Week 21

Liverpool FC v Blackpool FC 5-2
Saturday, 5 December 1953, Anfield Road, attendance: 47,320
LFC: Crossley; R.Lambert, Spicer, R.Saunders, W.Jones, B.Wilkinson, B.Jackson, Payne, Arnell, Smyth, A'Court
BFC: Farm; Shimwell, Garrett, E.Fenton, H.Johnston, C.Robinson, S.Matthews, E.Taylor, Mortensen, A.D.Brown, Perry
Scorers: A'Court (2), Payne (1), Arnell (1), Smyth (1) - E.Taylor (2)

Charlton Athletic v Manchester City 2-1
Saturday, 5 December 1953, The Valley, attendance: 17,813
CACF: Bartram; Hewie, S.C.Ellis, B.Fenton, Ufton, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, O'Linn, Leary, E.Firmani, Ayre
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Little, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, Anders, Hayes, Meadows, R.Clarke, R.Cunliffe
Scorers: B.Fenton (1), Leary (1) - Meadows (1)

Manchester United v Sheffield United 2-2
Saturday, 5 December 1953, Old Trafford, attendance: 33,524
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, P.Wragg, Toner, Brook, Hawksworth
Scorers: J.Blanchflower (2) - Toner (1), Hawksworth (1)

Sheffield Wednesday v Cardiff City 2-1
Saturday, 5 December 1953, Hillsborough, attendance: 26,597
SWFC: Ryalls; Conwell, N.Curtis, E.Gannon, Turton, G.Davies, Marriott, Quixall, R.Froggatt, Sewell, Woodhead
CCFC: Howells; Stitfall, Rutter, W.Baker, Montgomery, D.Sullivan, Tiddy, W.Grant, Ford, Chisholm, G.Edwards
Scorers: R.Froggatt (1), Sewell (1) - Chisholm (1)

Burnley FC v Sunderland 5-1
Saturday, 5 December 1953, Turf Moor, attendance: 27,839
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Seith, W.Gray, McIlroy, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington
SAFC: McNeill; Stelling, Hudgell, S.Anderson, R.Daniel, G.Aitken, Bingham, Kirtley, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, W.H.Elliott
Scorers: McIlroy (1), W.Holden (1), Shannon (1), Adamson (1), W.Gray (1) - L.Shackleton (1)

Middlesbrough FC v Arsenal FC 2-0
Saturday, 5 December 1953, Ayresome Park, attendance: 30,085
MFC: Ugolini; R.Dicks, R.Corbett, H.Bell, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Lawrie, W.Mannion, Spuhler, Delapenha, G.Walker
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, L.Smith, W.Dickson, Dodgin, A.Forbes, Milton, Logie, Holton, Lishman, Roper
Scorer: Spuhler (2)

Tottenham Hotspur v Wolverhampton Wanderers 2-3
Saturday, 5 December 1953, White Hart Lane, attendance: 48,164
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, C.Withers, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Burgess, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, Baily, McClellan
WWFC: B.Williams; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, W.Wright, Hancocks, P.Broadbent, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
Scorers: L.Bennett (1), Duquemin (1) - Hancocks (1), Wilshaw (1), P.Broadbent (1)

Newcastle United v Chelsea FC 1-1
Saturday, 5 December 1953, St. James Park, attendance: 41,728
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, T.Walker, Broadis, J.Milburn, Hannah, R.Mitchell
CFC: W.G.Robertson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
Scorers: R.Mitchell (1) - L.Stubbs (1)

Preston North End v Aston Villa 1-1
Saturday, 5 December 1953, Deepdale, attendance: 20,590
Preston: G.Thompson; Mattinson, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, L.Campbell, Hatsell, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
Villa: K.Jones; Parkes, Aldis, D.Blanchflower, F.Moss, W.Baxter, C.Gibson, T.Thompson, D.Walsh, J.Dixon, K.Roberts
Scorers: Hatsell (1) - T.Thompson (1)

West Bromwich Albion v Portsmouth FC 2-3
Saturday, 5 December 1953, The Hawthorns, attendance: 29,492
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, J.Kennedy, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee
PFC: Platt; Gunter, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, D.Reid, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, Vaughan, R.A.Hunt, J.Henderson
Scorers: Nicholls (1), R.Allen (1) - J.D.Gordon (2), P.Harris (1)

Bolton Wanderers v Huddersfield Town 0-0
Saturday, 5 December 1953, Burnden Park, attendance: 36,077
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, J.Higgins, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, Hassall, R.Parry
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, Quested, Gunn, Cavanagh, Shiner, Davie, Metcalfe

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 Wolverhampton Wanderers	21	14	05	02	33-9	54:29	1.862
02 West Bromwich Albion	21	15	02	04	32-10	58:28	2.071
03 Huddersfield Town	21	12	04	05	28-14	38:21	1.810
04 Burnley FC	21	13	00	08	26-16	48:38	1.263
05 Bolton Wanderers	20	08	08	04	24-16	37:28	1.321
06 Charlton Athletic	21	11	01	09	23-19	45:40	1.125
07 Manchester United	21	06	10	05	22-20	34:29	1.172
08 Blackpool FC	20	09	04	07	22-18	37:35	1.057
09 Arsenal FC	21	09	04	08	22-20	41:39	1.051
10 Sheffield Wednesday	22	09	03	10	21-23	38:48	0.792
11 Cardiff City	21	08	05	08	21-21	26:37	0.703
12 Preston North End	21	09	02	10	20-22	47:31	1.516
13 Aston Villa	20	09	02	09	20-20	34:35	0.971
14 Tottenham Hotspur	21	09	01	11	19-23	34:38	0.895
15 Newcastle United	21	05	07	09	17-25	32:39	0.821
16 Chelsea FC	21	06	05	10	17-25	34:46	0.739
17 Sheffield United	20	06	04	10	16-24	33:42	0.786
18 Portsmouth FC	21	05	06	10	16-26	41:53	0.774
19 Middlesbrough FC	21	06	04	11	16-26	32:46	0.696
20 Liverpool FC	21	05	05	11	15-27	41:51	0.804
21 Manchester City	21	05	05	11	15-27	25:41	0.610
22 Sunderland AFC	20	05	03	12	13-27	40:55	0.727

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	20	goals
02 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	19	"
R.Allen (West Bromwich)	19	"
04 Mortensen (Blackpool)	15	"
05 Leary (Charlton)	14	"
Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	14	"
T.Wright (Sunderland)	14	"
Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	14	"
Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	14	"
10 T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	12	"
Hassall (Bolton)	12	"
W.Gray (Burnley)	12	"
Chisholm (Cardiff)	12	"
P.Harris (Portsmouth)	12	"
15 J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	11	"
Bimpson (Liverpool)	11	"
17 Sewell (Sheffield W.)	10	"
R.Bentley (Chelsea)	10	"
Holton (Arsenal)	10	"
Wayman (Preston North End)	10	"
D.Walsh (Aston Villa)	10	"
T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	10	"
23 Robb (Tottenham)	9	"
J.Baxter (Preston North End)	9	"
McIlroy (Burnley)	9	"
Smyth (Liverpool)	9	"
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	9	"
Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	9	"
Lishman (Arsenal)	9	"

Week 22

Chelsea FC v Manchester United 3-1
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Stamford Bridge, attendance: 37,153
CFC: W.G.Robertson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
Scorers: McNichol (2), Parsons (1) - J.Berry (1)

Aston Villa v Tottenham Hotspur 1-2
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Villa Park, attendance: 27,480
Villa: K.Jones; S.Lynn, Aldis, D.Blanchflower, F.Moss, A.Moss, C.Gibson, T.Thompson, D.Walsh, J.Dixon, Lockhart
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, C.Withers, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Brittan, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, Baily, Robb
Scorers: D.Blanchflower (1) - Walters (1), Baily (1)

Cardiff City v Middlesbrough FC 1-0
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Ninian Park, attendance: 31,776
CCFC: Howells; Stitfall, Rutter, W.Baker, Montgomery, D.Sullivan, Tiddy, Nugent, Ford, Chisholm, G.Edwards
MFC: Ugolini; R.Dicks, R.Corbett, H.Bell, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Lawrie, Spuhler, K.McPherson, Delapenha, G.Walker
Scorer: Ford (1)

Arsenal FC v West Bromwich Albion 2-2
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Highbury, attendance: 55,264
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, L.Smith, W.Dickson, Dodgin, Mercer, Roper, Logie, Holton, Lishman, Marden
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, J.Kennedy, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee
Scorers: Lishman (2) - Nicholls (2)

