



The Northwest Counties League Premier Division

06.10.2012 Kick Off 3pm

Bootle Football Club v Maine Road FC

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## History of the Bucks



The original Bootle F.C. were formed in 1880 and played at Hawthorne Road. They were in fact Everton FC's biggest rivals. In 1889–90 Bootle became founder members of the Football Alliance, narrowly missing out on the football league to the blues. That season was the

most successful as we finished league runners-up, reached the quarter-finals of the FA Cup, where we lost to Blackburn Rovers (0-7). When the Alliance merged with the Football League in 1892, Bootle became founder members of the new Second Division. However, despite a respectable 8th place final position, the club dropped out after one season (and were replaced by neighbours Liverpool) and seemingly disappeared due to financial problems.

Football returned to Hawthorne Road when a new club, Bootle Athletic. was later formed with the new team initially playing in the Liverpool Leagues. In 1948 when the club were elected to the Lancashire Combination 2, which was won at the first attempt. However, Bootle struggled in the top-flight and

after several tough seasons withdrew and folded during the 1953–54 campaign. In 1953, the current club was formed as Langton and played in the local leagues. After a very successful spell in the Liverpool County Combination (which we



won on numerous occasions) the club reverted back to it's It's better known identity of Bootle F.C. in 1973; and a year later joined the Lancashire Combination, which we won in 1976 and 1977. Bootle then joined the Second Division of the Cheshire County League, which was won in our first season, and we were promoted to the First Division. In 1982 the Cheshire County League was one of the leagues that merged to form the North West Counties League, which Bootle duly joined, becoming a member of the First Division. The club spent most of their time in the First Division until 2000 when we unfortunately dropped into the Second Division. However, despite finishing 6th in 2002, the club

despite finishing oth in 2002, the club dropped into the Liverpool County Combination. In 2006 the club, with a new ground, were elected back into Division 2 of the North West Counties League. In 2009 Bootle won promotion to the NWCL Premier

Division and also won the Championship. In 2009/10, our first season back in the NWCFL Premier Division Bootle finished a NWCFL highest placing of 3rd. In 2010/11 finished 6th place. They equalled the 3rd place again in 2012. With the ground grading and charter standard status established in 2011/12 the club are looking to progress to the next level.

#### Club Landmarks

League First Division 2008-09 Liverpool Challenge Cup 1964-65, 1975-76, 1978-79 Liverpool Amateur Cup 1965-66, 1967-68, 1973-74 Liverpool County FA Youth Cup 1977-78, 1984-85, 1990-91, 1999-00, 2005-06 Lancashire Amateur Cup 1970 Liverpool County ation Champions 1964-65, 1965-66, 1967-68, 1968-69, 1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74 Lancashire County ination Champions 1975-76, 1976-77 shire County League Div Two Champions 1978-79 h West Counties League Div Two Runners-up 1992-93 nnants Floodlit Trophy 1993-94 t League Challenge Cup Runners-up 2007-08 Vodkat League e Division Winners 2007-08, 2009-10 Runners-up 2008-09 \*Liverpool Senior Cup Winners 1883, 1888, 1889 \*Football Alliance Runners-up

1889-90

**Bootle Football Club's YOUTH** 





**CHARTER STANDARD CLUBS** 

Under 18's - West Cheshire League - Manager Richie Boswarva Under 17's - Liverpool Premier League - Manager Ste Miller Under 16's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Alex Grosart

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**Under 12's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Tony Smith** 

**Under 10's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Darren Carr** 

**Under 9's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager David Miley** 

**Under 8's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Phil Dobson** 

**Under 7's - Bootle & Litherland JFL - Manager Ste Miller** 







#### Bootle 17's Run Riot!!

By Stephen Miller | Saturday 22nd September 2012

New look Bootle gel to kill off any L8 hopes

Bootle under 17s today produced the most sizzling of performances against L8 under 18's in the Liverpool County Youth Premier League. With players like Jake Higgins, Daniel McWilliam and other long term absentees missing it was a fresh strike force that exploded into action; Mark Jeffers making his full debut smashed in 6 goals closely followed by Jack Driver(4), Sean Currie(3), Lewis McKay(2), Andrew O'Haren; and a follow up to a goal in each previous game for the in form Jamie Colebourn netting a hat trick.

