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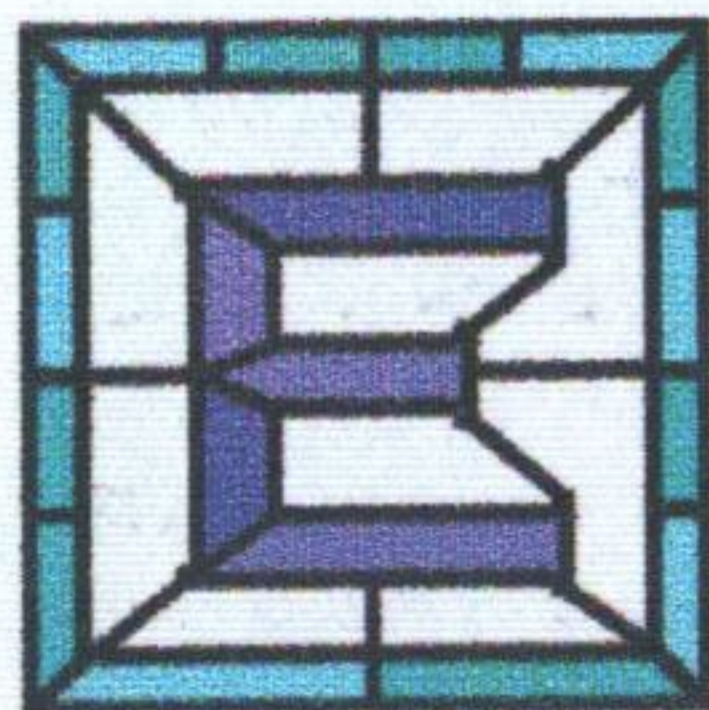
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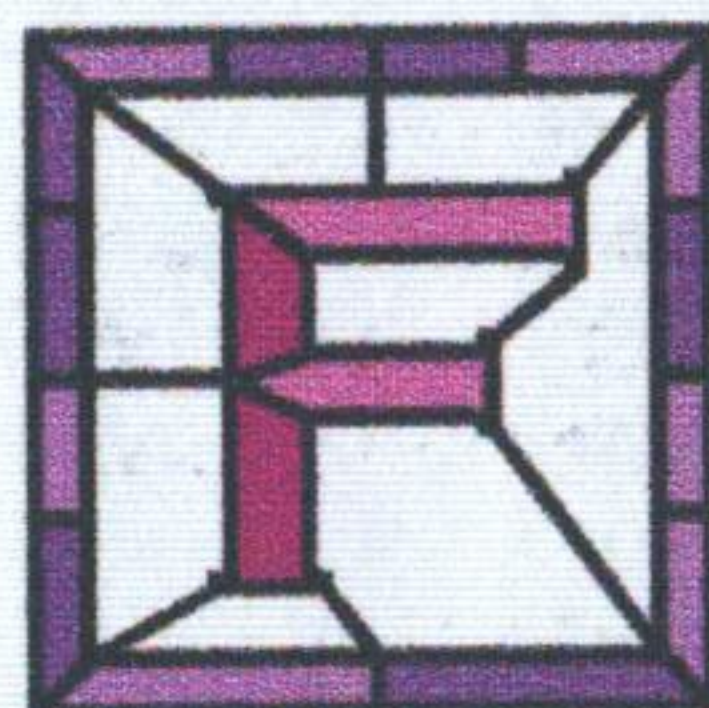
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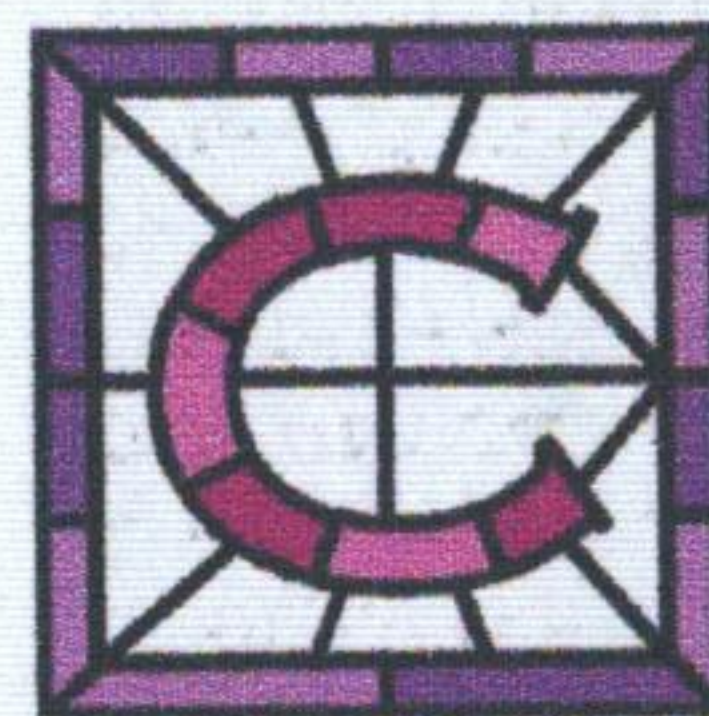


Thank you for all the articles and emails, keep up the good work. For those of you who are interested, on Friday nights between 8 & 8.30pm I do a small spot on Radio Merseyside 95.8fm, it's called Blue Watch and is all about E.F.C.



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As long as your item is not racist, violent or offensive it will be considered for publication. All the views expressed in this fanzine are those of the contributor and not the editor so please don't sue me.



Terry Darracott

Terry was a no non-sense full back who gave everything for the cause. Fearless in the tackle and always gave 100% for Efc. He was an apprentice at Goodison and signed professional forms July 1968  
Played 169 + 10 subs

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Portsmouth at home another disaster and a three goal hiding, Moyes comes out with a cracker "We are not ready at this moment in time to win a premiership game". It stunned me, as you all know I am not Moyes's biggest fan but for a manager to say that is unbelievable, I have never heard anything like it but of course he can say what he likes because the majority worship him.

After six years and no Finals or even near misses he is ready to sign a new contract or is he, it is just days before the Derby and still no contract signed. Some say he will do it at the Derby, but why? It's not a public relations thing it's a contract and it should have been signed months ago.

Apparently it will be worth £3.5 million a year, another new record for Everton. If we are going to pay that kind of money then I want someone who can win us things, Moyes has had six years and we have won nothing so why is he to be rewarded with a new Record Contract?

The Egm was a farce from start to finish and Uncle Bill played his joker doubled his votes and laughed all the way back to London, while one share shareholders like myself were basically castrated and left powerless. Kenwright then put the knife in by changing the rules about the amount of shares you will need to get any kind of vote in the future.

Stoke away and a hard fought game, our defence is as solid as a jelly, they are all over the place and we concede two goals thank God the forwards are doing the business and the Yak hit back along with Tiny Tim to get a good away win for the Blues.

Standard Liege and they have a few thousand fans over, the Winslow was packed full to the rafters and fans were getting turned away, there was no problem with the visitors and they drank well but behaved outside the ground, inside they threw some stuff and it could cost their club some money. It was a great game Liege took the lead when they walked through our defence, we got an equaliser but they got ahead again when Lescott got skinned on the left and the ball flew into the net from poor old Yobo's legs. Again we fought back and levelled it at 2-2 which on the night wasn't bad, what was bad though was the gate 28,000 where are the 55,000 fans that are going to turn up at Kirkby? All is not lost though because we can beat them over there and 1-0 will do.

We have let eight goals in at Goodison in three games and everyone wants to know why. Try looking at the new coach, Steve Round, players that were star men last season look like novices this season. We line up differently at corners we fail to chase back we don't tackle, what else can you spot is wrong? Some say Moyes wouldn't let a new man change the tactics but why are the defence all over the place?

Lescott has had a couple of poor games no one can deny that but for Moyes to drop him at Hull will not do his confidence any good, he has had bad games when he is played where he doesn't want to be played. If there is no other left back then ok but Moyes resigned Valente, and has Baines available. At Hull Moyes does his destroy two players confidence for the price of one. Baines starts and Lescott is dropped. Joleon would not have liked that, Baines gets a chance until half time and then is dragged off, another player who would not have liked that. Joleon gets put on at half time because we are losing, under pressure to make sure he doesn't make any mistakes it is not the way to treat players. Neville plays rubbish week in week out and gets a four year contract and made the Captain. Baines and Lescott must not be Blue Eyed Boys like Phil. Andy Johnson has told his side of the story about leaving Everton, getting continually played out of position on the wing, it made him lose his confidence, those are Andy's words not mine, so another player leaves Efc quoting mistreatment from Moyes but no one says a thing, poor old Andy will get some stick now from the Moyes fans. Ask your self, why has Moyes spent all that money on Baines only to drop him and play Lescott out of position?

Hull went two up and only the urgency of Saha gave us the chance to get back in the game and in the end we should have won. Moyes once again making hard work of an easy job.

Blackburn away and they make seven changes Moyes is his usual arrogant self and rests Yak and Cahill, no need to start with your best team is there? Blackburn score after ten minutes then they have to replace their goalie and a 17 years old novice comes on, do we test him with long range shots, crosses? Don't be silly we are Everton and Everton under Moyes can't pass, can't tackle, can't shoot but hey what's the problem you all love him, six years of nothing and most fans are worried why he hasn't signed another contract for £17 million. He is clueless and always has been in Cup competitions what is the point in trying to do your best in 38 League games when if you get it right you can win six Cup games and go into the UEFA Cup. Moyes ignores the Cups and fails in the League most of the time.

He takes off Baines for 45 minutes and drops Lescott in League games doing neither of them any good, at Blackburn he brings on The Yak, Baxter, Cahill, and has Saha already on with Vaughan but brings on no creative midfielders to help them, oh no he takes the two new midfielders off at half time. I know I get stick for not supporting Moyes but the Boos at Blackburn say I am not the only one, if we lose the Derby and in Belgium what next?

The F. A. Cup, don't make me laugh this man hasn't a clue, sign a new contract, not unless it is to clean out the toilets!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



## The Stars Shone On Merseyside

On Friday 12th September 2008 a wonderful sight to behold could be seen at Radio Merseyside's Performance Space. Alex Young, Alex Parker and Evertonian Historian Dr David France met to hold a book signing and a Live Radio Broadcast on the Billy Butler Show.

I was glad to have been involved from the start of this excellent occasion, David France had phoned me from his home in Canada and asked me if I could get a Major Bookshop in Liverpool and Ormskirk to hold a Book Signing Session on the 12th and 13th September.

I went to the shop in Ormskirk where I have organised many other book signings, the store have been taken over by a major book retailer and when I approached the manageress and told her about everything and that Alex Young was the most respected Living Everton Icon etc She just said "You will have to contact Head Office".

I informed David of this negative attitude and said to him "Why don't we do it at Radio Merseyside's Performance Space?" I go there every Friday night to do my slot on Blue Watch and said I would ask Mike Hughes to see what he could do.

Mike was all for the project and asked the Stations Head Man Mick Ord if he could get it organised. Mick took it on and with a few legal problems sorted out it was given the Blue Light.

David France organised Alex's travel arrangements and he turned up on the day with a fellow Everton Legend from the 60's Alex Parker, the Master of the Sliding Tackle.

I met them outside the Studio at 11am and along with Ronnie Goodlass, another ex Everton player we went into the Studio,

Ronnie, David, and the two Alex's went into another Studio to record a programme with Alan Jackson to be broadcast at a future date.

I meanwhile stayed in the Performance Space and organised all the books for the book signing which was due to start at 1pm.

Between 12pm and 1pm there was a constant influx of fans in and out trying to find out details of the day and if they could get in for the Live Broadcast, unfortunately all places (continued on page 5)



### The Billy Butler Show

Alex Young gets interviewed by Billy Butler at the Performance Space on the afternoon of Friday 12th September 2008.

The show went out live at 2pm until 3pm and an invited audience asked Alex questions.

## The Stars Shone On Merseyside

had been snapped up as soon as it was announced that Alex was coming to Town.

The atmosphere was building up as people came in and bought the book then joined the queue to wait for the Great Man to appear.

There was a mixed range of fans some older who obviously saw Alex play, some too young to have seen him but had been told about him since they were toddlers by their Dads and Granddads.

The Magic Hour arrived and Alex Young made his entrance, just as graceful as the times he ran onto the pitch to the tunes of Z Cars.

The crowd broke into applause and Alex sat down to start the signing session, nothing was too much trouble for the Great Man, photo's were taken, stories were told and books signed. The hour flew over and Alex had signed every book and picture put to him.

Alex was then taken into the Performance Space to do the 'Live Show' with host Billy Butler.

He was introduced to the audience and once again a warm round of applause filled the air.

The show started with Billy Butler saying that it was Live from the Boys Pen and then he went into the show by playing Nat King Coles "Unforgettable" a very apt choice.