Portsmouth FC v Liverpool FC 5-1
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Fratton Park, attendance: 23,709
PFC: Platt; Gunter, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, D.Reid, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, Vaughan, Gemmell, J.Henderson
LFC: Crossley; R.Lambert, Spicer, R.Saunders, W.Jones, B.Wilkinson, B.Jackson, Payne, Arnell, Smyth, A'Court
Scorers: P.Harris (3), Vaughan (1), J.D.Gordon (1) - Smyth (1)

Sunderland AFC v Charlton Athletic 2-1
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Roker Park, attendance: 29,652
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, F.Hall, G.Aitken, T.Wright, Kirtley, R.Daniel, L.Shackleton, W.H.Elliott
CACF: Bartram; Hewie, S.C.Ellis, B.Fenton, Ufton, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, O'Linn, E.Firmani, J.Evans, Ayre
Scorers: L.Shackleton (2) - Gd.Hurst (1)

Manchester City v Sheffield Wednesday 3-2
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Maine Road, attendance: 27,710
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Little, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, Hayes, Revie, Meadows, Gd.Davies, R.Clarke
SWFC: Ryalls; Conwell, N.Curtis, T.McAnearney, O'Donnell, E.Gannon, Marriott, Quixall, R.Froggatt, Sewell, Woodhead
Scorers: Gd.Davies (1), Little (1), Revie (1) - R.Froggatt (1), N.Curtis (1')

Blackpool FC v Newcastle United 1-3
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Bloomfield Road, attendance: 19,896
BFC: Farm; Shimwell, Garrett, E.Fenton, Crosland, A.D.Brown, Hobson, E.Taylor, Mortensen, Mudie, Perry
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, J.Milburn, Broadis, Monkhouse, Hannah, R.Mitchell
Scorers: Perry (1) - Broadis (1), Hannah (1), R.Mitchell (1)

Huddersfield Town v Preston North End 2-2
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Leeds Road, attendance: 26,972
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, Quested, Gunn, Cavanagh, Shiner, Davie, Metcalfe
Preston: G.Thompson; Mattinson, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, L.Campbell, Hatsell, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
Scorers: Cavanagh (1), Metcalfe (1') - Wayman (1), A.Morrison (1)

Sheffield United v Bolton Wanderers 3-0
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Bramall Lane, attendance: 27,769
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, P.Wragg, Toner, Brook, Hawksworth
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Th.Neill, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, Allcock, Lofthouse, W.Moir, R.Parry
Scorers: Hawksworth (1), Ringstead (1), Toner (1)

Wolverhampton Wanderers v Burnley FC 1-2
Saturday, 12 December 1953, Molineux, attendance: 35,043
WWFC: B.Williams; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, W.Wright, Hancocks, P.Broadbent, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, McIlroy, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington
Scorers: Hancocks (1) - W.Holden (2)

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 West Bromwich Albion	22	15	03	04	33-11	60:30	2.000
02 Wolverhampton Wanderers	22	14	05	03	33-11	55:31	1.774
03 Huddersfield Town	22	12	05	05	29-15	40:23	1.739
04 Burnley FC	22	14	00	08	28-16	50:39	1.282
05 Bolton Wanderers	21	08	08	05	24-18	37:31	1.194
06 Charlton Athletic	22	11	01	10	23-21	46:42	1.095
07 Arsenal FC	22	09	05	08	23-21	43:41	1.049
08 Cardiff City	22	09	05	08	23-21	27:37	0.730
09 Manchester United	22	06	10	06	22-22	35:32	1.094
10 Blackpool FC	21	09	04	08	22-20	38:38	1.000
11 Preston North End	22	09	03	10	21-23	49:33	1.485
12 Tottenham Hotspur	22	10	01	11	21-23	36:39	0.923
13 Sheffield Wednesday	23	09	03	11	21-25	40:51	0.784
14 Aston Villa	21	09	02	10	20-22	35:37	0.946
15 Newcastle United	22	06	07	09	19-25	35:40	0.875
16 Chelsea FC	22	07	05	10	19-25	37:47	0.787
17 Sheffield United	21	07	04	10	18-24	36:42	0.857
18 Portsmouth FC	22	06	06	10	18-26	46:54	0.852
19 Manchester City	22	06	05	11	17-27	28:43	0.651
20 Middlesbrough FC	22	06	04	12	16-28	32:47	0.681
21 Sunderland AFC	21	06	03	12	15-27	42:56	0.750
Liverpool FC	22	05	05	12	15-29	42:56	0.750

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	22	goals
02 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	19	"
R.Allen (West Bromwich)	19	"
04 Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	15	"
Mortensen (Blackpool)	15	"
P.Harris (Portsmouth)	15	"
07 Leary (Charlton)	14	"
Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	14	"
Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	14	"
T.Wright (Sunderland)	14	"
11 T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	12	"
Chisholm (Cardiff)	12	"
J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	12	"
Hassall (Bolton)	12	"
W.Gray (Burnley)	12	"
16 Bimpson (Liverpool)	11	"
Lishman (Arsenal)	11	"
Wayman (Preston North End)	11	"
19 T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	10	"
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	10	"
D.Walsh (Aston Villa)	10	"
Smyth (Liverpool)	10	"
McIlroy (Burnley)	10	"
McNichol (Chelsea)	10	"
R.Bentley (Chelsea)	10	"
Holton (Arsenal)	10	"
Sewell (Sheffield W.)	10	"
28 Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	9	"
W.Holden (Burnley)	9	"
Robb (Tottenham)	9	"
R.Mitchell (Newcastle)	9	"
Walters (Tottenham)	9	"
J.Baxter (Preston North End)	9	"

Week 23

Manchester United v Liverpool FC 5-1
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Old Trafford, attendance: 27,916
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
LFC: Underwood; R.Lambert, Spicer, R.Saunders, B.Wilkinson, Twentyman, B.Jackson, Baron, Bimpson, Smyth, Liddell
Scorers: J.Blanchflower (2), T.Taylor (2), Viollet (1) - Bimpson (1)

Sheffield United v Portsmouth FC 3-1
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Bramall Lane, attendance: 25,436
SUFC: Burgin; Furniss, Ridge, J.Shaw, Coldwell, Rawson, Ringstead, P.Wragg, Toner, Brook, Hawksworth
PFC: Platt; A.Wilson, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, D.Reid, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, Vaughan, Gemmell, J.Henderson
Scorers: Furniss (2''), P.Wragg (1) - J.D.Gordon (1)

Chelsea FC v Blackpool FC 5-1
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Stamford Bridge, attendance: 34,865
CFC: W.G.Robertson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
BFC: Wylie; Garrett, J.Wright, E.Fenton, Crosland, A.D.Brown, Perry, E.Taylor, Mortensen, Mudie, A.Withers
Scorers: McNichol (3), R.Bentley (1), L.Stubbs (1) - Mudie (1)

Burnley FC v Charlton Athletic 2-0
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Turf Moor, attendance: 25,369
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, McIlroy, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington
CAFC: Bartram; J.Campbell, S.C.Ellis, Hewie, Ufton, B.Fenton, Gd.Hurst, E.Firmani, J.Evans, O'Linn, Ayre
Scorers: McIlroy (1), Shannon (1)

Tottenham Hotspur v Sheffield Wednesday 3-1
Saturday, 19 December 1953, White Hart Lane, attendance: 25,957
Spurs: Ditchburn; P.Baker, C.Withers, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Burgess, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, Baily, Robb
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, N.Curtis, T.McAnearney, Turton, E.Gannon, A.Finney, Quixall, R.Froggatt, Sewell, Woodhead
Scorers: P.Baker (1), Duquemin (1), N.Curtis (1 o.g.) - R.Froggatt (1)

Bolton Wanderers v West Bromwich Albion 2-1
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Burnden Park, attendance: 32,246
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, R.Parry, Beards
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, J.Kennedy, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee
Scorers: Wheeler (1), Lofthouse (1) - R.Ryan (1)

Preston North End v Middlesbrough FC 1-0
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Deepdale, attendance: 18,909
Preston: G.Thompson; Mattinson, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, L.Campbell, Hatsell, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
MFC: Ugolini; R.Dicks, R.Corbett, H.Bell, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Lawrie, W.Mannion, K.McPherson, Delapenha, G.Walker
Scorer: Wayman (1)