L8 could not live with Bootle from start to finish and the new look squad seem to be gelling quicker than anticipated. With 2 wins and draw and just a single loss this season Bootle have started steadily but with the fresh faces in the team now staking their claim in the side its a great choice to have for the managers and with Higgins and co still to come back the competition for places is now on.





Bootle Football Club -Founder members of the Football Alliance 1889, The Football League Div2\* 1892 & The Northwest Counties Football League 1982

Awarded FA Charter Standard Status in November 2011

### An associated committee consisting of elected members:

Chairman Mr Frank Doran Jnr Deputy Chairman Mr Ben Roberts Life President Mr Frank Doran Snr Honorary President Mr Joe Benton MP Committee Mr Bobby Capstick, Mr Dave Ruth, Mr Geoff Frasier, Mr Tommy McKay, Mr Tony McKay Head of Finance/ Club Secretary Mr Joseph Doran **Assistant Secretary** 

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#### Todays Teams





#### BOOTLE

manager: Neil Prince

manager: J Morrey & C Thomas

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David POTTER

**Neil MCQUEEN** 

Mark KILROY

Michael CARBERRY

Phil GREEN

Sean COULTON

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Michael YOUNG

Daniel O'CONNOR

FOLEY

Lee THOMPSON

Jack MCCABE

Greg HALL

Alex JAY

Matty RUSSELL

Richard GRESTY

Andy THORPE

Kevin MCGRATH

Eddie MORAN

Neil CHAPPELL

Tom BENTHAM

Andy KILHEENEY

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Mathew WARBUTON

Josh GITTINGS

Paul CONNOR

MATCH OFFICIALS





\*Original Club folded in

## The manager of Bootle Football Club

Hello and welcome to The Delta stadium for our Northwest Counties Premier Division match against today's visitors Maine Road; and a warm welcome to John, Chris and his team, players and supporters.

This week we have been caught out by the weather, indeed just over an hour before kick-off on Tuesday the pitch became unplayable because of the monsoon like rain we had.

Last week saw us get a thoroughly deserved 3 points against a Silsden team where there was only one team looking to win the game. The amount of chances we created was encouraging and the quality of our football was very pleasing on the eye.

Tom Foley had his 1st start of the season and was outstanding. Tom's ability is never questioned, we just need him to work harder for the team and be more consistent. It was also great to see Bret get his 1st goal for the club, on his first team debut. He is a very promising player who needs minutes under his belt to build his sharpness up.

Results have continued to go for us when we haven't been playing and we have to forget about the games in hand that we have and just take each game as it comes. As I said above, the Linnets have had a bit of an up and down start to the season but they have some very good players and tonight will be a good test for us.

In fact the next few weeks will be a real test, weather permitted. Maine Road today, who we lost to in the cup last season, followed by Stockport Sports in the FA Vase and then Runcorn Town in the challenge cup will stretch our squad to the limit, but I'm sure we'll be up for the task.



LEXION WAVETM

















### There was only one team looking to win the game'

We're at home again on Saturday against Stockport Sports in the FA Vase who will be looking to get one over us after our great win earlier in the season over them so a great game should be on the cards. Bring a friend along and let's try and improve attendances as it will give the lads a boost.

Thanks for your continued support.

