

Poems, Songs, Hymns and Arias (1)

I WAS THERE IN '66!

I WAS THERE IN 66
I WALKED THE WEMBLEY WAY
FROM HEAD TO TOE IN BLUE AND WHITE
ON THE FOURTEENTH, SUNNY MAY

I CLUTCHED MY TEN BOB TICKET TIGHT
AND, DRESSED LIKE AUSTIN POWERS
WAVED MY "DAILY EXPRESS SONG SHEET"
IN SIGHT OF THE TWIN TOWERS

THE SINGING LED BY MAN IN WHITE
DISCORDANT, FROM THE HEART
ABIDE WITH ME WE SANG OUT LOUD
ANXIOUS, LONGING FOR THE START

THE "VIRGIN SOLDIERS" IN ALL WHITE
LOOKED FIT BUT HIGHLY STRUNG
RON SPRINGETT IN HIS MAJESTY
AGILE, HE THWARTED ALEX YOUNG

THEN SUDDENLY THE LIGHTENING STRUCK
OUR EYES WERE ALL AGOG
THE BALL WAS IN THE TOFFEEES' NET
THE SCORER McCALLIOG!

MIGHTY BROWN'S OWLS WERE IN FULL FLIGHT
EUSTACE, MEGSON AND FORD
WHO, AFTER FANTHAM'S SURGING RUN
DARTED IN THE BOX AND SCORED

THE SUN WAS IN OUR HEAVEN NOW
AND NOTHING COULD GO WRONG
SMITH, QUINN AND PUGH WERE BATTLING HARD
OUR HEARTS FULL OF BEATLES' SONG

BUT THEN THE GODS OF FOOTBALL STRUCK
THE MAN IN BLACK WAS QUICK
JACK TAYLOR WAS THE TOFFEEES' HOPE
GIVING THEM A DAFT FREE KICK

OH TREBILCOCK! OH TREBILCOCK!
THAT NAME IT HAUNTS ME STILL
WHY DIN'T YOU STAY IN PLYMOUTH BOY
YOU HAVE LONG MADE ME FEEL ILL

HE SCORED AND THEN HE SCORED AGAIN
BEWITCHED, BEMUSED SAM ELLIS
WHO PLAYED BECAUSE OF MOBLEY'S CURSE
STOOD, ROOTED LIKE A TRELLIS

AND NOW THE FATES WERE IN CONTROL
WEST'S BALL LONG AND SIMPLE
A CRUEL DAGGER IN YOUNG'S FOOT
DESTROYED BY "SHIRLEY" TEMPLE

THOSE POOR YOUNG LADS THEY DID THEIR BEST
TO STEM THE MERSEY TIDE
BUT AS THE FINAL WHISTLE WENT
THEY HELD UP THEIR HEADS WITH PRIDE

A LAP OF HONOUR WAS THE FIRST
A LOSING TEAM HAD DONE
THEIR BATTERED BODIES, WAVING HANDS
LED BY THE TANK DON MEGSON

SO SUNDAY CAME, OPEN-TOP BUS
FROM THE RAILWAY STATION
A HUNDRED THOUSAND LINED THE STREETS
TOWN HALL, TEARS AND ELATION

WE WILL BE BACK OUR ERIC SAID
OUR DAY WILL SURELY COME
A QUARTER OF A CENTURY PASSED
AT LAST! NINETEEN NINETY ONE!!

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SPORTING MEMORIES HERE WE GO

HEAR US ON THE RADIO

QUITE RISQUE AND FRISKY, HAVING A LAUGH

FEEL NAUGHTY, SO SPORTY, SENT OFF FOR AN EARLY BATH

SAL AND TRICIA RULE THE LAND

RED AND YELLOW CARDS IN HAND

GRAHAM'S LIKELY TO BE BANNED

SPORTING MEMORIES HERE WE GO.

SPORTING MEMORIES THAT IS WE

DROWNING IN A SEA OF TEA

JOHN'S VERSES, MILD CURSES ADD TO THE FUN

PAUL'S RESTIVE, DIGESTIVES MAKE THE LAD SWIM, BIKE AND RUN

RON'S OUR SPORTING BRAINIAC

JOHN 2 SINGS LIKE A MANIAC

RICHARD'S NEGATIVES WENT BLACK

SPORTING MEMORIES THAT IS WE.

SPORTING MEMORIES THAT IS US

17 SEATER IS OUR BUS

DAVE'S IRONS ARE LIONS HE IS SO PROUD

ED DALTON'S A TENOR SINGING OUT SO CLEAR AND LOUD

BARRY TRIES TO PAINT THE SCENE

KEITH THE BLADE'S OUR MR BEAN

VINNY'S JOKES AREN'T QUITE OBSCENE

SPORTING MEMORIES THAT IS US

WE'RE THE SPORTING MEMORIES GANG

ALL OUR THEORIES ARE BIG BANG

OUR CYRIL WILL SHOW YOU HIS SPEEDWAY ART

WISE ERIC WILL CHARM YOU, IF HE GETS HERE FOR THE START

DAVID THE QUIET IRISHMAN

STRANGELY IS A GOONER FAN

BIG PAUL LOOKS LIKE DESPERATE DAN

WE'RE THE SPORTING MEMORIES GANG

AS OUR SPORTING MEMORIES END

COLIN'S EVERYBODY'S FRIEND

OUR MICK THINKS WE'RE THICK, CAN'T ANSWER HIS QUIZ

DAVE REDFEARN REGALES US, TALES WHEN HE WAS BILLY WHIZZ

NOW TONY'S YAWNING, MUST BE BORED

WAVES IAN'S CEREMONIAL SWORD

IT'S THE TEA BREAK THANK THE LORD

AS OUR SPORTING MEMORIES END.