Sunderland AFC v Newcastle United 1-1
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Roker Park, attendance: 49,822
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, F.Hall, G.Aitken, T.Wright, Kirtley, R.Daniel, L.Shackleton, W.H.Elliott
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, J.Milburn, Broadis, Monkhouse, Hannah, R.Mitchell
Scorers: S.Anderson (1) - Broadis (1)

Huddersfield Town v Arsenal FC 2-2
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Leeds Road, attendance: 34,018
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, Quested, Gunn, Cavanagh, Glazzard, Davie, Metcalfe
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, L.Smith, W.Dickson, Dodgin, Mercer, Milton, Logie, Holton, Lishman, Roper
Scorers: Glazzard (2) - Milton (1), Lishman (1)

Wolverhampton Wanderers v Manchester City 3-1
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Molineux, attendance: 27,606
WWFC: B.Williams; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, W.Wright, Hancocks, P.Broadbent, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Little, Revie, D.Ewing, Paul, Hayes, Hart, Meadows, Gd.Davies, R.Clarke
Scorers: Hancocks (2'), Wilshaw (1) - Gd.Davies (1)

Aston Villa v Cardiff City 1-2
Saturday, 19 December 1953, Villa Park, attendance: 27,012
Villa: K.Jones; Parkes, Aldis, D.Blanchflower, F.Moss, W.Baxter, J.Dixon, T.Thompson, C.Gibson, K.Roberts, Lockhart
CCFC: Howells; Rutter, D.Sullivan, W.Baker, Montgomery, Blair, Tiddy, Nugent, Ford, Northcott, G.Edwards
Scorers: J.Dixon (1) - Northcott (2)

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 Wolverhampton Wanderers	23	15	05	03	35-11	58:32	1.813
02 West Bromwich Albion	23	15	03	05	33-13	61:32	1.906
03 Huddersfield Town	23	12	06	05	30-16	42:25	1.680
04 Burnley FC	23	15	00	08	30-16	52:39	1.333
05 Bolton Wanderers	22	09	08	05	26-18	39:32	1.219
06 Cardiff City	23	10	05	08	25-21	29:38	0.763
07 Manchester United	23	07	10	06	24-22	40:33	1.212
08 Arsenal FC	23	09	06	08	24-22	45:43	1.047
09 Preston North End	23	10	03	10	23-23	50:33	1.515
10 Charlton Athletic	23	11	01	11	23-23	46:44	1.045
11 Tottenham Hotspur	23	11	01	11	23-23	39:40	0.975
12 Blackpool FC	22	09	04	09	22-22	39:43	0.907
13 Chelsea FC	23	08	05	10	21-25	42:48	0.875
14 Sheffield Wednesday	24	09	03	12	21-27	41:54	0.759
15 Aston Villa	22	09	02	11	20-24	36:39	0.923
16 Sheffield United	22	08	04	10	20-24	39:43	0.907
17 Newcastle United	23	06	08	09	20-26	36:41	0.878
18 Portsmouth FC	23	06	06	11	18-28	47:57	0.825
19 Manchester City	23	06	05	12	17-29	29:46	0.630
20 Sunderland AFC	22	06	04	12	16-28	43:57	0.754
21 Middlesbrough FC	23	06	04	13	16-30	32:48	0.667
22 Liverpool FC	23	05	05	13	15-31	43:61	0.705

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	22	goals
02 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	21	
03 R.Allen (West Bromwich)	19	"
04 Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	17	"
05 Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	15	"
Mortensen (Blackpool)	15	"
P.Harris (Portsmouth)	15	"
08 Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	14	"
Leary (Charlton)	14	"
T.Wright (Sunderland)	14	"
11 J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	13	"
McNichol (Chelsea)	13	"
13 Bimpson (Liverpool)	12	"
Lishman (Arsenal)	12	"
T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	12	"
Wayman (Preston North End)	12	"
Chisholm (Cardiff)	12	"
T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	12	"
W.Gray (Burnley)	12	"
Hassall (Bolton)	12	"
21 R.Bentley (Chelsea)	11	"
McIlroy (Burnley)	11	"
23 Holton (Arsenal)	10	"
Sewell (Sheffield W.)	10	"
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	10	"
D.Walsh (Aston Villa)	10	"
Smyth (Liverpool)	10	"
28 R.Mitchell (Newcastle)	9	"
Duquemin (Tottenham)	9	"
Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	9	"
Walters (Tottenham)	9	"
Robb (Tottenham)	9	"
J.Baxter (Preston North End)	9	"
Mudie (Blackpool)	9	"
W.Holden (Burnley)	9	"

Week 24

Wolverhampton Wanderers v Aston Villa 1-2
Thursday, 24 December 1953, Molineux, attendance: 40,536
WWFC: Sims; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, W.Wright, Hancocks, P.Broadbent, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
Villa: K.Jones; Parkes, Vinall, W.Baxter, F.Moss, A.Moss, C.Gibson, D.Blanchflower, J.Dixon, T.Thompson, McParland
Scorers: Wilshaw (1) - J.Dixon (1), McParland (1)

Charlton Athletic v Bolton Wanderers 1-0
Friday, 25 December 1953, The Valley, attendance: 19,226
CAFC: Bartram; J.Campbell, S.C.Ellis, B.Fenton, Ufton, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, Ayre, Hewie, E.Firmani, Kiernan
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, R.Parry, Beards
Scorer: Hewie (1)

Tottenham Hotspur v Portsmouth FC 1-1
Friday, 25 December 1953, White Hart Lane, attendance: 36,502
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, C.Withers, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Wetton, Walters, J.Brooks, Duquemin, Baily, Robb
PFC: Platt; A.Wilson, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, D.Reid, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, Vaughan, C.Mortimore, J.Henderson
Scorers: J.Brooks (1) - P.Harris (1)

Manchester United v Sheffield Wednesday 5-2
Friday, 25 December 1953, Old Trafford, attendance: 28,953
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, N.Curtis, T.McAnearney, Turton, E.Gannon, A.Finney, Quixall, R.Froggatt, Sewell, Woodhead
Scorers: T.Taylor (3), J.Blanchflower (1), Viollet (1) - E.Gannon (1), Woodhead (1)

Burnley FC v Preston North End 2-1
Friday, 25 December 1953, Turf Moor, attendance: 33,398
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, McIlroy, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington
Preston: G.Thompson; Mattinson, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, L.Campbell, J.Baxter, Wayman, Waterhouse, A.Morrison
Scorers: Shannon (1), Pilkington (1) - A.Morrison (1)

West Bromwich Albion v Liverpool FC 5-2
Friday, 25 December 1953, The Hawthorns, attendance: 30,287
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, J.Kennedy, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee
LFC: Crossley; R.Lambert, B.Wilkinson, P.Taylor, Twentyman, Paisley, B.Jackson, J.T.Smith, Bimpson, Smyth, A'Court
Scorers: F.Griffin (2), Nicholls (1), R.Barlow (1), R.Allen (1) - A'Court (1), R.Lambert (1)

Middlesbrough FC v Newcastle United 2-3
Friday, 25 December 1953, Ayresome Park, attendance: 28,138
MFC: Ugolini; R.Dicks, R.Corbett, H.Bell, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Lawrie, W.Mannion, Spuhler, Delapenha, G.Walker
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, J.Milburn, Broadis, Monkhouse, Hannah, R.Mitchell
Scorers: Spuhler (1), G.Walker (1) - R.Mitchell (1), Monkhouse (1), Scoular (1)

Sunderland AFC v Huddersfield Town 1-1
Friday, 25 December 1953, Roker Park, attendance: 36,751
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, F.Hall, G.Aitken, T.Wright, Kirtley, R.Daniel, L.Shackleton, W.H.Elliott
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, Quested, Burrell, Cavanagh, J.Watson, Davie, Metcalfe
Scorers: F.Hall (1) - J.Watson (1)

Sheffield United v Manchester City 2-2
Friday, 25 December 1953, Bramall Lane, attendance: 32,787
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, P.Wragg, Toner, Brook, Hawksworth
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Little, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, Anders, Hart, Meadows, Revie, R.Clarke
Scorers: Hawksworth (1), Brook (1') - Hart (1), Revie (1)