**UP THE BUCKS!** 

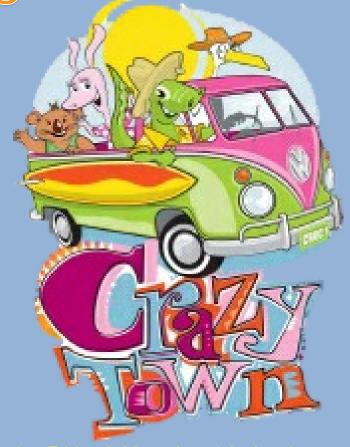




'Just take each game as it comes'

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# THE BUGGS ARE NEXT AT HOME ON

Saturday 13th October V Stockport Sports (3pm KO) in the FA VASE



Tuesday 27th October
V Runcorn Town
(7.45pm KO) in the
NWCFL Challenge Cup







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As at 05/10/2012

#### First Division Holker Old Boys v Atherton LR

League Challenge Cup
First Round
Abbey Hey v Oldham Boro
AFC Darwen v Leek CSOB
Chadderton v Atherton
Collieries
Cheadle Town v Ashton Town
Irlam v Formby
Nelson v Rochdale Town
Northwich Villa v Daisy Hill
West Didsbury & Chorlton v
Eccleshall

1.Congleton Town	<b>P</b>	<b>GD</b> 18	<b>Pts</b> 25
2.Bootle	9	11	23
3.Barnoldswick T	13	8	23
4.Stockport Sport	13	17	22
5.Runcorn Town	11	12	22
6.Maine Road	12	8	21
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8.Wigan RP	13	-1	19
9. Winsford United	9	10	17
10.AFC Blackpool	12	0	17
11.Glossop NE	10	-1	15
12.Runc'n Linnets	10	-3	15
13.Colne	11	1	14
14.Alsager Town	13	0	14
15.Silsden	11	-1	14
16.Bacup Boro	10	1	12
17.St Helens T	10	-10	11
18.Ashton Athletic	9	-6	10
19.AFC Liverpool	9	-10	9
20.Squires Gate	12	-10	8
21.Norton United	10	-21	6
22.Stone Doms	13	-31	4

Kick off times are 3pm Sat, 7.45pm midweek unless stated otherwise

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#### **Bits And Pieces**

**Police officers remembered** – players from Irlam Reserves and Ashton Town Reserves observed a minutes silence before their fixture at Silver Street last weekend, as a mark of respect for WPCs Nicola Hughes and Fiona Bone, who lost their lives in the course of their duty.

Stockport Sports – the club have appointed Russell Hoyte as their Community Officer. Russell's role is to forge links with the local community and to create a variety of community initiatives for the club. He will also be looking to set up links with junior leagues and clubs, and has also organised ball boys for future games at the Stockport Sports Village.

**Padiham** – The club's Under 13s team will have a new kit to wear this season, courtesy of their local Tesco store. Tesco have agreed to provide the kit as part of the PR campaign surrounding the opening of a new store in Padiham, and a photograph of the team wearing the kit will be arranged in the next few weeks, for distribution to the local press and Tesco's own internal publications.

Meanwhile, Secretary Alan Smith reports that the club has entered four national competitions for the first time this season – The FA Cup, FA Vase, FA Youth Cup and FA Womens Cup.

**Cheadle Town** - collectors of non-league football programmes may be interested to learn that back copies of Cheadle Town home programmes, dating back as far as the early 1990s, are available for sale from the club's tea bar on match days. Programmes from other clubs are also on sale.

**Fixtures Secretary trivia** - John Reid and his Northern League counterpart Tony Goodlightly were both on holiday on the island of Malta last week – thankfully both are back now, just as the bad weather and match postponements have begun.





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#### Formby's Real Ale Treat

Real ale fans will have the opportunity to sample a beer that may be unfamiliar to them when they visit Formby this season.

The bar at Altcar Road is now stocking real ale from a brewery in Hertfordshire, and it was the firm's name - Red Squirrel Brewing Company – that first attracted the club's attention.

