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FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP  
SEMI-FINAL (SECOND LEG)  
SEASON 1964-65

**Wednesday,  
10th February, 1965**

**CHELSEA**  
v  
**ASTON VILLA**

*KICK-OFF 7.30 p.m.*

*OFFICIAL PROGRAMME — SIXPENCE*



**THE  
FOOTBALL  
LEAGUE  
CUP**



Winners  
1960-61  
Aston Villa  
1961-62  
Norwich City  
1962-63  
Birmingham City  
1963-64  
Leicester City

# FIXTURES 1964-65

## Football League Division I

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1964	Opponents	Venue	F. A.
Aug. 22	Wolverhampton W. ...	Away	3 0
" 26	ASTON VILLA ...	HOME	2 1
" 29	SUNDERLAND ...	HOME	3 1
" 31	Aston Villa ...	Away	2 2
Sept. 5	Leicester City ...	Away	1 1
" 9	SHEFF. WEDNESDAY ...	HOME	1 1
" 12	FULHAM ...	HOME	1 0
" 16	Sheffield Wednesday ...	Away	3 2
" 19	LEEDS UNITED ...	HOME	2 0
" 26	Arsenal ...	Away	3 1
" 30	MANCHESTER UTD. ...	HOME	0 2
Oct. 3	BLACKBURN ROV. ...	HOME	5 1
" 10	Nottingham Forest ...	Away	2 2
" 17	STOKE CITY ...	HOME	4 0
" 24	Tottenham Hotspur ...	Away	1 1
" 31	BURNLEY ...	HOME	0 1
Nov. 7	Sheffield United ...	Away	2 0
" 14	EVERTON ...	HOME	5 1
" 21	Birmingham City ...	Away	6 1
" 28	WEST HAM UTD. ...	HOME	0 3
Dec. 5	West Bromwich Alb. ...	Away	2 0
" 12	WOLVERHAMPTON ...	HOME	2 1
" 19	Sunderland ...	Away	0 3
" 26	BLACKPOOL ...	HOME	2 0
1965			
Jan. 2	LEICESTER CITY ...	HOME	4 1
" 9	(3) NORTHAMPTON T. ...	HOME	4 1
" 16	Fulham ...	Away	2 1
" 23	Leeds United ...	Away	2 2
" 30	(4) West Ham United ...	Away	1 0
Feb. 6	ARSENAL ...	HOME	2 1
" 13	Blackburn Rovers ...	Away	.....
" 20	(5) TOTTENHAM H. ...	HOME	.....
" 22	NOTT'M. F. (Prov.) ...	HOME	.....
" 27	Stoke City ...	Away	.....
Mar. 6	(6)		
" 13	Manchester United ...	Away	.....
" 20	SHEFFIELD UTD. ...	HOME	.....
" 26	Everton ...	Away	.....
" 27	(S.F.) ...		.....
Apr. 3	BIRMINGHAM CITY ...	HOME	.....
" 10	West Ham United ...	Away	.....
" 16	LIVERPOOL ...	HOME	.....
" 17	WEST BROMWICH A. ...	HOME	.....
" 19	Liverpool ...	Away	.....
" 24	Burnley ...	Away	.....
Undated	Blackpool ...	Away	.....
"	TOTTENHAM H. ...	HOME	.....
May 1	F.A. Cup Final ...		.....

(3), (4), (5), (6) and (S.F.) refers to F.A. Cup round dates.

## Football Combination Division I

1964	Opponents	Venue	F. A.
Aug. 22	CRYSTAL PALACE ...	HOME	5 1
" 31	Peterborough United ...	Away	0 1
Sept. 5	LEICESTER CITY ...	HOME	5 2
" 12	Fulham ...	Away	2 1
" 26	MANSFIELD TOWN ...	HOME	1 1
Oct. 3	Arsenal ...	Away	1 2
" 10	NORTHAMPTON T. ...	HOME	8 2
" 17	Shrewsbury Town ...	Away	5 0
" 24	WEST HAM UNITED ...	HOME	3 1
" 31	Plymouth Argyle ...	Away	4 1
Nov. 7	IPSWICH TOWN ...	HOME	7 1
" 14	Cardiff City ...	Away	0 0
" 21	TOTTENHAM H. ...	HOME	3 4
" 28	Nottingham Forest ...	Away	1 2
Dec. 5	SHREWSBURY T. ...	HOME	6 0
" 12	Crystal Palace ...	Away	3 1
" 19	PETERBOROUGH UTD. ...	HOME	3 1
" 26	Portsmouth ...	Away	3 0

**Your Record Entertainment**

The records played at this match have been kindly provided by and can be obtained from Dawson Bros., 16 Fulham High Street, S.W.6.