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 West Bromwich Albion	24	16	03	05	35-13	66:34	1.941
02 Wolverhampton Wanderers	24	15	05	04	35-13	59:34	1.735
03 Burnley FC	24	16	00	08	32-16	54:40	1.350
04 Huddersfield Town	24	12	07	05	31-17	43:26	1.654
05 Manchester United	24	08	10	06	26-22	45:35	1.286
06 Bolton Wanderers	23	09	08	06	26-20	39:33	1.182
07 Charlton Athletic	24	12	01	11	25-23	47:44	1.068
08 Cardiff City	23	10	05	08	25-21	29:38	0.763
09 Arsenal FC	23	09	06	08	24-22	45:43	1.047
10 Tottenham Hotspur	24	11	02	11	24-24	40:41	0.976
11 Preston North End	24	10	03	11	23-25	51:35	1.457
12 Aston Villa	23	10	02	11	22-24	38:40	0.950
13 Blackpool FC	22	09	04	09	22-22	39:43	0.907
Newcastle United	24	07	08	09	22-26	39:43	0.907
15 Sheffield United	23	08	05	10	21-25	41:45	0.911
16 Chelsea FC	23	08	05	10	21-25	42:48	0.875
17 Sheffield Wednesday	25	09	03	13	21-29	43:59	0.729
18 Portsmouth FC	24	06	07	11	19-29	48:58	0.828
19 Manchester City	24	06	06	12	18-30	31:48	0.646
20 Sunderland AFC	23	06	05	12	17-29	44:58	0.759
21 Middlesbrough FC	24	06	04	14	16-32	34:51	0.667
22 Liverpool FC	24	05	05	14	15-33	45:66	0.682

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	23	goals
02 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	21	"
03 R.Allen (West Bromwich)	20	"
04 Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	17	"
05 Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	16	"
P.Harris (Portsmouth)	16	"
07 Mortensen (Blackpool)	15	"
T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	15	"
09 T.Wright (Sunderland)	14	"
Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	14	"
Leary (Charlton)	14	"
12 McNichol (Chelsea)	13	"
J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	13	"
14 Hassall (Bolton)	12	"
W.Gray (Burnley)	12	"
Wayman (Preston North End)	12	"
Bimpson (Liverpool)	12	"
T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	12	"
Lishman (Arsenal)	12	"
Chisholm (Cardiff)	12	"
21 McIlroy (Burnley)	11	"
R.Bentley (Chelsea)	11	"
23 R.Mitchell (Newcastle)	10	"
Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	10	"
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	10	"
Smyth (Liverpool)	10	"
Sewell (Sheffield W.)	10	"
D.Walsh (Aston Villa)	10	"
Holton (Arsenal)	10	"
30 Robb (Tottenham)	9	"
W.Holden (Burnley)	9	"
Walters (Tottenham)	9	"
J.Baxter (Preston North End)	9	"
Duquemin (Tottenham)	9	"
Mudie (Blackpool)	9	"
Hawksworth (Sheffield Utd.)	9	"

Week 25

Preston North End v Burnley FC 2-1
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Deepdale, attendance: 32,416
Preston: G.Thompson; W.Cunningham, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, E.Jones, R.Foster, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Seith, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, McIlroy, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington
Scorers: Wayman (2) - McIlroy (1)

Portsmouth FC v Tottenham Hotspur 1-1
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Fratton Park, attendance: 36,677
PFC: Platt; Gunter, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, D.Reid, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, Vaughan, M.Barnard, J.Henderson
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, Hopkins, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Wetton, Walters, Stokes, Duquemin, J.Brooks, Robb
Scorers: Vaughan (1) - Walters (1)

Newcastle United v Middlesbrough FC 2-3
Saturday, 26 December 1953, St. James Park, attendance: 43,750
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, W.I.Foulkes, Broadis, Gaskell, Hannah, R.Mitchell
MFC: Ugolini; R.Dicks, R.Corbett, H.Bell, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Lawrie, S.O'Connell, Spuhler, Delapenha, G.Walker
Scorers: Broadis (1), R.Mitchell (1) - Delapenha (1), Lawrie (1), S.O'Connell (1)

Huddersfield Town v Sunderland AFC 2-1
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Leeds Road, attendance: 40,989
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, Quested, Burrell, Cavanagh, J.Watson, Davie, Metcalfe
SAFC: Cowan; F.Hall, Hudgell, S.Anderson, R.Daniel, G.Aitken, Bingham, Kirtley, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, W.H.Elliott
Scorers: Cavanagh (1), Metcalfe (1) - L.Shackleton (1)

Manchester City v Sheffield United 2-1
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Maine Road, attendance: 35,786
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Little, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, F.Fagan, Hart, Meadows, Revie, R.Clarke
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, P.Wragg, Hawksworth, Brook, Grainger
Scorers: Hart (1), Rawson (1 o.g.) - Ringstead (1)

Blackpool FC v Arsenal FC 2-2
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Bloomfield Road, attendance: 29,347
BFC: Wylie; Shimwell, Garrett, H.Johnston, Crosland, H.Kelly, S.Matthews, Mudie, Mortensen, A.D.Brown, Perry
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, L.Smith, W.Dickson, Dodgin, Mercer, Milton, Logie, Holton, Lishman, Roper
Scorers: A.D.Brown (2) - Roper (1), Lishman (1)

Chelsea FC v Cardiff City 2-0
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Stamford Bridge, attendance: 61,336
CFC: W.G.Robertson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
CCFC: Howells; Rutter, D.Sullivan, W.Baker, Montgomery, Blair, Tiddy, Nugent, Ford, Northcott, G.Edwards
Scorers: L.Stubbs (1), Blunstone (1)

Bolton Wanderers v Charlton Athletic 3-1
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Burnden Park, attendance: 36,065
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, R.Parry, Beards
CAFC: Bartram; J.Campbell, S.C.Ellis, B.Fenton, Ufton, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, Ayre, Hewie, E.Firmani, Kiernan
Scorers: Wheeler (1), W.Moir (1), Lofthouse (1) - Hewie (1)

Aston Villa v Wolverhampton Wanderers 1-2
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Villa Park, attendance: 49,123
Villa: K.Jones; S.Lynn, Vinall, W.Baxter, C.Martin, A.Moss, C.Gibson, D.Blanchflower, J.Dixon, T.Thompson, McParland
WWFC: Sims; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, W.Wright, Hancocks, P.Broadbent, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
Scorers: T.Thompson (1) - Hancocks (1), Wilshaw (1)

Liverpool FC v West Bromwich Albion 0-0
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Anfield Road, attendance: 51,167
LFC: Underwood; R.Lambert, Lock, B.Wilkinson, Twentyman, Paisley, B.Jackson, J.Evans, Bimpson, Smyth, A'Court
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, J.Kennedy, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee

Sheffield Wednesday v Manchester United 0-1
Saturday, 26 December 1953, Hillsborough, attendance: 43,526
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, N.Curtis, E.Gannon, Turton, Seemley, A.Finney, Quixall, Woodhead, Sewell, Marriott
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
Scorer: Viollet (1)

Cardiff City v Chelsea FC 0-0
Monday, 28 December 1953, Ninian Park, attendance: 36,958
CCFC: Howells; Rutter, Stitfall, W.Baker, Montgomery, Blair, Tiddy, Nugent, Ford, Northcott, G.Edwards
CFC: W.G.Robertson; Jn.Harris, P.Sillett, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone

Arsenal FC v Blackpool FC 1-1
Monday, 28 December 1953, Highbury, attendance: 63,661
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, W.Barnes, W.Dickson, Dodgin, Mercer, Milton, Logie, Holton, Lishman, Roper
BFC: Wyllie; Shimwell, Garrett, H.Johnston, Crosland, H.Kelly, S.Matthews, Mudie, Mortensen, A.D.Brown, Perry
Scorers: Roper (1) - Perry (1)