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SPORTING MEMORIES - TO THE TUNE OF "DA DOO RON RON"

WE MEET HERE EVERY TUESDAY AND THE BANTER'S GOOD
SALLY AND TRICIA, WITH TRISH AND SAL
THEY GATHER ALL THE BAD BOYS IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD
SALLY AND TRICIA, YES TRISH AND SAL
YEAH THEY WORK SO HARD, SHOW RED AND YELLOW CARDS
YEAH THEN THEY MASH SOME TEA
WITH CHOCCY BISCUITS FOR YOU AND ME.

NOW JOHN-BOY IS A VETERAN, HE IS EX-RAF
HE LOVES UNITED? OH NO JOHN, JOHN
OUR VERY OWN POET LAUREATE HE MAKES US LAUGH
WITH INNUENDO AND RHYMES SPOT ON
YEAH HE IS A CARD, YEAH SPORTING MEMORIES' BARD
JOHN, HE IS NOT A PRUDE
HIS RISQUE POEMS CAN BE QUITE RUDE.

RON PEARCE IS OUR GLOBE TROTTER, HE'S A BUSY MAN
DA OO RON RON RON, DA DOO RON RON
IF WE WANT TO FIND AN ANSWER THEN OUR RONNIE CAN
HE DON'T NEED GOOGLE, OH NO RON RON
HE'S LIKE STEPHEN FRY. HIS BRAIN SHOULD BE ON Q.I.
HE'S SWALLOWED A LEXICON
HE IS THE GUVNOR, HE'S NUMBER ONE.

NOW PAUL HE IS AN ATHLETE AND HIS SIX PACK'S TIGHT
HE DOES TRIATHLONS, HALF IRON MAN
THOUGH HE SUPPORTS UNITED HE IS STILL QUITE BRIGHT
OLYMPIC SPORTS, HE'S THEIR BIGGEST FAN
WHEN PAUL SETS A QUIZ, HE REALLY KNOWS HIS BIZ
YEAH HE CAN TEACH US ALL
RUNNING, JUMPING AND BEACH VOLLEYBALL

RICHARD'S PAPARAZZI, OUR PHOTOGRAPHER
HE'S EDUCATED AND ERUDITE
WELL TRAVELLED IN THE ARMY, A PHILOSOPHER
WHEN WE NEED ANSWERS HE PUTS US RIGHT
RICHARD'S NEVER BRASH BUT WHEN HE HAS TO FLASH
HE'S SUCH A CLEVER DICK
OF ALL THE PHOTOS HIS ARE THE PICK.

NOW I'M THE CAMP COMEDIAN, I LIKE TO SING
IN PANTOMIME I'M THE GUY IN FROCKS
ALTHOUGH I MIMIC ELVIS I JUST SOUND LIKE BING
AND LOOK LIKE A HAMMER HORROR GOLDBLOCKS
YES I LIKE AD-LIB. THRIVE ON A TICKLED RIB
AND I'M A WEDNESDAYITE
MY SPORTING MEMORIES ARE BLUE AND WHITE!

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SPORTING MEMORIES PART 2

EVERY TUESDAY AT THE PEAKS YOU CAN SEE THEM ARRIVE
LOOKING REIGHT FED UP AND BARELY ALIVE
AFTER 90 MINUTES WITH TRICIA AND SAL
EVERYONE THERE IS A REALLY GOOD PAL

THERE'S DAVE, THE HAMMER, WHO FOLLOWS THE IRONS
WITH A PASSION FOR CRIME AND UNDERWORLD ZIONS
WHEN HE FIRST CAME HERE HE LOOKED BEMUSED
BUT HE COMES FROM HANDSWORTH SO HE'S JUST CONFUSED

KEITH THE BLADE IS A MAN WITH A MILLION TALES
HE'S MET ALL THE SPORTS STARS HIS CHARM NEVER FAILS
HE SETS MANY QUIZZES HE HAS A LARGE BRAIN
WHICH IS QUITE A SURPRISE FOR A MAN FROM THE LANE

NOW CYRIL'S AN ARTIST HIS SKILL IS SUPREME
HIS PORTRAITS OF LEGENDS ARE REALLY A DREAM
HE HAS DONE MANY SKETCHES WITH A REAL AUTOGRAPH
HIS BEST, FATIMA WHITBREAD, AT HOME IN HER BATH