"Red Squirrel is a small independent microbrewery based in Potten End, Hertfordshire and, as a grassroots organisation ourselves, we like to support small businesses. They also donate to red squirrel conservation which, combined with the gloriousness of the beer itself, made us determined to find a way to make it work.

Formby Programme Editor Merrick Cork explained

"Red Squirrel do five litre minicasks, they're a giant can that looks like the old Party Sevens from the 1970s but mercifully they don't contain Watneys. Instead they have live beer. They don't come particularly cheap, and then there's the delivery charge on top, so we only break even if we sell eight out of the almost-nine pints inside, but it's not about the money.

We love the squirrel tie in, and nothing beats standing in the doorway of the bar on a late summer Saturday watching the footy with a chilled golden pint.

"We've done it for the last two home games and made it cover its costs, and the worst that would happen is us having to buy the leftovers to take home, which I assure you wouldn't be a problem, so we'll keep doing it. They do some dark beers for the winter months that we're really looking forward to as well!"

Kate, one of the Formby matchday bar staff, is pictured below serving Hopfest at the Altcar Road bar.



## Our Visitors today....

Within the suburban area of Manchester called Chorlton-cum-Hardy, known locally as Chorlton it lies four miles west of Manchester city centre. Their near neighbours are new division one team West Didsbury & Chorlton FC.

The club was formed in 1955 as City Supporters Rusholme, when our past Chairman Frank Thompson and a few friends formed a team and after playing a few friendlies joined the local Rusholme Sunday League. In the late sixties the club changed to the Manchester Amateur Sunday League and also moved it's headquarters to the newly built Maine Road Social Club and hence the new name Maine Road F.C. was born. Ronnie Meredith was now running the club and in 1971 72 we won the Manchester County Sunday Cup and both the club's sides won their respective leagues. This prompted Ron to look for a new challenge and he changed the whole future of the club by moving to Saturday Football in the form of the Manchester League.

# AINE ROAD

Success followed success on the field and after several years of moving grounds we settled on our present home at Brantingham Road in 1980. After a lean spell one of Ron's ambitions was realised in the Season of 1983-84 when we won the Manchester League Premier Division. In fact we won the league Four Years running. Derek Barber took over the managerial reins

in 1986 and the clubs progress continued, so much so that when

the Manchester County F.A.'s new complex at Brantingham Road was built, Ron's other ambition was achieved. Entry to the BASS North West Counties League. In only our second season (1989) we finished Runners Up to Vauxhall Motors but regrettably were not promoted due to ground grading, so in 1990 we went one better to win the Second Division Championship and take our rightful place in Division 1. In the Season 1987-88 we beat IRLAM TOWN 1-0 at MAINE ROAD (home of Manchester City F.C.) in the Manchester County Premier Cup to complete a unique record in the Manchester County Competitions by Winning all Five County Cups

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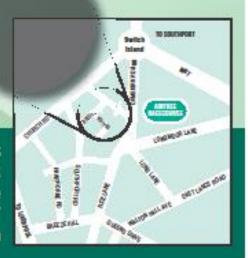
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Bootle 2
Silsden 1
22nd September 2012
Attendance: 124



The Bucks were out of the traps quickly and dominated the early exchanges as the visitors tried to get to grips with the game. For all the neat possession however there was not really a chance to note until Tom Foley whipped in a dangerous cross from the left that found Lee Thompson, however the Silsden goalkeeper Ed Hall saved well with his legs. This sparked Silsden into their first attack and a long punt up field found Ryan who shot straight at Dean Porter who saved well however the ball broke

loose for Tom Marshall to score.



The Bucks stepped up a gear now and wave after wave of attacks were thrown at Silsden who were trying in vain to keep the home side out. Tom Foley and Daniel O'Connor constant threats and with Lee Thompson and Jak Gray arriving late in the box it was just a matter of time before they would get there equalizer. Foley again broke down the left and played a ball into O'Connor, but the 'keeper was equal to his powerful drive. On 17 minutes a ball forward set O'Connor away and he burst through the away defence. The Keeper was quick out to close

the talisman down but O'Connor chipped the ball over Hall but agonizingly, his shot hit the top of the bar and down before being fired over by Hay.

