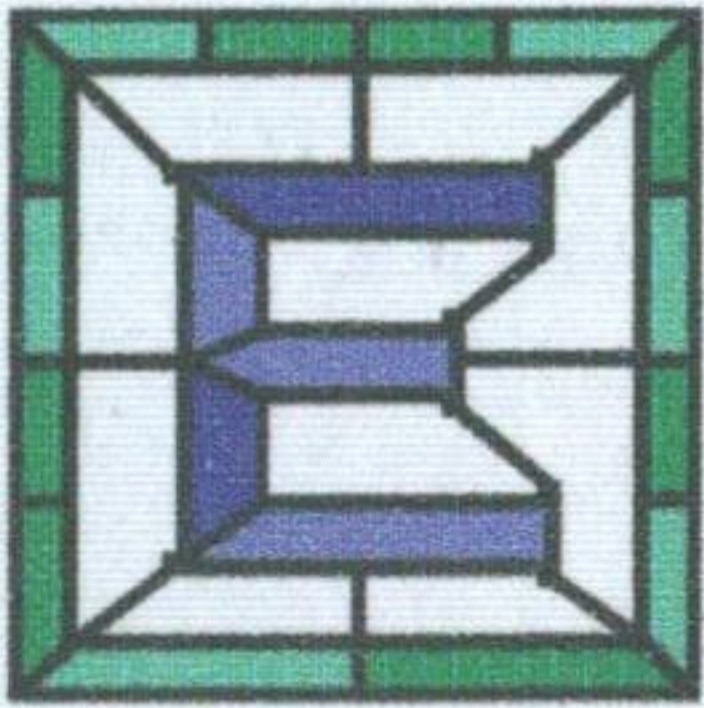
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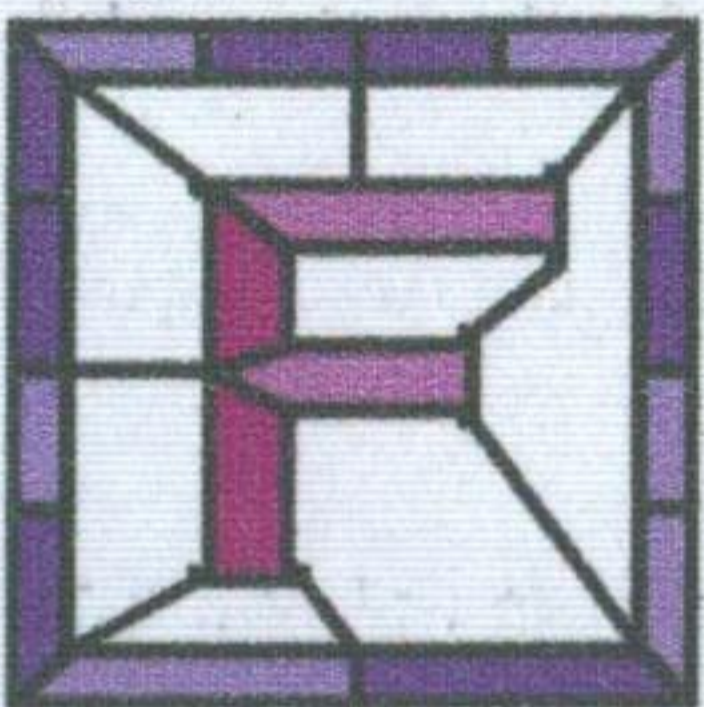
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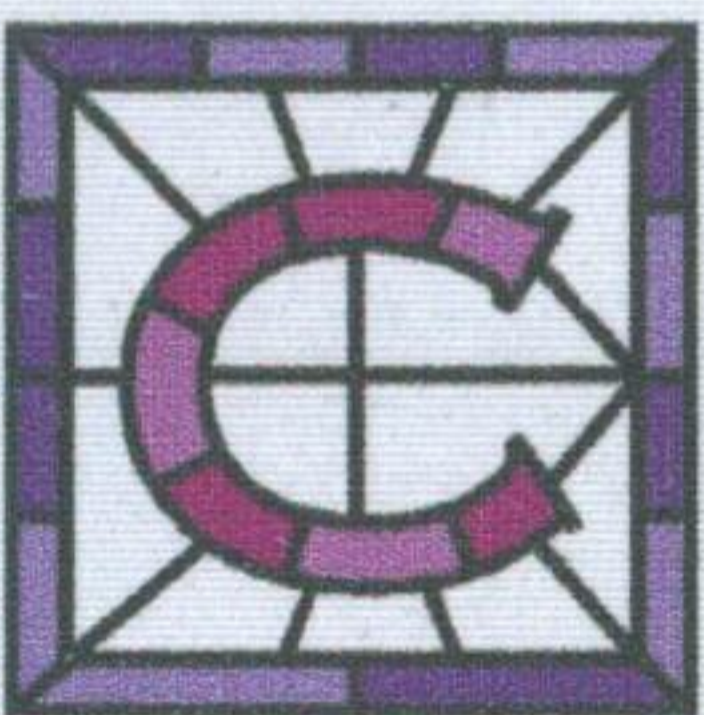


Thank you for all the articles and emails, keep up the good work. For those of you who are interested, on Friday nights between 8 & 8.30pm I do a small spot on Radio Merseyside 95.8fm, it's called Blue Watch and is all about E.F.C.



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MICK BUCKLEY

Mick was a hard working midfield lad who never let Everton down, he played in 158 games and scored 12 goals.

He started as an apprentice in 1969 turning professional in 1971 made his debut in March 1972 and left for Sunderland in August 1978.

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## Editors Page "Old Orr's Almanac"

Thanks to everyone who have renewed their subscription and to those who are new to the Fanzine welcome to another fun packed season. Expectations are high after last season, we expect at least on good Cup run and the F.A. Cup is something we have not done well in since Mr. Moyes took over but to be fair we had a great run in Europe, when and if we can combine both will be the time when I feel that Everton will be getting back on line.

I was gutted watching the F.A. Cup Final Portsmouth and Cardiff made me wonder why the hell Everton were not there then I remembered the weakened team against Oldham and realised why.

Will we see Baines at left back in all games or will Moyes drop him for Lescott when it is a BIG game.? The same can be said about Hibbert, it is something that annoys me, Lescott doesn't want to be at left back Baines does but Moyes upsets them both.

A settled team is the key to most of the top three teams success, I know they have millions more than us but their teams are not messed about as often as we are. There were times when Vaughan and Anichebe were fit but not on the bench, Johnson had being given as many chances as Beattie was and with the same result, poor performances. The Yak also has been in and out of the side, he is a player that will feed of a good run in the team, he is a confidence player and needs to be played regularly.

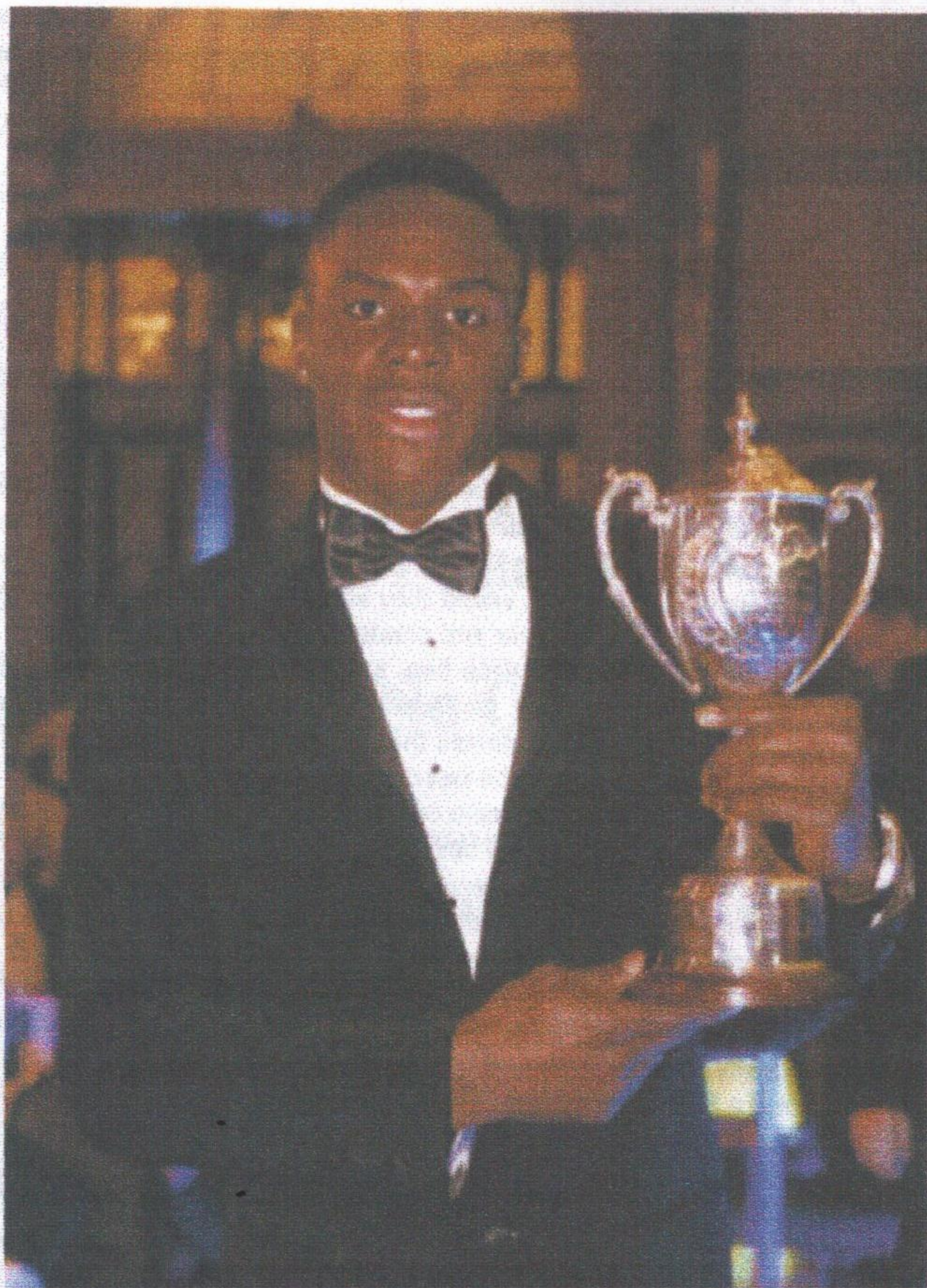
I love reading all the letters in the Echo saying how we will miss Carsley our holding player!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I can't believe it, what team in the top 10 of the Premiership would want him apart from us? None of them that is why he is at Birmingham, these people who write these letters are the same ones who said we should keep hold of Stubbs because he is needed, would they want Stubbs or Jageilka? Carsley should have gone two seasons ago, he was purely a stopper and created nothing in midfield except havoc even clobbering Cahill once. Everton do not need to replace him, just put Baines at left back Lescott in the middle and Jageilka can do Carsley's HOLDING role. Midfielders who cannot score and Carsley was one, need to be creative but he wasn't that either, if Evertonians think Carsley will be missed then it shows you how much our expectations have been lowered over the last couple of seasons.