OUR GRAHAM'S A PUNTER HE FOLLOWS THE NAGS
HE ALWAYS REGALES US WITH STORIES AND GAGS
HE'S QUIET AND SHY, NEVER IS ONE TO GAB
BUT HE'LL TALK YOU TO DEATH IF YOU CLIMB IN HIS CAB

NOW BARRY'S THE ONE FOR A CARICATURE
HE WILL PAINT YOU IN OILS WITH HANDS STEADY AND SURE
BARRY'S PLAYED AND BEEN COACH WITH MANY A TEAM
CALMLY STOOD ON THE TOUCHLINE HIS EARS PUMPING STEAM

DAVE REDFEARN HAS PLAYED WITH SOME OF THE BEST
WE'VE ALL SEEN THE MEDALS THEY PINNED ON HIS CHEST
HE'S AFFABLE, FRIENDLY, OUR DAVE LIKES HIS FUN
BUT IF YOU'RE A BLADES FAN BETTER GO FOR YOUR GUN

ERIC'S THE ONE WHO ROLLS UP QUITE LATE
BUT HIS STORIES ARE WONDERFUL, WELL WORTH THE WAIT
WHEN IT COMES TO THE OWLS ERIC'S SEEN THEM ALL
HE REGALES US WITH TALES, GOLDEN AGE OF FOOTBALL!

BIG DAVE IS A MAN WHO HAS GOT A SELECTION
OF EXOTIC T-SHIRTS HE'S GOT QUITE A COLLECTION
HE'S QUIET AND PLEASANT WITH A REAL SENSE OF FUN
OF ALL THE LADS HERE HE'S THE SENSIBLE ONE

MICK IS SOFTLY SPOKEN THOUGH HE LIKES THE ODD QUIP
WE ENJOY HIS ASIDES WHEN WE'RE OUT ON A TRIP
EVERY NOW AND AGAIN HE TESTS US WITH A QUIZ
WITH HIS CHEEKY GRIN HE LOOKS JUST LIKE BILLY WHIZZ

COLIN IS A PROUD MAN HE LOVES FAMILY SPORTS SUCCESSES
HE SPEAKS OF HIS WEIGHTLIFTING DAYS WHEN HE HAD LONG CURLY TRESSES
HE'S BROUGHT US MEMORABILIA, INCLUDING HIS BRONZE MEDALLION
REMEMBERING FONDLY, DAYS OF YORE, WHEN HE STRUTTED LIKE A STALLION

OUR ED NOW HE IS QUITE RESERVED WITH A TWINKLE IN HIS EYE
A WICKED SENSE OF HUMOUR HIS DEMEANOUR DOES BELIE
ALTHOUGH HE LIKES THE QUIET LIFE HE ONCE LIVED LIFE MUCH FASTER
SOMETIMES SWINGING FROM THE RIGGING LIKE A POOR MAN'S BURT
LANCASTER

BIG PAUL SITS IN THE CORNER SEEMINGLY QUITE SHY
BUT EVERY NOW AND THEN A BRILLIANT ANSWER HE'LL SUPPLY
HE RECENTLY PRODUCED A QUIZ THAT GOT US ALL EXCITED
AND BEST OF ALL I HAVE TO SAY NO QUESTIONS ABOUT UNITED!

VINNIE IS A CHEEKY CHAP A FRIEND OF GRAHAM BALL
WHO INTRODUCED HIM TO US AS A WIZARD AT FOOTBALL
NOW HE CAN TELL A STORY SO VIVID BOLD AND TRUE
A MODERN DAY MAX MILLER WHOSE JOKE BOOK WOULD BE BLUE.

DAVID IS THE NEW CHAP FROM NORTHERN IRELAND'S SHORES
POOR LAD HE CAME HERE JUST FOR LAUGHS BUT HE'S SURROUNDED BY OLD
BORES
IN HIS YOUTH HIS GAME WAS RUGBY HE WAS THE SPEEDIEST OF RUNNERS
BUT NOW HE'S FALLEN ON HARD TIMES HE SUPPORTS OLD WENGER'S
GUNNERS!

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OWLS MEMORY

I'll never forget the excitement of my Dad, a Unitedite, taking me, an 11 year old Wednesdayite, to Bramall Lane on the 12th March 1960. A cold, damp day. United were playing Wednesday in the FA Cup Quarter Finals. The kick-off was **always** 3 o'clock on a Saturday afternoon and the match always finished at 5.40.

Tension building in my chest. Mi Mam wrapping me in blue and white scarf, woolly hat and gloves and my "big" coat.

Queueing for the bus outside St. Catherine's church, Woodthorpe. Feeling anxious. Would we get on the bus? It was always packed like sardines! Big, gruff men with deep voices, hands ingrained with blue dirt from the pits or steelworks. Talking about Hodgkinson, Springett, Joe Shaw and Peter Swan.

Getting off the bus at the bottom of Granville Road. Jogging to the ground. Dad always walked like a KOYLI on a route march. Weaving in and out of the bodies, all heading the same way. Dad, quick, nimble, protective. Making sure I was alright.