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 Wolverhampton Wanderers	25	16	05	04	37-13	61:35	1.743
02 West Bromwich Albion	25	16	04	05	36-14	66:34	1.941
03 Huddersfield Town	25	13	07	05	33-17	45:27	1.667
04 Burnley FC	25	16	00	09	32-18	55:42	1.310
05 Manchester United	25	09	10	06	28-22	46:35	1.314
06 Bolton Wanderers	24	10	08	06	28-20	42:34	1.235
07 Arsenal FC	25	09	08	08	26-24	48:46	1.044
08 Cardiff City	25	10	06	09	26-24	29:40	0.725
09 Preston North End	25	11	03	11	25-25	53:36	1.472
10 Charlton Athletic	25	12	01	12	25-25	48:47	1.021
11 Tottenham Hotspur	25	11	03	11	25-25	41:42	0.976
12 Chelsea FC	25	09	06	10	24-26	44:48	0.917
13 Blackpool FC	24	09	06	09	24-24	42:46	0.913
14 Aston Villa	24	10	02	12	22-26	39:42	0.929
15 Newcastle United	25	07	08	10	22-28	41:46	0.891
16 Sheffield United	24	08	05	11	21-27	42:47	0.894
17 Sheffield Wednesday	26	09	03	14	21-31	43:60	0.717
18 Portsmouth FC	25	06	08	11	20-30	49:59	0.831
19 Manchester City	25	07	06	12	20-30	33:49	0.673
20 Middlesbrough FC	25	07	04	14	18-32	37:53	0.698
21 Sunderland AFC	24	06	05	13	17-31	45:60	0.750
22 Liverpool FC	25	05	06	14	16-34	45:66	0.682

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	23	goals
02 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	21	"
03 R.Allen (West Bromwich)	20	"
04 Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	18	"
05 Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	17	"
06 P.Harris (Portsmouth)	16	"
07 Mortensen (Blackpool)	15	"
T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	15	"
09 T.Wright (Sunderland)	14	"
Leary (Charlton)	14	"
Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	14	"
Wayman (Preston North End)	14	"
13 J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	13	"
Lishman (Arsenal)	13	"
McNichol (Chelsea)	13	"
T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	13	"
17 Chisholm (Cardiff)	12	"
Hassall (Bolton)	12	"
McIlroy (Burnley)	12	"
W.Gray (Burnley)	12	"
Bimpson (Liverpool)	12	"
22 R.Bentley (Chelsea)	11	"
R.Mitchell (Newcastle)	11	"
24 Walters (Tottenham)	10	"
Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	10	"
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	10	"
Sewell (Sheffield W.)	10	"
Holton (Arsenal)	10	"
D.Walsh (Aston Villa)	10	"
Smyth (Liverpool)	10	"

Week 26

Bolton Wanderers v Sheffield United 2-1
Friday, 1 January 1954, Burnden Park, attendance: 37,484
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, D.Stevens, R.Parry
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, P.Wragg, Toner, Brook, Hawksworth
Scorers: Lofthouse (1), Caldwell (1 o.g.) - Brook (1)

Newcastle United v Blackpool FC 2-1
Friday, 1 January 1954, St. James Park, attendance: 44,343
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, W.I.Foulkes, Broadis, J.Milburn, Hannah, R.Mitchell
BFC: Wylie; Shimwell, Garrett, H.Johnston, Crosland, H.Kelly, Hobson, Mudie, Mortensen, A.D.Brown, Perry
Scorers: J.Milburn (2) - A.D.Brown (1)

Sunderland AFC v Aston Villa 2-0
Friday, 1 January 1954, Roker Park, attendance: 44,337
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, F.Hall, G.Aitken, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, R.Daniel, Chisholm, W.H.Elliott
Villa: K.Jones; S.Lynn, Vinall, W.Baxter, F.Moss, A.Moss, J.Dixon, D.Blanchflower, D.Walsh, T.Thompson, McParland
Scorers: Chisholm (1), L.Shackleton (1)

Charlton Athletic v Chelsea FC 1-1
Saturday, 2 January 1954, The Valley, attendance: 29,017
CACF: Bartram; J.Campbell, S.C.Ellis, B.Fenton, Ufton, Pembery, Gd.Hurst, Ayre, Hewie, E.Firmani, Kiernan
CFC: C.Thomson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
Scorers: Hewie (1) - McNichol (1)

Manchester City v Sunderland AFC 2-1
Saturday, 2 January 1954, Maine Road, attendance: 23,742
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Little, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, F.Fagan, Meadows, McAdams, Revie, R.Clarke
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, F.Hall, G.Aitken, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, R.Daniel, Chisholm, W.H.Elliott
Scorers: McAdams (1), Revie (1) - T.Wright (1)

Portsmouth FC v Huddersfield Town 5-2
Saturday, 2 January 1954, Fratton Park, attendance: 27,215
PFC: Platt; A.Wilson, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, D.Reid, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, Vaughan, M.Barnard, J.Henderson
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, Quested, Burrell, Cavanagh, J.Watson, Davie, Metcalfe
Scorers: Vaughan (3), P.Harris (1), J.Henderson (1) - Mansell (1 o.g.), Quested (1)

Sheffield Wednesday v Burnley FC 2-0
Saturday, 2 January 1954, Hillsborough, attendance: 33,061
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, Seemley, E.Gannon, Butler, G.Davies, A.Finney, Quixall, J.S.Shaw, Sewell, Woodhead
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Seith, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, McIlroy, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington
Scorers: Quixall (1), Woodhead (1)

West Bromwich Albion v Preston North End 3-2
Saturday, 2 January 1954, The Hawthorns, attendance: 20,174
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, J.Kennedy, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee
Preston: G.Thompson; W.Cunningham, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, E.Jones, R.Foster, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
Scorers: R.Allen (2), Nicholls (1) - Wayman (1), A.Morrison (1)

Cardiff City v Wolverhampton Wanderers 1-3
Saturday, 2 January 1954, Ninian Park, attendance: 42,521
CCFC: Howells; Rutter, Stitfall, W.Baker, Montgomery, D.Sullivan, P.Thomas, Nugent, Ford, Northcott, G.Edwards
WWFC: Sims; W.Wright, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, R.Flowers, Hancocks, P.Broadbent, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
Scorers: Nugent (1) - Swinbourne (1), Hancocks (1), Wilshaw (1)

Newcastle United v Manchester United 1-2
Saturday, 2 January 1954, St. James Park, attendance: 56,034
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, W.I.Foulkes, Broadis, J.Milburn, Hannah, R.Mitchell
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
Scorers: Broadis (1) - J.Blanchflower (1), W.Foulkes (1)

Blackpool FC v Sheffield United 2-2
Saturday, 2 January 1954, Bloomfield Road, attendance: 20,470
BFC: Wylie; Shimwell, Garrett, H.Johnston, Crosland, H.Kelly, S.Matthews, E.Taylor, Mortensen, A.D.Brown, Perry
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, P.Wragg, Toner, Brook, Hawksworth
Scorers: E.Taylor (2) - Ringstead (1), Hawksworth (1)

Liverpool FC v Bolton Wanderers 1-2
Saturday, 2 January 1954, Anfield Road, attendance: 44,383
LFC: Underwood; R.Lambert, Lock, B.Wilkinson, Twentyman, Paisley, B.Jackson, J.Evans, Arnell, Smyth, Liddell
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Th.Neill, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Wheeler, D.Stevens, R.Parry
Scorers: J.Evans (1) - W.Moir (1), D.Stevens (1)

Middlesbrough FC v Tottenham Hotspur 3-0
Saturday, 2 January 1954, Ayresome Park, attendance: 35,141
MFC: Ugolini; R.Dicks, Stonehouse, H.Bell, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Delapenha, W.Mannion, Spuhler, S.O'Connell, Lawrie
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, Hopkins, Marchi, H.Clarke, Wetton, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, J.Brooks, Robb
Scorers: Lawrie (1), S.O'Connell (1), Spuhler (1)

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 Wolverhampton Wanderers	26	17	05	04	39-13	64:36	1.778
02 West Bromwich Albion	26	17	04	05	38-14	69:36	1.917
03 Huddersfield Town	26	13	07	06	33-19	47:32	1.469
04 Bolton Wanderers	26	12	08	06	32-20	46:36	1.278
05 Burnley FC	26	16	00	10	32-20	55:44	1.250
06 Manchester United	26	10	10	06	30-22	48:36	1.333
07 Arsenal FC	25	09	08	08	26-24	48:46	1.044
08 Charlton Athletic	26	12	02	12	26-26	49:48	1.021
09 Cardiff City	26	10	06	10	26-26	30:43	0.698
10 Preston North End	26	11	03	12	25-27	55:39	1.410
11 Chelsea FC	26	09	07	10	25-27	45:49	0.918
12 Tottenham Hotspur	26	11	03	12	25-27	41:45	0.911
13 Blackpool FC	26	09	07	10	25-27	45:50	0.900
14 Newcastle United	27	08	08	11	24-30	44:49	0.898
15 Sheffield Wednesday	27	10	03	14	23-31	45:60	0.750
16 Aston Villa	25	10	02	13	22-28	39:44	0.886
17 Portsmouth FC	26	07	08	11	22-30	54:61	0.885
18 Sheffield United	26	08	06	12	22-30	45:51	0.882
19 Manchester City	26	08	06	12	22-30	35:50	0.700
20 Middlesbrough FC	26	08	04	14	20-32	40:53	0.755
21 Sunderland AFC	26	07	05	14	19-33	48:62	0.774
22 Liverpool FC	26	05	06	15	16-36	46:68	0.677