If Vaughan, Baines and Anichebe get left out of the team or put on the bench then they are not going to put up with it any more. They will be off and teams will be queuing up for them, the same goes for Lescott if he isn't allowed to play in his best position, Moyes nervousness against the top four teams costs us not just points but players get despondent. I know this is a depressing start to the editorial but Moyes has now been here longer than Harry Catterick and there is no need to say any more.

Keith Wyness walks out and the rumours start but we will never know the truth, Everton come out with what must be the most stupid statement of all time 'Wyness wont be missed' was the headlines in the Echo, well if he wont be missed why have we been paying him half a million a year for four years? We have no presence in the City Centre it's Culture Year one million people visited the Tall Ships Everton had no one in attendance to either promote the club or sell merchandise. We have the biggest retail development in Europe, Liverpool Football Club have two shops in the City Centre Everton have none. We sold the Megastore and Finch Farm, Bellefield is up for sale all our assets except Goodison Park have gone. Was Wyness the genius that Kenwright told us he was or was he just another Bull Merchant who only knew how to make cuts and sell? He never had Everton's interests at heart only his own. Strange that it is he personally wont be missed just like Everton said but we will need some one to fill his boots so to speak and that poor person will have nothing to sell or very little money to use. Robert Elstone is the heir to the throne and I feel very sorry for him I have met Robert a few times and he is a likeable bloke but his hands will be tied and it's uphill all the way.

The Masters at the Liverpool Arena was a big disappointment for Evertonians, once again the old players played as if they were signed today, a rubbish performance and oh yes Big Dunc pulled out at the last minute, that must have come as a shock to everyone, Mr Reliable not there. At least the fans had a sing song at the bars which upset the Kopites, I mean it is only a friendly no need for all them songs is there? Steve Round the new assistant manager, he didn't set Middlesboro's fans hearts racing with delight when he was assistant to McClaren the football at times was dire and defensive, let's hope he has a more attacking approach next to Moyes, we can't have two men worried about the opposition. Lost in Switzerland but mainly a reserve side then a loss at Cambridge, not too good but only a warm up. Preston and Forest the young lads are shining and over in the States it all goes wrong in Chicago, Vaughan is sent off and Everton lose. Moyes goes mad he complains about a lack of depth in the squad not enough quality and other things. He is the manager, he is the one who over the past six years has signed injured players, Pistone, Beattie, and others he has chosen to keep a small squad, it's the way he works so why is he complaining? This issue is being printed before the PSV game and there is still a lot happening so there will also be an update pull out inside the fanzine and let's hope that we get some decent young quality players into the team and soon.

Kenwright has gone to 'Your Move' again to tell the World Everton are for sale but no one listens anymore, he has run out of scripts, they are all repeats and boring, sorry Bill the Charm has warn off.



**On Wednesday 7th May 2008 I was honoured to be asked by Everton Shareholders Association along with Tony Heslop to present The Shareholders Young Player Of The Year Award to Victor Anichebe at the Third Annual End Of Season Awards Dinner held at St Georges Hall.**

**This was the official Everton Dinner and all the players were present including Manager David Moyes.**

**The whole evening was spectacular and I was really impressed by it all, even to the extent of wearing a full 'Black Tie Dinner Suit.'**

# 'We'll honour our football founder'

By LUKE TRAYNOR

LIVERPOOL and Everton top brass are attending a ceremony to honour the founding father of football in the city.

An amateur historian discovered the dilapidated grave of the Rev Ben Swift Chambers, which had lain undiscovered for years in the quiet village of Shepley, near Huddersfield.

Now, a concerted campaign by a Merseyside football researcher has prompted Anfield and Goodison officials to rededicate the grave.

Bill Kenwright and Rick Parry are backing the scheme to give recognition to the former St Domingo chapel minister.

The stonework and engraved words on the headstone will be cleaned up and undergrowth cleared around the plot.

This Wednesday a service will take place at the church. Former Blues chairman Sir Philip Carter will speak on behalf of the club, and Rick Parry will attend as Liverpool's representative.

Club reverends Bill Bygroves and Henry Corbett, along with some academy players, will also attend.

The Rev Chambers's neglected grave was discovered thanks to the tireless efforts of writer Peter Lupson.

The head of English at Kingsmead school in Hoylake has researched the Christian influence



**DISCOVERY:** Peter Lupson at the grave of the Rev Ben Swift Chambers

on the game since the 2006 publication of his book, *Thank God for Football!*

Mr Lupson told the ECHO: "The grave was a total wreck when I found it, but it's only right it's being restored to its original state."

"I feel the grave should retain the simplicity that it already has because clearly he was a humble man."

"At long last, thanks to Everton and Liverpool, he will receive a lasting tribute to his memory."

An Everton spokesman said: "This is an integral part of the club's history and a right and proper tribute to Rev Chambers."

"An Everton contingent led by Sir Philip Carter will be present, one of the elder statesmen of our hierarchy."

## Genesis of clubs

IN 1877, the Rev Chambers joined St Domingo Chapel and persuaded members of the bible class to start a cricket club.

To keep fit during the winter months, the same contingent formed a football team who played on Stanley Park.

They changed their name to Everton FC and opened a new stadium at Anfield in 1884, turning professional the following season and winning the Championship in 1891.

Money rows led to a split which saw Liverpool FC born, and Everton move to Goodison Park.

"I'm sure many Evertonians will find their way over to Shepley to pay tribute to the man who set Everton on their way."

A Liverpool spokesman said: "We are pleased to help to honour the memory of Rev Chambers and everyone at Liverpool was keen to get involved."

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**This excellent article was printed in the Liverpool Echo on June 28th 2008 and it is good to see that Everton Football Club are looking after their History.**

**From the David France Collection onwards Everton are now one of , if not the leading football club paying homage to their glorious past.**

**Blue Blood has always been supportive of anyone who has the interests of Everton Football Clubs History at their heart.**

**There are a lot more 'Forgotten' Everton items out there somewhere but now it looks with Everton on board it will only be a matter of time before our lost history is restored.**

**If anyone has any items of interest send me an email and I will put it in the Fanzine. See also page 6**

# Reds & Blues hail a city football legend

## Grave is rededicated

By THOMAS MARTIN

RED and blue top brass joined together to pay tribute to Liverpool's footballing forefather.

The Rev Ben Swift Chambers was the driving force behind the birth of Everton in 1878. Liverpool came along 14 years later after a row about money.

But despite his crucial role in the creation of two of the world's greatest football clubs, the grave of Mr Chambers lay undiscovered and unloved for decades.

Amateur historian Peter Lupson eventually discovered his overgrown resting place in a quiet corner of a sleepy graveyard near Huddersfield.

And yesterday representatives from both clubs attended a service in Shepley to mark the rededication of Mr Chambers's grave.

Former Everton striker Graeme Sharp said: "When you look at the history of both clubs and how they started, he was so influential."

"This is an ideal opportunity for us to get together and remember that."

"The relationship between the fans has deteriorated to an extent, but if we can show them there's a unity going back all those years, maybe we can restore some of that."

Former Reds midfield ace, and now club official, Brian Hall added: "It has reminded me of the wonderful rapport between Everton and Liverpool fans over so many years."

The memorial ceremony at



Watch it:   
[liverpooecho.co.uk/video](http://liverpooecho.co.uk/video)



**TOGETHER:** The Rev Ben Swift Chambers's grave site is rededicated (above) while (left) Everton director Sir Philip Carter chats to Liverpool chief executive Rick Parry

Everton chaplain Henry Corbett said: "Why did he found the football clubs? If he were alive today he would say because of love and compassion."

"He saw that people could be helped by sport."

Liverpool chief executive Rick Parry said: "Through cricket and football Ben Chambers showed his commitment to getting young boys off the street. He did not see football and faith as incongruous, but rather as complementary."

Mr Lupson, who researched the history of the clubs for his book Thank God for Football, said: "There are so many wonderful points of contact between these two

clubs and that's why I'm so excited about today, because we are bringing it right up to date."

Mr Chambers' grave was cleaned and given a new headstone with funding from the two clubs.

The new epitaph reads: "Ben Swift Chambers, who set the ball rolling that led to the birth of Everton and Liverpool football clubs."

Everton director Sir Philip Carter said: "To honour a gentleman who was so pivotal to the creation of football in our city is entirely appropriate. Ben Chambers was a visionary and everyone with an interest in football in Merseyside owes him a tremendous debt of gratitude."

## FIRST DAY BLUES

Since the Second World War Everton have started 62 seasons of League action. As we are starting the 63 rd I thought I'd Have a look at some of the best post-war opening day results . apart from the third round of the FA Cup openers must be one of the seasons most anticipated days .For on this day everyone is equal even the big four. Hopes and aspirations are high even if wildly optimistic in most cases. Here is a breakdown of the blues first results since the war ;

Home p.34 w.14 d.9 l.11 for 60 agst 55

Away p.28 w.11 d.4 l.13 for 35 agst 40

Total p 62 w.25 d.13 l.24 for 95 agst 95

As you can see it is obviously difficult to predict Evertons fortunes ,but hopefully a winning start against Blackburn can be obtained. The following is a personal choice of great openers ;

1. 1954 Sheff Utd 2 Everton 5 After 3 years in the wilderness of the Second Division , Everton announced their topflight arrival with a storming victory .Two John Willie Parker goals in the opening 15 minutes got the season off to a flyer, Everton were truly back where they belong.

2. 1957 Everton 1 Wolves 0 A Jimmy Harris goal 15 minutes from time saw off the then powerful Wolves.

3. 1962 Burnley 1 Everton 3 As a pre-cursor to one of the worst winters in modern history the blues survived the shock of an early goal by the hosts to earn a convincing win. Goals from Young, Bingham and skipper Roy Vernon set the tone for a fantastic Championship season.

4. 1963 Everton 3 Fulham 0 Hopes were high the Championship would be retained. Fulham were easily seen off .An early own goal and second half efforts from Temple and Scott sealed a comprehensive victory. Without the consistency of the previous season the Championship headed across Stanley Park.

5 1965 Everton 5 Northampton 2 The visitors spent one season in the top flight and were given an early taster of the problems which lay ahead as the rampant blues scored 5 times. 2 from Fred Pickering and Derek Temple and one from Alex Young signalled good times ahead .A disappointing League season was forgotten in the seasons' finale at Wembley as the blues bought the FA Cup back to Goodison for the first time in 33 years.

6. 1967 Everton 3 Man Utd 1 United arrived as Champions and European Cup Winners elect but were humbled by a stunning Everton performance, inspire in the main by Alan Ball. Best Law and Charlton had no answer to the Blues on this day. This was also the first Everton home League fixture to feature on BBC Match of The Day.

7 1969 Arsenal 0 Everton 1 A John Hurst goal earned the Toffees the win in a tricky fixture . It heralded the start of a Championship season in which Kendall, Ball and Harvey were at their majestic best .Probably the best team most Evertonians of a certain age can remember.

8. 1976 QPR 0 Everton 4 When the fixtures were published this produced groans among Evertonians everywhere. The previous season a rampant Rangers had thrashed the blues 5-0. Despite the pessimism may blues travelled to West London on a blazing hot day .It turned out to be an amazing afternoon as Everton extracted vengeance from their hosts. The afternoon started badly when left back Dave Jones was sent off early in the proceedings. This however only inspired to ten men to a fantastic 4-0 victory. It all started with a bizarre own goal from Ranger giant keeper Phil Parkes who after collecting a corner fell to the ground and shovelled the ball into his own net. A penalty from Mike Bernard and a brace from Bob Latchford completed the rout. I always remember it as one of my favourite away matches to this day.