Alex said that he had been playing part time for Hearts for Five years and had in that time won Two Championships, Two Scottish Cups and was still part time, that was unbelievable.

He praised Johnny Carey as a Manger but had few good words for Harry Catterick who he said "Had it in for him from the off" Alex had been told by a Liverpool Echo reporter that Harry did not have much affection for any Scottish players.

When Alex first signed for Everton he was carrying an injury and it took some time to get fit and all the time that was going on John Moores would say to him "When are you going to be fit Young?"

Alex had a tough childhood because after the War there wasn't much money around and food was still scarce, you would never see a banana or even an apple and the only option for employment was the Coal Mines and that indeed is where Alex ended up. Luckily though the foreman was a decent bloke and knew the potential of Alex as a footballer and he made sure that Alex stayed above ground.

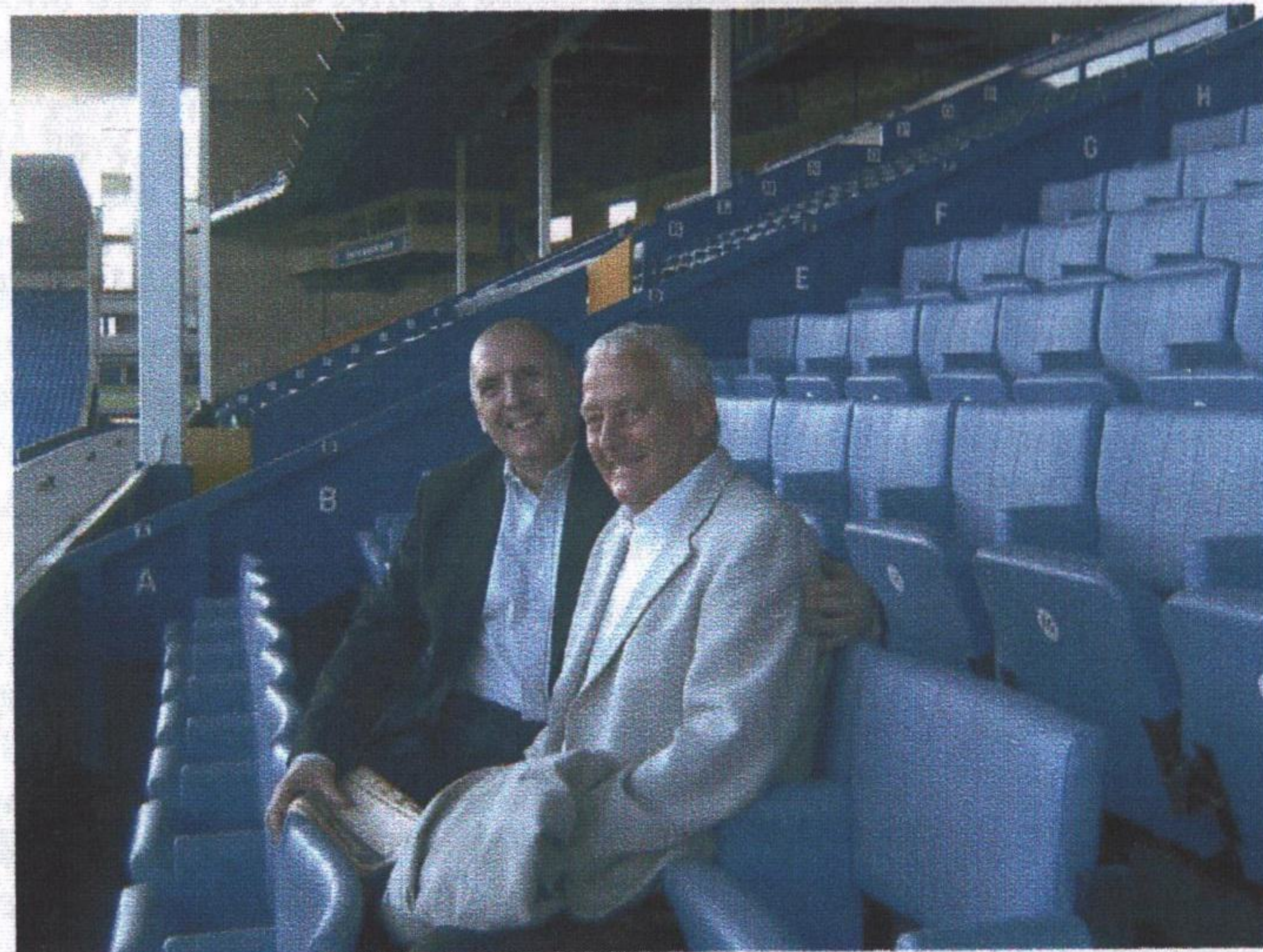
Alex was asked about his telepathic relationship with Roy Vernon, he was full of praise for the Welshman. Telling us that he was a terrific player and was great to play alongside. And he said that Roy would even smoke in the shower and right up until kick off even stubbing out his cigarette on the touchline.

There was praise from many fans who were assembled inside the performance Space many thanking him for all the joy he had given them over the years. Alex seemed to be very humbled by the expressions of worship but he realised just how sincere those fans were. He said that he never regretted signing for Everton but he nearly went to Preston North End, they had seen him before he had talks with Everton and promised him a sum of money but then told him they could not pay it and offered less, Alex decide to sign for Everton and as they say the rest is Legend.

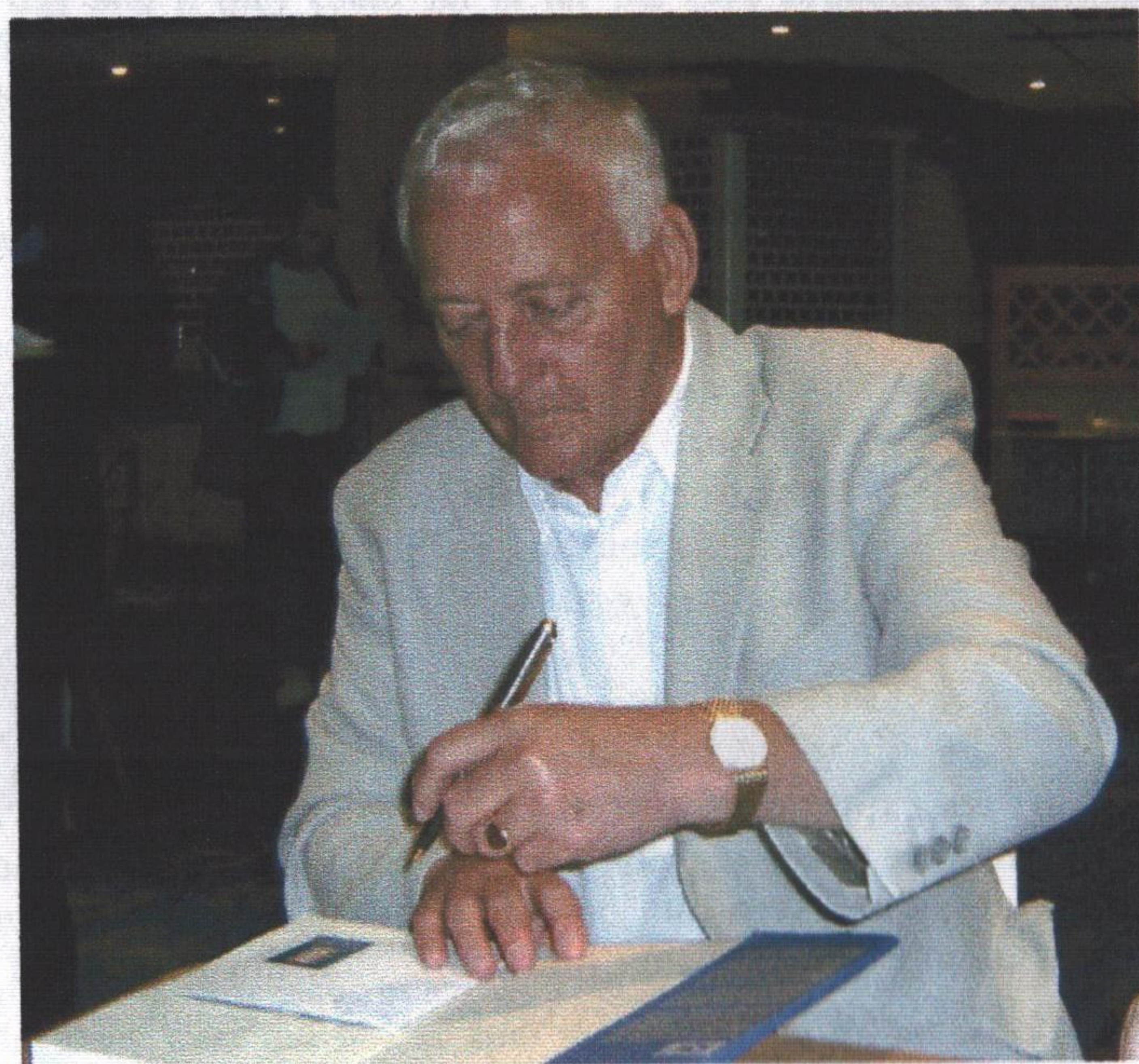
George Orr



## Alex Young & David France



At Goodison Park  
Saturday 13th September 2008



## A Golden Vision AT Goodison Park

I was delighted to have been at Radio Merseyside the day before to help Alex Young with his book signing and his Radio Show. David France then invited me along to Goodison Park on Saturday 13th September to have an interview with Alex Young and Ray Wilson.

I arrived at 11am and went into the Alex Young Suite and said hello to David. Alex and his wife Nancy arrived along with Ramon Wilson the greatest left back since the War.

They sat down at a table and with other Evertonians like Simon Paul and Ian McDonald we asked our questions.

The first question was maybe predictable, 'What was your greatest Everton Moment' but Alex took no time to think, "Winning The Championship in 1963, to take the title away from the likes of Tottenham who were a tremendous team was a great achievement".

He said he missed playing football and all the friendship in the dressing room and thought the money today was the main difference. But it was also more technical today.

On Catterick he admitted there was no love lost between them but acknowledged he did win trophies but he was not a players manager, "you only saw him once a year with a track suit and that would be because John Moores was visiting Bellefield"

The players he admired the most were Alan Ball and Roy Vernon, both tremendous according to Alex.

What player today had a similar style to himself, Alex thought for a short time and said "Arteta, when he goes on his little runs down the right wing, he saw some likeness there"

He was happy at hearts but they were ready to cash in on their players by selling them to the highest bidder, when Dave McKay went the floodgates opened.



## **A Golden Vision At Goodison Park**

Hearts had broken the Old Firm monopoly and the Board thought that they would cash in. So they split up the team and made some money, but to many fans they sold their soul when they got rid of Alex and Dave.

Alex still has an affection for Hearts but he says the passion of the fans up there can not compare to the passion of Everton fans, he is worshipped more down here than he is at home and that is sad really because as Alex said in the days he was a player you had no choice if the Club said you were for sale you went there was no argument and what was worse was despite having no say in the matter the Scottish F.A. took a dim view of any Scottish player leaving to go down South, they were instantly Branded as a Anglo Scots and their International career was either ended or put on hold.

Ray Wilson had been sitting quietly and also said that he had no choice in his transfer either, the Huddersfield board decided that as Ray was getting on it would be foolish to turn down any request for him, they secretly thought he was past his sell by date but they must have choked on their ill gotten gains when he turned in brilliant display week in and week out for Everton.

Ray is such a nice quiet man the same as Alex despite both of them being Giants of Everton's History they were chatting away with us as if we were best mates.