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	24	goals
02 R.Allen (West Bromwich)	22	"
03 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	21	"
04 Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	19	"
05 Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	18	"
06 P.Harris (Portsmouth)	17	"
07 Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	15	"
Mortensen (Blackpool)	15	"
T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	15	"
T.Wright (Sunderland)	15	"
Wayman (Preston North End)	15	"
12 McNichol (Chelsea)	14	"
Leary (Charlton)	14	"
14 J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	13	"
Chisholm (Cardiff/Sunderland)	13	"
T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	13	"
Lishman (Arsenal)	13	"
18 Bimpson (Liverpool)	12	"
Hassall (Bolton)	12	"
Vaughan (Portsmouth)	12	"
W.Gray (Burnley)	12	"
McIlroy (Burnley)	12	"
23 R.Mitchell (Newcastle)	11	"
R.Bentley (Chelsea)	11	"
Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	11	"
26 Holton (Arsenal)	10	"
Ringstead (Sheffield Utd.)	10	"
D.Walsh (Aston Villa)	10	"
Smyth (Liverpool)	10	"
Hawksworth (Sheffield Utd.)	10	"
J.Milburn (Newcastle)	10	"
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	10	"
Sewell (Sheffield W.)	10	"
Walters (Tottenham)	10	"
W.Moir (Bolton)	10	"

Week 27

Sunderland AFC v Cardiff City 5-0
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Roker Park, attendance: 40,629
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, G.Aitken, A.Wright, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, Purdon, Chisholm, W.H.Elliott
CCFC: Howells; Frowen, Rutter, Harrington, Montgomery, D.Sullivan, Tiddy, Nugent, Ford, W.Grant, G.Edwards
Scorers: Purdon (2), T.Wright (2), L.Shackleton (1)

Preston North End v Liverpool FC 2-1
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Deepdale, attendance: 26,128
Preston: G.Thompson; W.Cunningham, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, L.Campbell, R.Foster, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
LFC: Underwood; B.Wilkinson, Lock, Twentyman, L.Hughes, Paisley, B.Jackson, J.Evans, Baron, Smyth, Liddell
Scorers: R.Foster (1), Wayman (1) - Baron (1)

Manchester United v Manchester City 1-1
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Old Trafford, attendance: 48,216
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, Pegg
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Meadows, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, F.Fagan, Hart, McAdams, Revie, R.Clarke
Scorers: J.Berry (1) - McAdams (1)

Tottenham Hotspur v West Bromwich Albion 0-1
Saturday, 16 January 1954, White Hart Lane, attendance: 48,812
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, Willis, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Burgess, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, Bailey, Robb
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, Dugdale, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, W.Carter, G.Lee
Scorer: R.Allen (1)

Wolverhampton Wanderers v Arsenal FC 0-2
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Molineux, attendance: 45,974
WWFC: B.Williams; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, W.Wright, R.Flowers, Hancocks, P.Broadbent, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, Wade, W.Dickson, Dodgin, A.Forbes, Milton, Logie, Holton, Lishman, Roper
Scorers: Logie (1), Lishman (1)

Aston Villa v Portsmouth FC 1-1
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Villa Park, attendance: 24,802
Villa: K.Jones; Parkes, C.Martin, D.Blanchflower, F.Moss, W.Baxter, C.Gibson, T.Thompson, R.C.Chapman, J.Dixon, McParland
PFC: Platt; A.Wilson, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, C.Rutter, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, D.Reid, M.Barnard, J.Henderson
Scorers: T.Thompson (1) - P.Harris (1)

Charlton Athletic v Sheffield Wednesday 4-2
Saturday, 16 January 1954, The Valley, attendance: 19,655
CACF: Bartram; J.Campbell, E.Firmani, B.Fenton, Ufton, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, Ayre, Leary, O'Linn, Kiernan
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, Seemley, E.Gannon, Butler, G.Davies, A.Finney, Quixall, J.S.Shaw, Sewell, Woodhead
Scorers: Leary (2), Ayre (1), Kiernan (1) - Sewell (1), J.S.Shaw (1)

Burnley FC v Middlesbrough FC 5-0
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Turf Moor, attendance: 23,481
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, McIlroy, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington
MFC: Ugolini; R.Dicks, Stonehouse, F.Mulholland, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Lawrie, W.Mannion, K.McPherson, S.O'Connell, Hartnett
Scorers: W.Gray (3), McIlroy (1), W.Holden (1)

Bolton Wanderers v Newcastle United 2-2
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Burnden Park, attendance: 29,476
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, D.Stevens, R.Parry
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, T.Casey, L.White, Broadis, Keeble, J.Milburn, R.Mitchell
Scorers: W.Moir (1), Lofthouse (1) - Keeble (1), Broadis (1)

Sheffield United v Chelsea FC 1-3
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Bramall Lane, attendance: 22,569
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, Hagan, G.B.Luke, P.Wragg, Hawksworth
CFC: C.Thomson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
Scorers: P.Wragg (1) - Parsons (1), L.Stubbs (1), Blunstone (1)

Huddersfield Town v Blackpool FC 0-0
Saturday, 16 January 1954, Leeds Road, attendance: 25,733
Town: Mills; B.Gibson, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, J.Watson, Burrell, Cavanagh, Glazzard, Davie, Metcalfe
BFC: Farm; Shimwell, Garrett, G.McKnight, Crosland, H.Kelly, A.Harris, E.Taylor, Mudie, A.D.Brown, Perry

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 West Bromwich Albion	27	18	04	05	40-14	70:36	1.944
02 Wolverhampton Wanderers	27	17	05	05	39-15	64:38	1.684
03 Huddersfield Town	27	13	08	06	34-20	47:32	1.469
04 Burnley FC	27	17	00	10	34-20	60:44	1.364
05 Bolton Wanderers	27	12	09	06	33-21	48:38	1.263
06 Manchester United	27	10	11	06	31-23	49:37	1.324
07 Arsenal FC	26	10	08	08	28-24	50:46	1.087
08 Charlton Athletic	27	13	02	12	28-26	53:50	1.060
09 Preston North End	27	12	03	12	27-27	57:40	1.425
10 Chelsea FC	27	10	07	10	27-27	48:50	0.960
11 Blackpool FC	27	09	08	10	26-28	45:50	0.900
12 Cardiff City	27	10	06	11	26-28	30:48	0.625
13 Newcastle United	28	08	09	11	25-31	46:51	0.902
14 Tottenham Hotspur	27	11	03	13	25-29	41:46	0.891
15 Aston Villa	26	10	03	13	23-29	40:45	0.889
16 Portsmouth FC	27	07	09	11	23-31	55:62	0.887
17 Sheffield Wednesday	28	10	03	15	23-33	47:64	0.734
18 Manchester City	27	08	07	12	23-31	36:51	0.706
19 Sheffield United	27	08	06	13	22-32	46:54	0.852
20 Sunderland AFC	27	08	05	14	21-33	53:62	0.855
21 Middlesbrough FC	27	08	04	15	20-34	40:58	0.690
22 Liverpool FC	27	05	06	16	16-38	47:70	0.671

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	24 goals
02 R.Allen (West Bromwich)	23 "
03 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	21 "
04 Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	19 "
05 Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	18 "
P.Harris (Portsmouth)	18 "
07 T.Wright (Sunderland)	17 "
08 Leary (Charlton)	16 "
Wayman (Preston North End)	16 "
10 Mortensen (Blackpool)	15 "
T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	15 "
Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	15 "
W.Gray (Burnley)	15 "
14 Lishman (Arsenal)	14 "
T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	14 "
McNichol (Chelsea)	14 "
17 McIlroy (Burnley)	13 "
Chisholm (Cardiff/Sunderland)	13 "
J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	13 "
20 Bimpson (Liverpool)	12 "
Hassall (Bolton)	12 "
Vaughan (Portsmouth)	12 "
23 R.Bentley (Chelsea)	11 "
R.Mitchell (Newcastle)	11 "
Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	11 "
W.Moir (Bolton)	11 "
Sewell (Sheffield W.)	11 "
28 Hawksworth (Sheffield Utd.)	10 "
L.Shackleton (Sunderland)	10 "
Walters (Tottenham)	10 "
W.Holden (Burnley)	10 "
Smyth (Liverpool)	10 "
J.Milburn (Newcastle)	10 "
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	10 "
Holton (Arsenal)	10 "
Lofthouse (Bolton)	10 "
Ringstead (Sheffield Utd.)	10 "
D.Walsh (Aston Villa)	10 "