The crowd was heaving outside the ground. Would we get in? More anxiety. Big, shoving, excited men squeezing through the turnstile, up the steps on the muddy hill to the top of the Kop.

One of my earliest, exciting memories, even as a Wednesdayite, was reaching the top of the Bramall Lane Kop, stepping into the huge, covered, reverberating, barn. The darkness giving way to bright sunlight out on the brilliant, green pitch.

Dad bought me my first rosette and had made me a special wooden step to stand on at the match. We got a place half way down the Kop, just above the aisle crossing the heaving, swaying, noisy crowd. Blades and Owls fans packed together. 61 thousand of them! No trouble. Men ensuring the kids were safe and sound.

The game was a blur of excitement, tension, ooohs and aaahs, wit and wisdom. A cacophony of noise. A young lad, a Unitedite, stood by my "step", struggling to see the action. I let him put a foot on my platform. We smiled at each other and shared the thrills.

As the game progressed I found myself usurped, standing half on my "step" clinging on precariously. Then Wednesday's winger, Wilkinson scored. He scored again. My discomfort didn't matter. I was ecstatic!

My new friend and step-grabber was miserable but we didn't fall out. Dad was disappointed but happy for me, his lad. He was philosophical having seen it all before.

As the game ended we mingled with misery and elation, trudging or stepping contentedly to Pond Street bus station to board a crowded No.32 bus. I knew this was my first day of real triumph and felt the particular satisfaction you get from seeing your team, Wednesday, win. Naïve about what would come in future. Many days of disappointment, frustration and "if onlys" that's inherent in being a football fan, a Wednesdayite! With an occasional glimpse of glory.

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The World Cup England 1966

I was there in 1966 when England, nay SHEFFIELD, hosted the World Cup finals, Hillsborough, the Cathedral of Football, as we called it then, was the best league ground in the country thanks to Eric Taylor, The Owls' General Manager and genius of a football administrator!

In the group stages Hillsborough and Villa Park hosted Group B which consisted of Argentina, West Germany, Spain and Switzerland.

3 group games were played at Hillsborough and I was determined to see one. I was a 17-year-old grammar school boy whose lovely Dad was a poorly paid Steel Worker who had been made redundant that year after 33 years [less 5 years fighting the Germans] in Jessop-Saville's Foundry.

I could only afford to see one group game and that was the night match, under floodlights, between Spain and Switzerland. These were 2 average European sides with little World Cup pedigree at that time. Nevertheless, this WAS the World Cup, and it seemed so exotic. As a Sheffield Wednesday fan I had seen my lads beat Barcelona, Roma, Lyons, and Utrecht so I was used to European football. However, this was a new adventure, exciting and prestigious.

I remember the long line of flag-poles and 16 national flags along Penistone Road, plus along the length of the top of the cantilever North Stand, the first such stand in this country!

In front of a 32000 crowd Spain won 2-1. I remember the swagger of the Spanish team and the passion of the Swiss fans. "Hop Suisse! Hop Suisse!" they chanted throughout [excuse the spelling and poor accent!]. Colour, noise, excitement. This was something special.

However, the best was yet to come. My lovely Mam and Dad paid for my ticket to see West Germany versus Uruguay in the Quarter Final at Hillsborough. I think it was Saturday afternoon? It WAS a hot, sunny day. These teams had real pedigree. Uruguay were winners of the first ever World Cup Final in 1930. West Germany had won in Berne in 1954, beating the superb Hungary, mighty Magyars of Puskas, in a final dubbed "The Miracle of Berne".

A new level was reached! Here they were in Sheffield, the eyes of the world were on us. 34000 watched the sweet German machine glide smoothly, powerfully across the pitch as the excitable, tricky South Americans did their best to break them down.

The atmosphere was electric. The Uruguayan drums and songs seemed from another world. I seem to remember a vivid blue flag with a huge, yellow, sunburst crest....or it could have been a bad headache. That's exactly what the Uruguayans had at half time, being 2-0 down!

Beckenbauer was like a ballet dancer, on ice, skating round increasingly ferocious tackles. The Uruguayans became more and more frustrated and eventually 2 were sent off, to howls of disgust from their fans, by an English referee, I think.

9 men, however skilful, were no match for the German precision and power, and the final score was 4-0 to the Fatherland.

This was my first, close-up taste of Uruguayan nastiness observed on several other World Cup occasions on TV.

It was also a close up view of the excellent Germans. It was a big crowd. The atmosphere was carnival and electric. We looked on in wonder. How could plucky England ever beat this supreme machine! How indeed!?

As an aside, the news coming through on the first electronic scoreboard in the country [in later years to resemble a game of dyslexic scrabble], on the Kop, was of minnows, North Korea, beating Portugal until the tournament's Golden Boot winner [9 goals], Eusebio scored 4 times to beat them single-handedly.

These were proud, exotic, exciting times to be a football mad teenager in Sheffield. Sheffield, the home of football, the Owls and Hillsborough did the game justice, did England proud. It was an honour to be a small part of football history, that sunny July.