9. 1988 Everton 4 Newcastle 0 Another sunny day saw a revamped Everton include 4 summer signings. Colin Harvey had signed Pat Nevin ,Neil McDonald, Stuart McCall and Tony Cottee to boost a side which had been Champions two seasons before. Record signing Tony Cottee opened his blues scoring account after only 12 seconds . The stunned Geordies capitulated as Cotte went on to score a debut hat-trick ,making him the last Evertonian to perform this feat and the first since Fred Pickering in 1964. Graeme Sharp scored the fourth in front of a rapturous Goodison crowd.

## First Day Blues

10. 1996 Everton 2 Newcastle 0 The visitors paraded new record signing Alan Shearer in front of their typically over expectant fans .If ever a group of fans live on totally unrealistic expectations it is The Skunks !. Reality quickly set in before their unbelieving eyes as goals by debutant Gary Speed and a typically cool finish from the penalty spot ensured the three points remained at Goodison.

Just to balance the article I am listing 10 opening day disasters . I feel no explanations are necessary so here goes ( I still have nightmares about some of these games )

1. 1946 Everton 0 Brentford 2 (first league game after World War 2 )
2. 1956 Leeds 5 Everton 1
3. 1961 Tottenham 2 Everton 0
4. 1973 Leeds 3 Everton 1
5. 1975 Everton 1 Coventry 4
6. 1977 Everton 1 Nottm Fst 3
7. 1979 Everton 2 Norwich 4
8. 1984 Everton 1 Tottenham 4
9. 1985 Leicester 3 Everton 1
10. 2004 Everton 1 Arsenal 4

Heres hoping that the Blackburn game comes into first category.

**Barry Hewitt**





This is a very rare photo from the F. A. Cup Semi Final played at Villa Park on the 31st March 1906 Everton V Liverpool. The caption underneath the picture says Everton Forces The Game and then the rest of the text is The Match between Everton and Liverpool which was well attended took place at Aston Park Birmingham and resulted in a victory for Everton by two goals to none.

# I Wanna Tell You A Story

The Kirkby fiasco goes on and on, rumour counters rumour and the water gets muddier by the minute, Bill Kenwright comes out with counter claims one minute along with Wyness there is no plan 'B' next there are now plans to redevelop Goodison because the Council will give permission for demolishing existing properties around the ground.

Kenwright says Everton are for sale and that he takes calls from all over the World from interested parties but when they realise Everton are in the same City as Liverpool they withdraw because they do not want to be overshadowed by the other lot from across the Park.

What a load of rubbish, anyone with the amount of money needed to buy a football club would surely know that Everton is based on Merseyside and if they didn't then it would be amazing, imagine that you wanted to buy a house but you didn't know what City it was in. Yes stupid isn't it ?

And besides that did it stop The Russian buying Chelsea because the opposition were overshadowing them i.e. Arsenal, Tottenham and at Manchester City it was bought by a Thailand Millionaire did he know Manchester United were from the same City?

Kenwright has stood up in the past and said openly to the Press that the money for the Kings Dock was there, he even added Trust Me It Is There was that true or untrue? He introduced a guy at the AGM and told Shareholders that the Club was being sold and the deal was going through banking and legal procedures and would be completed within a month. That was three years ago. Was that true or untrue?

I know there are those amongst you who see no wrong in Kenwright, you even see him as our saviour but even with that blinkered view you must surely know that the man is out of his depth as a chairman he makes statements about having no club shop in the City during the Year of Culture because only Newcastle Fans and out of town Liverpool supporters buy merchandise at levels that are profitable!!

Hasn't he heard about Liverpool One or the Governor Project and that our City is getting the largest shopping complex in the whole of Europe but it is not attractive enough for an Everton Shop? Maybe he is planning a Stall On Kirkby Market. Wyness and Kenwright are buffoons and Everton are being laughed at in the World of Football Commerce. Vote them out at the AGM use your head not your heart.

**Mack The Knife**

# **The Golden Vision**

## **Live AT The Adelphi**

**Alex Young The Golden Vision is coming to Town to help launch his new book aptly named The Golden Vision. David France has done a marvellous job in paying tribute to one of Everton's greatest players.**

**The date is Friday 12th September 2008 and the Dinner is at The New Kensington Suite at The Adelphi Hotel.**

**A four course Dinner is included in the price which is £66 dress for the evening is Lounge Suit.**

**Other ex Players due to attend are Colin Harvey, Alex Parker, Joe Royle, Derek Temple and Gordon West.**

**I know that you younger fans have heard many, many times just how good Alex Young was but believe me he was the Best Everton Player since the War, when you see a photograph of Alex with the late Dixie Dean and Tommy Lawton you realise just how much the number nine shirt means in our History.**

**Alex Young like all the ex players is not getting any younger and it is rare to see this living Legend on Merseyside. He is someone who put Everton's name at the Top Of English Football in the 1960's and to be able to pay homage to him is something that you should make sure you do.**

**For Tickets go to [www.bluekipper.com](http://www.bluekipper.com)**

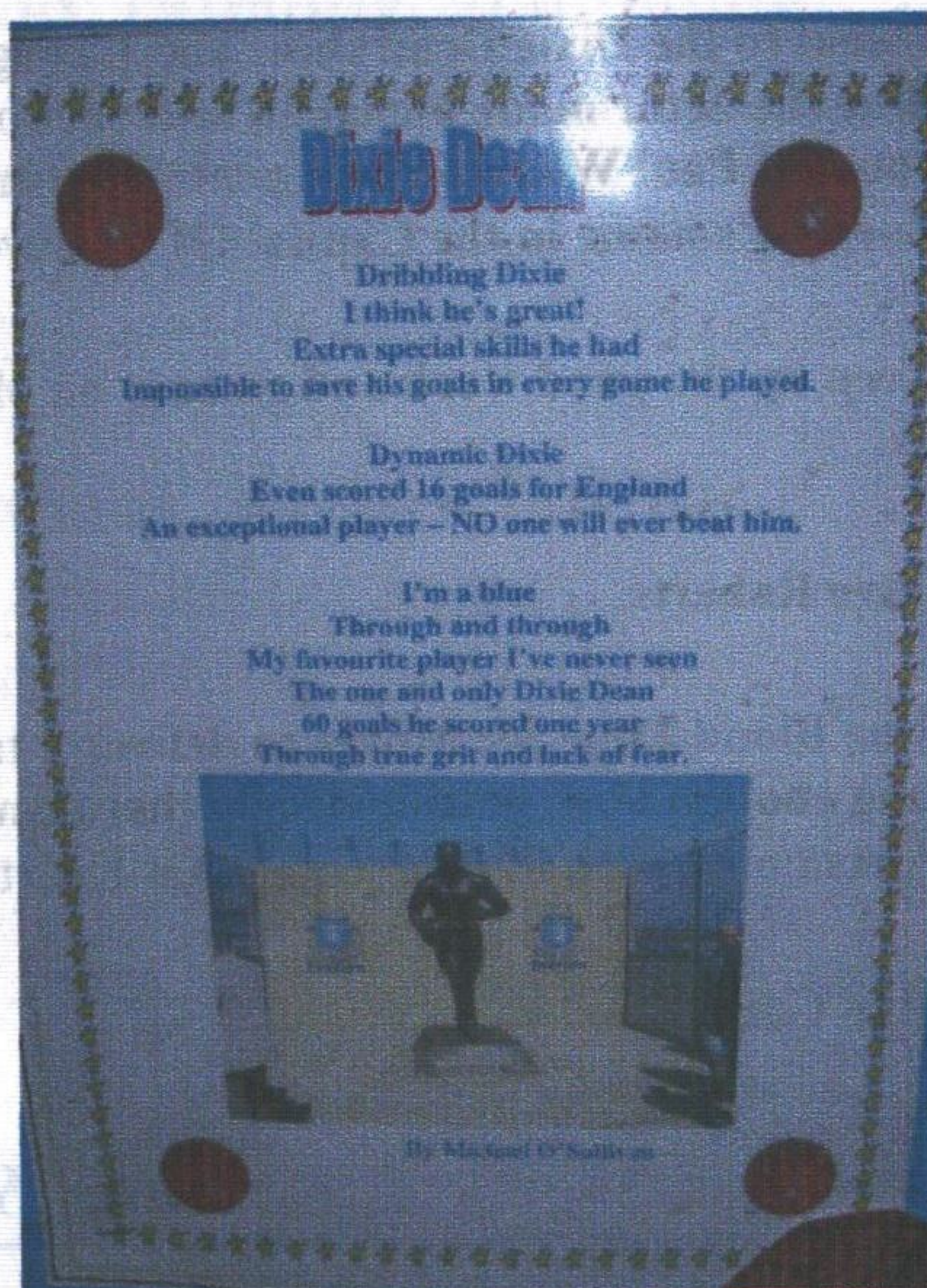
## Dixie Dean Play Photo's



The Dixie Dean Play on May 5th & 6th at Crosby Civic Hall was a great success many Evertonians turned out and the Play was excellent. John Keith and Gill Beattie should take a bow.

Stephen Shakeshaft the actor who played Dixie did a fine job and I felt good that Paul Wharton and myself played a Major part in bringing it all together, The Capital Of Culture Year did see at least one Everton themed thing and that makes it all worthwhile.

Above Stephen on stage below Harry McLeish who saw Dixie in the 20's and one of the many projects done by Crosby Schoolchildren from St Mary's Preparatory School Photo's Copyright of Barry Hewitt.



## Letters



## E-Mails

### Blue Blood

Another season and another European challenge I just hope we can do as well as we did last season and with a bit more luck we could have won the Uefa Cup.

We do need more players and I don't know what will happen when the Kirkby farce comes to a head, but Everton will still be around no matter what and we can only hope that Kenwright gets it all sorted out soon

Frank Harris

### Blue Blood.

Hi George just want you to know that I was made up when my subscription renewal dropped on the mat. It is a great read and the special 50th edition was the best so far. I enjoy the old season reviews and think of what it must have been like being a Blue back then, Hardly any news in the papers and Radio wasn't much better, you had to go to the games then to know what was happening no Sky T.V. or Match Of The Day then.

The boys pen being built Dixie Dean, and Everton winning the League and other great things going on. All brought back by Billy Smith and yourself.

I went to the Dixie Dean show and George it was great, what a night, I was so proud to be a Blue the actor made me laugh and cry so that meant he had done his job. I am writing to tell you and Paul Wharton how grateful every Evertonian should be because without you two Everton's name in the Capital Of Culture year would have been absent.

Keep up the good work and go easy on Mr. Moyes, he is doing ok, not brilliant I know but ok.

Dave Roberts.

**Blue Blood** Time for Moyes to deliver a trophy, or a Cup Final appearance he has been here long enough now, getting nearly there isn't good enough even Cardiff got to the final and Portsmouth won it, no excuses that Everton's name isn't there.

Alan Curtis

*Blue Swayed Views*

## The Brian Labone Story

Continued from last issue

### MAGIC IN THE CUP

his home village of Gunnislake, near Tavistock. For a time he was working for the Forestry Commission and then in the local stone quarries. He had been selected for East Cornwall Boys before he left school. Then he started to hear rumours that Plymouth Argyle were interested in him.