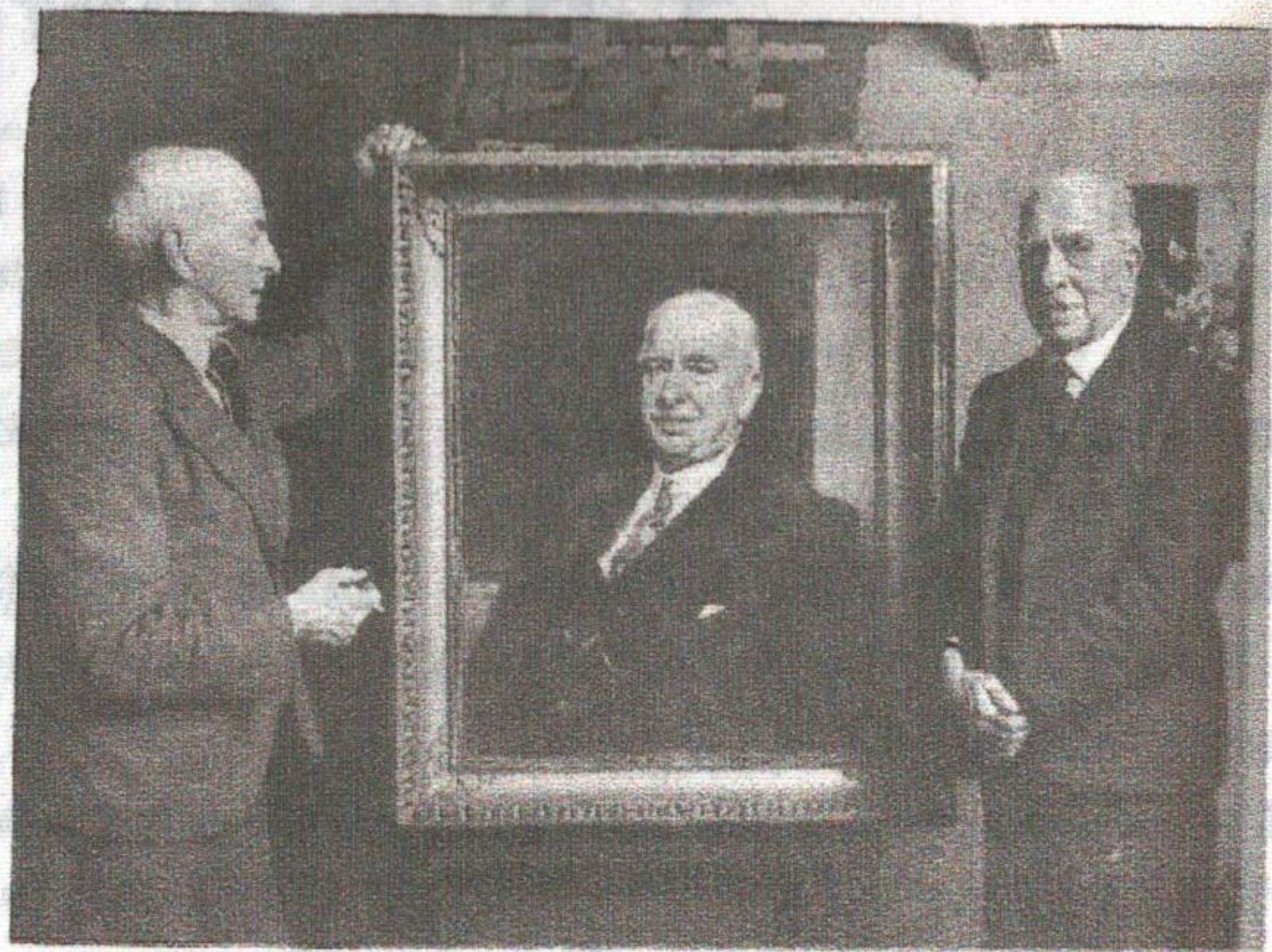
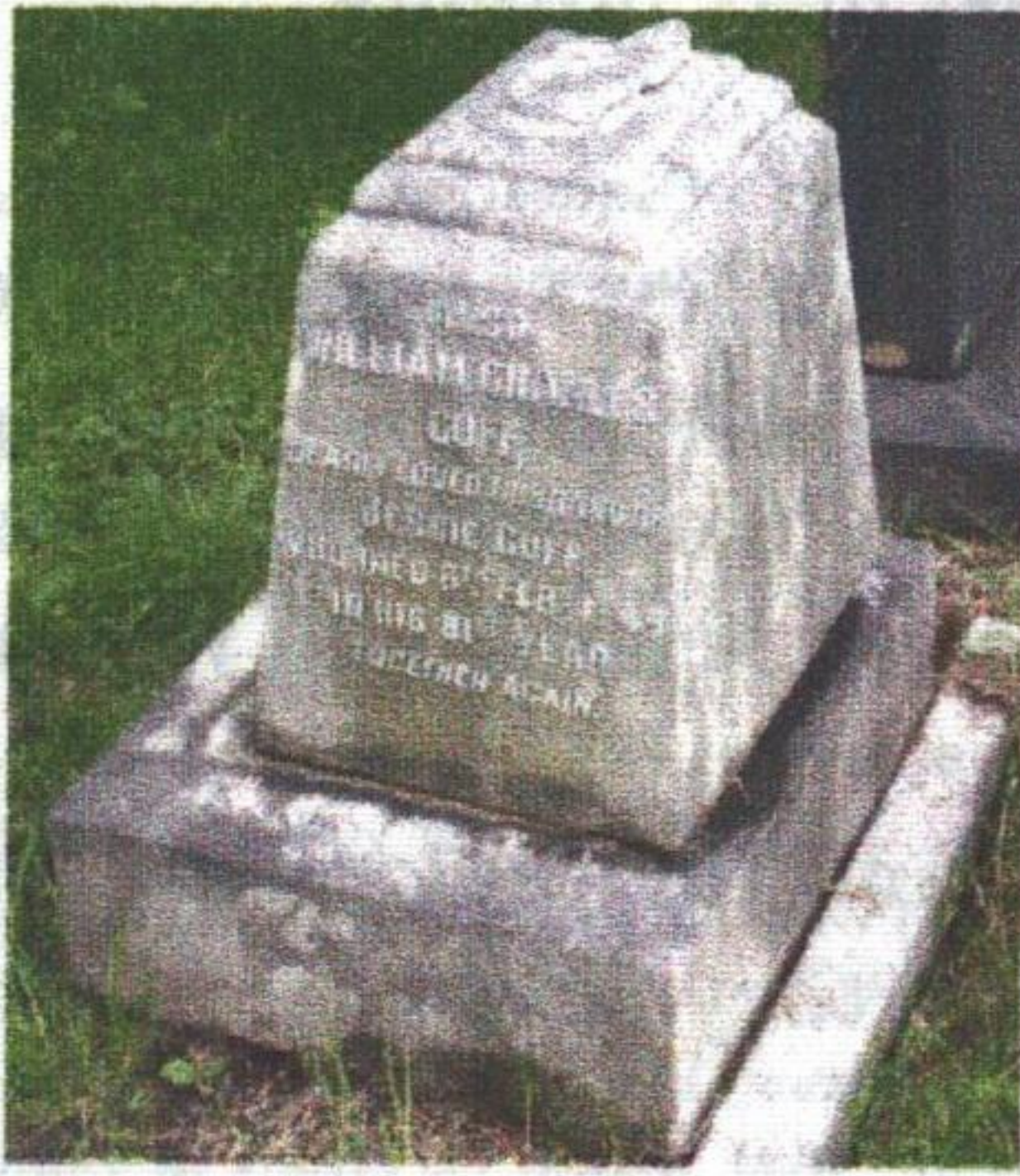
They both loved Everton and the passion of the fans, they both came to Merseyside when the City was on the up, the Beatles, the Football, the Comedians everything was good about being on Merseyside.

Alex remembered the amazing away support by the Everton fans, thousands at home as well, 60,000 even 70,000 it was incredible.

The Beatles sang with their voices but Alex Young sang with his feet, he had the fans worshiping him before the Beatles had even got back from Hamburg. Alex Mania was before Beatle mania and he was brilliant to watch, graceful and stylish. Even the opposition players knew that he was special, Danny Blanchflower named him the Golden Vision and Wille Morgan the man United player said that Alex Young was a better player than George Best.

**George Orr**





**LIVERPOOL ECHO,**  
**APRIL 28, 1949**

## **Mr. W. C. Cuff's Bequests**

### **Portrait For Everton F.C. Co.**

The will of Mr. William Charles Cuff, president of the Football League and one of football's leading legislators, who died at his hotel at Parkgate, Neston, on February 6 last, at the age of 80, has been proved in the Liverpool District Probate Registry.

Mr. Cuff left £21,990 gross, £21,459 net (duty paid, £2,581).

His bequests include the following:

To William Sinclair Scott Hannay, of Windlesora, Parkgate, his silver teapot, sugar basin, cream ewer and hot water jug.

To Norman Godfrey, The Outlook, Parkgate Road, Neston, his diamond tie-pin.

To Thomas Percy, White Lodge, Broadgreen Road, Roby, his pearl tie-pin and engraved sleeve-links.

To Everton F.C. Co., Ltd., the portrait in oils of himself, painted by Mr. Frank Copnall, and presented to testator by the company's shareholders. This to be placed in the boardroom, "as a memento of my long official connection with the club."

#### **KINDNESSES RECALLED**

Testator made pecuniary bequests to his sister, Eliza Jane Lee, or if she should predecease him, to her daughter, Dorothy Parry; to his nephew, Reginald Cuff; to Thomas Frederick Berry, solicitor, one of his executors, "as a mark of appreciation of his long and faithful services"; and to Miss Margaret Burke, Orrell Park, "as a slight acknowledgment of her many kindnesses to my late wife and of her devotion to my interests."

The remainder is left on trust for his son, Henry Hadston Cuff, of Strathfield, New South Wales, or, if he should predecease testator, to the son's children.

The great Will Cuff is presented with a portrait of himself by the Shareholders Association. The Portrait itself is now causing some 'Mystery' as it seems to have been misplaced. It hung the Everton Boardroom for many years but is no longer there. If you have any information on it's whereabouts get in touch with me at Blue Blood

Top left is Will Cuff's Grave which is in Anfield Cemetery. Peter Lupson (see page 24) has played a major role in trying to trace Will Cuff's grave and details of his family.

Paul Wharton from the Everton Shareholders Association has now undertaken the task to try and trace any living relatives of Mr. Cuff.

If any reader knows of any relative of the Cuff family please get in touch with me and I will pass on any information to Paul.

It is important in this day and age of Billionaire Chairman that we honour those from the Past who gave most of their spare time and commitment to their local Football Club.

On the left is Will Cuff's will and details of whom he left his money to.

Anyone with any information on Mr. Cuff either with photo's or articles or anything else please get in touch with Blue Blood.

With many thanks to Paul Wharton from the Everton Shareholders Association who has been working tirelessly to restore some of our lost History.



# Groundshare

It comes up every few weeks, no not your supper after a few scoops the issue of ground sharing with the unwashed ones from across the Park.

First of all why do we need to do it/ They are not the most likeable of people, most can't speak English and anyhow what colour seats would we have to sit on?

Everton would not benefit from a shared stadium and the reasons are first of all they would get priority on all fixtures because they would be the major shareholders in the Ground.

What would happen with Efc in the UEFA Cup at home on a Thursday, the other lot at home on the Tuesday, Efc at home on the Sunday and them at home on the Saturday in a Cup game?

Chaos that is what would happen, do you think the Police would be able to cope, would the ticket office at the ground cope?

Would the grounds man manage/ What if Efc wanted to water the pitch but the other lot wanted it kept dry?

There are many, many little points like the above ones that nobody seems to mention. Everything is about Money, Money, Money.

The extra revenue would help Everton, what extra revenue, if the lounge suites are hired out by the other lot and Everton have hired out their lounges on the same day for a Wedding I can see disaster looming.

What about concerts who will get the money?

It is a no go anyhow, most fans of both clubs would not want to go to a place that is not THEIRS.

Problems about covering the Shankly gates on Match Days or covering the Dixie Statue will also arise. Fans are not going to put up with a stadium with neutral Grey Seats or Green or whatever else the architects come up with. They are going to want a stadium that they know, not with a Kop or a St End.

There is enough animosity now between the two sets of fans without them calling us the Lodgers or Tenants.

I will never go to a shared stadium and I do not go to their hovel now, I give them no money whatsoever and I know many other Blues who think the same way as myself.

Catching bugs in a Hospital is one thing but sitting in an un sanitised seat that has had a 20 stone Norwegian on it is not for me, I would be like Howard Hughes and have all kinds of gloves and hankies before I even sat down and as going to the toilet, well forget it, I would wear a nappy and change when I got home. And just imagine the cost of a paper suit for every game no sorry it's not for me.