Minutes later the ball fell again to O'Connor who smashed a drive through the crowded area only for the 'keeper again to be equal to it. It was all Bootle at this point. Lee Thompson again made himself some room outside the penalty area and drove a cracking effort just over the bar, although maybe a through ball to Foley would have been the better option. The equalizer was much similar and it finally came on 22 minutes, Lee Thompson carrying the ball forward before unleashing a superb drive from 35 yards that crashed against the Silsden bar before re-bounding this time to O'Connor to head in from 6 yards out. It was just what Bootle deserved after the chances created but they were nearly behind again on the half when McEneaney crossed from wide and Ryan's towering header struck the bar. Second half started with something of a contrast of the first with the visitors using the ball well and only for some resolute defending, especially from the impressive Mark Kilroy to avert the danger.

The only forays upfield came from the centre of midfield now with Jamie Hay, Liam Blakeman and Lee Thompson looking dangerous when they had the ball, as Silsden looked to have nullified the threat on the wing from Gray and Foley. Young Brett Adamson came on for his Bootle debut and his pace gave a bit more for the Silsden defence to think about. A great ball out wide by Hay finding the young winger who crossed first time but never beat the first man.

He was soon about to make an impact though with 14 minutes to go. A great run down the left again from Foley forced a corner and as the resultant corner was whipped in Brett Adamson was in the right place to score his first Bootle goal. Bootle saw out the game in a professional manner as Silsden for all their good play could not break down the strong Bucks defence a second time.

The FIVE Manchester County F.A. Cups WON to date:-

PREMIER CUP (ONCE): AMATEUR CUP (FOUR): SUNDAY AMATEUR CUP (ONCE) INTERMEDIATE CUP (TWICE): CHALLENGE CUP (FOUR)

At the end of 2001-2002 season after 12 years in the top division Maine Road were relegated

to the 2nd division. This was the first time a Maine Road side had ever been relegated and we hope

it will be the last. Two seasons in the 2nd division, were ended with the runners up spot and

promotion under manager Chris Simms. The club finished in mid table the following 2 seasons.

The arrival of Ian Walker as manager saw Maine Road achieve its highest ever finish of 4th place

and also lift the prestigious VODKAT League Cup for the first time. 2012-13 season sees the

arrival of a new management team in John Morrey and Chris Thomas. We wish them well.

Maine Road have a long and proud reputation for introducing young players into the club.

This began with the introduction of a Youth Team run by Derek in the late 1980's which brought a

succession of fine young players to the Club. This success in spotting and nurturing the best young

talent has continued over the last decade with Maine Roads domination of the Umbro International

Football Tournament at the Under 19's level. Over 11 seasons our under 19's have taken on and

regularly outplayed talented youngsters from around the world. They have won the competition an

amazing 6 times and been runners up 3 times. The record set by the youngsters of 2003 may

never be surpassed when 8 of the young squad regularly played 1st team football in the very same

season.

Another factor in the continued success of the club is the outstanding loyalty shown by

players, the best examples are lan Walker 637 appearances, Chris Simms 556 appearances,

Gordon Woods 465 appearances, John Morrey 421 &Alex Jay 351 appearances. Another amazing

record is that in our entire history we have had only 7 managers.







