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Welcome

We have almost reached the end of the season, just one more match to play! I think we can all reflect on what has been a satisfactory season (apart from last Saturday!), we have secured our place in the Championship and welcomed new owners who give us real cause for optimism. Next season could be quite exciting.

We, of course, have other things to look forwards to, starting with our end of season luncheon celebrating the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee**. If you are one of the 184 coming then why not dress up in your best Red, White & Blue!

Those on last week's coach to Skipton will have been thrilled by such a memorable trip ...



Our barge, "Dalesman"



*.... and that wonderful Cream Tea
modelled by Adrian & Judith Fletcher*

Later this month we head for Derbyshire and a lift in the Cable Car at **Matlock Bath**. An extra trip has been booked for 23rd June when we set off for **Durham** but if you haven't booked, the best you can hope for will be the 'waiting list'.



Player of the Month (March)

Your votes for saw the continuing rise of Brandon Fleming. For the second month he came top of the poll with 41 votes. That was well ahead of Jacob Greaves (26) & Matt Ingram (24). KLP followed on 18 votes.

The overall lead for the season, so far, continues to be held by George Honeyman on 175 votes. Behind him is Matt Ingram (136), Jacob Greaves (119) & KLP (118). Brandon's late rush sees him in 4th place with 99 votes.

The **Grand National Sweepstake** winners were

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| 1. D Beel | 2. C Peers |
| 3. M Hunter | 4. G Jackson |

Prizes of £40 , £20, £15 and £5 will be presented at the End of Season Dinner.

MAY MEMORABILIA ARTICLE – Statistics.

This month I am going to remind you of some of the important statistics the Tigers have achieved in their 118 years of history. You may have forgotten some of the achievements of the club and players so here is a reminder of the good things and the odd bad one or two.

GOALS. The highest goal scorers are;- Chris Chilton 222 (193 League), Ken Wagstaff 197 (173League), Paddy Mills 110 (101 League), Jackie Smith 102 (98 League) and Keith Edwards 97 (86 League).

The most goals scored in a match was 6 by Duane Darby at home to Whitby Town in an FA Cup 1st round replay at Boothferry Park on 26 November 1996. The most goals scored in a season was 42 by Bill McNaughton in the 1932/33 season. The most this Century was in 2004/5 when Stuart Elliott scored 27. Dean Windass is the oldest goal scorer when at 39 years and 235 days he scored in the Premier League against Portsmouth. The highest Premier League scorer is Nikica Jelavic with 12 goals and the most hat-tricks scored is 10 by Chris Chilton.

SCORES. Our biggest win was 11-1 against Carlisle at home in a Div 3 North on 14 January 1939. The highest achievement in the Premier League was 6-0 against Fulham on 28 December 2013. We also won 4-0 away at Cardiff City in the PL on 22 February 2014. The largest away win was at Stalybridge Celtic in the FA Cup 1st round in 1932 when we won 8-2.

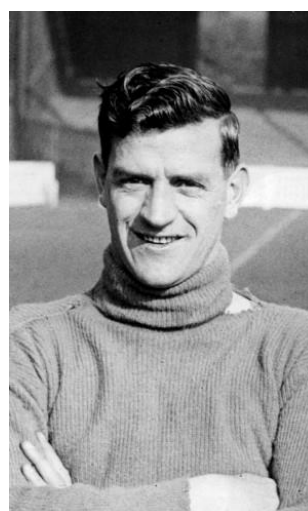
The biggest defeat suffered by City was 0-8 against Wolves in Div 2 on 4 November 1911 but more recently how can we forget the 8-0 drubbing at Wigan Athletic in July 2020.

TRANSFERS. The Tigers have paid £1m or more on 55 occasions. The first was in 2007 when £1.35m was paid to Wigan Athletic for Caleb Folan and the highest was in 2016 when Ryan Mason was bought from Spurs for £13m. We have received over £1m on 24 occasions from Craig Fagan in 2007 for £1m to Jarrod Bowen in 2020 for £22m. The first fee paid for a player was in September 1905, when Joe Smith was bought for £10 from West Stanley FC.

PLAYERS. The youngest player to represent City is Matt Edeson who represented the Tigers at the age of

16 years and 63 days on 10 October 1992 against Fulham. The oldest is Steve Harper who at 40 years and 60 days on 24 May 2015 played against Manchester United. The oldest scorer is Dean Windass as mentioned above. The oldest debut was made by Andy Hessenthaler who at the age of 39 years and 168 days made his debut for City in 2005 against Chesterfield.

The most appearances record is held by Andy Davidson who played in 579 games (520 League). Other notable numbers were achieved by Gareth Roberts 487 (414 League), Chris Chilton 477 (415 League), George Maddison 456 (430 League) and Billy Bly 436 (403 League).



(L) George Maddison



(R) Ken Wagstaff

The most appearances in the Premier League were made by Ahmed Elmohamady with 109 and Tom Huddlestone with 98. The most capped player is Theodore Whitmore who represented Jamaica 28 times whilst playing for City. KLP recently became the 6th player to be capped for England at the Under 21 level. 1115 players have played one senior game or more. 37 players have been named as substitute one or more times but never made it on to the pitch.