## Everton Tour Of Germany 1936 continued

*imagine archer smoking a pipe? Contrary to expectations, stevenson has behaved fairly well. Although he is liable to "break out."*

### MR KELLY FROM HEIDEBERG

MAY 22 1936, LIVERPOOL ECHO

*Mr theo kelly of everton FC, writes from heidelberg:- dear bees, before telling you about the game at frankfurt let me just say that to-day (the 18<sup>th</sup>) is gillick birthday, and to celebrate the event we had quite a ceremony at lunch. The syndicated " " was in full force. Mr john w archer introduced his joint chairman, Mr charles W gee to the full company of officials of the german association and ourselves and mr gee made quite an apt toast to the 20-year winger.*

*In the address mr gee referred to the honoured guest, and stated that he understood that the directors of the everton football club, had been quite satisfied in their own minds with the affirmed age, having made inquiry at somerset house, now found that he was nearly 30 tan 20 (loud and surprised exclamations). He, however, was very pleased to think that mr. Gillick was a member of the syndicate, and, as such he had found him a ready and willing helper in the cause of "laughter for loiterers." Mr archer seconded the toast, and mr. Gillick, on rising to responded (only the assistance of mr. White, better known as "porky," created the rising), made the sweetest of short speeches in reply, he seemed to be overcome by the spontaneous greeting he received. Going back to the third game at frankfurt one must say that the players gave another marvellous exhibition, and although germany finished with nine men, they were beaten long before the finish. The score might quite easily have run to double figures, but as it turned out it was as well that it stopped where it did, for the 10,000 spectators were not satisfied when they found that substitutes were not allowed. Only after an announcement was made that the teams had mutually agreed to "on substitutes" were they appeased. Gillick got two of the goals and cunliffe sandwiched one in between. Germany scored from a penalty in the last two minutes after sagar had saved the first kick. The referee mr best of hochst, was reputed to be the "best" in german football. The weather is too gloriously hot, but our boys are training and playing with the utmost vigour. What a press they are getting. Things have altered for the better since we were here last. Just all for the present. Everybody is very fit and well except that geldard pulled a muscle during the first few minutes of the last game, when he appeared to be for a field day.*

*By the way, our team was :- sagar, jackson, jones, britton, white, mercer, Geldard, cunliffe, bell, stevenson, and gillick. Jones had his boots re-studded on the touchline in the second half (quite unique) and the outstanding successes were gillick, stevenson, white-mercier, and jackson. sagar had nothing to do. Cheerio.*

### MR KELLY FROM NURNBURG

MAY 26 1936, LIVERPOOL ECHO

*Mr theo kelly with the evrton team in germany writes from nurnberg:- here we are after four years absence. iT only seems like yesterday since we were in the hotel. The weather has broken down at last and while writing it is raining heavily. Yesterday's gate at stuggart looked like being ruined, for we had very heavy rain with overcast skies in the morning. Possibly this eventually improved the attendance for ascension day being a public hoilday, there must have been many who might have gone further afield than the stadium, if the weather had been good. How often you find this so at home on a bank hoilday. There must have been 30,000 spectators at the start, and they were treated to another great exhibition by the teams, in the case germany just about meriting a win. They passed and repassed rapidly and with precision, and it was no wonder that they had a lead of 3 goals at the interval. With the strong wind in our favour we had much of the second half and cunliffe soon got a beauty from a long pass forward by jackson. This was neutralised when white in passing back to sagar, played the ball short and found the german outside left an easy opening. Back to the fight again, and a bombardment of the german goal was greeted with great shouts from the very sporting stuttart crowd. It was really wonderful that their goal should escape. Rebounds : woodwork; by the international jacob (who played at tottenham againts england) all conspired to deny us a reasonable chance of a draw. Near the finish cunliffe got a second goal from close in, and the whistle blew leaving germany winners by 4 goals to 2. The position now is that we have each won two, with goals for and against 9. Bell and cunliffe have scored three. Gillick 2, and britton one. Otto nerz is very well satisfied with the results, and as his team gets stronger each match- he brings in his most likely olympians players-you can well see that the last game on Sunday at nurnberg will be a real snorter.*

*Jock thomson had the novel, experience of speaking from radio stuggart yesterday. After making the record which was broadcast at 7-40p.m, when a repeat of the running commentary on the match was given, he heard it over before leaving the studio. His remark on hearing his own voice from the record when it was tested was, "I started like ramsey macdonald and finished like harry lauder." In the*



evening, dinner was not quite over when 7-40 arrived, but the remainder of the meal was forgotten in the interest to hear the radio in the hotel manager's room. It was quite a sight to see the boys (dead quite for the first time on the tour) crowded around the set chairs tables and floor of the little room were fully occupied and after the final message to our friends in England was heard, it was agreed that the offer of radio Stuttgart management to give us this facility, was a great idea, and typical of the many kindnesses that have been showered on the English tourists.

#### **MR KELLY FROM GERMANY** MAY 28 1936, LIVERPOOL ECHO

The playing side of the Everton tour has now ended, and really, I think the boys are to be complimented for the eulogies that they have earned and received, writes Mr. Theo Kelly from Germany on Monday. To finish "all square" against the Germany's best is a feat of no mean value. Consider that the Germans were playing for their place in the national team at Olympia and you will see that the matches were test matches of the sternest kind. As we know the game, their methods are unorthodox, and rather machine like. Seldom do you see the cleverness of any individual. They play as a team, which is a good fault in many ways, but yet takes the spice of "stardom" out of their teams. With the ball in possession of any one of their men, the others immediately run into the open space to receive the expected pass. As soon as a defender goes out to meet any man with the ball on goes the ball to the next man, and so this goes on until an error of judgement brings the passing bout to an end. Throughout Germany all of the coaches appear to be teaching the self game methods, and the result is a uniformity of style that makes for machine like precision that rather tends to monotony, however we proved our worth. I think, and there is not the slightest doubt that the Germany players have appreciated the skill of our side in our general ability. Well you will know by now that we drew the last game, and finished:- won 2, lost 2, drew 1; goals for 10, against 10. Goal scorers: Bell and Cunliffe 3, Gillick 2, Leyfield and Britton 1. Every player who will be chosen to represent Germany in the Olympic games at Berlin, in August has played against our team on this tour. Sagar has come in for some chipping, as the whole of the 10 goals were scored against us, while he was in charge of the fort. He is named in the press here as the wonder goalkeeper, and certainly his display in the first half of our second match at Duisburg, was enough for anyone to earn such a title. Our many journeys in autobuses here have been enlivened by the music of the glee party. Many parodies have emanated from the ready wit of those who, as you know best, are capable of such atrocities. One reason through the goal scored by Leyfield, which meant a draw, after Germany had netted from a very unfair penalty. Officially we would say that Leyfield scored direct from his corner, but after the leader of the syndicate had made out a good case in the dressing room, a vote was taken, and it was agreed that it was quite possible that Gie had more to do with the scoring of the goal than the spectators thought. Such is the good humour in which the games have been played, and such humour is extremely helpful when touring in a strange country. No matter what the results have been, the players have returned to their various hotels singing many of the popular tunes of their own counties. Even "Steve" has been called on for "a little dash of Dublin." And no one has shirked the call of duty on the musical side. There can be nothing but praise for the players who have represented the club during a series of matches against the selected men of Germany. We are having the final dinner of the German football association to-morrow evening and I will send you another line following the ceremony. I am enclosing one or two photos which may be able to use:- cheerio (the picture was the hole above the waterline of the new York which took Everton F.C. to Germany) in the Liverpool Echo.

#### **FINAL LETTER FROM MR. KELLY** JUNE 1 1937, LIVERPOOL ECHO

Mr. Theo Kelly sends his final letter on Everton's tour:-  
The home journey passed off with little of note excepting that Gillick Jones and Leyfield did not appear to "enjoy" too well, the short but tempestuous passage of the Amsterdam from Hook to Harwich. Steve likened Torrie to a greyhound in his manner of expressing "dissatisfaction." The final days at Berlin were of great interest to all. A visit to the new sport ground being specially erected on the site of Germany's Ascot racecourse was an eye-opener. An open air theatre to seat 25,000 has been created in a naturally dell and this was indeed the prettiest of garden sights. Their football stadium is larger than our Wembley. It has seating accommodation for 90,000, and a further 70,000 can stand to look down on a picture piece of turf. Swimming baths and tennis courts are other main points in the construction. Every Olympic sport is marvellously well provided for, and in addition the whole place will after the Germans, become the national headquarters of all German sports associations. The number of offices is legion, and already the football association have moved in. "From here, we moved on to the special village built by the army about five miles away, for the housing of all the athletic who are

taking in the games. Every country's representatives will have its own house, cooks etc. and their athletes will be able to do their training under conditions similar to those existing in their own lands. The thoroughness of the arrangements is so complete that 75 men from all over Germany, speaking the 57 required languages will be in attendance during August. Telephone exchange special post office-undeed. Everything is provided. In the evening we had the farewell banquet from the Deutscher Fußballbund. Every member sat down to a table on which the British and German flags were coupled:- a pair for each person association badges and very fine boxcall wallets were distributed and Mr. Green was presented with a silver tray for use in our club's offices. Mr. F. Linnemann, the president of the German association, in opening the proceedings welcomed us all, and told how our presence with them that evening had its story. The story was one that is known to all your readers by now:- that of the test team idea. He said that choosing Everton as the teachers they had made no mistake. The directors and players had proved themselves good comrades and good friends of their German associates. As was the custom in British sports our players had fought for 90 minutes as good sportsmen. They were glad to have finished even with us, and the results showed that the teams had been "sparring" throughout. No one could feel crushed in Germany, and for this reason, he had pleasure in saying "auf Wiedersehen." He hoped Everton would soon return, and besides the playing of matches be able to see more of the fatherland. Earl von Schulenberg, representing the leader of all sports, in supporting Mr. Linnemann referred to the matter in which sport-and particularly football can bridge between countries where politics so often fail. Mr. Green in replying thanked the German people for their very warm welcome. It was gratifying to the tourist to know that their efforts were appreciated. They knew before leaving England what their commitments were as a team, and the directors were satisfied that the players had given of their best. The spectators showed that they had enjoyed the games and the party had also enjoyed them, and had in addition experienced the best things in the greatest comfort. He saw what wonderful work for the young people of the country, the erection of these fully equipped stadiums was, and speaking of stadiums reminded him of the Reich Sportfields (Olympic Games Stadium). Overawed was the word to describe one's feelings at the sight of this magnificent structure. He thanked the Germans who had made the tour such success, and said that the party were returning much wiser than they came. He quoted Kipling's famous words "what does he know of England, who only England knows?" to those who were first on tour, it would help to keep England in a truer perspective. We could see in the German's a strong, while clean race- a well ordered and organised community. We could visualise a great country. Especially he wished to refer to Dr. Otto Nerz. He was an old friend, strong and fearless with a sense of humour that was similar to our own. Every one of the English party liked him very much, and wished to publicly thank him for a great time. In conclusion he thanked the president of the German football association for the present of the souvenir plate, and the members of the association for helping to make the tour such a success. They could be assured that we would take back with us the sentiments that they hoped we would take, namely that our ties of friendship had been strengthened. Jock Thomson spoke on behalf of the players, and then there was a general desire to leave Charlie Gie on his feet. Charlie was quite willing, and his speech was one of the best ever. He wound up on a note referring to the association of the motherland and fatherland, and was given a great rally when he sat down. When we arrived in London, Thomson, Gillick, Britton, Geldard, Archer, Cunliffe, and Leyfield went their severe ways, after fond adieus and the final stage of the journey home (passing through the Edge Hill tunnel) was marked by the singing of Mr. Jack Sharp's signature tune outside the door of his compartment, and so ended the Germany tour of 1936, happy days.



## Letters



## E-Mails

Sadly, yesterday's shambolic display of defending by Everton perfectly illustrated my point to you yesterday about the contribution of Lee Carsley to Everton Football Club. I know you have never been his greatest fan, but I have to say that without him giving the defence the cover he gave, the opposition seems to pile through our midfield and pick goals at will. OK, I agree that creatively he was less than efficient (though I don't believe he was as bad as you make out). But his presence provided cover for the defence and allowed the likes of Arteta, Pienaar and Osman the freedom to go forward at will, knowing that he was there to cover if they lost the ball. Yesterday, Jageilka was found to be exactly what he is - a defender out of position, and although Rodwell did well he is still a kid learning his trade. At the back, the centre backs proved something I have suspected all along - they are great individually but as a partnership they are suspect, being, as Graeme Sharp puts it, too quiet. Which is why they often ended up bring Stubbs back into the fold, as a leader. The loss of Stubbs and Carsley has robbed us of leaders and personalities in the side. In an ideal world, one where Everton are again one of the richest clubs, we wouldn't have had to rely on players like Stubbs and Carsley, we could have gone out and paid millions on the likes of Marcos Senna and Deco, but sadly that is not an option (is there *any* money available for players, are Moyses' 'attempts' to buy Moutinho etc just a smokescreen? Who knows). The general play (against Portsmouth) was better than the first two games but we need to address our glaring weaknesses quickly or we may be looking at real problems. Hopefully Castillo may be the answer in centre midfield? Could we get in Moutinho before the end of the window? If Obinna is good, then maybe get Arteta back into the middle. At the back, I think we have to put Jageilka back, but alongside whom? Baines played well yesterday, particularly going forward, maybe a left mid position for him if we want to keep Yobo and Lescott in the side.

Keep up the good work George, your historical based fanzine provides a superb balance to the other two fanzines we have. You help keep our clubs wonderful history alive. I enjoyed the piece on the Boys Pen - I nearly ended up there, my dad (who had been a lapsed blue) was going to drop me off with a copper he knew outside the ground who would have put me in the pen (this was around 1968 when I was 7) and pick me up after the game. Good job this never happened - I would have been eaten alive in there. Thankfully, dad ended up taking me when I was 9 and regained his own passion and never looked back.

*Trevor Edwards by email*

Hi George,

A new contract for Moyes? Five More Years? £17 million ? Is someone putting something in my tea?

What is going on Six years of nothing and he gets rewarded with the best contract in our History?

Time to call it a day after this season.