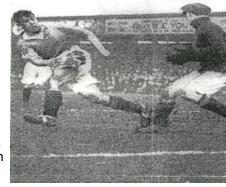
#### EFC go out with a bang

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Bobby Irvine was switched back to inside right and with M Millington taking up position on the right wing. Warney Cresswell was cup tied so Jack O Donnell came in as right back. Joe Hardy had taken a knock at Filbert Street so Joe Davies was wearing the Everton goalkeeper's jersey as they took to field just before 2pm. Dark clouds hung over the location bringing with them a constant drizzle of rain. Around 2,000 Everton fans, of the diehard variety, had made the trip down from Liverpool and they were conspicuous amongst the small crowd, around 10,000 in number, who clustered to-gather under what shelter they

could find making the famous ground, with its vast banks of empty terracing, look anything but inviting. (The official attendance was later returned as 16,000) Hull City took the lead, through Guyan, after seven minutes but Everton were level at the break thanks to a cleverly looped goal

from Dixie Dean. They then confined they opponents to their own half of the field for fully thirty minutes before the Yorkshire men, reestablished their lead with breakaway goal from Whitworth. The Hull forward, during the process, collided with Davies in the Everton goal and both players were injured. Everton then strived for an equalising goal but were thwarted by some



excellent defending by their opponents. In the dying seconds of the game they won a corner. The well-directed kick was taken by Alex Troup and Arthur Dominy was on hand to head Everton level just moments before the whistle was sounded. With the score now standing at 2-2, the game, for a second time, went in to extra time. Both sides then had their chances to score before Martin got the goal that, eventually, settled the tie in favour Hull City. He did however, burst the ball but this fact was not discovered until it was retrieved from the net. It is thought that a stud on boot of George Martin had done the damage so, according to the rules the ball was "dead" when it entered the goal. Nevertheless Everton refused to appeal against the incident and Hull City, by 3 goals to 2, went on into round five.

The class performance given by George Martin had clearly impressed the Everton executive who gained his signature the following season. Born in Glasgow he had begun his football career in Hamilton Academicals before moving south to join Hull City. He was signed to strengthen the Everton side when their push for the 1928 championship was beginning to falter. He played on 10 occasions and was awarded with a champion's medal as Everton went on to win the title and was on the field when Dixie Dean scored his record breaking sixtieth goal against Arsenal at Goodison Park. He went on the play 85 games for Everton scoring 31 goals in the process. He later signed for Middlesborough before ending his playing career with Luton Town. He later became manager of both Newcastle United and Aston Villa before ending his football career, in 1965, as the manager of Luton Town.

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The Everton team lined up as follows: Hardy, McDonald, Kerr, Peacock, Hart, Virr, Moffat Irvine, Dean Dominy and Troup. There was a sell-out crowd on the ground as Everton kicked-off against a Hull City side that were managed by Jimmy McCracken the former Irish International was is famed for perfecting the "off-side trap". Everton got off to bad start and were soon trailing, after fourteen, minutes, to goal that scored by George Martin. The majority of the crowd, who numbered 22,000, now sensed an upset as Everton struggled to overcome the offside tactics that were implemented by their opponents. Dixie Dean, it was reported, worked in a desperate groove. The ball did not come to him nicely, but he certainly had so big a bodyguard that the other forwards should have had a happy day. However, Everton stuck gamely to their task and drew level, after 75 minutes, when they were awarded a corner. Alex Troup, who took the kick, found Albert Virr unmarked in the box and he had time to turn around and drill the ball low past Maddison and in to the corner of the net. Everton now had the best of the play and nearly stole the tie but failed to take the two opportunities that they had in the dying minutes. Still a draw was a fair result and the re-play was arranged for next Wednesday afternoon at Goodison Park. The Hull City party spent some time in Blackpool before arriving, by train, at Liverpool Exchange Station while, across the City, two train loads of their supporters were arriving at Central Station. The Everton club, meanwhile, had been advertising the game in the local newspaper. They were changing 1/- to stand on the terraces while reserved seats, at 3/5d and 5/-, could be purchased from the city centre sports store, owned by Jack Sharpe, in Whitechapel. The club also announced that Bobby Irvine would replace Moffat on the right wing and Bain would be brought in to partner him at inside right. Joe Peacock was out injured so Walter Rooney replaced him in the half back line. The game began at 2:30pm and it took Everton just four minutes to take the lead with a goal from Alex Troup. They continued to dominate the play doubled their score, after 40 minutes, with neatly chipped goal from Dixie Dean. Everton led 2-0 at the break but would later regret missing two other good chances they had to increase to their goal tally. The visitors, as the second half progressed, began to grow in stature with their Scottish right winger George Martin, making his presence felt. He dribbled the ball past three Everton defenders before passing to Scott who made the score 2-1. Martin again dribbled his way through the home defence to set up Guyan who equalised the score after 80 minutes. The home crowd was then forced to endure a nerve racking the final 10 minutes of the game before the whistle sounded and extra time was played. Everton began to slowly regained their composure and were denied what looked like a clear penalty in extended period of play. The game however ended in 2-2 draw so it was then moved to the neutral venue of Villa Park in Birmingham. Everton, in the meantime, travelled to play a league match against Leicester City at Filbert Street.