1965	Opponents	Venue	F. A.
Jan. 2	Leicester City ...	Away	3 1
" 16	FULHAM ...	HOME	1 1
" 23	PORTSMOUTH ...	HOME	4 0
" 30	NORWICH CITY ...	HOME	2 0
Feb. 6	Mansfield Town ...	Away	1 0
" 13	ARSENAL ...	HOME	.....
" 20	West Ham United ...	Away	.....
" 27	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE ...	HOME	.....
Mar. 6	Ipswich Town ...	Away	.....
" 13	CARDIFF CITY ...	HOME	.....
" 20	Tottenham Hotspur ...	Away	.....
" 23	Northampton Town ...	Away	.....
" 27	NOTTINGHAM FOR. ...	HOME	.....
Apr. 10	Colchester United ...	Away	.....
" 24	Norwich City ...	Away	.....
Undated	COLCHESTER UTD. ...	HOME	.....

### FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP

Sept. 23	Birmingham C. (2nd Rnd.)	Away	3 0
Oct. 26	NOTTS CO. (3rd Rnd.)...	HOME	4 0
Nov. 11	SWANSEA T. (4th Rnd.)	HOME	3 2
" 25	Workington (5th Round)	Away	2 2
Dec. 16	WORKINGTON (Replay)	HOME	2 0
Jan. 20	Aston Villa (S.F., 1st leg)	Away	3 2
Feb. 10	A. VILLA (S.F., 2nd leg)	HOME	.....

### OTHER MATCH

Oct. 7	BENFICA (Lisbon) ...	HOME	2 4
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F.A. Youth Cup  
1960 and 1961

## The Talk of Stamford Bridge

FROM F.A. Cup to League Championship to Football League Cup, all in twelve days—how quickly the kaleidoscope changes! And changes faster still after tonight, with the First Division visit to Blackburn on Saturday, a “prestige” match against West Germany’s World Cup side in Duisburg next Tuesday, followed by our “tie of ties” against Spurs in the F.A. Cup 6th Round on Saturday week, and on Monday, February 22 (providing neither club is involved in a replay) Nottingham Forest’s appearance at Stamford Bridge in a League fixture re-arranged from Cup day.

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Being in with prize-winning hopes in three major tournaments is a new and pleasant experience for us. Indeed, with so many major clubs side-stepping the Football League Cup, we are the first to establish such a live “treble chance” in home competition. In such circumstances the immediate game on hand is always the most important . . . and tonight that is the League Cup Semi-Final against Aston Villa.

In the first leg at Villa Park, we set up a 2-0 lead at half-time, but Villa fought back strongly and levelled at 2-2 before John Boyle came along with the shot—to mark indelibly his first-team debut—that puts us one up as we start the return leg. Villa have played in two out of four League Cup finals, but London has never been represented at the ultimate stage, and this we shall strive to remedy tonight. Extra time will be played if the teams are level on aggregate after 90 minutes, but, clearly one result we want to avoid—with such a busy fixture list ahead—is the necessity for a third match play-off.

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### Cup Tickets

We take this opportunity to repeat the announcement of arrangements for our all-ticket F.A. Cup 5th Round tie at home to Tottenham on February 20. All seats have been allocated, and Ground (5/-) and Enclosure (7/6) tickets will be sold here on Sunday from 10 a.m. at a maximum of two per person. No postal applications can be accepted.

# Facts & Figures about this season's League Cup

THE Football League Cup has attracted, on average, one million spectators in each of the four seasons since its inauguration in 1960-61, and although the aggregate was below that figure last season at 945,265, the total for 1964-65 will closely approach, and possibly exceed, that number.

It stood at 863,102 before tonight's two Semi-final second legs and, with the addition of these and the home-and-away Final crowds, the overall attendance for the competition will again prove most worthwhile.

## Lukewarm in London

Not that the League Cup arouses very great interest in London. Spurs and Arsenal have stayed out of the competition since its inception, and our own "home" gates this season have been disappointing: 6,596 v. Notts County (3rd Round), 5,979 v. Swansea Town (4th Round) and 7,936 v. Workington (5th Round replay).

Biggest attendance in the tournament this season: 27,433 for the 5th Round Midlands clash when Leicester City won 8-1 at Coventry.

Even that gigantic score was not the highest of the 1964-65 League Cup—in the 1st Round Workington beat Barrow 9-1. In the five-season history of the competition, there has been only one other nine-goal performance—Leyton Orient 9, Chester 2, in the 3rd Round of 1962-63.

### SEAT RESERVATIONS

Prices of reserved seats at home League matches are 7/6, 10/-, 12/6 and 15/-. Applications (by post only) will be accepted one calendar month in advance, and should be accompanied by remittance and stamped addressed envelope.

It will be appreciated if separate application is made for each match.

Seats may be purchased, if still available, by personal application at the club offices in the week preceding the match.

Aston Villa are bidding to reach the Final for the third time in five years. They beat Rotherham 3-2 on aggregate to become the first holders of the trophy (1960-61), and though beaten 3-1 on aggregate in the 1962-63 Final by Birmingham City still had a part in a League Cup record, for just under 70,000 saw the two-prong "local derby" Final—31,850 for the first leg at St. Andrews, and 37,921 for the second at Villa Park, which stands as the highest single-match attendance in League Cup history.