HONOURS. The most notable honours achieved by the club are we were EFL Championship Runners Up in the 2012/13 season and Play-Off winners in 2007/8 and 2015/16. So, gaining promotion to the Premier League and getting rid of the tag as the largest city in Europe never to have hosted top-flight football. We were Champions of Football League One and predecessors (i.e. level 3 of the system) in 1932/33, 1948/49, 1965/66 and 2020/21. We were Runners up in 1958/59 and 2004/05, plus promoted in 1984/85. Promotion was also achieved from League Two and predecessors (i.e. level 4 of the system) with being runners up in 1982/3 and 2003/4.

In the FA Cup, we were runners up in 2014 and semi-finalists in 1930. We reached the FL Cup Semi-Finals in 2017. We were Football League Trophy runners up in 1984 and Watney Cup runners up in 1973. We played 4 games in the UEFA Europa Cup in 2014.

GROUNDS. The club has had four main home grounds, in 1904 and 1905 home games were played at the Boulevard, the home of Hull FC. They built their own ground at Anlaby Road in 1906 (part of the terracing can still be seen today just beyond the car park in the southeast corner of the stadium grounds). Some matches in these early days were played on the Anlaby Road Cricket ground. City briefly returned to the Boulevard in the 1940s as they waited for Boothferry Park to be completed and Anlaby Road was too damaged by Hitler's bombs to host crowds. Boothferry Park opened on 31 August 1946 and we moved to the current stadium in December 2002. Although both Anlaby Road and Boothferry Park held great memories for all fans, I think it is fair to say that the move to the MKM (former KC/KCOM) stadium heralded the start of the greatest period in the clubs' history.

The highest home attendance was 55,019 at Boothferry Park on 26 February 1949 in an FA Cup 6th round match against Manchester United.



The highest league home game attendance was on 4 February 1950 when 49,900 attended the match against Sheffield Wednesday. The highest attendance at a City game was 89,345 at the Wembley FA Cup final in 2014, against Arsenal. The Tigers have played a senior fixture home and away since 1904 on 182 different grounds. This does not include the abandoned FA Cup fixture in 1993 at Runcorn

MANAGERS.



Cliff Britton signs John McSeveney

City have appointed 49 different managers. Cliff Britton has managed the Tigers for the most games. 446 in total winning 182 of them. Just 3 managers achieved a win rate of over 50%. These were Colin Appleton, 51.64% in 91 games between 1982 and 1984. Bobby Brown, 52.63% in 19 games in 1982 and Fred Stringer, 51.16 % in 43 games from 1914 to 1916.

MISCELLANEOUS. City became the first team in the world to go out of an authorised cup competition on penalties. This happened on 1 August 1970 in the Watney Cup Semi-Final at Boothferry Park against Manchester United.

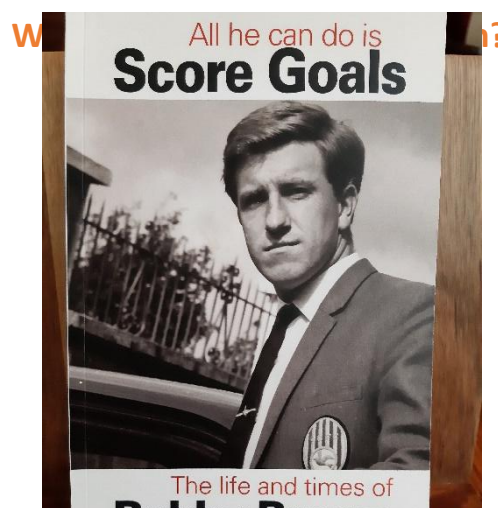
City is one of eleven clubs that have played in the Premier League to have suffered Administration

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Plus our own Senior Tigers website. If you are interested to find out more, there are many interesting facts about our beloved football club on the internet or in various books written about the club. However, the best place to start is our very own Memorabilia Gallery at www.seniortigers.org.uk

Enjoy the break from football this summer.

Tony Conway. *Heritage and Memorabilia Coordinator*



Bobby joined the Tigers on January 1st, 1980 as part of a new management trio of Mike Smith, Cyril Lee alongside Chris Chilton. Mike's role was, initially, with the young lads looking to the future whilst Mike, the former Welsh National Coach focussed on the first team. In due course successes & failures followed but Bobby stayed on after Mike & Cyril had moved on. Indeed, he was the most successful manager this club has ever had when he took charge for 19 games – a win ratio of over 52% (see Tony's Memorabilia article). He was also Club Secretary in those memorable days when Don Robinson was our Chairman.

Bobby, a Londoner, emerged from the amateur game and played for Barnet and England. He was also part of the British Olympic squad for the Olympic Games in 1960. If you want to read his story, Hull and all, you can do so now that he has, after much encouragement, written his story. The title, "All he can do is Score Goals", comes from a quote in a newspaper article on the eve of England Amateurs playing Ireland, Bobby was centre forward and just kept scoring goals for fun.

The book reference is ISBN:978 1 91960 103 8



A little promo' for a very special Concert being held to support Ukraine at this very difficult time. Four local choirs are joining together for what should be a wonderful evening. With the operating costs covered by sponsors it means that every £5 (that's the ticket price) will go to support local group, **Hull4Ukraine**, which is sending aid out to the country and gives support to Ukrainian nationals who come to settle among us in Hull & East Riding. There will also be a bucket collection on the evening. **Hull4Ukraine** featured recently when 'Look North' came live from their city-centre warehouse, with Peter Levy interviewing their Director, Joanna Borecka.

Tickets are now available and will be at our Platinum Jubilee Luncheon on May 5th.

More pictures from our trip to Skipton