Just before he was eighteen, Mr Ellis Stuttard, then Plymouth's manager, took Trebilcock on amateur forms and then he signed professional. In the 1964-65 season he was Argyle's leading scorer. In late December, '65, the first part of any footballer's dream came true for Trebilcock. He signed for Everton. And he said: 'The whole place and the atmosphere is just fabulous. Everyone is being very kind to me. I only hope they will all appreciate it takes time to settle down with a new club and a better class of football. I think the fans will understand that and give me time to get used to it.'

The second part of Trebilcock's dream, of course, came true at Wembley Stadium . . .

We had started as we always did, carefully, and biding our time. We were soon bounced right out of our rhythm. The Yorkshire side's Jim McCalliog had one in our net after only five minutes. His shot deflected off Ray Wilson's foot and past goalkeeper Gordon West. Wednesday's apparent match-winner, after 57 minutes, was engineered by Johnny Fantham, whose shot came off West, and all Ford had to do was belt it home.

Still, we weren't too down-hearted. We still thought we had that little extra to pull us through. Although, as everyone even remotely connected with soccer knows, you've got a hell of a task on your hands when you're two goals down. We had taken right on the chin a vicious double blow. But we still reckoned that our method, smoothness and spearhead men would see us through - at least up to an equaliser.

## The Brian Labone Story

And it was Trebilcock who twice opened the floodgates of cheers for Everton fans who, amidst utter disbelief, had been practically hushed to a whisper by those Wednesday goals.

Talent of the highest possible quality was on show. We had Colin Harvey and Alex Young, to mention but two players of outstanding ability. Young, excelling as always in the big occasion, had tragic luck when he slipped the ball past Springett, only to have his goal disallowed for offside.

Sheffield's heroes were McCalliog, Eustace and Fantham, then a near-veteran, who tantalised us with his fast acceleration, smart passing and power shooting.

Then came the Temple 'clincher' which handed us the Cup. We had realised, thankfully before it was too late, that the high ball into the centre wasn't much use against those tall, tough Wednesday defenders. And so we snatched the winner, the F.A. Cup thus going to a team from Merseyside for the second year running.

And now, just a few words in praise of Jimmy Gabriel . . .

He did a first-rate job for us at Wembley against Wednesday. But he invariably did that for Everton, irrespective of the match or the place.

We just had to step-up the pace of our game once the Sheffield lads had shoved their noses in front. Yet their luck stayed with them for quite a while longer; ours didn't until Trebilcock hit the goal trail.

There was, however, that slice of brilliance, so often displayed by Gabriel and Alex Young in previous games, which certainly stunned Wednesday.

It was a move from which they had grabbed goals before. A build-up on our left wing. Young was smack in the middle of the pitch, and about twenty-five yards out from that Wednesday goal.

Gabriel was waiting by the far post for the high cross that floated over. Then he headed it back square across the goal. Young darted in like a hare, left a couple of Sheffield men like statues, got to the ball and slipped it past Wednesday 'keeper Springett. And then, to our dismay, the 'goal' was disallowed for offside!

Gabriel, unlike some other 'star' players, never had a real 'stinker' while with us at Goodison. It didn't matter whether he was playing wing-half or in the forwards. He was occasionally excellent, but never bad.

He enjoys playing football for a living. Also, he has both the enthusiasm and the ability to play in practically every position.

Now Temple, Trebilcock and Gabriel are no longer with us at Goodison. It is possible they may never again capture that magic of a Cup Final win at Wembley. But they can always say they have achieved fame and fortune there. And, take it from me, that's really something to write home about!

That concludes the Brian Labone Story.

# **Panaroumourski**

## **Russian Television Broadcast**

**On the 4th August 2008 an undercover Russian T.V. Crew secretly filmed a Boardroom Meeting at Goodison Park Everton, England.**

**Mr Bill Kenwright (B.K. ) was talking to a private Russian Investor and this is the recording of the meeting.**

**Secret Investor (S.I.) Good morning Mr K. I need to know a few facts before my consortium can buy your Club.**

**B.K. Ok fire away**

**S.I. How much can we make from merchandise?**

**B.K. We do not own our merchandise we sold the rights to JJB Sports.**

**S.I. How much is the Megastore worth then?**

**B.K. We don't own the Megastore we sold it and lease it back.**

**S.I. How much do we get from season ticket sales?**

**B.K. All our season ticket sales are paid to a debt company to pay off some credit.**

**S.I. How much is Finch Farm worth?**

**B.K. We have sold Finch Farm and lease it back.**

**S.I. How much can we make from catering?**

**B.K. We sold our catering and lease it back from a company.**

**S.I. Do you own anything you are selling me Mr.K. ?**

**B.K. We own Goodison Park and Bellefield but we can't get planning permission to sell them to developers.**

**S.I. Good Morning Mr. K. can I get a taxi to Tranmere from here?**

**Some of the above may have been lost in translation or may not even be true but do not worry Bill is still looking for investors and will not stop until he finds one.**



# Wyness A Cut Out

I supply the pies to the boardroom restaurant at Goodison, and next week's order has been halved. It's a disaster. Don't you people realise that some of us have a living to make?

First BT and now Wyness. It's a desperately sad time for us Pie Suppliers.

Wyness is just a patsy.

Everton's situation is the result of having Bill Kenwright and Jon Woods as major shareholders.

A change of CEO makes no difference, it is the men at the top who must accept responsibility for the state of the club.

They need to move on if Everton FC is to move forward.

Could see it coming after one of the staff told me there had been a big bust up between he and Moyes.

Probably led to a standoff where Davey told BB 'it's him or me!'

Only ever going to be one winner there.

Employing a CEO on four times his predecessor's salary who has failed over and over at this club, got kicked out of Australia for dodgy business dealings, tried the exact same "trick" of your ground is falling down and let's move to a retail park whilst at Aberdeen and failed then came here to do the same. It may be bad timing as I said in my earlier posting but how bad is it to keep him on with his constant failings? Surely cutting your losses, shipping out and trying to get better in is exactly the same thing that DM would do if he had the money? I think if DM were to go this summer he would have gone already - the Man U job surely a prize for an aspiring manager knowing Fergie will be going sooner rather than later. The laughing stock is what the club has become business not football wise ever since he was appointed CEO with one disaster after another, fortunately DM has retained our interest with reasonable returns in the league.

It now appears that Wyness resigned by e-mail on Sunday evening — totally out of the blue. He was engaged in frantic talks with Bill Kenwright (who wanted him to stay!) all day on Monday and cleared his desk late Tuesday.

These letters were sent into the marvellous website [www.Toffeeweb.com](http://www.Toffeeweb.com) if you haven't been on their site you are missing out on a treat

# And Weep Guide

Wyness has gone and the World of Evertonia is in turmoil, or is it?

Keith Wyness was a typical Top Business Manager who could only make things look good by making people redundant, selling off assets ignoring fans and riding roughshod over shareholders.

He was in his element standing in front of an easel with a large Master Plan written on it, holding his laser or cane he pointed out to us lesser mortals just how he would make Everton one of the richest clubs in the World.

All the while he was selling everything we owned, the Megastore was sold off and leased back, the same with the new training ground at Finch Farm. Clubs shops were closed and the Merchandise was sold off to JJB.

The Capital Of Culture Year passed him by millions of visitors to the City didn't register with a man who should have seen these visitors as potential customers. But he was blind to it as he was to the regeneration of the City, Liverpool 1 and The Grovenor Project meant nothing to him while our rivals have got two stores selling their Merchandise we have counterfeiters at the Heritage Market Taking all our sales.

Yes the rent and rates would be excessive but sharing a shop with another retailer would not have been a bad idea and Wyness had many bad ideas so why not this one.

He seemed to have a problem knowing that when one season ended and before the next one started a new kit needed to be ordered, nearly every season he cocked it up and fans of the Blue side of the City watched as their rivals paraded around in their new shirts while Wyness tried to explain what had gone wrong this time.

The 130th Birthday of Everton this Year and the Dixie Dean 80th Anniversary were ignored, two marketing chances but not to Mr Wyness. He was always saying Everton fans do not buy enough merchandise but if you went into the Megastore there was little to excite you.

All these faults though as bad as they were didn't matter after he mentioned Kirkby that was to be something he would regret, it split the fan base and it put him into the spotlight. He spluttered and tried to convince everyone who would listen that it was THE DEAL OF THE CENTURY a basically free stadium that we would own. No one surely could oppose that? But oppose it they did and they formed groups, fan bases and internet sites. So he had to think of something else to convince everyone that Kirkby had to be a done deal. And that is when he had his finest hour, he was asked what if Kirkby didn't happen?

It has to happen, there is no alternative, there is no plan 'B', the audience was stunned, no plan 'B' there must be a plan 'B'. Someone shouted out there isn't a Plan 'A' never mind a plan 'B'.

Most Evertonians would say it was his downfall but just a week before he resigned he really hit the Jackpot, it was disclosed that he had agreed with Liverpool Football Club to hire out Everton's Marquee to Liverpool fans on their home games. Kenwright hit the roof well it was only a tent roof so he didn't hurt himself but he hit the roof all the same and that was the final nail in his coffin.

**For Sale**

**One Premier League**

**Football Club**

**Owner Must Sell**

**Due To Illness**

**He Is Sick Of Being Laughed  
At**

**No Reasonable Offer Refused**

**Paypal Accepted**

## Everton In The Seventies

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outings before this, he was to go on and play a major role in the Championship. The 3rd January 1970 and I got married the same day, missing the 3rd Round F. A. Cup tie at Sheff Untd, we lost 2-1. All my mates came back from the game to the Wedding and said that we were poor and didn't deserve to win

Back to winning ways in the League with a good victory at home against Ipswich. a 2-1 away defeat at lowly Southampton had alarm bells ringing. We only managed to scrape a 0-0 draw at home against Newcastle, Wolves, Arsenal and Coventry all at home only gave us one win and two draws. Things were beginning to slip, panic was setting in. Forest away and still only a draw this time 1-1.

I had started a new job in Aintree with the Ribble Bus Company. It was brilliant, Butlin's on wheels and there was a good crowd of lads working there, most of them Blue Boys.. I could now go to any match I wanted because you only worked Mon — Fri, with Sat & Sun being overtime.

We were still behind Leeds who were top of the League but two great away wins, one at Burnley and the other at Spurs put us right back in there. Spurs at home and a thrilling 3-2 win helps us all to breathe without the help of a respirator, 54,496 crammed into the Red Pit with me and a few other Blue Boys stuck in the heft hand corner of their toilet commonly known as the Kop. To tell you the truth I didn't think we would get more than a draw but a 2-0 win had us splashing up and down in their flooded pit. My mate lost his shoe on the way out of the Kop. we went through the gates like a cork coming out of a bottle, the crush was tremendous. After letting the crowd dwindle away, we went back to the gate and asked the fella if we could go back in and look for a shoe. In his friendly Red voice he said Sod off you Blue Nose, come back and look for it next season, and with that he shut the gate and my mate limped away.