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Keith

• HE WAS BORN ONE MORN
IN THE COLD GREY DAWN
BY THE BANKS OF THE RIVER SHEAF
AND HIS POOR DEAR MUM
SAID, HE LOOKS SO GLUM
I THINK I'LL CALL HIM KEITH •

HIS HEAD WAS BALD
HE WAS SIX FEET TALL
AND HE PUT HER IN THE SHADE
AND TO MAKE THINGS WORSE
HE WAS BORN WITH A CURSE
THE POOR LAD WAS A BLADE.

ALL THROUGH HIS LIFE
MID TROUBLE AND STRIFE
HE NEW HE NEEDN'T WORRY
FOR HE'D HAD A VISION
DESPITE DERISION
HIS MESSIAH WOULD BE TONY CURRIE

AND NOW THE YEARS
HAVE ERASED HIS FEARS
IT HAPPENED JUST AS HE'D PLANNED
THOUGH THE EDGEWARE PAGAN
WAS NO JIMMY HAGAN
AT LEAST NOW HE HAD HIS OWN STAND

• THREE SCORE AND TEN

A MAN AMONG MEN
THE LAD HAS NOW REACHED HIS PEAK
ONCE AN ACE WITH B.T.
WHERE HE LEARNED TO MASH TEA
HE'S A SPORTING MEMORIES FREAK.

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CRYSTAL PEAKS LIBRARY – 30TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEN I WAS A LAD IN '56
THERE WERE TWO THINGS IN MY LIFE
ONE WAS THE THRILL THAT ELVIS BROUGHT
THE OTHER, THE LESSONS JUST WILLIAM TAUGHT

SATURDAY MORNING WE CAUGHT THE BUS
TO THE BUILDING ON THE HILL
SIS' CAROL DIN'T NEED BRIBERY
TO GET ME TO GO TO MANOR LIBRARY

TIME WENT BY, NOW I WAS AT KING TED'S
CENTRAL LIBRARY WAS THE PLACE
ON MY WAY HOME I DASHED TO WHERE
THERE WERE KING SOLOMON'S MINES AND HORNBLOWER

IN MY TWENTIES I THOUGHT I KNEW BEST
I HAD THE CASH TO INDULGE
MY LOVE OF BOOKS AND SO BEGAN
COLLECTING TOMES, MY OWN BOOKS, DEFINED THE MAN

THREE SCORE AND SEVEN THE YEARS FLEW BY
WHEN, DAME FORTUNE SMILED ON ME
GOOD LUCK, THROUGH SPORTING MEMORY
I FOUND THE JOY OF CRYSTAL PEAKS LIBRARY

NOW EVERY WEEK I MAKE THE TRIP
TO A PLACE, VIBRANT WITH LIFE
NO LONGER SHHH AND COLD STERN LOOKS
THERE'S MEDIA AND BANTER AND...OH YES, BOOKS.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY FRIEND
TO MY FRIEND
TO MY FRIEND
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY FRIEND
MY FRIEND PEAKS LIBR'Y

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GAMES PLAYED IN OUR YOUNGER DAYS

CONKERS

FRENCH CRICKET

SPOT [2 TYPES]

DELAVIO

OWZTHAT

CIGARETTE CARDS

HIDE AND SEEK “HIDDY”

MARBLES

ROUNDERS

STREET FOOTBALL OR IN PARK WITH JERSEYS

BRITISH BULLDOG

LEARNING TO RIDE A BIKE

3 - WHEELER SCOOTER

TRIANG HORSE, CAR

ROLLER SKATES

STILTS

BOX CART

HOPSCOTCH

HANDSTANDS AGAINST WALL

TEN PIN BOWLING – WHICH BOWLING ALLEY?

SWIMMING – WHICH BATHS?

ANY OTHERS

SPORT IN FILM AND TV

1/ THE 2013 FILM “RUSH” WAS ABOUT THE RIVALRY IN 1970 BETWEEN WHICH F1 DRIVERS? – **JAMES HUNT / NICKI LAUDA**

2/ “CREED” IN 2015 WAS ABOUT THE SON OF APOLLO CREED WHO FEATURED AS WHOSE OPPONENT 31 YEARS AGO? **ROCKY BALBOA**

3/ RALPH MACCHIO “WAXED ON AND OFF” IN WHICH 1984 FILM? **“THE KARATE KID”**

4/ CUBA GOODING JUNIOR’S CATCH PHRASE TO TOM CRUISE IN THIS 1996 FILM WAS “SHOW ME THE MONEY”. WHICH FILM, WHICH SPORT? **JERRY MAGUIRE / AMERICAN FOOTBALL**

5/ THE 2004 FILM, MILLION DOLLAR BABY, DIRECTED BY CLINT EASTWOOD AND STARRING HILARY SWANK WAS ABOUT WHICH SPORT? **WOMEN’S BOXING**