This season's crowds, round by round (with last season's figures shown in brackets) are as follows:—

	<i>Matches</i>	<i>Attendances</i>
Round 1.....	22 (23)	120,853 (140,617)
Round 2.....	36 (43)	350,593 (357,743)
Round 3.....	19 (18)	173,655 (173,613)
Round 4.....	10 (9)	110,194 (84,921)
Round 5.....	5 (5)	83,337 (61,245)
*Semi-finals	(4)	..... (79,385)
Final .....	(2)	..... (47,741)

(\* This season's two first legs attracted an aggregate of 24,470 spectators.)

### THE FIRST LEG AT VILLA PARK

Wednesday, 20th January.

ASTON VILLA 2 (Hateley 2), CHELSEA 3 (Tambling, Bridges, Boyle). Half-time: 0-2.

Aston Villa—Withers; Lee, Aitken; Wylie, Sleenwenhoek, Pountney; Baker, Stobart, Hateley, Woosnam, MacLeod.

Chelsea—Bonetti; Hinton, Harris; Hollins, Mortimore, Boyle; Murray, Graham, Bridges, Venables, Tambling.

Referee: Mr. M. A. Fussey (Retford).

Attendance: 12,000.

### NOTICE TO SPECTATORS

We draw the attention of spectators to our Ground Regulations which are posted at the turnstiles and in other parts of the ground.

We must emphasise that anyone apprehended on the pitch or causing a disturbance in the crowd will be removed from the stadium.

PLEASE KEEP OFF THE PITCH AT ALL TIMES.

Commentaries on all first team matches are relayed to local hospitals by members of Chelsea TOC H.