Jack Kirkham

*Blue Swayed Views*



Everton In The 70's  
1973/74

The pre season tour was again in Sweden, Sun 12th Aug Landskrona 1—3 Everton, Royle. Kendall & Bernard.. Tues 14th Aug Hamstad 1-2 Everton, Buckley 2.. Thurs 16th Aug Malmo 1-0 Everton. .This was the first chance new manager Billy Bingham had to assess the squad.. Three players were disciplined for arriving back to the hotel late on the eve of a match.. Royle comes back from injury but Tommy Wright is out with cartilage trouble.. We have managed to get rid of Bernie Wright and others were to follow..

The programme had gone a gaudy yellow and blue but stayed at 8p, the souvenir shop was selling all types of football pennants including theirs from across the Park. anything for money!

The season started with a tough task, Leeds away, not a fun place to visit and we lose 3-1 with Harper getting our goal Leicester at home and only 1-1 Kenyon scoring.. The fans favourite David Exall is defending the promotional side of things, saying the Blue Streak failed through lack of support and he had launched a new paper called The Evertonian price 5p.. This was going to keep all fans updated on events, this too had a short lifespan. Everything Exall seemed to do or say annoyed the fans, the fact that he wasn't an Evertonian and never would be seemed to fly over his head..

We beat Ipswich 3—0) then draw 0-0 at Stoke before losing 2—1 at Derby. That match still lives inside my head, we were all packed inside the Popside at the Baseball Ground (a flea pit of a place) when Everton took the lead with Jimmy Husband scoring .Kendall went off injured at half time and we had to defend our lead.

Pat Partridge the referee gave Derby two goals that were so blatantly offside the Evertonians went mad. Some got onto the pitch and tried to get to Partridge but were dragged off by the Police .I can never forgive or forget that man.

Stoke at home and yet another bad result 1-1. We manage to get a win against newly promoted Q..P..R.. only 1—0 and a Mick Lyons goal..

Then one of the most stupid Cup Competitions that Everton have ever been involved with, the Texaco Cup at home to Hearts .It poured down all night and only 12,536 came ,a good proportion of them from Edinburgh. We manage to lose as we always seem to do when the loyal hard core turn up to watch.

Wolves away and a good draw 1-1 Dave Clements made his debut, Arsenal at home and John Tiger McLaughlin gets an ultra rare goal to give us a great win. Hearts away and me and Ste decided not to bother, this was one of only two games home and away I was to miss whilst Bingham was manager..

The next match is a painful memory, not because of the result but because the night before the game I was doing a late duty on the buses when just before mid night I was standing on the platform counting the cash takings when my driver took the corner into Altway I was holding onto the passenger handrail when it snapped and I fell off the bus and bounced down the road on my head.

I staggered to my feet and managed to make it to Walton Hospital. I had a lump on my head like an Easter Egg and my ribs were badly bruised along with other cuts and bruises I was a sorry sight.

The Doctor asked me if I was working on the Saturday I said no, I am going to Coventry to watch Everton.. He went mad and said there was no way I should go but I did. The walk from the railway station to the ground was murder and I thought that after the game I would not make it. Anyhow the match was standing at 1—1 with only a few minutes left, some blue Boys had got off to get out of the way of any trouble and then just before the end Connolly scored, I couldn't even jump up to celebrate..



The goal had annoyed the Coventry fans and they had come over, there was a few scuffles and outside the ground even more. I sat on a wall holding my head in agony when a Coventry supporter came over and asked if I wanted a lift back to the Station. A miracle, I got in his car with Ste and he told us that it was terrible that I had been attacked, I didn't tell him I fell off a bus, I wanted a lift. When I got back to the station I was the first one back with Ste, the fans who had left early arrived and when we told them we had won they didn't believe us.. They couldn't figure out how we saw the goal but beat them back to the train.

The League Cup at home to lowly Reading and Everton make hard work of it to win 1-0 in front of 15,722 fans. West Ham and Burnley at home both produce 1-0 victories, David Irving is used as sub for both games in place of Lyons. Birmingham away and a excellent 2-0 win with Harper and Connolly scoring, it puts us into second place in the League with 18 points.

The League Cup jinx continues and we lose at home to Norwich, only 22,046 watch. Then three days later 37,827 attend the League match against Spurs it ends in a 1-1 draw, Kenyon is Captain in place of the injured Kendall, he isn't doing such a bad job.

Down to the capital for the match against Chelsea and we suffer a shock defeat 3-1, Norwich away and this time we win 3-1, just shows the difference that the League makes to our players. A draw at home against Newcastle sees us go into fourth place in the League..

Rod Belfitt leaves after a very disappointing spell at Goodison, in fact if it hadn't been for Bernie the Bolt, Belfitt would have been a main contender for

The Turkey of All Time Award." His last match was in the Texaco Cup against Hearts and he was substituted, tells the whole story really..

Southampton away and a sad result, 2-0 to the Saints gives a crushing blow to our title hopes. The Derby at Goodison and although we had watched Bernie and Rod in amazement, the Devils Clones from across the Park also had a beaut, his name was Waddle and he certainly had Duck feet but being a spammy Red Sod he stuck his size fourteens out and redirected a ball that was going nowhere into our goal. As Victor Meldrew might say I do not believe it and I still don't. The programme for this match was a one off special edition that had a reproduction of a 1932 Everton / Liverpool programme.. It was soon to become a collectors item and is worth more than the normal editions of that season..

Sheff Untd at home 1-1 but we stay in fourth place, Arsenal away on the 22nd December and a 1-0 defeat ruins my Christmas. George Telfer made his debut at Highbury.

Boxing Day and home again, the kids are starting to recognise me, I had dressed up in an all Blue Father Christmas outfit, I told them it was Santa's away kit. We beat Man City 2-0 with Hurst and Buckley getting their names on the scoreboard.. Three days later we beat Derby 2-1 Buckley and Royle doing the business.

As you might have guessed it wasn't pleasant watching some of the players in Blue but we were doing well, Bingham had a team that when they went away they gave it a go, it was good following Everton away, there were thousands of Blues everywhere and the singing and chanting was brilliant. Being an Evertonian at these times was great, I loved going to the away games.

If it was easy at Christmas the fixture list gave us a good tester for New Years Day. Ipswich away was difficult at the best of times but with the miners strike, power crisis and fuel restrictions it was bloody murder. Me and Ste managed it though, we went down in his little green mini and made it there just before kick off which had been brought forward an hour. Not many Blue Boys had made it and we got hammered 3-0 that wasn't the end of the nightmare, the mini developed trouble with the exhaust and could only do 30 miles per hour, we didn't get home until 4am the next day. Needless to say.. I wasn't in my wife's best books.. Blackburn at home in the F.A. Cup, they were a Second Division side at the time and we give them a good 3-0 hiding.

Q.P..R away and a bad 1-0 loss has us slipping into eighth place. Leeds at home and a 0-0 draw, two ways to look at it, yes its a good point against a championship like team but we need to beat teams like them to have a chance ourselves.

Tommy Wright, Colin Harvey and Howard Kendall were all long term injuries and this didn't help matters West Brom at home in the F. A. Cup and an historic moment, because of the power crisis this match was changed to a Sunday, this was the first time Everton had ever played on a Sunday and it caused some problems, for a start the law said that you could not charge for admission so the way around it was to make everybody buy a team sheet which gave you free entrance to the ground. Bingham had been complaining in the programme that Buckley and Darracott hadn't been picked for the England under twenty three squad.

Anyhow the big day came, a massive crowd at Goodison and what happens, yes a bloody 0-0 draw and a replay midweek down at West Brom. Me and Ste had to spend all day Monday trying to get our duties swapped so we could make the replay, we managed to do it but how did the Blues reward our efforts, right again, we lost, 1-0, sick. Sheff Untd away 1-1, not too bad. Wolves at home and a good win 2-1 gets us into fifth place.

Then another shock, we sell Howard Kendall, yes our saviour for the past two seasons is sold, okay we get Bob Latchford in exchange but at the time it was unbelievable.

Then even worse. my sister in law gets married and there is no way out I have to miss only the second match under Billy Bingham, but what a match, West Ham away, Latchfords debut. We lose 4-3 in a humdinger of a game now answer me this, Church in every Sunday, fine no problem, Christenings are on Sundays, again no problem, then why are bloody weddings on Saturdays? They are on Saturdays so we have to miss the match and Women can have the last laugh.

Coventry at home, John Hurst gets a vital winner, we stay in fifth place on 33 points. Leicester away and Latch gets his first goal, it's not enough we lose 2-1. Birmingham at home and a great welcome back to Kendall, Latchford doesn't show any mercy to his brother or his old team mates as he sticks two goals past them in our 4-1 win.. Burnley away and a stupid defeat, then Chelsea at home and only a draw Even more bad news Tommy Wright has to retire because of injury.



Everton In The Seventies  
1973/4

The next match at Spurs was amazing, we got to the ground in plenty of time but nobody could make up their minds which end we were going to go in. Anyhow me Ste and two lads from Manchester Barry & John go in the ground. We soon realise the majority of the Boys had gone in the other end and we were stranded in their end.. Never mind we thought, lets just watch, the next thing is that Latchford races through and scores, we jump up and down and that makes all the Spurs scallies look towards us, we keep quiet. Things calm down and everything is looking fine until John Connolly gets the ball, he has an open goal in front of him and I say to myself, miss it, you idiot. He slots it in ,why does your right arm shoot straight up in the air and your feet find an invisible pogo stick when Everton score? Anyhow all the Spurs fans spot me and they all rush over. I felt like Custer, one of them sees the F. A. Cup tattoo on my an. and says 'What's all that crap, here's what you want, he then shows me a tattoo with the Spurs Cockerel and the name Park Lane underneath it. I just thought keep talking and help might come, so I said what's a starved chicken got to do with football, just then the Police stormed in and Ste grabbed one by the arm and said you better get us out of here mate. We were taken out and put in the paddock, apart from a badly stained pair of underpants no damage was done.

Man City away and a well deserved 1-1 draw. Easter and a trip to Newcastle, we lose 2—1 and there was trouble at the game and at the station on the way back we had a few of them trying to get on our train but we fought them off. Norwich at home and we win 4-1. The next two away games are easy to get to, first of all Man Untd. and we lose 3-0

.Then over to the snake pit for the Derby. They have to beat us to stand any chance of catching Leeds at the top of the table. Of course we are supposed to let this happen. .It ends 0-0 and we out sing their famous Kop, the match report says 'Towards the end, the high bank of Everton fans were deriding the Kop and there was a huge roar as Clemence fumbled a Telfer cross over the bar. The result was a moral victory for Everton, as bad as a devastating defeat for Liverpool and it ended with those Everton fans doing jigs of delight while the Kop chanted abuse and then fell silent.' Brilliant and one good song from the game was, When the Red, Red Robin, comes bob, bob bobbin along, Shoot the bastard, shoot the bastard, shoot, shoot, shoot.

The Derbies were great we used to go into the corner of the Kop and it was hectic to say the least, they would hurl abuse at us and try to get us to move needless to say we didn't budge Everton had a tasty mob at the time and they were not going to be moved by Kopites because they didn't have the support that the Blues had.

Everton's away following was massive.