6/ WITH WHICH SPORT DO YOU ASSOCIATE THE MATT DAMON FILM “INVICTUS”? **RUGBY UNION**

6a WHICH PLAYER DID HE PORTRAY? **FRANCOIS PEINAAR**

7/ JACK O’CONNELL, WHO SOME OF US SAW IN THE NAP AT THE CRUCIBLE PLAYED LOUIS ZAMPORINI IN “UNBROKEN” IN 2014. WHICH SPORT WAS LZ KNOWN FOR? **SK, 8TH IN 1936 OLYMPICS**

8/ “A LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN” WITH TOM HANKS AND GEENA DAVIS WAS ABOUT WHICH SPORT? **WOMEN’S BASEBALL**

9/ “KINGPIN” A 1996 FILM STARRED WOODY HARRELSON? WHAT SPORT WAS IT ABOUT? **TEN PIN BOWLING**

10/ “POINT BREAK” FEATURING RAY WINSTONE IN 2015 FEATURED WHICH UNUSUAL SPORTS? **EXTREME SPORTS**

11/ “THE RACK PACK” IN 2016 WAS ABOUT THE RIVALRY BETWEEN WHICH 2 SNOOKER PLAYERS? **ALEX HIGGINS/STEVE DAVIS**

12/ WHO STARRED IN THE FILMS “ALI” ABOUT BOXING AND “CONCUSSION” ABOUT AMERICAN FOOTBALL? **WILL SMITH**

13/ THE FILM “CINDERELLA MAN” WAS ABOUT WHICH BOXER? **JAMES J. BRADDOCK**

14/ IN 2003 TOBY MAGUIRE STARRED AS A JOCKEY IN THE EPONYMOUS FILM ABOUT WHICH LEGENDARY HORSE?

SEABISCUIT

15/ MICKY ROURKE WAS WHICH TYPE OF FIGHTER IN HIS 2008 FILM? **THE WRESTLER**

16/ HOW MANY EX PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALLERS CAN YOU NAME FROM ESCAPE TO VICTORY?

BOBBY MOORE; PELE; MIKE SUMMERBEE; OSSIE ARDILES; PAUL VAN HIMST; KAZIMIERZ DEYNA; HALLVAR THORESEN; CO PRINS; RUSSELL OSMAN; JOHN WARK; SOREN LINSTED; KEVIN O’CALLAGHAN; LAURIE SIVELL.

17/ WHO STARRED IN “SLAP SHOT” ABOUT ICE HOCKEY? **PAUL NEWMAN**

17A WHO STARRED IN “THE NATURAL” AS A BASEBALL PLAYER?

ROBERT REDFORD

18/ KEIRA KNIGHTLY AND PARMINDER NAGRA STARRED IN WHICH 2002 FILM? **BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM**

19/ FRODO BAGGINS [ELIJAH WOOD] STARRED IN WHICH 2005 FILM ABOUT FOOTBALL HOOLIGANISM? **GREEN STREET HOOLIGANS**

20/ TARON EGERTON PLAYED WHICH BRITISH HEROIC FAILURE IN 2016? **EDDIE THE EAGLE**

21/ IN 1942s “PRIDE OF THE YANKEES” WHICH BASEBALL PLAYER DID GARY COOPER PLAY? **LOU GEHRIG**

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22/ IN 1958 AT THE REX CINEMA I SAW JOHN GREGSON PLAY AN IRISH BINMAN IN ROONEY. WHAT SPORT DID HE PLAY IN THE FILM?

HURLING

23/ PAUL BETTANY REPRESENTED GB IN WHICH NATIONAL SPORTING EVENT IN THE 2004 FILM? **WIMBLEDON**

24/ DUSTIN HOFFMAN HAD TO BE GOOD AT WHAT TO ESCAPE FROM LAURENCE OLIVIER IN 1976? **MARATHON/RUNNING**

25/ THE 1996 CARTOON FILM “SPACE JAM” STARRED WHICH BASKETBALL PLAYER? **MICHAEL JORDAN**

26/ DR. WHO STAR MATT SMITH STARRED IN “BERT AND DICKIE” ABOUT BERT BUSHNELL AND DICKIE BURNELL. WHAT SPORTING EVENT DID THEY PARTICIPATE IN? **1948 OLYMPICS – DOUBLE SKULLS**

27/ WHO STARRED IN THE 1968 FILM “THE SWIMMER”? **BURT LANCASTER**

28/ TIMOTHY SPALL WAS A SPIN BOWLER IN WHICH TV SERIES?

OUTSIDE EDGE

29/ LAST YEAR CRAIG CASH STARRED IN WHAT WAS THE WORST SITCOM FOR YEARS ABOUT FOOTBALL [OR OWT]? **ROVERS [REDBRIDGE ROVERS]**

30/ IN WHICH TV SERIES COULD CONTESTANTS TAKE Routes 1 to 4? [remember Sam Ellis’ 10 o levels] **QUIZBALL**

31/ WHICH FOOTBALL SERIES, 85 EPISODES IN 1965/66 STARRED GEORGE LAYTON [DOCTOR AT LARGE]? WHAT POSITION DID HE PLAY? **UNITED. 7-RIGHT WING.**

32/ THE PHRASE “IT’S A FUNNY OLD GAME” FEATURED IN WHICH TV SHOW? **THE SAINT AND GREAVESY**

33/ IN WHICH YEAR WAS THE FIRST MOTD PRESENTED? **1964**

34/WHO WAS THE FIRST PRESENTER 64-67? **KENNETH WOLSTENHOLM**

35/ WHO WERE THE NEXT 4 TO PRESENT DAY? **DAVID COLEMAN 67-73**

JIMMY HILL 73-88

DES LYNAM 88-99

GARY LINEKER 96-TO PRESENT.