**LET'S HOPE FOR BETTER CONDITIONS TONIGHT**

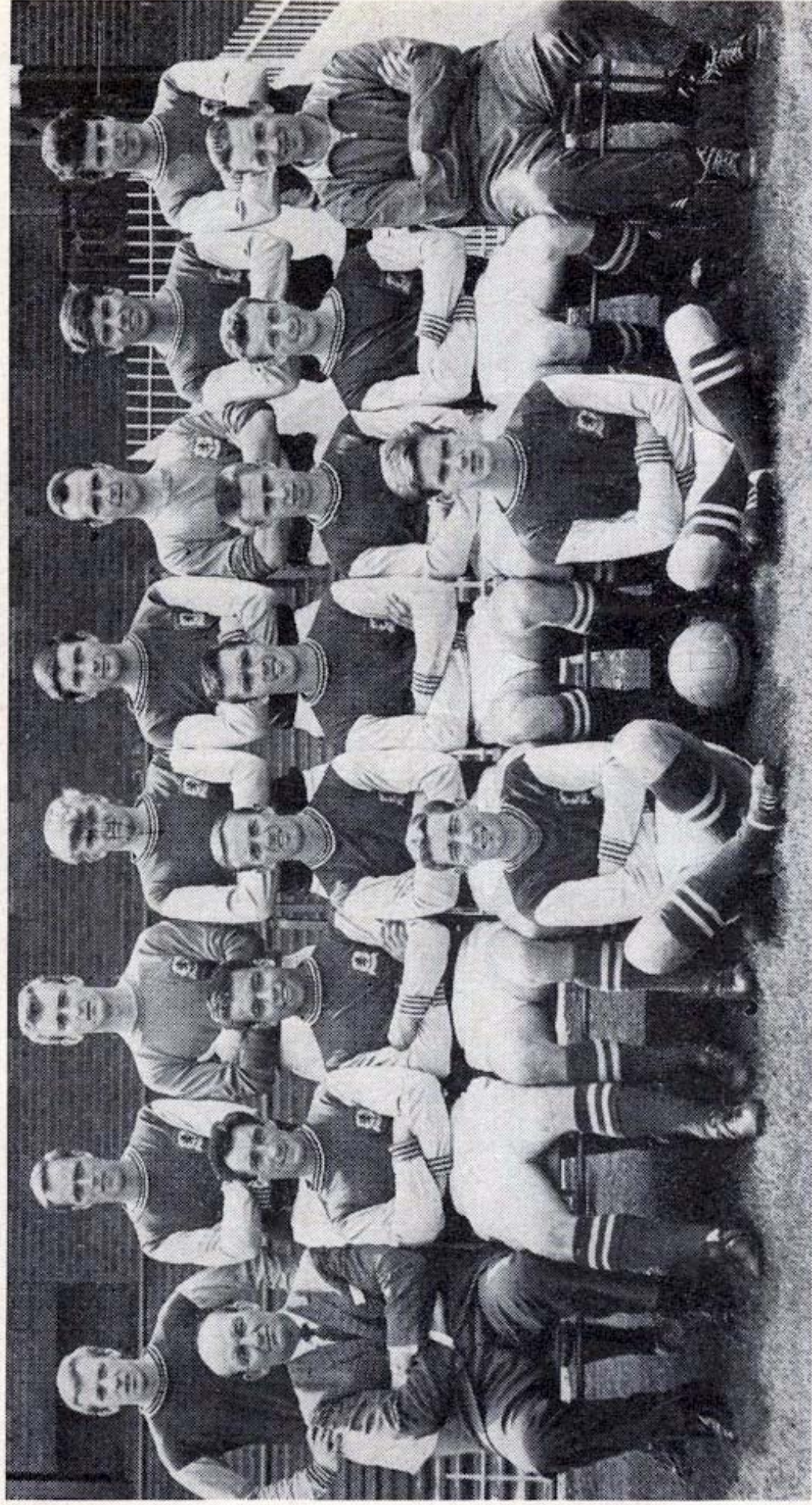


Snow . . . sand . . . mud. These pictures show the treacherous surface on which the first leg of this League Cup semi-final was played at Villa Park. Above: John Hollins at full stretch in an effort to block a centre by Villa outside-left MacLeod.



(Photographs by courtesy of the "Birmingham Post".)  
An over-the-bar header by Hateley from a corner. Chelsea men (in the all-white strip) are, from left to right, Bobby Tambling, John Hollins, John Mortimore and Ron Harris.

# ASTON VILLA 1964-65

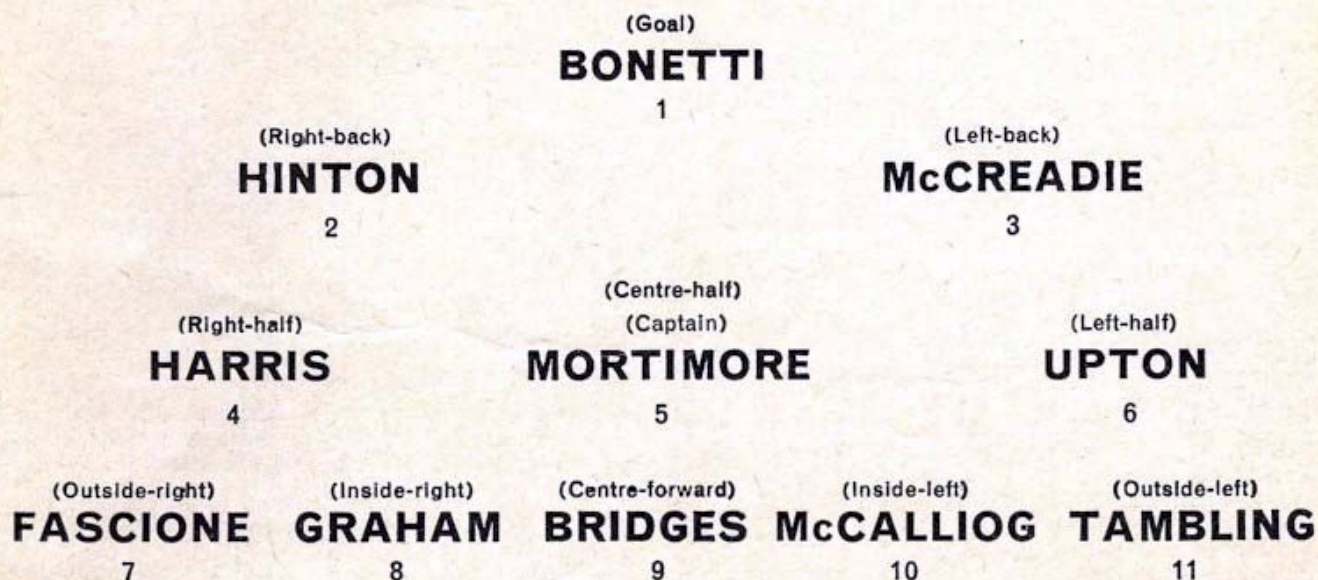


*Back row: A. Deakin, G. Lee, R. Wilson (now Cardiff), J. Sleeuwenhoek, L. Chatterley, G. Sidebottom, M. Tindall, C. Aitken.*

*Seated: Mr. R. Taylor (Manager), J. MacEwan, S. Horne, R. Wylie, T. Hateley, P. Woosnam, H. Burrows, W. Baxter (Trainer). On ground: A. Baker, M. Wright.*