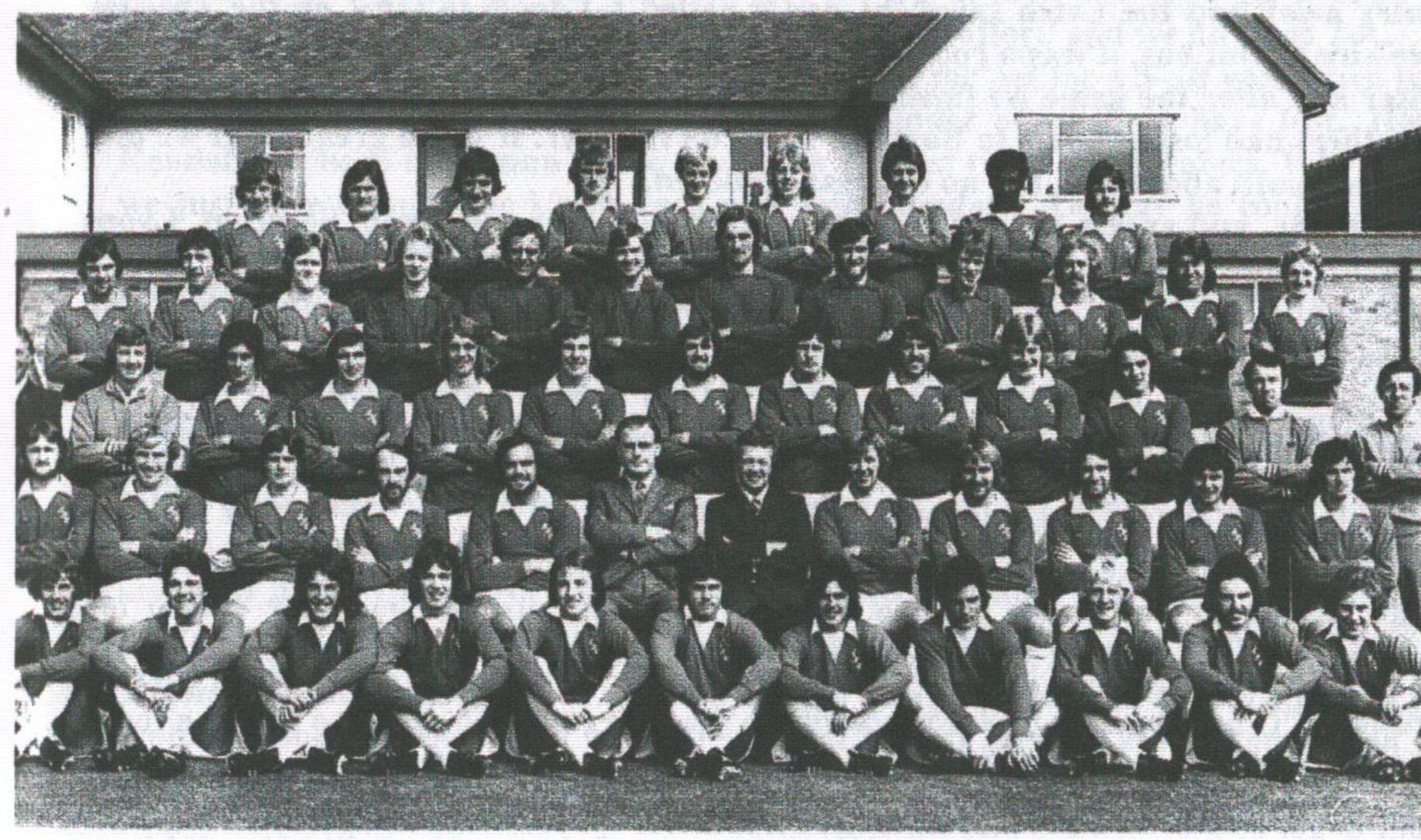
Man Untd at home and sweet revenge. Mick Lyons gives us a 1—0 win. The last League game was against Southampton at Goodison and we lose 3-0. The last game at Goodison was Tommy Wright's Testimonial against Glasgow Rangers.

Well that was the end of Bingham's first season we won 16, drew 12,lost 14 and finished 7th not bad.

Everton In The Seventies



Everton 1973-74



Everton 1974-75



In July Jim Pearson joins Everton and goes on the pre-season tour of Germany. We beat Tennis Berlin 4-2 and Essen 2-1 but the big news has nothing to do With Everton.. Over the Park, Bill Shankly had retired, and every Evertonian thought that like Caesar was the end of the Roman Empire was Shankly the end of the Moaning Empire.

On the 31st July Everton sent a team to Rhyl for a pre season friendly and as we had nothing better to do me Ste big John and a few more decided to go .

It was a wet night and we only fielded the reserves but Marshall had a great match and we won 5-0..

The season proper started with a home game against Derby and it ended 0—0 the programme was now 10p and was still yellow and blue but had a photo on the cover. .Stoke at home and Royle has a blinder scoring our two goals in a 2-1 win. Down to West Ham and another great match EFC go two up but the Hammers pull it back to all square .Colin Harvey blasts a twenty five yarder to clinch victory .

Stoke away and a fine header by Latchford gets us a point in a 1-1 draw ..He had scored some vital goals for us since signing from Birmingham and was now a full Blue.. Martin Dobson signs from Burnley for a cash record fee of £300,000.. He makes his debut on Aug 31st at home against Arsenal, Latchford has another blinder getting both our goals in a fine 2-1 win.

Ipswich away and our first defeat 1-0 in a bad tempered game. Bingham says we will show them at Goodison.. Our favourite competition the League Cup and away to Second Division Anton Villa we get a 1-1 draw to take them back to Goodison.

Wolves at home and a banner draped over the stands says it all Colin Harvey - The White Pele this was because we had just sold Harvey to Sheff Wed.. So this was the end. of the Harvey, Kendall and Ball era. The game was a drab 0—0 bore draw..

The League Cup replay at home to Villa and we get murdered 3—0, a bottle and a can were thrown onto the pitch and we got reported to the F..A a bad night..

Coventry away and the Latch saves the day it ended 1-1,down to QPR on the Tuesday and we hire a mini bus, it was a good night all round we drew 2-2 Pearson getting a great equaliser and after the game we finished up in a pub in Finchley and found out that our Red brothers had lost at home to Burnley. bring on the beer. It was a great night we didn't get back until about 5am but no one was bothered.

Leeds at home and at last a win, yes its been six matches since we won, Sergeant, Lyons & Clements score in a 3-2 thriller.

Newcastle at home and a 1-1 draw puts us in fourth place, we should really be winning games like this if we want to win the League.

Shelf Untd away and we go two down, the boys turn to men Lyons & Buckley get us a point no wonder the Blue Boys started a new chant Jesus Christ. Was An Evertonian Mick Lyons would run through a brick wall for Everton, he wasn't the most gifted player but he gave every ounce of sweat and blood for the cause.

West Ham & Chelsea at home both finish in 1—1 draws, the newspapers are made up, they are calling us the Treble Chance Draw Experts because we had now drawn ten games. Bingham was getting Everton organised and we were playing some good football, ok we were drawing a lot but that didn't matter we were cutting out the stupid defeats.

The Chelsea match was strange, the ref sent one Chelsea player off and booked another seven, this was a record amount of bookings for a League game Gary Jones scored from the spot to get us a draw.. Burnley away and another 1—1 score line. Burnley allowed the TV cameras in for the first time in three years. .Bob Lord was their Chairman and he ruled with an iron fist. Everton had been the same and upset the T.V Companies

Man City at home' and a 2—0 win Jones & Connolly score we go into third place.

Down to Spurs and a few Aussie Whites at Yates in the Strand, then off to the match, Connolly scores again but I am safe this season, in with all the Blue Boys.. We draw 1-1 and head off back home and straight into the American Bar on Lime Street a few more Bevies and then the last bus home to Skem. I have a railway mans hat on, I don't know to this day where I got it from but I had been drinking since 6.30 am and it was now 11pm

The Derby at home and Bingham rips into the press for calling us robots and negative, we are the leading away goal scorers in the First Division so how the hell are we negative? The game does end 0-0 but it was not a boring game, at the end of the day a point did us no harm.

A rare Saturday off with the Luton away game postponed. Birmingham at home and they get the same as last season a 4—1 hiding Jones, Dobson, Lyons & Connolly. We go into second spot after a great away win at Leicester 2-0 ,Hurst and sub Telfer score.

Derby County away and we drive down and park by my Uncles house we have a few drinks in the Osmaston Park Pub then go into their hole of a ground, even the programme is crap yes still a bloody newspaper and it was not only awkward to hold it knackered your collection binder. Back to the match, and Latch The Snatch gets us the points.. We are top of the League. Carlisle at home and an abysmal performance, we lose 3—2 and slip to fourth place. Our first defeat in sixteen gsmes, we are top they are second to bottom .it's only four days until Christmas, we always seem to be bad before the holidays.

Boxing Day and an away match, can't complain we have been at home the last couple of seasons.. We wake it to Wolves but see a bad game and a terrible defeat 2-0.Two days later Middlesboro at home and yet again a 1-1 score line.

On the 4th January the F.A. Cup at home to little Altrincham I don't mind the minnows if they play the game in the right spirit, but this crowd of dirty sods just wanted to kick anything that moved Connolly got his leg broken and they got a draw both terrible injustices. The replay was changed to Old Trafford and we do them 2-0..

Leicester at home and Jones, Lyons & Pearson hit the net for a 3—0 win, down to Birmingham and their programme gives us a reminder of what we have lost.. Howard Kendall has been their man of the match for the last two League games. Why couldn't we just have bought the Latch cash and kept Kendall? Anyway he couldn't stop us winning 3-0. The next match is another of those games that has gone down in Everton folklore, we had been drawn away to Plymouth in the Cup and thousands of Blue Boys made the long trip. It cost £3.50p by the Footy Specials and they left in twenty minute intervals from 5.20 am onwards. We had loaded up with beer and wine and the songs were flowing. we got into Plymouth and the police had kept everybody together so as they could march us the mile to the ground.. Well if you can imagine thousands of so called grown men getting herded through subways and the streets by police horses and dogs and somebody started to make cattle and sheep noises. Everybody was doing it, I know on paper this doesn't sound funny but believe me it was bloody hilarious even the police were laughing. We win comfortably and after the game the Plymouth fans made the mistake of trying to take on the Blue Boys, well they were outnumbered and got a hell of a hiding All you could see on the way back to the train was Plymouth fans spread out all over the place and Everton fans had all their green scarves as trophies.

It was funny really because all the Plymouth fans spotted a group of blue Boys in the middle of a hill the Plymouth fans ran at the Evertonians only to see behind them hundreds of Blues. The ones at the middle charged towards the Plymouth who turned and tried to run away but they only ran into hundreds of Evertonians At the next home game the Street End was a sea of green and white scarves and flags.



## Everton In The Seventies 1974-75

Spurs at home and Pearson gets our winner so we stay on top ,40,912 Blues are very happy. Cliff Marshall had played in the last three matches and didn't do too bad..

Man City away and Royle is now playing for City, they win 2--1,if you used to go to away games in the seventies, you will remember the stupid cow who used to ring the bloody bell at Maine Road, well was within reach and could have strangled her, in fact I would have been a free man by now if I had.

F .A. Cup time again and home to Fulham, no problem, easy. doddle, we'll walk it ,all of these things and more were said but we lose, the ref is our mate Clive Thomas not that he was to blame we were bad. The Derby over at Lucifer's Lounge and it ends 0—0.1 know I give the Kopites some stick but worse than them were the Kremlyn Road crowd, we called them the Kremlin Road as they were always 'Russian home twenty minutes before the end.. Ken Mc Naught has made his way into the first team, Luton at home and Husband plays for them, we win 3-1.

Down to Arsenal and a brilliant 2-0 win,, Lyons & Latchford. Now the tough one, Leeds away and a great 0-0 keeps us on top.

Now something that baffled me at the time ,we are top of the League, and we are playing Middlesboro away on Tues 18th March but there are no Footy Specials. We take the service train to Darlington then get a local one to Boro .It's snowing and as cold as a nuclear winter, we lose, we have to hitch hike home but get a lift from Barry & John the Manchester Blues and they take us all the way home.

Ipswich at home and despite what Bingham said earlier in the season we don't do them, we draw 1-1 -

David Smallman signs from Wrexham, Carlisle away and the unbelievable happens, they are bottom with 21points,we are top with 44 and we lose 3-0.Coventry at home and 40, 070 scream their heads off for a close 1—0 win. Burnley at home and only 1-1, things are slipping.

Luton away midweek and we take no chances and hire a car, another sad night we lose 2-1..Newcastle away on the Saturday and Everton have put on a special Flight, yes for only £22.50p you can fly to the game.. We pay £3 and go on the footy special. Dobson gets our winner, we go berserk, trouble as usual inside and outside the ground.

Sheff Untd at home and we lose the title and the match 3—2.The last game of the season was at Chelsea. We get off the tube at Fulham Broadway and go onto the street, making our way towards the ground when about six Chelsea skins tried to attack a small Evertonian just in front of us. Big John jumps at them we join in to protect the little lad and they run like the clappers, Big John is in hot pursuit and he chases them all the way into the waste land just outside their end The Shed.

Now you can believe this or not but those so called Chelsea hard boys actually dived over the turnstiles to get away from us. We were just so annoyed that a small thirteen year old lad should be attacked. Anyhow we go into the stands and chip in to take the lad with us. The game ends 1-1 and that means Chelsea are relegated, they are not very happy and we decide to split into small groups so we don't stand out. I go with the small lad and Ste, we get on the tube and it's full of Chelsea boneheads, they smash all the windows of our compartment and rip out the roof ,slash the seats and wreck the carriage. One of the Chelsea nutters looks at me and says "Where you going" and I answered in my best cockney accent "Victoria" We look at each other and say nothing else he must have been convinced I was a Chelsea fan, the train pulls in to Earls Court and the Police are everywhere. Anyone with cuts on their hands are arrested and I go over to one of the Policemen and say we are three Evertonians and what should we do. He tells us the way out and how to get back to Euston the quiet way.. Were we sacred? Do Everton Wear Blue? The things we do for Everton.

Everton finished 4th in the League and that was disappointing because we could have been Champions.



# Not Ready To Win A Game Yet????????????????

David Moyes has made the most outrageous statement that I have ever heard a professional football manager say. "We are not ready at this moment to win a Premiership game"

He rattled on about how he had such a small squad and only teenagers in the reserves, but whose fault is that Mr. Moyes? You have been here over six years and if you can't get a reserve team to fill in for injuries or suspensions then how long will it take?