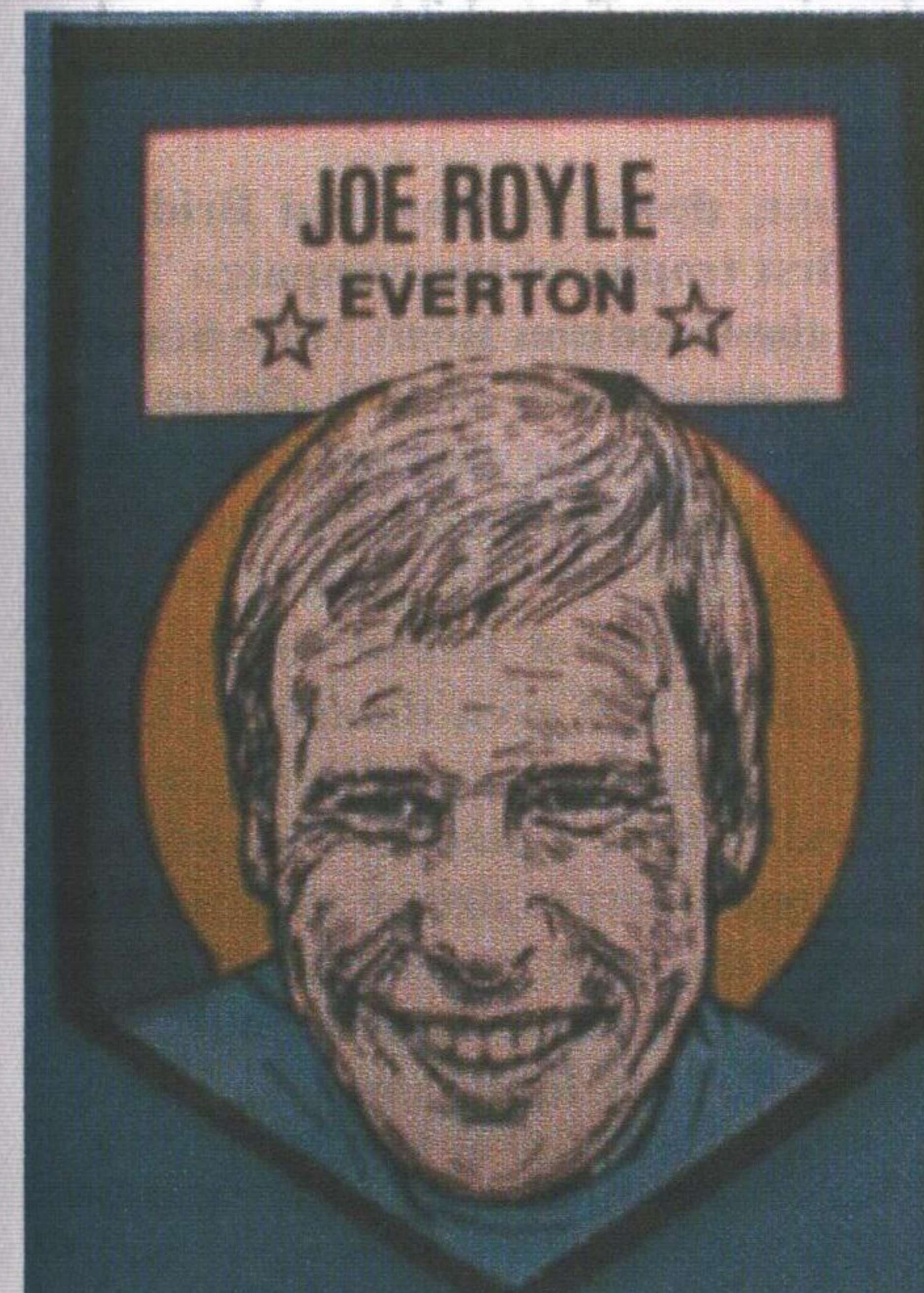
Everton were still on a high from the Derby and Chelsea at home felt the full blast ,with a 5-2 hammering. Stoke City away (but it looked like at home game with thousands of Blues there) and a vital 1-0 victory with the man of the season Alan Whittle getting yet another goal. West Brom at home and the stage was set, if we won we would be League Champions, Whittle smacks a beaut, Colin Harvey cracks and even better one and the pitch becomes a mass of Blue bodies as we swarm all over it, singing our heads off in praise of a great Everton team. I was on the pitch with other Blue Boys and I tried to take a piece of the Goodison Turf as a souvenir, I got a clump and took it home, proudly I showed it to my Dad and said "What do you think of that?" He said "It looks like one soft sod holding another soft sod" Hangover or not I was at Sheff Wed on the Sat to see the Boys win 1-0 with lager legs Morrissey getting the goal, the season ended at Sunderland with a 0-0 draw but that didn't matter, we were Champions of England and soon we would be Champions of Europe, no one was going to stop this team.

Everton had been threatening for a few seasons to win the League, the youth had developed alongside the experienced players and everything looked as if this team would stroll through Europe and then win the League again.

Being Evertonians we were not certain that this is what would happen but we felt very much assured that it would and we all went on holiday in a relaxed mood eagerly awaiting the new season that would see us regain the title of School Of Science.

The Sixties had been great for Everton, The Golden Vision, a League Title and a Cup win in 1966 that was to be special after being 2-0 down, but it was all overshadowed by The World Cup Win and Everton's great Cup Final was put to one side as the Nation Celebrated England's Victory. The Seventies were going to be ours, no one was going to overshadow us now.

## Everton In The Seventies



**Oh His Name Is Joey Royle and He's  
The Leader Of Our Team  
The Greatest Centre Forward The  
World Has Ever Seen  
When Alan Takes A Corner, Joe  
Heads It In The Net  
And As For Alun Evans He's A Stupid  
Little Get.**

**One of the songs the Street End Boys  
used to sing'  
Along with  
We Don't Carry Bottles, We Don't  
Carry Lead,  
We Only Carry Hatchets To Bury In  
Your Head.  
We Are Loyal Supporters, Fanatics  
Every One  
And If You Do Not Know Our Name,  
Our Name Is Everton.**

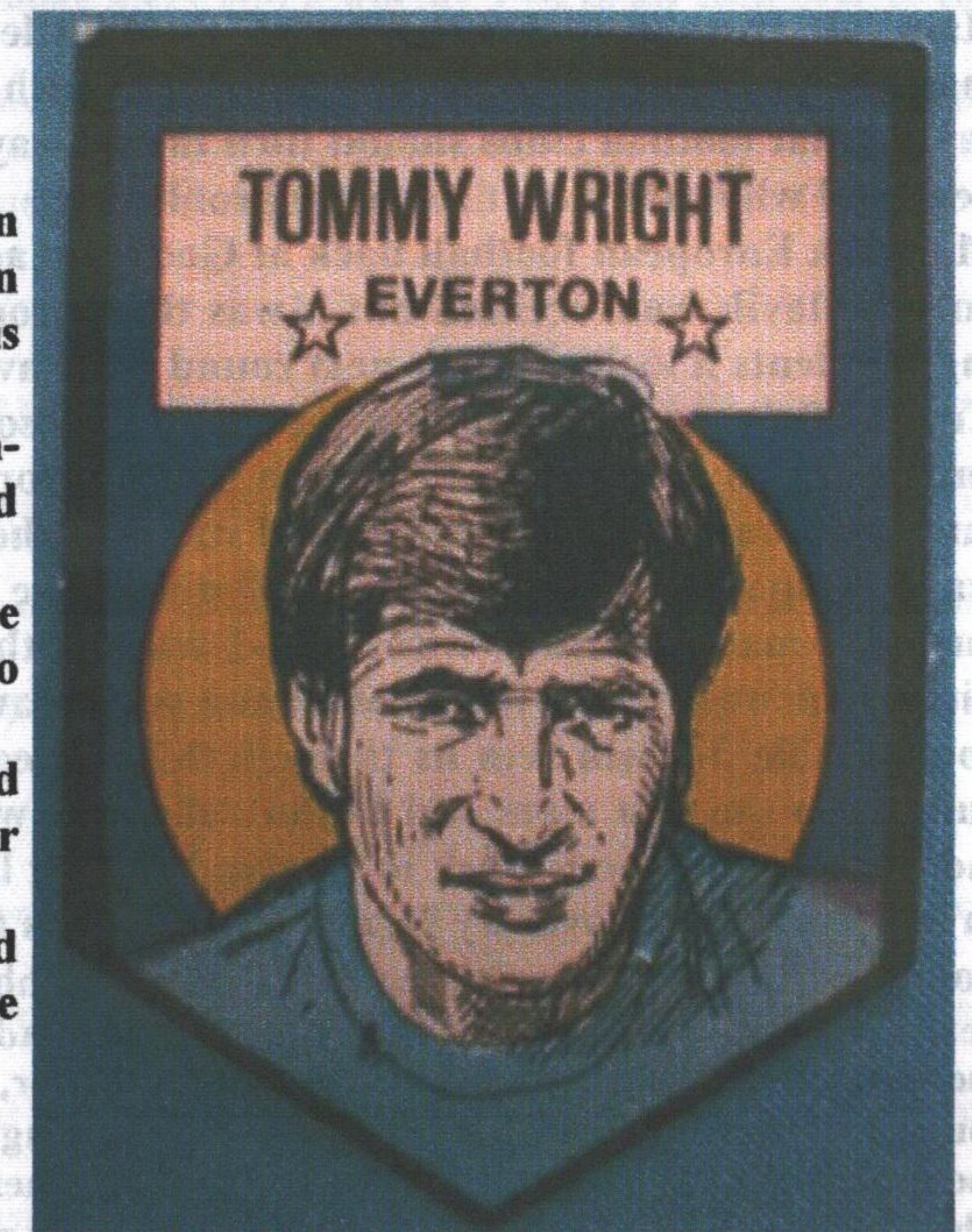
**Tommy Wright was an Everton  
youngster who grew into the team  
and made the right back slot his  
own.**

**He was a hard tackling but controlled  
full back who was called  
upon by England.**

**By the time 1970 came around he  
was a veteran and went to Mexico  
with England for the World Cup.**

**He made his debut in 1964 and  
went on to play in 374 games for  
Everton.**

**A dependable full back who could  
go down the wing and cause trouble  
at the other end of the pitch.**



A home defeat by Leeds on the 19th Dec has us in 12th place in the league with only 21 points, 14 behind the top club Leeds. Those of you who bought Golden Era will know what I am going to say next. It is Boxing Day and guess what, yes you are right, we are away again, this time at Wolves, no wonder Father Christmas wears Red and White he's a Kopite. Every bloody year I have to tell my Family I am going to the match and to give my dinner to the dog The rows I have had about Christmas fixtures, I am an outcast. January 2nd 71 and at home in the Cup to Blackburn, they were a second division side and where struggling to get good gates. This was attributed to the M6 according to their manager, he said that from Blackburn you could go to any one of eighteen league clubs on one gallon of petrol. Anyhow we beat them 2—Q to go into the next round. Dai Davies had signed for Everton from Swansea but Rankin was still the first choice. A 2—2 draw at Burnley The Team Of The Seventies according to all the media hype didn't do them much good as they were bottom of the league. Chelsea at home and our third meeting with them this season gives us another fine win this time 3-0.

Boro at home in the F. A. Cup and 54,857 watch as we give them a 3-0 thumping. Spurs away and a 2-1 defeat then Huddersfield at home for a 2-1 victory.