# CHELSEA

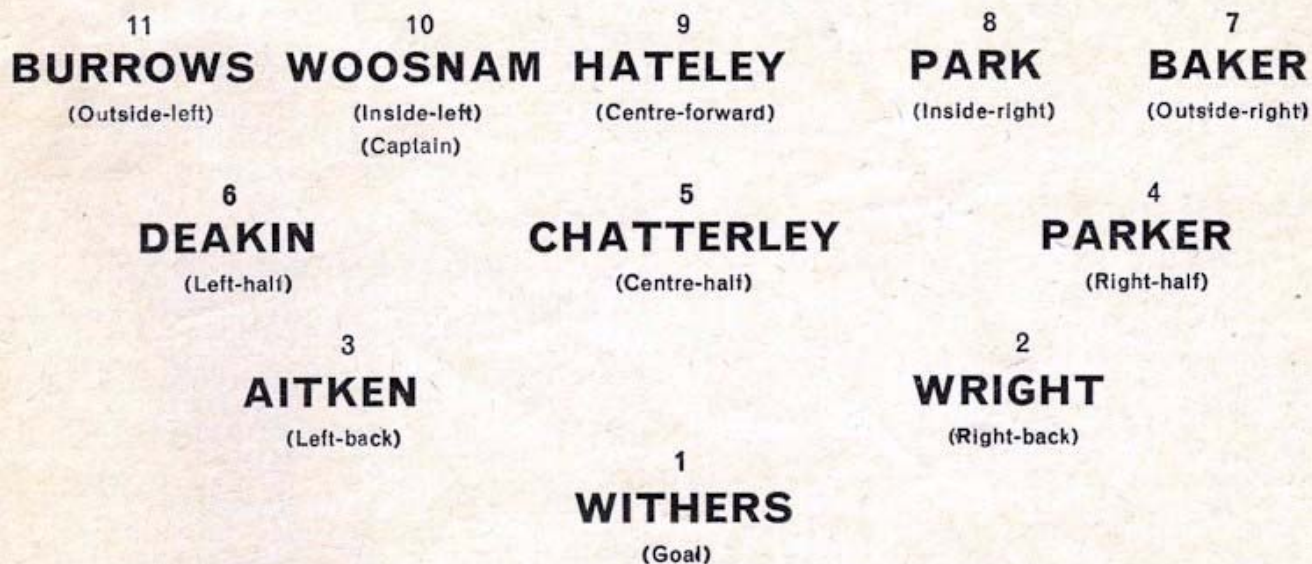
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*Referee:*  
Mr. L. CALLAGHAN  
(Merthyr Tydfil)



*Linesmen:*  
Mr. J. CARTER  
(Ilford)  
(Red Flag)  
Mr. A. F. MASON  
(Swindon)  
(Yellow Flag)



# ASTON VILLA

Colours—Shirts: Claret and Light Blue. Shorts: White. Stockings: Claret with Blue Tops.

# Tables, Appearances & Goalscorers

(Up to and including Saturday, 6th February)

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION I

	HOME				Goals AWAY				Goals	Pts		
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D			L	F
CHELSEA	28	11	1	3	33	14	7	5	1	29	16	42
Leeds Utd.	29	11	3	1	37	18	7	3	4	18	19	42
Man. Utd.	28	8	4	1	29	9	7	5	3	26	20	39
Tottenham	29	13	2	0	40	11	1	4	9	17	34	34
Blackburn	28	9	1	3	34	15	4	4	7	26	31	31
Nottm. For.	29	6	5	3	33	27	5	4	6	21	27	31
West Ham	28	9	2	3	31	15	4	2	8	26	28	30
Liverpool	27	7	4	3	27	21	4	4	5	18	20	30
Arsenal	29	7	3	4	28	25	6	1	8	23	32	30
Sheff. Wed.	27	7	4	2	25	13	3	5	6	18	24	29
Everton	27	5	7	2	27	18	4	4	5	21	25	29
Stoke City	28	6	3	5	26	20	4	5	5	20	25	28
Sheff. Utd.	29	6	4	5	26	19	4	3	7	14	24	27
Leicester	28	6	5	4	34	30	1	6	6	20	30	25
Burnley	29	5	7	3	24	20	4	0	10	19	31	25
West Brom.	28	5	4	4	26	19	2	6	7	16	25	24
Blackpool	28	5	3	5	24	20	3	3	9	23	37	22
Fulham	28	6	2	6	30	25	1	6	7	12	27	22
Birmingham	28	5	5	4	24	26	2	3	9	21	36	22
Sunderland	26	5	6	2	26	19	1	1	11	12	33	19
A. VILLA	26	7	1	5	20	16	1	1	11	12	43	18
Wolves	27	5	1	8	20	24	1	2	10	12	37	15

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION—DIVISION I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
CHELSEA ...	23	16	3	4	71	23	35
West Ham Utd. ...	24	16	2	6	65	33	34
Tottenham Hotspur ...	22	13	4	5	67	33	30
Nottingham For. ...	24	12	6	6	47	36	30
Peterborough Utd. ...	21	12	3	6	47	37	27
Arsenal ...	22	12	2	8	54	36	26
Cardiff City ...	23	10	4	9	42	38	24
Northampton Town ...	24	9	4	11	44	54	22
Norwich City ...	23	9	4	10	29	37	22
Leicester City ...	21	9	3	9	44	48	21
Fulham ...	24	9	3	12	37	46	21
Portsmouth ...	23	8	4	11	48	60	20
Crystal Palace ...	22	8	3	11	40	38	19
Shrewsbury Town ...	23	7	5	11	44	62	19
Plymouth Argyle ...	22	7	2	13	33	45	16
Ipswich Town ...	23	5	6	12	32	58	16
Mansfield Town ...	20	4	5	11	39	56	13
Colchester United ...	20	3	3	14	27	70	9

## SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

(Senior Division)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Queen's Park R. ...	22	16	2	4	74	30	34
Arsenal ...	20	13	7	0	60	19	33
CHELSEA ...	20	16	1	3	82	30	33
Fulham ...	22	15	1	6	60	31	31
West Ham ...	21	11	5	5	46	27	27
Tottenham ...	21	11	2	8	72	37	24
Portsmouth ...	21	10	1	10	45	44	21
Brighton ...	20	9	2	9	41	53	20
Millwall ...	21	9	1	11	53	44	19
Crystal Palace ...	22	9	0	13	42	55	18
Charlton Athletic ...	19	8	0	11	42	47	16
Leyton Orient ...	20	6	3	11	34	61	15
Bexley United ...	20	6	2	12	39	75	14
Watford ...	22	5	2	15	30	60	12
Luton Town ...	22	4	2	16	41	105	10
Brentford ...	21	3	1	17	28	71	7

## APPEARANCES

### FOOTBALL LEAGUE

BRIDGES	28	MORTIMORE	15
HARRIS (R.)	28	KNOX	13
HOLLINS	28	SHELLITO	12
BONETTI	27	HOUSEMAN	7
HINTON	27	WATSON	2
MURRAY	27	BOYLE	1
VENABLES	27	DUNN	1
McCREADIE	26	HARRIS (A.)	1
TAMBLING	19	McCALLIOG	1
GRAHAM	18		

Goalscorers: Graham 16, Bridges 15, Murray 9, Tambling 9, Venables 5, Hollins 2, McCalliog 2, Harris (R.) 1, McCreddie 1, Mortimore 1, Shellito 1. Total 62.

### F.A. CUP

BONETTI	2	MORTIMORE	2
BRIDGES	2	MURRAY	2
GRAHAM	2	TAMBLING	2
HARRIS (R.)	2	VENABLES	2
HINTON	2	BOYLE	1
HOLLINS	2	UPTON	1

Goalscorers: Bridges 2, Tambling 2, Opponent 1. Total 5.

### FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP

BONETTI	6	McCREADIE	3
MORTIMORE	6	MURRAY	3
GRAHAM	5	UPTON	3
McCALLIOG	4	VENABLES	3
HOLLINS	4	WATSON	3
TAMBLING	4	HARRIS (A.)	2
BRIDGES	3	BOYLE	1
FASCIONE	3	BROWN	1
HARRIS, R.	3	KNOX	1
HINTON	3	OSGOOD	1
HOUSEMAN	3	SHELLITO	1

Goalscorers: Tambling 5, Bridges 3, Graham 3, Osgood 2, Boyle 1, Brown 1, Harris (A.) 1, McCalliog 1. Total 17.

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION

FASCIONE	23	P. JENKINS	6
DUNN	22	JONES	6
YOUNG	22	McCOLL	5
WATSON	20	HARMER	4
OSGOOD	18	GRAHAM	3
BOYLE	14	MORTIMORE	3
McCALLIOG	14	MULHOLLAND	3
UPTON	14	SINCLAIR	3
GOULD	13	TAMBLING	3
HOUSEMAN	12	M. VOWLES	3
HARRIS (A.)	11	HENDERSON	2
KNOX	10	HOWARTH	1
WILKS	10	R. WILLIS	1
BROWN	7		

Goalscorers: Fascione 17, Osgood 14, Brown 7, Houseman 4, Knox 4, Mulholland 4, Tambling 4, Wilks 4, Young 4, McCalliog 3, Upton 2, Graham 1, Mortimore 1, Vowles 1, Opponent 1. Total 71.



# FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP 1964-65

SECOND ROUND		THIRD ROUND		FOURTH ROUND		FIFTH ROUND	
CHELSEA	3	CHELSEA	4	CHELSEA	3	CHELSEA	2 2
Birmingham	0	Notts County	0				
Torquay	1	Rotherham	2 0	Swansea Town	2		
Notts. County	2	Swansea Town	2 2				
Rotherham	2	Workington	0 5	Workington	3	Workington	2 0
Rochdale	0	Blackburn Rovers	0 1				
Swansea	3	Norwich	5	Norwich	0		
Swindon	1	Chester	3				
Scunthorpe	0	Leeds United	2	Aston Villa	3	Aston Villa	7
Workington	1	Aston Villa	3				
Bolton Wanderers	1	Reading	1 3	Reading	1		
Blackburn Rovers	5	Fulham	1 1				
Millwall	1	Charlton Athletic	2	Charlton Athletic	0	Bradford City	1
Norwich	2	Leyton Orient	1				
Chester	5	Doncaster Rovers	2	Bradford City	1		
Derby County	4	Bradford City	3				
Leeds United	3	Stoke City	3	Stoke City	1 1	Plymouth	1
Huddersfield Town	2	Southend United	1				
Luton Town	0	Bury	0	Plymouth Argyle	1 3		
Aston Villa	1	Plymouth Argyle	1				
Reading	4	Northampton Town	2	Northampton Town	4	Northampton	0
Queen's Park Rs.	0	Portsmouth	1				
Fulham	2	Chesterfield	3	Chesterfield	1		
Oxford United	0	Carlisle	1				
Charlton Athletic	2	Coventry City	3	Coventry City	4	Coventry City	1
Middlesbrough	1	Mansfield Town	2				
Leyton Orient	3	Sunderland	4	Sunderland	2		
Barnsley	0	Blackpool	1				
Doncaster Rovers	1	Grimsby Town	0	Leicester City	0 2		
Preston North End	0	Oldham	1				
Exeter City	3	Leicester City	5	Crystal Palace	0 1	Leicester	8
Bradford City	5	Peterborough	0 0				
Stoke City	1 1	Tranmere Rovers	0	Crystal Palace	0 1		
Shrewsbury T.	1 0	Crystal Palace	2				
Hull City	0 1	Southampton	0				
Southend Utd.	0 3	Cardiff City	2				
Bury	1						
Darlington	0						
Plymouth Argyle	2						
Sheffield United	1						
Bournemouth	0						
Northampton Town	2						
Watford	2 1						
Portsmouth	2 2						
Bristol Rovers	0						
Chesterfield	2						
Carlisle	4						
Bristol City	1						
Coventry City	4						
Ipswich Town	1						
Manchester City	3						
Mansfield Town	5						
Sunderland	4						
West Ham United	1						
Blackpool	3						
Newcastle United	0						
Grimsby Town	3						
Oldham	1						
Leicester City	0 2						
Peterborough	0 0						
Tranmere Rovers	0						
Crystal Palace	2						
Southampton	3						
Cardiff City	2						

Semi-Finals (first leg): Aston Villa 2, Chelsea 3; Leicester City 3, Plymouth Argyle 2

# IN OFF THE POST

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## LETTERS OPENED BY PROGRAMME EDITOR, ALBERT SEWELL

### OUR FINEST TEAM

**M**Y Chelsea "greats" are:—

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Armstrong Harris Weaver  
Greaves Goulden

Jackson Gallacher Blunstone

The present Docherty team, however, is the finest the club has had and will bring the Championship back to Chelsea after a decade: 1954-55 — 1964-65.

**E. W. Harris.**

7A, Peabody Estate,  
Clapham Junction, S.W.11

### THOSE 'BRIDGE' BUMPS

**F**OR many years I have been puzzled by the bumps at the base of the uprights, particularly at the Fulham Road end. Could you please give the reason for this?

**J. Cassie.**

10, Renton Close,  
Brixton Hill, S.W.2

● *Ours is a "crown" ground (i.e. sloping from centre to touchlines), which is a contributory cause of the goalpost bumps.*

### CHELSEA 'OLD BOYS' XI

**L**OOKING over the players who have appeared for Chelsea in recent years, I have chosen an Old Chelsea XI maybe to play against the present side: Matthews (Derby); Butler (Hull), Harris (Coventry); Huxford (Southampton), Scott (Brentford), Sorrell (Leyton Orient); Brabrook (West Ham), Greaves (Spurs), Livesey (Northampton), Kevan (Manchester City), Harrison (Blackburn Rovers).

**V. Heywood.**

16, Fairdale Gardens,  
Putney, S.W.15

### HALF-TIME SCORES

**I** AM sure that many supporters would appreciate the half-time score of Chelsea's second team.

They are playing very well, and I for one would like to know the position of their game at half-time.

**M. Connaris.**

34, Brixton Hill Court,  
Brixton Hill, S.W.2

● *We would like to give this service and have tried in the past, but have repeatedly encountered difficulty in making half-time telephone contact with the clubs our Reserves are visiting.*

### MISSING 'KEEPER' FOUND'

**I** NOTICED in a letter by A. Foreman in the Chelsea-Leicester programme that Chelsea have had ten English internationals since the war and P. Bonetti (Under-23's) is the odd man out.

But Chelsea have had a goalie who played post-war for England. He is Reg Matthews, who was capped before joining Chelsea and also whilst he was with them. That makes a full team.

**H. Rushworth.**

41, Pakington House,  
Stockwell, S.W.9

### ANY CUSTOMERS?

**I** HAVE got complete sets of Chelsea programmes from 1948 to 1963/64. Also Handbooks 1953/54, 54/55, 55/56, 58/59.

I should be pleased to sell them to any Chelsea supporters, and would accept highest offer.

**J. E. Swan.**

4C, Peabody Estate,  
Vauxhall Bridge Rd., S.W.1

### EAST IS EAST, WEST IS 'VEST'

**W**HILST sitting in the new stand at a recent home game, I glanced up at the weather-vane and noticed the 'W' was only a 'V' since one half of it has broken off.

I feel that something ought to be done about this, since it is not up to the standard of the most modern and up-to-date club in the country.

**J. Hartje.**

72, Hurst Lane,  
East Molesey, Surrey.