36/ LAST WOMAN TO PRESENT IT? **GABY LOGAN**

37/ “GOOD MORNING TOKYO” WAS THE THEME TUNE TO WHICH GLOBAL TELEVISED EVENT? **1964 OLYMPIC GAMES**

38/ WHICH SONG FEATURED IN THE 1992 OLYMPIC GAMES TV COVERAGE? **BARCELONA**

39/ “WIN ONE FOR THE GIPPER” IS A QUOTE FROM THE 1940 FILM – KNUTE ROCKNE-ALL AMERICAN. WHICH FUTURE POLITICIAN PLAYED FOOTBALL PLAYER GEORGE GIPP? WHICH COLLEGE TEAM DID HE PLAY FOR? **RONALD REAGAN / NOTRE DAME**

40/ WHO WAS THE FIRST HOST OF SPORTSVIEW AND SPORTS PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR IN 1954 AND GRANDSTAND IN 1958?

PETER DIMMOCK

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TRICIA'S 50th

FROM,

THE BASH STREET KIDS

TRICIA CLARKE, FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY WE ALL WANT TO MARK
YOUR HALF CENTURY 'COS WE THINK YOU'RE GREAT
OH, TRICIA CLARKE YOU ARE OUR MATE.

MEMORIES CAN BE SPORTING AND YOU AIM TO PLEASE
FOOTBALL, CRICKET OR THE MARATHON
OH, TRICIA CLARKE YOU ARE SUCH FUN.

YOU ARE IN YOUR PRIME
YOU AND SAL BOTH WORK SO HARD
SO, WITH FONDEST LOVE
WE GIVE YOU A WELL- EARNED CARD!

BEST WISHES,
THE OLD LADS

SHEFFIELD – THE BIRTHPLACE OF ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

UNIQUE SELLING POINT: What are we hoping to achieve? Raise profile of Sheffield as the birthplace of Association Football. Establish that fact by publicity and education. To integrate communities in the city.

Who are our target audience? a) Sheffield people, b) The Nation, c) The World

IDEAS TO RAISE PROFILE - “Sheffield, the birthplace of Association Football”
Headed notepaper for official correspondence emanating from Sheffield Council Depts and Major businesses. **QUICK WIN – NOTED BY LORD MAYOR**

Signs leading into Sheffield on major access routes. Welcome to Sheffield the birthplace of Association Football **QUICK WIN - SUPPORTED BY LORD MAYOR.**
EAST MIDLANDS RAIL REPRESENTATIVE SAID A SIGN COULD BE PLACED IN THE STATION FOYER, ALONG WITH APPROPRIATE LEAFLETS, IF PRODUCED.

Incorporate on the electronic Matrix Signs on Sheffield Parkway. **QUICK WIN – NOTED BY LORD MAYOR**

Plaque at Crucible entrance celebrating birth of United, Wednesday, Yorkshire CCC at the Adelphi. **QUICK WIN – A PLAQUE ALREADY EXISTS BUT IS OUT OF SIGHT, AROUND THE CORNER, BY THE LIFT. I WAS TOLD THAT ATTEMPTS TO RELOCATE IT AT THE THEATRE’S ENTRANCE WOULDN’T BE WELL RECEIVED???**

A steel football at the feet of The Steel Man sculpture at Tinsley. **QUICK WIN.**
FRAGMENTED DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE WITHOUT PROGRESS. IDEA LEFT WITH MEMBERS.

SUSTAINED STEP BY STEP APPROACH REQUIRES A PLAN

Exhibition as described in Glyn Maguire’s Draft Proposal – either central venue, or touring Sheffield sites. **HEAD OF LIBRARIES SHOWED INTEREST. NEEDS FOLLOW UP. OCTOBER 28th, SHEFFIELD RULES ANNIVERSARY.PROPOSED EXHIBITION, POTENTIALLY AT WESTON PARK MUSEUM 2018/19?**

Produce booklet for schools on history and heritage of football in Sheffield. Major events, “Firsts & Oldests”, rules, grounds, players, hat-tricks, floodlights, cantilever stand, clubs etc. – **MILD INTEREST. AGREED EDUCATION SHOULD FORM PART OF ANY PLANS.**

Exhibitions of photographs, paintings, Memorabilia & Cyril’s work! – **one for the future.**

Collection of all Sheffield Football related books in Central Library. **HEAD OF LIBRARIES INTERESTED.**