Derby at home in the Cup and David Johnson scores to put us through, this was Johnson's second goal, he scored on his league debut and now his F. A. Cup debut.. Gordon West gets back into the team after a long injury. Southampton away and a 2-2 draw.

The Derby at Goodison and we welcome the uglies, Tommy 'Boil On Legs' Smith, St John the ugliest of them all, he looked as if God had screwed his head on too tight at birth. They played the true Reds way and bored us all to death with a (1-0 draw. Their nice Red Fans ripped out the barrier in the Park End for the third year on the trot. Well behaved as usual, surely it was an accident, I mean they are the best behaved fans in the world aren't they?

Man Untd at home and we need to win this match, we are still in 12th place with 28 points 15 behind Leeds .Tommy Wright gets a valuable and rare goal to give us two points. West Brom at home and the usual goal feast 3-3. We always have a high scoring match against them.. Colchester at home in the Cup and we put them firmly in their place with a 5-0 trouncing.

The big one Panathinaikos at home, they are managed by the great Ferenc Puskas and his influence can be seen as they grab a vital away goal in a 1—1 draw It is hard to believe the result as Everton had so much of the play, still everyone was confident that we

would win over in Athens. David Johnson scored the goal on his European debut, giving him a unique record of scoring on all his debuts. The match programme was 10p double the normal league price of 5p. Decimal coinage had just taken over from the old £sd.

Stoke at home gives us a good 2—0 win but then a disastrous run, with defeats against Newcastle, Notts Forest in the league, and a semi final defeat against the Red Plague at Old Trafford and going out of Europe in the mid week before that drawing 0-0 in Greece. During this run Mick Lyons and Billy Kenny made their debuts. Things didn't improve losing against West Ham and Man City. 0-0 with Ipswich, a defeat against Wolves a lonely win against Coventry 3—0 before the season ended with a 0-0 draw at home to Blackpool.

The F.A. had arranged a Third & Fourth place play off for the F.A.CUP against Stoke at Selhurst Park the night before the Cup final between Arsenal and the Red Ones. As I mentioned I was working on the buses and in the week before the Cup Final a woman got on my bus and asked me if I was going to Wembley on Saturday. I said yes I was, she asked me what I thought the score would be and I told her 2-0 to Arsenal, she said that was strange why didn't I think the Reds would win. I told her I was an Evertonian, and I was going for two reasons, first to do a Kopite out of a ticket and secondly to be as close as possible to the Red Rats when they started crying. She swore at me and said that she hoped I choked on my dinner. I wasn't telling her any lies either, I went down to London bunked, in Wembley by giving the gate man a fiver and was the happiest scouser in the ground when Charlie George scored. I suppose there were a few more Blue Boys there as we were in London the night before anyhow to play Stoke in the third and fourth place play off.

We finish a poor 14th after starting the Season as reigning Champions, Alan Ball only got two goals Royle did his bit with seventeen, Whittle got seven and Morrissey and Husband six each. Rankin had twenty eight games in goal and West twelve. Hurst, Kendall, Royle and Wright all played forty games no one made all forty two appearances.



The Champions had a poor season finishing in 14th place and losing in the semi finals of the F.A. Cup. Plus losing to the Greeks in Europe. Most Evertonians put it down to a blip and thought that next season the real Everton would turn up.

## The History Of Everton season 1925-26

Billy Smith the author of the Blue Correspondence Book has spent years researching Everton's History from Newspaper archives Although there are a few spelling mistakes due to limited time I am sure you will enjoy the information. Billy can be contacted by email [bluecorrespondent@bluebottle.com](mailto:bluecorrespondent@bluebottle.com)

NOV 2, a report was published yesterday, that patrick thistle football club had asked everton for £10,000 for the transfer of james gibson,, their international half-back. Mr w. cuff the chairman of the everton interviewed by a "daily post" representative, yesterday with reference to the report said:- we asked terms and the answer we got was "well we might consider it if you offered £10,000. That ended the conversation. Gibson services have been swift by a number of english clubs, but without success. He is considered one of the greatest half-backs in scottish football. Stands 6ft and weights 12 stone. He is a son of neil gibson, the famous half-back pf patrick thistle and glasgow rangers, who was capped on fourteen occasions and played against england in six successive years.

NOV 5, the everton yesterday, transferred hg batten the inside forward to bradford city. Batten joined everton from plymouth aryle club towards the end of last season, and played eleven league matches. He stands 5ft 7 and a half inches and weights 11 stone 10lbs. He was a member of the football association team that visited australia in 1925 and played in all five test matches. He was the leading scorer during the tour with forty-seven goals scoring six goals against south australia, batten is the third everton forward transferred within about a fortnight, the other being weaver, who went to wolverhampton wanderers and d murray now with bristol city.

NOV 9, dean, after three first division matches following injury, has attracted the notice of the F.A selections, and the young everton centre-forward has been selected to play in the F.A team, to oppose the staffordshire F.A, at wolverhampton on Monday next, the occason being the jubilee of the staffordshire F.A.

NOV 10, in their centre league match against aston villa on Saturday everton are introducing another "A" team centre-forward in french, who hails from st helens district. He is an amateur who has been with the club about six weeks and has made considerable progress.

NOV 16 dean scores two for the F.A side against staffordshire, who were beaten 6-4

NOV 24, for their match with bolton at goodison park on Saturday kick-off 2-30, the everton directors last night, decided to play hardy in goal in place of davies. Hardy was injured in the practice game, but has now thoroughly recovered. Davies has filled the breach in excellent fashion, but hardy's greater experience should prov an asset to the side. The former stockport county goalkeeper has been playing in centre-league games and has shown that he has recovered his confidence. hunter hart also resumes in place of bain.

DEC 1, for their match against aston villa at aston on Saturday, everton last night decided to introduce o'donnell left full back in place of kerr. This will be o'donnell first appearance this season as a full back in the first team, though he has previously played in the forward line, occupying centre and inside left berths in early games. Kerr proved an exceedingly good defender in several matches but he has not been successful on the recent heavy grounds, and o'donnell has been playing well in the reserves side. Virr is fit again and he returns in place of reid.

DEC 8 for the match against cardiff city at goodison park, everton have made two changes from the side beaten at aston villa. Davies returns in goal in place of hardy, and kerr resumes at full back instead of o'donnell., kerr it appears has not been to well,, and was at a disadvantage in his last league match, but nows feels quite fit... murray who is a team player who has shown promise makes his debut for reserves on Saturday.

DEC 23, the efforts of the directors of the everton to secure new players with a view to strengthening the team have at last been attended with success. Officials of the club have recently travelled hundreds of miles in order to watch players so that new men could be obtained to strengthen weak places in the league team. In view of the serious position of the club in the league table. It has not been an easy matter to obtain new men at the standard required, but two players were signed yesterday. And it is hoped they will add strength to the side. The new players are tp griffiths the centre-half back of wrexham club and e critley the outside right of stockport county. Quite a number of the first division clubs have had represtatives watching griffiths play in recent matches. It is not know officially how much wrexham agreed to accept for his transfer. But the lowest may be put at £2,000. Negotintions between the two directors were concluded in



Player's Football Caricatures by Rip (1926)



Player's Football Caricatures, by Rip (1927)

few days previously but it, was not until yesterday afternoon that representatives of the everton club visited wrexham and concluded their bargain with the player himself. Griffiths who will be twenty-one next february stands 6ft in height and weights 12 stone 4lbs although so young, he has five of six years in competitive football behind him. Having started when fifteen with ffith valley. A village club, which he helped in the junior tie for the chums league cup. The league is a wrexham and district tourney, and it has the credit for having also produced jesse williams middlesbrough's outside left, who played with oak alyn., before he went to wrexham and thence to the north-east. Griffiths fame soon secured him recognition by the wrexham club, who signed him on amateur when he was seventeen years of age, and one of his first games for than was in may 1923, when he played inside right in the junior tie for the flintshire charty cup. In that match his partner was millington, who subsequently went to everton so the pair are club mates again. Grifiths played last season in the junior international between wales and ireland at holyhead, and also in the team representing the welsh league against the cheshire league The new right winger... the negotiations for the transfer from stockport county of edward crittley the outside right, were completed at manchester last evening. Crittley first signed as an amateur for the stockport county club, in 1921, when only sixteen years of age. He played for union chapel, and in october 1921, he was signed as a professional. He played in the stockport county reserves team during that season, and first appeared in the league team in dec 1922., and occasionally up to the end of the 1922-23 season, he began to play regularly with the league team in the season 1923-24, succeeding edgley the old aston villa player. He is twenty-one years of age. 5ft 7 and hal inches in height and about 11 stone in weight.

DEC 29, for the match against burnley at goodison park on Saturday everton are making a couple of changes. Irvine, who was out of the side on Monday, returns for inside right, while dominy goes to inside left. J o'donnell who partnered troupe at sunderland moves to left back in place of kerr.. kendrick well play for the reserves on january 1, outside left recently secured from ireland.

JAN 5, everton are making two changes in their team for the F.A cup-tie against poole at goodison park on Saturday. Brown who wwas injured in the league match with burnley, has not yet recovered, and his place will be taken by virr, who normally plays at left half-back. Th parker, the amateur outside-right will turn out in place of crittley, who is not eligible.

JAN 11, the football league yesterday gave everton permission to grant irvine a benifi. The irish forward has accomplished much good work for the club, and the recognition has been earned. Regarded as one of the most skillful players of the day, irvine controls the ball with easy and grace and some of his dribbles are a delight to those who revel in pure footcraft, benefits these days are guaranteed by the clubs, so that the player who qualities for such a reward has no worries about weather conditions. The amount paid as a rule is £650... meanwhile now that they appear to have got into the winning vein, everton do not intend to spare any effort to keep their players fit. This week they are staying at hoylake to prepare for the league match against tottenham on Saturday. The playerts enjoy the exerises they can take in the open and golf is popular in this connection one learns that hart, the captain, while staying at heswall recently did the seventh hole (176 yards) in one stroke so that he has obtained a place in the honour list. and england have selected dean to play against the rest on february 12.

JAN 12, an important alteration in the defence has been resorted to hamilton the young local full back, being called upon to partner o'donnell in place of raitt while hart, who did not turn out in the cup-tie, returns to the half-back line in place of rooney. And crittley resumes at outside right, for Saturday against tottenham. This will be hamilton's first game in senior football and good judges believe that he will develop into a most useful defender. Hamilton formerly played for new brighton and when he joined everton as a paid player three years ago, he was one of the youngest professional footballers in the country. Everton's policy of training young players and drafting them into the first team is a praiseworthy one and all will, wish hamilton success in his debut in premier football.