Week 28

Portsmouth FC v Wolverhampton Wanderers 2-0
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Fratton Park, attendance: 35,312
PFC: Platt; J.Mansell, A.Wilson, L.Phillips, C.Rutter, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, D.Reid, M.Barnard, J.Henderson
WWFC: B.Williams; Short, W.Wright, W.Slater, Shorthouse, R.Flowers, Hancocks, Deeley, Swinbourne, P.Broadbent, Mullen
Scorers: Dickinson (1), D.Reid (1)

Middlesbrough FC v Charlton Athletic 0-2
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Ayresome Park, attendance: 19,327
MFC: Ugolini; Bilcliff, R.Dicks, F.Mulholland, R.Robinson, Birbeck, Lawrie, W.Mannion, Spuhler, Fitzsimons, W.Watkin
CACF: Bartram; J.Campbell, E.Firmani, Hewie, Ufton, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, Ayre, Leary, O'Linn, Kiernan
Scorer: Leary (2)

Chelsea FC v Huddersfield Town 2-2
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Stamford Bridge, attendance: 45,041
CFC: C.Thomson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, J.Watson, Burrell, Cavanagh, Glazzard, Davie, Metcalfe
Scorers: R.Bentley (1), McNichol (1) - Glazzard (2)

Sheffield Wednesday v Sheffield United 3-2
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Hillsborough, attendance: 42,889
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, Seemley, E.Gannon, Butler, G.Davies, A.Finney, Quixall, J.S.Shaw, Sewell, Marriott
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, Ridge, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, Hagan, Brook, P.Wragg, Hawksworth
Scorers: J.S.Shaw (2), Sewell (1) - Brook (2)

West Bromwich Albion v Burnley FC 0-0
Saturday, 23 January 1954, The Hawthorns, attendance: 42,644
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, Dugdale, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, R.Stephenson, W.Holden, Shannon, Pilkington

Manchester United v Bolton Wanderers 1-5
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Old Trafford, attendance: 48,505
MUFC: R.E.Wood; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, Pegg
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, D.Stevens, R.Parry
Scorers: T.Taylor (1) - R.Parry (2), Lofthouse (2), W.Moir (1)

Blackpool FC v Aston Villa 3-2
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Bloomfield Road, attendance: 16,629
BFC: Farm; Shimwell, Garrett, Frith, Crosland, H.Kelly, A.Harris, E.Taylor, R.L.Stephenson, Mudie, Perry
Villa: K.Jones; Parkes, Aldis, W.Baxter, C.Martin, A.Moss, K.O.Roberts, D.Blanchflower, J.Dixon, T.Thompson, McParland
Scorers: Perry (2), R.L.Stephenson (1) - T.Thompson (2)

Newcastle United v Preston North End 0-4
Saturday, 23 January 1954, St. James Park, attendance: 40,340
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, W.I.Foulkes, Broadis, Keeble, J.Milburn, R.Mitchell
Preston: G.Thompson; W.Cunningham, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, L.Campbell, R.Foster, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
Scorers: Wayman (2), R.Foster (1), J.Baxter (1')

Liverpool FC v Tottenham Hotspur 2-2
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Anfield Road, attendance: 43,592
LFC: Underwood; R.Lambert, Lock, B.Wilkinson, L.Hughes, Twentyman, B.Jackson, J.Evans, Liddell, E.Anderson, A'Court
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, Willis, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Burgess, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, Bailey, Robb
Scorers: Liddell (1), J.Evans (1) - Walters (1), Lock (1 o.g.)

Arsenal FC v Sunderland AFC 1-4
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Highbury, attendance: 60,218
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, Wade, W.Dickson, Dodgin, A.Forbes, Milton, T.Lawton, Holton, Lishman, Roper
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, G.Aitken, A.Wright, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, Purdon, Chisholm, W.H.Elliott
Scorers: Holton (1) - Purdon (3), T.Wright (1)

Cardiff City v Manchester City 0-3
Saturday, 23 January 1954, Ninian Park, attendance: 22,516
CCFC: Vearncombe; Stitfall, Gale, W.Baker, Montgomery, D.Sullivan, Tiddy, Harrington, Oakley, Northcott, G.Edwards
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Meadows, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, Anders, Hart, McAdams, Revie, R.Clarke
Scorers: Anders (1), R.Clarke (1), Revie (1)

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 West Bromwich Albion	28	18	05	05	41-15	70:36	1.944
02 Wolverhampton Wanderers	28	17	05	06	39-17	64:40	1.600
03 Huddersfield Town	28	13	09	06	35-21	49:34	1.441
04 Burnley FC	28	17	01	10	35-21	60:44	1.364
05 Bolton Wanderers	28	13	09	06	35-21	53:39	1.359
06 Manchester United	28	10	11	07	31-25	50:42	1.191
07 Charlton Athletic	28	14	02	12	30-26	55:50	1.100
08 Preston North End	28	13	03	12	29-27	61:40	1.525
09 Arsenal FC	27	10	08	09	28-26	51:50	1.020
10 Chelsea FC	28	10	08	10	28-28	50:52	0.962
11 Blackpool FC	28	10	08	10	28-28	48:52	0.923
12 Tottenham Hotspur	28	11	04	13	26-30	43:48	0.896
13 Cardiff City	28	10	06	12	26-30	30:51	0.588
14 Portsmouth FC	28	08	09	11	25-31	57:62	0.919
15 Newcastle United	29	08	09	12	25-33	46:55	0.836
16 Manchester City	28	09	07	12	25-31	39:51	0.765
17 Sheffield Wednesday	29	11	03	15	25-33	50:66	0.758
18 Sunderland AFC	28	09	05	14	23-33	57:63	0.905
19 Aston Villa	27	10	03	14	23-31	42:48	0.875
20 Sheffield United	28	08	06	14	22-34	48:57	0.842
21 Middlesbrough FC	28	08	04	16	20-36	40:60	0.667
22 Liverpool FC	28	05	07	16	17-39	49:72	0.681

Top Scorers

01 Nicholls (West Bromwich)	24 goals
02 Glazzard (Huddersfield)	23 "
R.Allen (West Bromwich)	23 "
04 Hancocks (Wolverhampton)	19 "
05 Wilshaw (Wolverhampton)	18 "
Wayman (Preston North End)	18 "
T.Wright (Sunderland)	18 "
Leary (Charlton)	18 "
P.Harris (Portsmouth)	18 "
10 T.Thompson (Aston Villa)	16 "
T.Taylor (Manchester Utd.)	16 "
12 McNichol (Chelsea)	15 "
Mortensen (Blackpool)	15 "
Swinbourne (Wolverhampton)	15 "
W.Gray (Burnley)	15 "
16 Lishman (Arsenal)	14 "
17 J.D.Gordon (Portsmouth)	13 "
Chisholm (Cardiff/Sunderland)	13 "
McIlroy (Burnley)	13 "
20 Lofthouse (Bolton)	12 "
R.Bentley (Chelsea)	12 "
Hassall (Bolton)	12 "
Vaughan (Portsmouth)	12 "
W.Moir (Bolton)	12 "
Bimpson (Liverpool)	12 "
Sewell (Sheffield W.)	12 "
27 Holton (Arsenal)	11 "
Walters (Tottenham)	11 "
Woodhead (Sheffield W.)	11 "
R.Mitchell (Newcastle)	11 "
31 Ringstead (Sheffield Utd.)	10 "
W.Holden (Burnley)	10 "
L.Shackleton (Sunderland)	10 "
Ford (Sunderland/Cardiff)	10 "
J.Baxter (Preston North End)	10 "
Hawksworth (Sheffield Utd.)	10 "
R.Foster (Preston North End)	10 "
D.Walsh (Asotn Villa)	10 "
Smyth (Liverpool)	10 "
J.Milburn (Newcastle)	10 "
Brook (Sheffield Utd.)	10 "

Week 29

Huddersfield Town v Sheffield United 2-2
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Leeds Road, attendance: 27,335
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, J.Watson, Burrell, Frear, Glazzard, Cavanagh, Metcalfe
SUFC: Burgin; Coldwell, G.Shaw, J.Shaw, H.Johnson, Rawson, Ringstead, Hagan, Cross, Brook, Hawksworth
Scorers: Frear (2) - Cross (1), Staniforth (1 o.g.)