Glyn Maguire’s Reporters’ Academy to produce a documentary film to be shown at Showroom[?] AND conduct interviews with SM members etc and produce written, audio, visual material of their personal football memories...before they’re lost! Show at Libraries and Museums. – **HEAD OF LIBRARIES VERY INTERESTED IN DEVELOPMENT OF ORAL HISTORY PROJECT.**

Create an easily accessible Website or addendum to existing Sheffield one. – **LORD MAYOR SURPRISED THAT THERE IS NO EXISTING SITE ON COUNCIL WEBSITE. TO BE CONSIDERED.**

Create an App. – **A WALKING TOUR APP OF HISTORIC SHEFFIELD FOOTBALL SITES IS IN DEVELOPMENT BETWEEN SHEFFIELD LIBRARIES AND LOCAL FOOTBALL HISTORIAN, MARTIN WESTBY. LAUNCH DUE 22nd APRIL. MASTER CUTLER, KEN COOK INTERESTED.**

Statue/sculpture/work of art, in a prominent place [Tudor Square, top of Fargate, New Moor development, E.I.S.] - NOT FORMALLY DISCUSSED.

WHO DO WE INVOLVE?

Club Historians :- John Garrett SUFC, Jason Dickinson SWFC, Chris Eyre S&HFA

Richard Timms Sheffield FC, Steve Basford/Uriah Rennie Hallam FC

Local Clubs plus Sheffield & Hallam FA.

Local Businesses

Glynn Maguire Reporters’ Academy.

Authors of Sheffield Football Histories i.e. Mark Metcalfe, Clive Nicholson, Martin Westby

Sheffield Newspapers – Archives

Les Payne, former journalist.

Radio Sheffield and Hallam - Archives

Look North, Calendar- Archives

All **Sporting Memories Groups** in Sheffield [especially Crystal Peaks Library] plus Wise Old Owls and Senior Blades.

Sporting Memories volunteers to attend exhibitions as guides. – **HEAD OF LIBRARIES KEEN TO INVOLVE S.M. VOLUNTEERS.**

Former footballers i.e. Waddle, Currie

Football Unites Racism Divides

Ladies Football representatives

Sheffield Museums - Archives

Local Artists and cartoonists i.e. Pete McKee

LOCAL Tour Company? Tours of historic sites. Video/DVD tour of site. – **STRONG PROPOSAL TO REOPEN RECENTLY CLOSED TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE, LOCATED BY STEPS FROM TUDOR SQUARE UP TO WINTER GARDENS. TO BE USED AS FOOTBALL INFORMATION CENTRE, MANNED BY VOLUNTEERS. MEMORABILIA, MAPS, THE APP, INFO.**

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SHEFFIELD, THE BIRTHPLACE OF ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL- MISCELLANY

SHEFFIELD FOOTBALL SONGS

HANDBOOK OF FOOTBALL HISTORY FOR KIDS IN SCHOOLS

FANS’ FAVOURITE GOALS, MATCHES, PLAYERS

PLAYERS’ OCCUPATIONS I.E. WINDOW CLEANER, PLUMBER, ARMY

PICTURES

PLAYERS, SHIRTS, TEAMS, GROUNDS THROUGH THE AGES

PETE MCKEE

EUROPEAN GAMES, FAMOUS TEAMS IN SHEFFIELD, INC, FRIENDLIES

EUROPEAN NATIONS CUP 1996

WORLD CUP 1966

Poems, Songs, Hymns and Arias (12)

INTERNATIONALS IN SHEFFIELD I.E. ENGLAND V FRANCE 1962?

TESTIMONIAL MATCHES

TOP FOREIGN PLAYERS TO PLAY IN SHEFFIELD

CRICKET AT THE LANE

LADIES FOOTBALL

JUNIOR LEAGUES/SUNDAY FOOTBALL

SCHOOLS FOOTBALL/SHEFFIELD BOYS

CHARITY GAME celebrating birth of Association Football – **PROPOSED 1 HALF SHEFFIELD RULES, 1 HALF CAMBRIDGE RULES. TBC.**

CYRIL SPOTSWOOD’S [SM Member Crystal Peaks Library] **UNIQUE REPRESENTATIONS OF SHEFFIELD FOOTBALLERS, LETTERS AND AUTOGRAPHS UNITED ON A WEDNESDAY NIGHT** – Rony Robinson’s original play

WHEN SATURDAY COMES- Sean Bean’s Film

KEEP THE BALL IN THE BAG – Glyn Maguire’s documentary on Owls’ 1966 Cup Run, interviews with players.

AN INTERESTING MEETING WITH POTENTIAL TO DEVELOP FUTURE PROJECTS. I GAVE COPIES OF GLYN MAGUIRE’S DRAFT PROPOSAL TO THOSE WHO I FEEL WE CAN POTENTIALLY WORK WITH i.e. HEAD OF LIBRARIES, SHEFFIELD UNI. REP., LORD MAYOR, AND FOOTBALL HISTORIAN, MARTIN WESTBY.

I ALSO GAVE THEM COPIES OF THESE NOTES. SM’s IDEAS AND PROPOSALS BUT WITHOUT MY APPENDED NOTES.