JAN 18, dean scored four for england against the rest winning 7-1 at stamford bridge yesterday in front of 11,493

# 1926-27

1	Aug	28	(a)	Tottenham H	L 1-2	O'Connell	28,324
2	Sep	1	(a)	Bury	L 2-5	Dominy, Irvine	14,374
3		4	(h)	West Ham U	L 0-3		26,957
4		6	(a)	West Brom A	L 2-3	Dominy, O'Donnell	12,048
5		11	(a)	Sheffield W	L 0-4		22,889
6		15	(h)	West Brom A	D 0-0		15,310
7		18	(h)	Leicester C	L 3-4	Irvine 2, Bain	29,049
8		20	(a)	Birmingham	L 0-1		11,411
9		25	(h)	Liverpool	W 1-0	O'Donnell	43,973
10		29	(h)	Bury	D 2-2	Bain, Hart	17,186
11	Oct	2	(a)	Blackburn R	D 3-3	Dominy 2, Irvine	20,385
12		9	(h)	Huddersfield T	D 0-0		22,419
13		16	(h)	Newcastle U	L 1-3	Troup	41,746
14		23	(a)	Leeds U	W 3-1	Dean, Dominy, Irvine	24,867
15		30	(h)	Arsenal	W 3-1	Dean, Irvine, Troup	34,153
16	Nov	6	(a)	Sheffield U	D 3-3	Dominy 2, Dean	15,222
17		13	(h)	Derby C	W 3-2	Dean, Irvine, Virr	29,919
18		20	(a)	Manchester U	L 1-2	Dean	24,361
19		27	(h)	Bolton W	D 1-1	Opp own-goal	28,091
20	Dec	4	(a)	Aston Villa	L 3-5	Dean, Dominy, Irvine	25,182
21		11	(h)	Cardiff C	L 0-1		27,181
22		18	(a)	Burnley	L 1-5	Kerr	18,290
23		25	(h)	Sunderland	W 5-4	Dean 4, Irvine	37,500
24		27	(a)	Sunderland	L 2-3	Bain, Dean	32,574
25	Jan	1	(h)	Burnley	W 3-2	Dean 2, Irvine	44,586
26		15	(h)	Tottenham H	L 1-2	Dean	35,986
27		22	(a)	West Ham U	L 1-2	Irvine	11,235
28	Feb	5	(a)	Leicester C	L 2-6	Dean 2	21,369
29		12	(a)	Liverpool	L 0-1		52,840
30		19	(h)	Blackburn R	W 1-0	Dominy	39,093
31		26	(a)	Huddersfield T	D 0-0		20,660
32	Mar	2	(h)	Sheffield W	W 2-1	Dean, Dominy	19,455
33		5	(a)	Newcastle U	L 3-7	Dominy 2, Forshaw	40,202
34		12	(h)	Leeds U	W 2-1	Dean, Weldon	57,440
35		19	(a)	Arsenal	W 2-1	Troup, Weldon	33,788
36		26	(h)	Sheffield U	W 2-0	Forshaw, Weldon	20,861
37	Apr	2	(a)	Derby C	D 0-0		18,012
38		9	(h)	Manchester U	D 0-0		22,564
39		16	(a)	Bolton W	L 0-5		26,381
40		18	(h)	Birmingham C	W 3-1	Troup 2, Dean	32,880
41		23	(h)	Aston Villa	D 2-2	Dean 2	33,394
42		30	(a)	Cardiff C	L 0-1		18,341

FINAL LEAGUE POSITION: 20th in Division One

Appearances  
Goals

## FA Cup

3	Jan	8	(h)	Poole T	W 3-1	Dean, Irvine, Troup	
4		22	(a)	Hull C	D 1-1	Virr	
R	Feb	2	(h)	Hull C	D 2-2	Dean, Troup	
2R		7	(n*)	Hull C	L 2-3	Dean, Dominy	

\* Played at Villa Park.

Appearances  
Goals

## 1926 / 27 Season

JAN 19. everton have made several alterations in their team to meet west ham in london on Saturday, there are three fresh players and two positioned changes, mcdonald and kerr resumes as full backs in place of hamilton and o'donnell, while peacock comes in at right half and virr crosses over to his proper position on the left, hart resumes as centre-half in place of bain.

JAN 26., the difficult task which everton are called upon to fine at hull is not under estimated. The fact that eritchley is not eligible for the cup-ties crated a promblem and its was decided last night to bring in moffatt at outside right.

JAN 28, negotiations were in prograss yesterday, between everton and sunderland clubs with a view to a player being transferred to the goodison club, the high fees asked for the player these days render negotiations, more profracted than formerly, and yesterday the officials told a long sitting but nothing definite had been decided, mr cuff the everton chairman, informed the "daily post" that the negotiations would be resumed today, when a decision would be reached one way or the other. Mr cuff stated that they were negotiation for one player not two. The player concerned in the proposed deal is cresswell. The full back, who earned reputation of being one of the finest and one of the coolest players in the country. Cresswell resembles in style and method the old everton player maconnachie when that fine defender was at his best. At the present time cresswell would prove a great acquisition to everton in their fight to escape relegation for he is a footballer of infinite resource and fact cresswell played for england against wales in 1921. And 1926 against ireland in 1925.

FEB 1. next Monday at bolton another match will be held with a view to finding the strongest possible team to present england dean again plays v the rest.

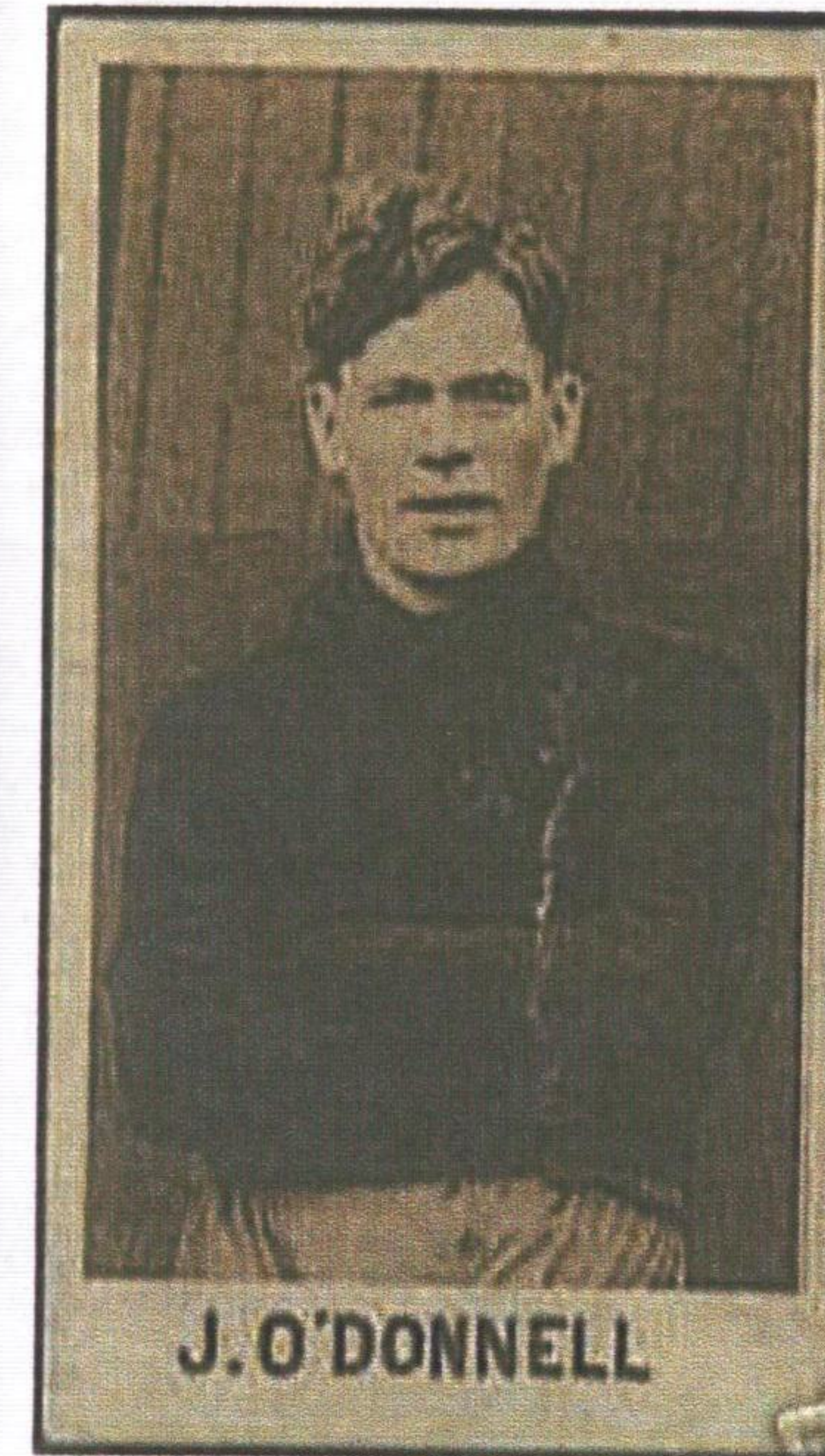
FEB 3. in view of the cup-tie it may be taken for granted that everton will apply for the release of dean from the trial match on Monday, and probably the centre-forward will miss his cap.

FEB 4. everton completed negotiations with sunderland club yesterday for the transfer of w cresswell, the right full back and he will play for the goodison club against leicester at leicester tomorrow. The amount of the transfer fee has not transpired but it is understood to be a high one, and probably a record for everton. When cresswell joined sunderland from south shields in march 1922, the fee paid was £5,500. It was indicated in the "daily post" a week ago that the clubs and the player were endeavouring to come to terms and mr cuff, the everton chairman informed us of the completion of the necessary papers last evening. Tha addition of cresswell to the playing strength will enable everton to give one of their backs a well earned rest in view of the cup-tie on Monday. Cresswell's services should prove of the utmost value to the club just now,, for the strain on the everton men is great. He will not be available for the cup-ties. Everton have always had a liking for players of the scientific type, and cresswell's style of play is essentially founded on cool, scientific methods. His judgement in timing his interventions is superb and his clearances are made with due regard to the positions of his own forwards.