The players with some little experience like Gosling get left on the bench as he brings on a sixteen year old forward.

Steve Round in as his assistant and the solid defence of last season now looks like strangers. We have let in six goals in two home games but no one blames Moyes, oh no, they just want him to sign another contract for five years!!!!!!

Players are all out of position the Yak has to run all over the park just to show work rate.

His post match interviews make Walter Smith look like a joker, he is depressing, never bubbly and confident.

People say he has done well over the last six years, where has he done well?

Mark Hughes has done well, he has got to finals and Europe, Big Sam did the same at Bolton, and other lesser clubs like West Ham, Wigan, Portsmouth, etc have all got to finals.

If we are not a top four club then I would rather win the F. A. Cup or Carling Cup than finish sixth or fifth.

Moyes is hopeless in Cup's Oldham, Shrewsbury etc. I know you will say we did well in the UEFA Cup but Boro got to the Final the other year, Bolton, got far and so have others in England, even Rangers got to the UEFA Cup Final.

He hasn't had much money say his supporters well how come he has broken Everton's transfer record four times? Beattie, Johnson didn't do well, the Yak looks good and the new lad can't be judged yet.

Some of the other stars of his are Richard Wright, Van Der Meyde, Kroldrup, Davies.

The pluses are Lescott, Cahill, Arteta, Howard?? Jageilka ?? Baines ?? Neville??????

We have a lightweight non tackling team who more often than not can't pass a ball. Six years of Moyes management and there is no style or pattern to the play. No one knows if Osman will be on the left, middle or right, the same goes for Arteta.

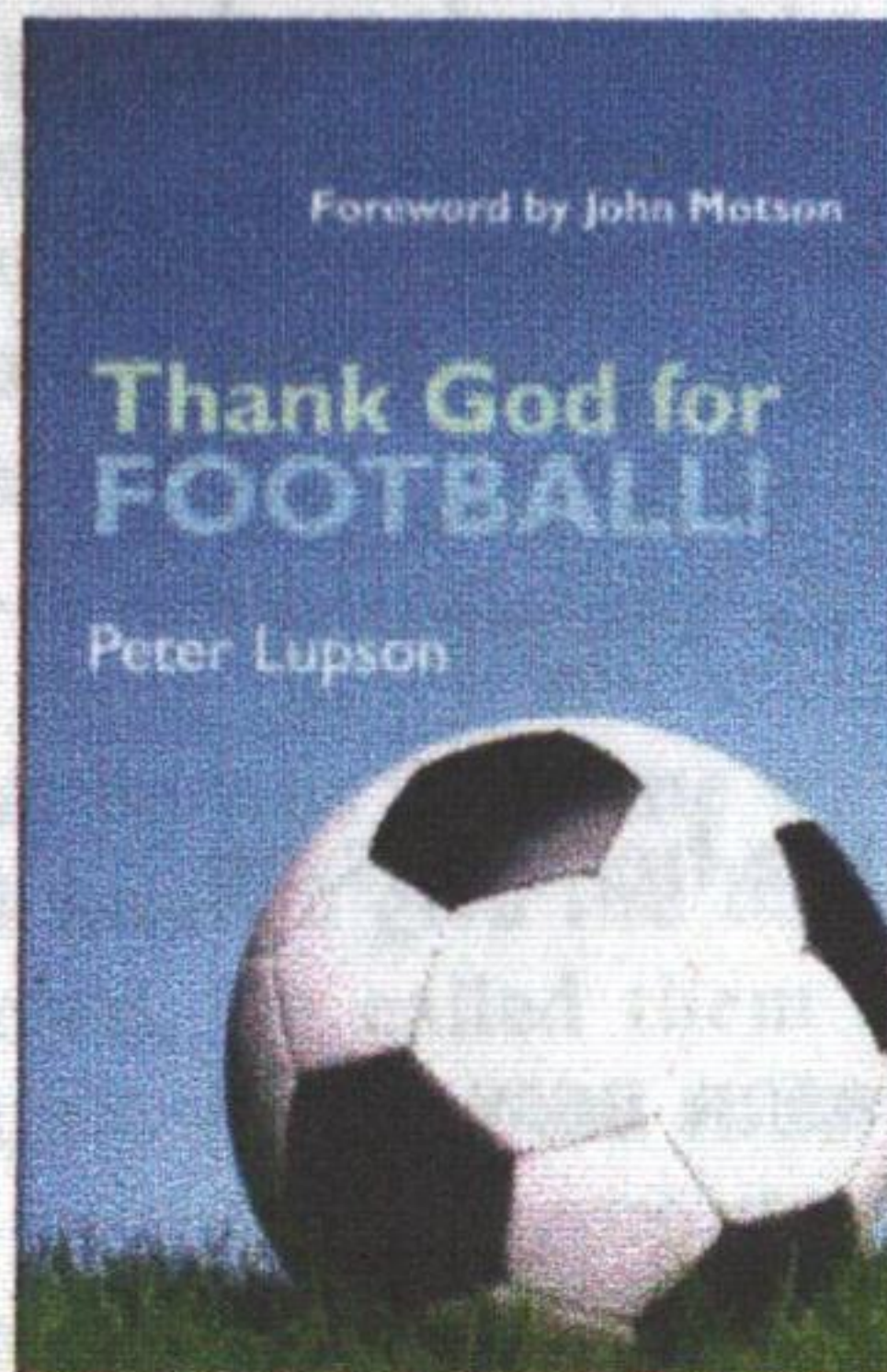
He gets an injury prone right back who surprise, surprise is injured, he resigns Valente another absentee player. Look what we could have done with some of these players had we had a manager with a tactical brain.

Everton have been demoted to the standard of Blackburn, Villa, City, Bolton, Portsmouth etc.

I know you all love Moyes but we will win nothing with him, he is not a Cup manager and it is only Cups we can win.



## Book Review



How many times have you been at the match and said "God Help Us"? Millions of times if you are like us Evertonians. The irony of it all though is that God has helped us because without the involvement of the Churches in the early days of football Everton and a good few other clubs would not have existed. As Evertonians we know that Everton were formed from St Domingo Church whose members had formed a cricket team and then decided to form a football club, the date was 1879 not 1878 as is generally stated .

Peter Lupson in his book Thank God For Football, has gone further than most other football fans because he has taken the time and made the effort to trace the original founding members of many football clubs. I went along to the Football Museum in Preston with Paul Wharton to listen to Peter giving a talk about the research he did for his book.

The evening was not only informative but entertaining, Peter had found Swindon Town were celebrating the wrong date about their foundation. He helped Tottenham Hotspur to track down the lost neglected grave of their founder and also did the same for Everton. (see issue 52 of Blue Blood).

The book is a brilliant read and has 18 good pages on Everton, it also has other great stories and it is sad to think that those early pioneers who developed football clubs were soon lost and forgotten by the Clubs and their fans.

The book has chapters on Aston Villa, Barnsley, Birmingham, Bolton, Everton, Fulham, THE OTHER LOT, Man City, QPR, Southampton, Swindon, and Tottenham.

The price is only £9.99 and worth every penny, the isbn number is 9781902694306 most good bookshops can order it for you. I highly recommend it because it has a different take on football, the Multi Millionaires are nowhere to be seen, only the hard working dedicated churchmen who gave up their free time to help those in the community who had no one else to help them, their selfishness helped found what today we take for granted, League Football. And as Evertonians with the only football ground in the whole wide World that has a church attached we should take an interest in publications like this. Support Peter and buy this book, you will enjoy it and also fund any future projects by the author.



## The History Of Everton season 1927-28

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 22, dean to play against wales at burnley on Monday next for england.

NOV 23, everton are due at bury on Saturday and the only change from the side which was defeated by sunderland is that taylor resumes in place of davies, the former huddersfield goalkeeper expects to be thoughtly fit by the end of the week.

NOV 26, taylor returns to the everton side in place of davies, but weldon is suffering from influenza, and irvine will play at inside left against bury today.

NOV 29, wales beat england at burnley yesterday, before 32,089 spectators.

NOV 30 everton have sheffield united as vistsors on saturaday, when the leaders will be at full strength weldon having recovered from the cold, which kept him out of the side at bury, and he will resume in place or irvine.

DEC 7, the check sustained by everton at goodison park, on Saturday when sheffield united forced a draw, goes to show how difficult it is these days for a team to maintain winning form. But the experience may spur on the players to further efforts, on Saturday everton will be faced with one of their most difficult task this side of the cup-tie, for they are due to meet their anicent and esteemed rivals aston villa, at birmingham. The blues travel to birmingham on the 0940 train from lime street on Saturday, team shows no change.

DEC 10, virr is unwell and rooney, a local half-back,, who has had previous experience with the first team will take his place.

DEC 27, the everton team to met cardiff city at ninian park to-day, shows one change, irvine replacing forshaw, who twisted his knee in yesterday match

DEC 31, everton will have hart back again at centre-half, virr returning to the left, and this is the only change from the side beaten at cardiff. Cresswell and forshaw are still on the injured list, and raitt and irvine retain their places.

JAN 9, mr t mcintosh the everton secretary, on Saturday signed e common, of blyth spartans, who is expected to do well in a new realm of football. He is nineteen years of age, 5ft 8ins in height and weights 11 and half stone. He learned his football with new delaval, and since promotion to the north-eastern league with blyth spartans has done good work. Everton reserves have no match next Saturday therefore he will not get his first run for a fortnight.

JAN 13, everton have strengthened their forces by securing the transfer from the arsenal of kennedy, the left full-back, who participated in the cup final at wembley last season. in thses days of keen competition first division clubs, who wish to keep in the forefront must have good reserves capable of filling vacancies in the senior side, and kennedy I hope will prove a useful addetion to the staff at goodsion park. The negotiattions were competed last evening. The amount of the transfer fee cannot be divulged, but no doubt the everton club have had to pay heavily for a player who through he has mae few appearences in arsenal's first teasm this season is in his prime. Last season kennedy play in ten league matches, and previously he was arsenal's regular left back for a couple of years, and he was in his sixth season at highbury. He joined the london club in 1922-23 and was so successful in his first important game that he was choosen for ireland against wales. Along with his club mate mackie. He also played against england in 1925. Earlier in his career he played-for glentoran and crystal palace. Kennedy has been sought by a number of prominent clubs during the present campaign. He is twenty-five of age stands 5ft 8ins and weights 12 stone.

JAN 20, the suspension of weldon efford dominy an opportunity of renewing acquaintance with everton's premier team against birmingham to-morrow, when he will partner troupe in the left wing, and he should prove a capable substitute. Dominy made 28 appearances in the first eleven last season, and scored twelve goals, while this term, I believe, he has been playing fine football with rthe central league team. Although not so fast as in his southampton days dominy is still the craftsman who makes openings for his partners and if he reproduces his last form. Troupe and dean are likely to be provided with plenty of opportunities .....meanwhile it is



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officially nounced by the football asociation that a weldon (everton) and j mclelland (middlesbrough) have been suspended for seven days and one month respectively from yesterday for misconduct in the everton and middlesbrough league match at goodison on january 7<sup>th</sup>. weldon will be available for everton's cup-tie with the arsenal to-morrow week at highbury. But middlesbrough will not have the assistance of mclelland in their cup-tie at southport.

JAN 24. dean's nets three goals for england against the rest in the trial game at west brom yesterday, before about 12,000 spectators, england winning 5-1.

JAN 25. with the exception that forshaw has not yet recovered from the injury which has kept him out of the field for some-weeks, the everton team will be at full strength for the cup-tie at highbury against arsenal on Saturday. Virr has fully recovered and he will resume at left-back in place of rooney, wjile weldon is now available, and he will resume his old position in place of dominy.....meanwhile wr dean, the everton centre-forward celebrated his coming of age yesterday:- his birthday was on Sunday-when his parents gave a reception at blythe hall, upton road birkenhead, a number of the everton tean were included among a large party of more than 120 who sat down to dinner. Mr shipley sprang a surprise upon the party by presenting dean with an illuminated address. In reply england's centre-forward had little to say in fact his speech was one of the shortest in history, this was it "lets get on with the dinner" mr j cahill the well known refereee also paid a tribute to england's centre-forward.

FEB 3. everton have sixteen matches still to play, and with ordinary luck dean should gain a fair average, up to the present this season he has scored thirty-nine goals in twenty-five league matches, while since he joined everton he has scored ninety-four goals in ninety-seven league matches, so that he requires but six goals to buy his total to one hundred. Considering he has only just celebrated his twenty-first bithday this as a remarkable achievement. At the moment. I have in mind league games only. But it can be stated that this season he has added three-goals in the FA cup-ties and eleven in representative games although he has yet scored a goal against any of the other counties this season. that may be a pleasure deferred until the match against scotland.