They used the occasion to give a debut to Warney Cresswell who had just recently joined the club, for a record fee, from Sunderland. The new full-back could do little to influence the game as Everton were beaten by 6 goals to 2. They then remained in the Midlands before making their way to Villa Park on Monday to for the second FA Cup re-play with Hull City.

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#### Everton Go Out With a Bang

By A Gardener

Everton were struggling near the foot of Division One when they began their 1936 FA Cup campaign with a third round tie against non-league side, Poole Town. The Dorsetshire based side were members of the Southern League (Eastern section) and was enjoying an unprecedented run of success in the tournament. Victories over such teams as The Royal Marines, and, The Portsmouth Gas Company, had taken them through to round one where they had beaten Newport County. A win over Nunhead, their ninth in the contest, then earned them the right to meet Everton at Goodison Park. The visitors, who stayed at the Stork Hotel, spent Friday night in



Liverpool and, next day, made way out to Goodison Park where a crowd of 34,000 awaited their arrival. The visitors, nicknamed The Dolphins, were all part-time professional players who were captained by their centre half, Campbell. He was a well experienced campaigner who, it was expected, he would" keep" tabs" on the Everton centre forward, Dixie Dean. Nevertheless it took the Everton man just two minutes open the score. The home fans, now anticipating a big score, were soon applauding the many fine saves made that were made by Drew in the visitors goal who, at just 5 foot 7 inches in height, was the smallest man on the field. Thirty minutes had been played when fierce shot by Dixie Dean struck the Poole Town goalkeeper on the chin and dislocated his jaw. He received treatment but refused to leave the field.

Drew had now won the hearts of the home fans that, along with all the players, applauded him so loudly that, to hide his embarrassment, he was forced to dash off the field at half time. Everton continued have the better of their opponents and second half goals by Alex Troup and Bobby Irvine were added to their score line. However, late in the game, a shot from Battern gave the visitors a well-deserved consolation goal as the game ended, Everton 3 Poole Town 1. The Dolphins were then cheered from field and they returned home happy with their share of the £2,049 that had been taken at the gate. Everton would now face Hull City in round four.

It was the first time that the two clubs had ever met and the league form, shown by Everton, was still giving cause for concern because they were placed just above the relegation zone. On Thursday they arrived at Liverpool Exchange Railway Station to catch a train to Bridlington where they would prepare for their forthcoming cup tie. There was a fairly large crowd assembled to witness their departure and they approached Dixie Dean, who before the team departed, was reported to have answered questions of every description. On Saturday morning Central Station in Liverpool echoed to the tune of "The more we are to-gather, the happy we will be" as 500 Everton fans left on a "football special train" while, over at Exchange Station, another 1-500 fans were reported to have departed from that location. Their destination was the home of Hull City FC at Anlaby Road. The resident club, who were in Division Two, were currently lying in fourth in the league and the home fans were hopeful that the Tigers could dispose of their out- of-form opponents from the top flight.

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