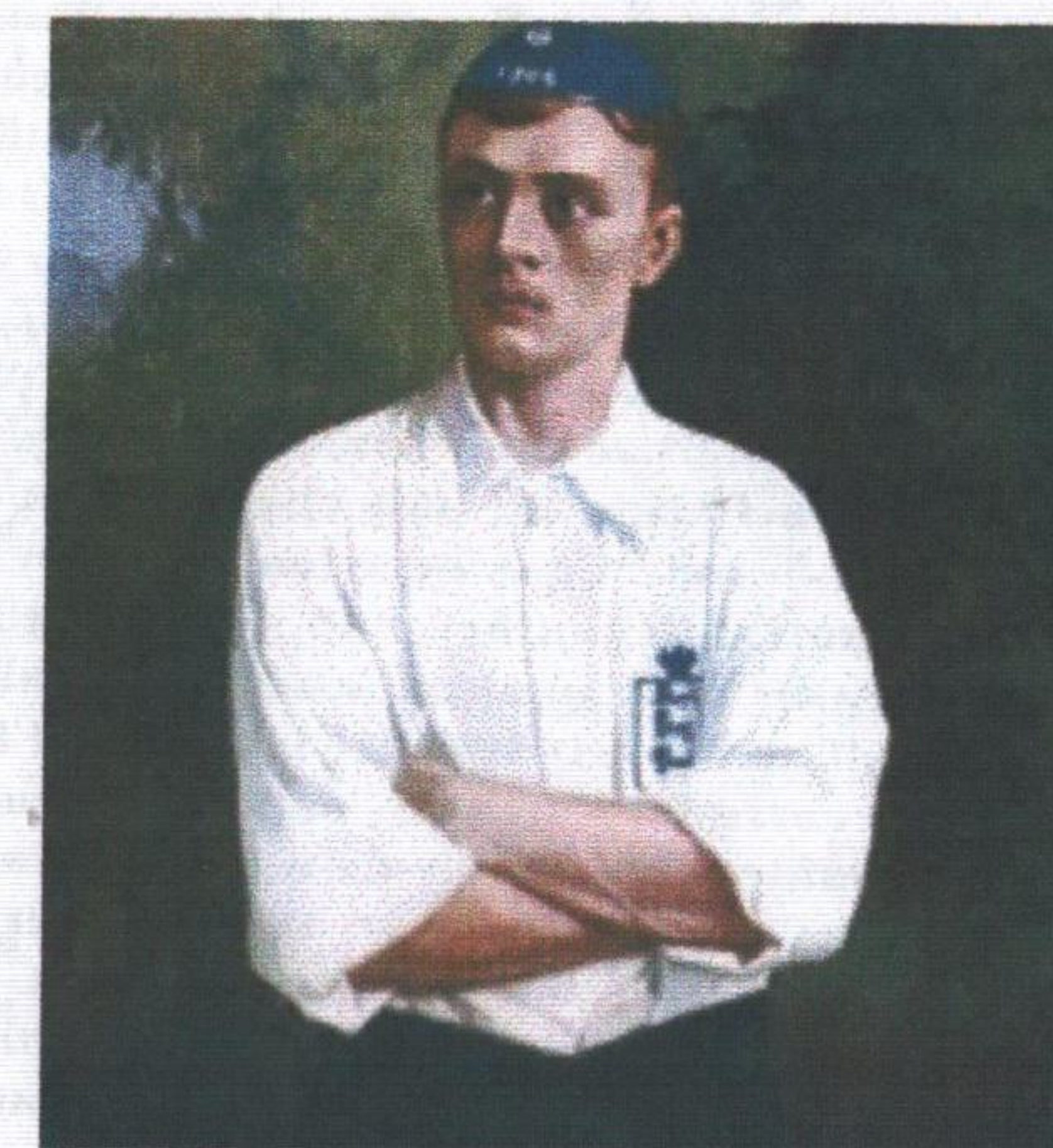
Cresswell played for england as a school boy in 1911 at centre half and in the senior ranks assisted his country against wales in 1920, and 1926, and against ireland in 1925. He has also played for the football league. It is curious that the full back will have for his first opponents with the new club, the team he faced in his last game for sunderland. At roker park last Saturday. He was complete master of the leicester city left back winger lockhead and wadsworth and he will no doubt endeavour to accomplish a similar feat for everton..... meanwhile rhyl athletic have signed on alfred french, centre-forward who is eighteen years of age, and has been playing as an amateur for everton and camsell to take dean's place for england against the rest.

FEB 11. there was a record rush of important association football transfer yesterday, j kelly signed for everton the right half back from ary united. It is curious that both everton and huddersfield town should sign a player having the mane of kelly on the same day, and to complete the sequence kelly is regarded as a very fine half-back, and he is expected to strengthen the playing staff at the club. He is twenty-five years of age, satnds 5ft 10ins and weights 11<sup>st</sup> 7lbs. The club hope to secure other players today,, who with kelly may be included in the team to meet Liverpool.

FEB 12. following the signing of kelly, the scottish half-back, everton yesterday completed negotiations for the transfer of taylor, huddersfield town goalkeeper and he will appear for his



John O'Donnell signed from Darlington in 1925 he could play up front or at the back and he made 198 appearances and scored ten goals for Everton. Thomas Percival Griffiths signed from Wrexham in 1926 he played in 79 games for Everton scoring 9 goals he played mainly at Centre Half.



Steve Bloomer of Derby County has been credited with calling Everton The School Of Science in the 1920's

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new club at anfield today. Taylor is a Liverpool man, having had his early football training with halmoral. Everton were hard hit for a goalkeeper, owing to injuries to davies and hardy and kendall has recently been suffering from influenza. Taylor's service, therefore, prove valuable to-day. Taylor has had a long experience of senior football, having played for oldham and assisted huddersfield through that club's championship years. But an injury last season compelled him to drop out for a time, and he is now fit again mercer followed him in the huddersfield goal and he in tern gave place to turner. Taylor has been five years with huddersfield. He played for england against scotland 1923 1924, 1926, and aginst wales in 1923 and against ireland in 1923 and 1923. He also kept goal for the football league against scottish league in 1923 and 1924.....meanwhile dean scored 2 goals for england against wales at wrexham in a 3-3 draw.

FEB 17. White the southport forward has been signed by everton. He can play in any of the forward positions and did well in the FA cup tie against Liverpool when he scored southport goal. A native of southport he started football with holy trinity school eleven. He was selected as a member of the southport scholl boys team with whom he played centre-half. He also played in the lancashire county eleven on several occassions. Soon after leaving school he became associated with the southport club as a forward and last season figured once or twice in the league team. He was with the reserves at the beginning of the present season and when an outside left was required for the first team he was given a trial with excellent results, from scoring point of view he has been a success and it was he who laid the foundation of the defeat of blackburn rovers in the FA cup-tie at southport when he obtained the first goal white is a capital shot with either foot, and in a lancashire combination match for southport reserves scored five consecutive goals. He stands 5ft 8ins and weights about 11 stone.

FEB 18. the negotiations between everton and the airdrieonians for the transfer of mephail have been terminated. The players didn't wish to make the change, and of course, that settled the proposed deal.

MAR 1. if football form counts for anything everton should be certain of two valyable points when the Wednesday visit goodison park tomorrow. There are only three teams in the five principal leagues that have yet to secure a victory away from home, and sheffield Wednesday are one of them.....meanwhile everton probably disbursed something like 10000 and west brom and leeds each 5000. Everton would have spent a good deal more had mephail the airdrieonians inside left, been willing to go to goodison park. But although the everton club was the highest bidder in the "sealed tender" competition mephail I am told prefer to remain in scotland. The airdrieonian may otheif another player for transfer and in this connection the name of wheldon also an side forward, has been mentioned. Everton have a liking for weldon, I am told so it a deal is projected they may be successful in his case, now the defence has been strengthened. It is necessary for the everton officials to bring up the attach to the standard required if the club is to escape relegation.

MAR 3. forshaw the Liverpool forward has been signed by everton (£2,000), the deal was completed last night and will come as a great surprise to the followers of both clubs fans, it is a big move on the part of the everton to strengthen their attack, and forshaw will play against newcastle at inside-right on Saturday. This being the only change from the side which won yesterday against sheffield Wednesday. Forshaw has been looked upon for eight years as of Liverpool with no suggestion of his removal to another club. He has been reconised as their centre-forward although actually he came to them as an inside-left,, and later developed as an inside-right and had spells at right-half and centre half the last named berth, is many estimates, being his best position. Forshaw as a centre-forward, has played a peculiarly single handed game and has scored many goals entirely unaided. Originally he was on the middlesbrough books. He was born at widnes, and joined the army prior to the war. When he returned he was snapped up by Liverpool, and has been near international honours for some years. He began this season well, but after a while fell away a little owing to groin trouble. It is only a fortnight ago that he recovered from an injury and turned out for Liverpool in the cup-tie at highbury against arsenal,, after which he left the team and reid was introduced. The signing of forshaw recalls the deal when everton transfereed lacey and gracie to Liverpool for uren. The Liverpool winger forshaw is still a youngman as football goes to-day. He has had a benefit with Liverpool, and was two years short of a second benefit. The everton, having failed to get mephail (of airdrie), gibson, and a hull player determined to try nearer home, and their choice fell upon forshaw. Everton

## EVERTON RESERVES 1926-27

1	AUG 28	MANCHESTER CITY	H	7-2	BATTON (4)' WOODHOUSE (2)' MILLINGTON (MURRAY)
2	SEPT 1	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	H	0-1	
3	4	STOKE CITY	A	0-3	
4	8	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	A	1-2	MURRAY
5	11	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	H	7-2	TROUP (2) (1 PEN)' MURRAY (3)' KENNEDY' WOODHOUSE
6	18	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	A	0-3	
7	29	BURY	A	2-2	DOMINY' WEAVER ATT 4,000
8	OCT 2	BLACKPOOL	H	3-4	BATTEN' HAMILTON' HOUGHTON
9	9	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	A	0-3	
10	13	BIRMINGHAM CITY	H	3-1	DEAN (2) (1 PEN)' BAIN
11	16	PRESTON NORTH END	A	0-2	
12	23	LEEDS UNITED	H	4-1	WOODHOUSE' KENNEDY' TYSON' HOUGHTON
13	30	BURNLEY	A	1-1	TYANS
14	NOV 6	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS	H	5-1	HOUGHTON (3)' TYSON' WOODHOUSE' KENNEDY
15	13	ASTON VILLA	A	1-0	O'DONNELL
16	20	BOLTON WANDERERS	H	3-1	WOODHOUSE' HAMILTON (2)
17	DEC 4	DERBY COUNTY	A	0-4	
18	11	SHEFFIELD UNITED	A	0-0	
19	18	BRADFORD CITY	H	2-0	PEACOCK' HOUGHTON (PEACOCK MISS PEN)
20	27	BURY	H	2-2	WOODHOUSE' HOUGHTON
21	JAN 1	BLACKBURN ROVERS	A	1-2	MCDONALD (PEN)
22	8	MANCHESTER UNITED	A	2-2	
23	15	MANCHESTER CITY	H	3-2	WOODHOUSE' PEACOCK' KENNEDY
24	22	STOKE CITY	H	5-1	HOUGHTON (3)' BAIN' KENNEDY
25	FEB 5	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	1-0	PATERSON
26	8	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	A	0-5	
27	19	BLACKPOOL	A	1-2	ROONEY
28	26	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H	2-1	KERR' BESWICK
29	MAR 5	PRESTON NORTH END	H	5-1	PATERSON (2)' HOUGHTON' MILLINGTON' GRIFFITH
30	12	LEEDS UNITED	A	1-4	WILKINSON
31	19	BURNLEY	H	0-0	
32	APR 2	ASTON VILLA	A	1-4	WHITE
33	6	LIVERPOOL	A	2-2	DOMINY' WHITE
34	9	BOLTON WANDERERS	H	1-1	DOMINY
35	15	BLACKBURN ROVERS	H	3-1	GRIFFITHS DOMINY HOUGHTON (MCDONALD MISS PEN)
36	16	MANCHESTER UNITED	H	1-0	HOUGHTON
37	18	BIRMINGHAM CITY	A	1-3	WILKINSON
38	23	DERBY COUNTY	A	0-1	
39	27	LIVERPOOL	H	3-1	WHITE (2)' EATON
40	30	SHEFFIELD UNITED	H	4-0	WHITE' WILKINSON (2)' DICKIE
41	MAY 7	BRADFORD CITY	A	2-1	WILKINSON (2)

### LIVERPOOL SENIOR CUP

SF	NOV 17	LIVERPOOL	A	2-2	WOODHOUSE (2) ATT 6,000
SF	MAR 16	LIVERPOOL	H	1-2	WOODHOUSE

### FRIENDLY MATCH

1	MAR 23	WREXHAM (BENEFIT MATCH)	A	2-2	HODGKINSON OG HOUGHTON (PEN) ATT 1,400
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