FEB 8. kelly and o'donnell were injured at huddersfield and while kelly is unable to play the fullback has recovered quickly and he will take his customary place as partner to cresswell, brown comes in to fill kelly place, for staurday match against tottenham hotspur.

FEB 9. dean scored 5 goals for efgland against the rest in a 8-3 win, dean reprentaive football during the last two season's dean record is 1926-27 v the rest 4, wales 2,, scotland 2, belgium 3, luxemburg 3, france 2 total 16, 1927-28 irish league 4, lancashire FA 3, the rest 3, the rest 5, ireland 0, wales 0 total 16 full amount 32.

FEB 13. robert irvine is in the irish team aginst scotland at glasgow on Saturday

FEB 24. david reid has severed his connection with everton and gone back to the distillery club. I well remember this fresh comlexioned player figuring in the irish league team against the english league team at anfield in 1919-20 season, when the result was 2-2 draw. Reid was at centre-forward that day and his fine play led to everton signing him on from the distillery club. He proved a fine sevant for the goodison club, and at different times figured in most of the forward and half-back positions. His best position is half-back, but he is the type of player, who can do well anywhere, and he should strengthen his old club. He is a brother of john and max, who have played for new brighton, all three being half-backs.

MAR 6, the everton club received the sanction of the football league yesterday, to award benefits to troup and raitt these scottish players have rendered good services to the everton club. Troup is still a great source of strength to the side, while raitt is an emergency back who can be relied on to fill a defensive position with credit. I was at store when troup made his debut for the goodison club in january 1923, and that day he gave a taste of the great qualities he was to shown later. People have wandered from whence comes the strength to send in those cannon-like shots, but he is a pocket hercules. There is no stronger shot in the league, and considering, he has to shoot from an angle the fact that he has scored from an angle, the fact that he has scored ten goals, this season shows his worth in this respect. He is one of everton's ever present this season, while he

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played in thirty-seven league game's last term. Thirty-eight the previous year, and thirty-two in 1924-25. A hard working forward. He makes up for lack of height by fine footcraft. Raitt has worm the everton clours since 1922, when he was signed from dundee, where he had developed after the war. He first played for everton at tottenham in 1922.

MAR 7. robert irvine the clever irish forward who has proved so skilful an artiste for everton, was yesterday transferred to portsmouth, where he will prove a great asset to a club which is making a bold bid to escape relegation. Irvine has rendered service to everton and prehaps his sheer skill in ball control has been his undoing, for in the eues of many good judges of the game, he was regarded as "too clever" for the present day turmoil of first-class football which calls for less elaboration and more direct method. If however, irvine can school himself to dribble just for enough to draw opponents and make an opening for a colleague and no player is more capable of doing this. By swift passi, his new club will find that his transfer has been worth the sustantion outlay. Irvine delightfully close footwork will issued by lovers of shear footcraft, who frequent go to goodison park. Since joining everton six years ago he has been capped by ireland eleven times. He took part in all the last six matches against england and played against scotland in 1922 and 1924, and last month at glasgow while he has also figured twice in matches at wales. Formerly irvine was with dumurray, a north of ireland club. Last season he played in thirty-four league matches for everton, and scored eleven goals. I hear that his first appearance for the new club is not likely to be against everton.....meanwhile young players easton and houghton, who have been doing so well with the central league side. The last named forward is a local player and he scored three goals last week. He is afforded his first opportunity of showing his pace in the senior ranks while easton, who joined everton from blyth spartans in march last will also make his debut on Saturday. He has shown capital form with the reserves previously he played for rotherham county and has had experience in canada where he assisted montreal maroons. In my opion there is nothing like first class experience for bring out the abilities of youthful recruits,, and houghton and easton will, I am sure, make the most of the opportunity afforded.

MAR 9, everton, had a busy day, and in signing meston of gillingham, I believe they have secured an excellent wing forward. Nicely built meston stands 5ft 8 and hald inches in height and weights 11 stone. He made thity-six appearances for gillingham last season and is expected to prove a nost useful recruit. In taking dominy and millington the southern club have secured two players of distinct worth, and who in that class off football, may prove highly successful, dominy, of course is not so fast as in his southampton days, but he can still work a ball and make an opening for a colleague. Millington was handicapped by injury at goodison park,, but at times he gave some promising displays and he has always appealed as aplayer who, properly coached in the art of centring would prove a fine winger. His speed is on great asset and he is sure to please the gillingham supporters. Additional everton transfer two useful players and dominy and millington. The former joined the goodison club from southampton and is still a useful inside forward, millington is fast and resourceful and should prove a useful addition to the southern club staff. As part of this deal, everton get the service of meston a young outside-right, who has earned a high reputation in the south.

MAR 10. dean scored two for england league against scottish league, dean also had penalty saved by faleoner, england winning 6-2

MAR 14. everton's lack of success this year has been most disconcerning to their followers, and it would seen that the honour are slipping from their grasp. Much depends on the outcome of the match today,, whether or not they are to retain a fighting chance. The directors last night decided to retain easton at inside-right, while dean of course returns to the centre-forward berth, with weldon in his old place at inside-left.

MAR 16. g martin, everton new forward, is a versatile player, who will now realise his ambition of figuring in first division football. He played a prominent part in the defeat of everton at aston villa ground last year in the fouthth-round of the FA cup after the teams had played two drawn games. Martin played at inside left in the first match, and he was a live force through ou. In the final match at villpark, martin at outside right scored the winning goal following a corner, and it was recognised that apert from that point he more than any player, was respsible for the overthrow of everton. A swift attacker, he is no sooner on the run than he has a shot if at all



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favourably placed and he shoots well, too. He had the quite uncommon distinction for a footballer at one time of being awarded a diploma in art. A native of Lanarkshire, Martin assisted Hamilton Academicals and while still with the club was allowed to assist Barnes the Scottish League club, in the Scottish Cup in October 1922 he was transferred from Barnes to Hull City, and has been a regular member of the first team ever since he played in all positions in the forward line, and occasionally in the back division. He stands 5ft 9ins and weighs about 11<sup>st</sup> 6lbs. Very popular in Hull at the present moment at one time he was subjected to barracking by the crowd and this led to his being placed on the transfer list at his own request. Fortunately for Hull he reconsidered his decision. Mr McIntosh, the Everton secretary completed the negotiations, and the transfer fee runs into four figures.

MAR 21, Runcorn expect to compete for the signature of French, who has played with Everton reserves this season.

MAR 22, for their match with Derby County at Goodison Park on Saturday Everton have made important changes, Davies the reserve goalkeeper, who played in nine First Division matches last season is to make his second appearance for the league side this term. Davies has been playing well, and he is preferred to Hardy, the other changes are in the forward line, where Bain comes in at inside-right in place of Martin who crosses over to the left as partner to Troup Weldon,, therefore drops out.

MAR 23, Everton continue their operations in building up their side for another campaign and yesterday they signed E Jones, a young inside-right, from Bournemouth. He is a brother of Ivor Jones, who played for West Brom. The new player is only nineteen stands 5 feet 7 inches in height, and weighs 10 st 7lbs. He has been with Bournemouth for two months, having been secured from Merthyr on January 21<sup>st</sup>, he has played in six league games for the southern club, Jones is reputed to be clever.

MAR 27, Dean to play for England on Saturday against Scotland.

MAR 28, Everton's task at Sunderland is a difficult one, and the team will have to play the top of their form to win, or even draw. Dean will be absent on international duty and to solve the forward problem the directors have decided to place Bain in the centre. While Martin again crosses over to the inside-right berth Weldon returning to partner Troup.....meanwhile Everton reserves are trying Barker, a half-back from the north of England in the march against Aston Villa reserves.

MAR 31, Everton have signed on amateur forms H Barker, right half-back of the Cockfield club, which reached the final of the amateur cup. French who has been playing centre-forward as an amateur, has now signed as a professional. The two players will assist the reserves to-day in the centre-league match against Aston Villa at Goodison Park.

Also Dean played in England 5-1 win against Scotland didn't score

APR 4. Will Dean available and Weldon fit, the side will be at full strength, and I hope Everton will take full points. They must play at the top of their game to win, for the Rovers although nicely placed in the table are still anxious to improve their position.

APR 13, J Stein, an outside left from Dunfermline Athletic, was yesterday signed on by Everton. Stein is 23 years old, stands 5ft 9ins and weighs 11st. A native of Coatbridge he has been with Dunfermline for three seasons,, and was previous with East Lothian and Blackburn Rovers. He made 26 appearances for the Scottish League Cup last season.

APR 21, that Everton mean to maintain, if possible a strong team for next season to shown by the fact that they have signed Jimmy Dunn the Hibernians inside-forward, who played so well against England at Wembley a few weeks ago. Dunn although lacking in inches is a most skillful player, who possesses great command over the ball,, and he is likely to considerably strengthen the forward line. No doubt the fee is a high one, as many clubs were anxious to obtain his services. Dunn assisted Scotland on five occasions against Wales and Ireland in 1925, against Ireland in 1927 and against Ireland and England this season. He also helped the Scottish League to victory over the Irish League at Glasgow in 1923. Dunn is 5ft 5 and half inches but is exceptionally well built, and







as he can play at inside right or left. He is likely to prove most useful and his scheming football should prove a great help to dean. The new player joined the hibernians from st anthony club, a prolific nursery of the association game, in season 1920-21 he was than nineteen years of age and quickly played himself into a permanent place in the league side. Dunn is a proverbial bag of tricks. One of the most dangerous and skillful forwards in the game, and a ready goal scorer into the bargain. Although small, he display's great fact in renching a highball. He will not be eligible to play in evertpon's remaining league games, but he many assist the reserves team, before the end of the season.

APR 25, in the centre league game at goodison park. Everton will give a trial to whalley a local goalkeeper and dunn and j stein will also turn out.

APR 27, everton have decided not to retain taylor brown, dickie (half-backs), houghton (inside-left), kendrick (wing forward), raitt (full back) a t curr a local player.

MAY 2, agents of america clubs are busy just now appraoching english and scottish players with a view to getting them to play in the states. Dean the everton centre-forward-recently rejected a very good offer to play in america.

MAY 4, the officials of the everton have received numerous congratulations on the success of the team in winning the championship of the first division of the league. One of the first clubs to send a congratulatory message was huddersfield town,, the runners-up for the honour the championship trophy will be handed over to the everton football club by mr john mckenna president of the league at the conclusion of the match at goodison park to-morrow, when everton wind-up the season against the arsenal. Arrangements are being made to broadcast the speeches at the presentation ceremony to all parts of the ground and the club makes a special request that spectators will remain in their places.

They will be able to hear everything, as amplifiers are being fixed up so that speeches will be heard clearly. "why we won" is a favorite topic on merseyside just now and different views have been put forward. In an interview with the "daily post" mr w.c. cuff chairman of the everton football club who has been connected with the club as director secretary and chairman for thirty-eight years, gave his ideas on the subject, and they are doubly interesting in view of the fact that the signing of famous players at the end of last season has certainly had a great deal of bearing on the present position." It is silly to say that we have won through the lapses of others" said mr cuff, " can you tell me of any championship or cup of which that could not be said in some degree or a other ? the truth is that we got the right men at the right time. In the early months of last year we remedied the weakngsses in the team, and we were perfectly satisfied with our deal although the team continued to struggle and all the players were unable to reveal their real form owing to their anxiety to escape the bogey of relegation. "at the last annual meeting of the directors and shareholders I told them that we had a much better team than the results seemed to imply and when they were free from strain of fighting to keep in the first division of the league. I was perfectly certain they would do themselves justice and vindicate the confidence we had in them. They have justified that statement absolutely. The team spirit has been wonderful but of course, one of the chief factors of the success we have attained has been our ability to play the team partically unchanged. This is verified when one remembers that we slipped from the top place just after christmas. When we were forced to make changes through injuries. When the team settled down again we resumed our winning career and the players have done everything expected of them. Indeed they have been magnificent."it is difficult to start evlogising ourselves and I don't want to do i. But there is no doubt that this has been one of the most exciting contests in the whole forty years of the league's existence and the fact that there is very little diffrence in standard between the top and the bottom club makes everton's performance all the more moritonous." Next year is our jubilee year as the everton club although it is not generally known that this year is really onr jubilee as a football club, for we began as st domingo fc in 1878 and the following year changed our name to everton football club we celebrate the jubilee next-year and it is a great satisfaction to us to enter that milestone in our history as champions. Would we like the cup as a jubilee gift? Well, that goes without saying, and we'll leave it at that. In concusion I would like to say that the directors have worked as one man and the whole staff and players and directors have carried through the season in perfect harmony a factor which in itself has had a great bearing on our ultimate success."

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Dixie Dean

Dickie Forshaw







**David France Commissioned this canvas painting of Alex Young's goal against Spurs at Goodison Park in April 1963, the goal was the only one in the game and was monumental in Everton winning the Title. It fetched over £1,500 for the Former Players Charity**