

FOCUS

on our

VISITORS

THIS is our third meeting in a month with Nottingham Forest as we welcome them to Stamford Bridge for the second time this season. The previous occasion was in the League Cup, in which we played a 1-1 draw on their ground and then won the replay here by 2-1.

Today, League points are at stake. Forest need them urgently, and on the last visit to London, a fortnight ago, they crashed 6-1 at Tottenham. Before that, however, they drew 1-1 at Crystal Palace, and one distinction to their credit is that so far this season they have scored in every away fixture, which is something only Arsenal can claim to have done among all other First Division clubs.

We won the corresponding fixture last season two-nil, starting with an own goal by Liam O'Kane and with John Hollins making sure of both points towards the end with a shot from the edge of the box.

THEIR PLAYERS

ERIC HULME: Played brilliantly on his first-team debut against us in the League Cup here last month and has stayed in the side since. Joined Forest from Spennymoor United, Co. Durham in February 1970 as reserve 'keeper to Jim Barron. Born Houghton le Spring. 5 ft. 10 in., 11 st. 13 lb.

LIAM O'KANE: N. Ireland international centre-half with eight caps, his most recent against Russia last month. Joined Forest from Derry City in December 1968, making his League debut in April 1969. Born Derry. 5 ft. 10 in., 11 st.

DOUG FRASER: Originally with Aberdeen, then West Brom., with whom he won a League Cup-Winner's medal in 1966 and an F.A. Cup-Winner's medal in 1968. A Scottish international (two caps) he joined Forest in January 1971. Born Eaglesham. 5 ft. 9 in., 11 st. 4 lb.

BOB CHAPMAN: Signed from Walsall in 1962, he became Forest's youngest post-war forward when making his debut in January 1964. An outstanding midfield player—ever-present last season—he is approaching his 200th appearance. Born Walsall. 5 ft. 11 in., 12 st.

PETER HINDLEY: Club captain who joined Forest in June 1961 when 17. Gained an England Under-23 cap against Greece in 1967 and played in all 42 League games last season. Born Worksop. 5 ft. 11 in., 12 st. 13 lb.

PAUL RICHARDSON: Strong, skilful midfield player and former England Youth international. Made his League debut at Liverpool in May 1968 and established a regular senior place in 1969-70. Born Selston. 5 ft. 10 in., 10 st. 13 lb.

BARRY LYONS: Winger signed from Rotherham for £45,000 in November 1966. Has since made more than 200 senior appearances for Forest. Born Shirebrook. 5 ft. 9 in., 10 st. 8 lb.

DUNCAN McKENZIE: Tenacious 21-year-old inside-forward who scored against us in the League Cup last month. Joined Forest from school and made League debut in September 1969. Born Grimsby. 5 ft. 10 in., 11 st. 2 lb.

ALAN BUCKLEY: 20-year-old forward in his first season in the senior side. A prolific goalscorer at junior and reserve levels, he went on as substitute at Tottenham two weeks ago and made his full debut at Huddersfield the following Wednesday. Born Mansfield. 5 ft. 6 in., 10 st. 3 lb.

JOHN ROBERTSON: An 18-year-old Scottish Schoolboy and Youth international midfield player. Joined Forest from school and made League debut against Huddersfield last season. Born Uddingston. 5 ft. 8 in., 10 st. 9 lb.

IAN MOORE: England international winger (one cap) who is in great form this season—top scorer for Forest with ten goals, including three penalties. Joined Forest in 1961 and began 1971-72 with 106 goals in 238 first-team appearances. Born Ipswich. 5 ft. 10 in., 12 st. 4 lb.

JIMMY McINTOSH: A 21-year-old forward signed from Montrose in September 1970 for £10,000. Made three League appearances last season. Born Forfar. 5 ft. 7 in., 10 st. 8 lb.

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OFFICIALS

Chairman: MR. JACK LEVEY.
Secretary: MR. KEN SMALES.
Manager: MR. MATT GILLIES.
Trainer-Coach: MR. BOB MCKINLAY.
Captain: PETER HINDLEY.

HONOURS

F.A. Cup Winners 1898, 1959.
Second Division Champions 1907, 1922.
Third Division (South) Champions 1951.