



# SENIOR TIGERS

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## Welcome

Hopefully, you have enjoyed the summer break with just the Women's World Cup to keep you occupied. Well, it is all about to start again! The Football is back! This first Saturday of August will see the Tigers locking horns with the fancied men of Norwich City and then we have two home fixtures, starting with Doncaster Rovers in the EFL Cup. So, just ahead of the new, we have one last peep over our shoulders to the old, last season. We made Regan Slater our Player of the Season, by quite a clear margin. Just after the warm-up, before the friendly fixture against F C Nantes, we were given the opportunity to present Regan with his trophy (the one he keeps) and, as usual, we asked Pat Betts to step forward and make the presentation.



The Senior Tigers Presentation team.

## Reminder:

**Our AGM is on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST**

**1.45 pm in the Dugout.**

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## Your August MEMORABILIA ARTICLE

Last month's Memorabilia article closed with me advising I hadn't researched the value of football shirts. So, to complete the information on values here is some interesting stats on worn football shirts.

Shirts worn by great players in special matches have been sold for unbelievable amounts. My research has found that Pele's Brazil shirt from the 1970 World Cup game against Italy was auctioned in 2002 for £57,750. Beating that was Maradona's "Hand of God" shirt from the 1986 England v Argentina World Cup game. Steve Hodge swapped the shirt with Maradona after the game and 36 years later sold it at auction for £7,142,500. Examples of current values can be found on eBay. At the time of writing a 2000/01 season Manchester United shirt worn by David Beckham had reached a bid of £3,500. Jarrod Bowen's WHU shirt worn in their game against Spurs had reached £600. It appears that the bigger the occasion, team or player the more value there is on the shirt, medal, etc. Plus if the shirt is unwashed or autographed it increases the value.

Hull City shirts do not fetch anything like the values above. My research has found that in recent years special shirts produced for the fixtures near Remembrance Day in November have been sold by the club and the money raised given to charity. In 2020 it coincided with the FA Cup game against Fleetwood. In 2019, the shirts were auctioned by a Dutch firm, "matchwornshirts.com" and the 30 shirts produced, all individually named for each squad member reached a total of £7,127. The top amounts received were for George Long (£403) and Jacob Greaves (£343). You can read more about the value of Hull City shirts on

hullcitykits.co.uk, including recent values and sales. With clubs now producing 3 different designs a year it has increased the number available but the values remain quite high.

There are a few people whose memorabilia collections concentrate on worn football shirts. Including City supporters with collections of Tigers strips. One known to us is Les Motherby whose collection is so interesting it was displayed in The Street Life Museum during the City of Culture year. He has kindly submitted some images for our website and they will be uploaded soon. If you have any worn or autographed shirts we would love to hear from you to include on our memorabilia site. Please send a photo and a description of how you acquired it to us.



*The 2 Photographs of signed Hull City shirts are good examples of shirts that may command a higher valuation"*

### MEMORABILIA TEAM REPORT FOR 2022-23

The Memorabilia and Heritage Team did not have a report in the AGM Pack recently sent to all members. So I would like to give you a summary of what has been achieved in the past 12 months.

The last year has seen the team work hard to start to clear the large backlog of items waiting to be uploaded to the website. The team has continued to work with enthusiasm and a desire to create something special. Much has been achieved and we should remember that we are all volunteers with families, other interests,

holidays, in some cases health issues and life outside football.

Last year I reported we had received a unique collection of hundreds of Picture Cards. It has taken a lot of work to get the cards into a presentable format. It is planned that each player will be linked to the biographies on the oncloudseven website. The result will be great and something we will be proud to present, so please take a look at the end of August. Believe it or not, a second amazing collection of nearly a thousand picture cards has been notified to us. This again requires a lot of work for us to present it in an acceptable format.

The unique record of 4000 Reserve Team games and stats is now online as are many Reserve Match Programmes and Team sheets which complement the stats. Other collections have been received but all need adjustment to fit our format and reach the high standard of presentation. The number of items uploaded to the site has increased by 25% and now totals 2260. This does not include stats, programmes, team photos or biographies.

On the technical side, Rob Wilson has had to overcome many problems which have hindered the planned work and given him a few headaches. But I'm pleased to say nothing has beaten him yet. We continue to have a good relationship with fellow heritage colleagues Tigerbase (Programmes & stats) and oncloudseven (Biographies). The friendship benefits all 3 organisations.

Our reputation has spread and in particular people at the football club are taking note of what we are doing. Since December Joe Brown, The Tiger (Matchday Programme) editor has used our site information for the basis of his "Tiger Items" page. We have continued to grow the relationship with the Tigers Trust. Their plans for a Dementia and Loneliness Project are continuing and we are helping on many aspects. Secondly, they are planning to open a Heritage Hub in the Arena Reception. The Trust and ourselves are working closely on this project.

2024 sees the football club achieve 120 years of professional football in the region and we are hoping to be part of the celebrations next June. Look out for more information in the coming months.

Lastly, many thanks must go to the team of Rob Wilson, Helen Carter, Stuart Tomlinson, Brian Beck, Brenda Beck and Lorna Gibbon for their hard work and dedication. We hope you the members enjoy the website and the memories it brings.

Tony Conway.

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