● *Noted for repairs.*

### HE SAW US IN 1905

**I**N the Wolves programme (December 12th), Mr. C. W. Fox said he has supported Chelsea since 1907.

My grandfather, who is 82, has been a regular supporter of the club since it was formed in 1905. Because of a serious illness, this is the first season he has missed since then.

It would be interesting to know how many other supporters can equal this record.

**C. R. Butler.**

30, Elm Grove Road,  
Ealing, W.5

### TESTING FRANK'S MEMORY

**I**N Frank Blunstone's Testimonial Book there is a photograph of the 1954 Young England team, of which Frank was a member.

I wonder if he could name that team, and if any other member went on to gain full International honours?

**J. Whelan.**

291, Christchurch Avenue,  
Wealdstone, Middx.

● *Frank Blunstone answers: "That was the very first Young England match—against Italy at Bologna—and they beat us 3-0. Our team was: Wood (Manchester United); Gunter (Portsmouth), Ellis (Charlton); Whitefoot (Manchester United), Dodgin (Arsenal), Edwards (Manchester United); Finney (Sheffield Wednesday), Broadbent (Wolves), Leary (Charlton), Nicholls (W.B.A.) and myself."*

*The record-book shows that five of those players gained full England caps: Edwards (18 times), Broadbent (7), Blunstone (5), Wood (3) and Nicholls (2).*

### MATTER OF 'ATMOSPHERE'

**I**'M fed up with reading statements in the Press, made by Mr. Docherty, regarding the lack of atmosphere at the "Bridge," as if suggesting that the supporters are to blame.

If the club got shot of the greyhounds (the four-legged ones, of course) and put us within shouting distance of the players, also covered in those wide-open spaces, I feel sure we would get the required atmosphere, also the missing thousands that this fine team deserves to have watching them.

**R. J. Day.**

94, Holyrood Ave.,  
South Harrow, Middx.

### PLEASE COULD YOU TELL ME . . .

**W**HO scored the most goals in season 1954-55 and what was the most he scored in any one game?

What was the highest scoring game Chelsea played in that season?

**Allan Jones (Age 11).**

215, Tildesley Road,  
Putney, S.W.15

● *Answers: (1) Roy Bentley, with 21 League goals; his best individual match score that season was three in our 4-3 home win against Newcastle.*

*(2) Chelsea 5, Manchester United 6.*

### HE'S 'OFFSIDE'

**E**VERYONE I've met says that you cannot be offside in your own half, and I've had nothing but feuds trying to convince them that they're wrong.

An ex-friend of mine, however, showed me an official referees' handbook, and it clearly states that a player cannot be offside in his own half.

In the name of Chelsea, I beg you to tell me who the devil is wrong!

**P. Aristides.**

2, Tolmers Square,  
London, N.W.1.

● *Sorry, sir, but you are. The Law says in full: "A player is offside if he is nearer his opponents' goal-line than the ball at the moment the ball is played, unless: (a) He is in his own half of the field of play, (b) There are two of his opponents nearer to their own goal-line than he is, (c) The ball last touched an opponent or was last played by him, (d) He received the ball direct from a goal-kick, corner-kick, throw-in or when it is dropped by the referee."*



## A DEBUT TO REMEMBER

John Boyle, our 18-year-old Youth team captain, made his first-team debut in the League Cup semi-final at Villa Park – and marked it with a 25-yard shot that gave us a 3-2 lead on the first leg.

Boyle, a Scot from Motherwell, joined our junior section in August, 1962, and signed as a professional last September.

### NEXT HOME MATCHES

Saturday, 13th February (3 p.m.)

**ARSENAL**

FOOTBALL COMBINATION



Saturday, 20th February (3 p.m.)

**TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR**

F.A. CUP—5TH ROUND

*(All-ticket match)*



Monday, 22nd February (7.30 p.m.)

**NOTTINGHAM FOREST**

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

*(Subject to neither club being involved in Cup replays)*



Saturday, 27th February (3 p.m.)

**PLYMOUTH ARGYLE**

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

### JUNIOR FIXTURES

#### SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE (Senior Division)

Feb. 6	BRENTFORD ...	Hendon	6	1
" 13	CRYSTAL PALACE ...	Hendon	.....	
" 20	Crystal Palace ...	Away	.....	
Mar. 6	WEST HAM UNITED ...	Hendon	.....	
" 13	Fulham ...	Away	.....	
" 20	MILLWALL ...	Hendon	.....	
" 27	Millwall ...	Away	.....	

#### F.A. YOUTH CUP

Dec. 21	Q.P.R. (2nd Round) ...	Away	4	1
Jan. 12	Swindon T. (3rd Round)...	Away	8	1
" 27	CHARLTON (4th Round)	HOME	2	0

#### SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE CUP

Sept. 26	CRYSTAL P. (1st Round)	Hendon	4	1
Dec. 12	ARSENAL (2nd Round)	Hendon	2	1

#### LONDON F.A. YOUTH CUP

Oct 31	LEYTON O. (1st Round)	Hendon	2	1
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F.A. Cup Final.

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