Manchester City v Arsenal FC 0-0
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Maine Road, attendance: 39,503
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Meadows, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, Spurdle, Hart, McAdams, Revie, R.Cunliffe
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, W.Barnes, A.Forbes, Dodgin, Mercer, B.Walsh, Logie, T.Lawton, Lishman, Roper

Charlton Athletic v West Bromwich Albion 1-1
Saturday, 6 February 1954, The Valley, attendance: 27,553
CACF: Bartram; J.Campbell, E.Firmani, Hewie, Ufton, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, Ayre, Leary, O'Linn, Kiernan
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, Dugdale, R.Barlow, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, W.Carter, G.Lee
Scorers: Ayre (1) - R.Allen (1)

Tottenham Hotspur v Newcastle United 3-0
Saturday, 6 February 1954, White Hart Lane, attendance: 35,798
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, Willis, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Wetton, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, Bailey, Robb
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, Cahill, Scoular, F.Brennan, Stokoe, L.White, Broadis, Monkhouse, Hannah, R.Mitchell
Scorers: Robb (2), Walters (1)

Bolton Wanderers v Cardiff City 3-0
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Burnden Park, attendance: 30,777
BWFC: Hanson; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Lofthouse, D.Stevens, R.Parry
CCFC: Vearncombe; Parfitt, Sherwood, W.Baker, Montgomery, D.Sullivan, Tiddy, Nugent, Ford, Gale, G.Edwards
Scorers: Lofthouse (1), W.Moir (1), D.Stevens (1)

Preston North End v Manchester United 1-3
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Deepdale, attendance: 30,064
Preston: G.Thompson; W.Cunningham, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, T.Finney, R.Foster, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
MUFC: Crompton; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, J.Berry, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
Scorers: J.Baxter (1') - J.Blanchflower (1), J.Rowley (1), T.Taylor (1)

Wolverhampton Wanderers v Blackpool FC 4-1
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Molineux, attendance: 27,795
WWFC: B.Williams; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, W.Wright, Hancocks, R.Flowers, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
BFC: Farm; Shimwell, Frith, E.Fenton, Crosland, H.Kelly, A.Harris, Mudie, R.L.Stephenson, A.D.Brown, Perry
Scorers: Swinbourne (3), Hancocks (1) - R.L.Stephenson (1)

Sheffield Wednesday v Middlesbrough FC 4-2
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Hillsborough, attendance: 30,856
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, Seemley, E.Gannon, Butler, G.Davies, A.Finney, Quixall, J.S.Shaw, Sewell, Woodhead
MFC: Ugolini; R.Barnard, Stonehouse, F.Mulholland, R.Dicks, Birbeck, Lawrie, W.Mannion, Spuhler, Delapenha, W.Watkin
Scorers: Woodhead (2), Sewell (1), J.S.Shaw (1) - Delapenha (2)

Burnley FC v Liverpool FC 1-1
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Turf Moor, attendance: 24,025
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, R.Stephenson, Shannon, McIlroy, Pilkington
LFC: Underwood; R.Lambert, Lock, B.Wilkinson, L.Hughes, Twentyman, B.Jackson, J.Evans, Liddell, E.Anderson, A'Court
Scorers: Pilkington (1) - E.Anderson (1)

Aston Villa v Chelsea FC 2-2
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Villa Park, attendance: 20,625
Villa: K.Jones; Parkes, Aldis, D.Blanchflower, F.Moss, W.Baxter, K.O.Roberts, J.Dixon, D.Walsh, T.Thompson, McParland
CFC: C.Thomson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
Scorers: K.O.Roberts (1), D.Blanchflower (1) - McNichol (1), R.Bentley (1)

Sunderland AFC v Portsmouth FC 3-1
Saturday, 6 February 1954, Roker Park, attendance: 45,935
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, G.Aitken, A.Wright, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, Purdon, Chisholm, W.H.Elliott
PFC: M.Gill; A.Wilson, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, C.Rutter, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, Vaughan, Dale, J.Henderson
Scorers: W.H.Elliott (1), Purdon (1), L.Shackleton (1) - J.Henderson (1)

Table

	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 West Bromwich Albion	29	18	06	05	42-16	71:37	1.919
02 Wolverhampton Wanderers	29	18	05	06	41-17	68:41	1.659
03 Bolton Wanderers	29	14	09	06	37-21	56:39	1.436
04 Huddersfield Town	29	13	10	06	36-22	51:36	1.417
05 Burnley FC	29	17	02	10	36-22	61:45	1.356
06 Manchester United	29	11	11	07	33-25	53:43	1.233
07 Charlton Athletic	29	14	03	12	31-27	56:51	1.098
08 Preston North End	29	13	03	13	29-29	62:43	1.442
09 Arsenal FC	28	10	09	09	29-27	51:50	1.020
10 Chelsea FC	29	10	09	10	29-29	52:54	0.963
11 Tottenham Hotspur	29	12	04	13	28-30	46:48	0.958
12 Blackpool FC	29	10	08	11	28-30	49:56	0.875
13 Sheffield Wednesday	30	12	03	15	27-33	54:68	0.794
14 Manchester City	29	09	08	12	26-32	39:51	0.765
15 Cardiff City	29	10	06	13	26-32	30:54	0.556
16 Sunderland AFC	29	10	05	14	25-33	60:64	0.938
17 Portsmouth FC	29	08	09	12	25-33	58:65	0.892
18 Newcastle United	30	08	09	13	25-35	46:58	0.793
19 Aston Villa	28	10	04	14	24-32	44:50	0.880
20 Sheffield United	29	08	07	14	23-35	50:59	0.848
21 Middlesbrough FC	29	08	04	17	20-38	42:64	0.656
22 Liverpool FC	29	05	08	16	18-40	50:73	0.685

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Week 30

Chelsea FC v Wolverhampton Wanderers 4-2
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Stamford Bridge, attendance: 60,289
CFC: C.Thomson; Jn.Harris, Willemse, K.Armstrong, Greenwood, D.Saunders, Parsons, McNichol, R.Bentley, L.Stubbs, Blunstone
WWFC: B.Williams; Short, Pritchard, W.Slater, Shorthouse, W.Wright, Hancocks, R.Flowers, Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen
Scorers: R.Bentley (2), Parsons (1), L.Stubbs (1) - Swinbourne (1), Wilshaw (1)

Manchester United v Tottenham Hotspur 2-0
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Old Trafford, attendance: 37,289
MUFC: Crompton; W.Foulkes, R.Byrne, Whitefoot, A.Chilton, D.Edwards, N.McFarlane, J.Blanchflower, T.Taylor, Viollet, J.Rowley
Spurs: Ditchburn; Ramsey, Willis, W.Nicholson, H.Clarke, Wetton, Walters, L.Bennett, Duquemin, Bailey, Robb
Scorers: J.Rowley (1), T.Taylor (1)

West Bromwich Albion v Sheffield Wednesday 4-2
Saturday, 13 February 1954, The Hawthorns, attendance: 38,304
WBA: Heath; Rickaby, Millard, J.Dudley, Dugdale, Brookes, F.Griffin, R.Ryan, R.Allen, Nicholls, G.Lee
SWFC: Ryalls; Kenny, Seemley, T.McAnearney, Butler, G.Davies, A.Finney, Quixall, J.S.Shaw, Sewell, Woodhead
Scorers: Nicholls (1), Butler (1 o.g.), Rickaby (1), R.Ryan (1) - J.S.Shaw (1), Woodhead (1)

Newcastle United v Burnley FC 3-1
Saturday, 13 February 1954, St. James Park, attendance: 29,114
NUFC: Simpson; Cowell, McMichael, Stokoe, F.Brennan, T.Casey, W.I.Foulkes, Broadis, J.Milburn, Hannah, R.Mitchell
BFC: D.Thompson; Aird, Mather, Adamson, Cummings, Attwell, W.Gray, McIlroy, Winton, Shannon, Pilkington
Scorers: Broadis (2), J.Milburn (1) - McIlroy (1)

Arsenal FC v Cardiff City 1-1
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Highbury, attendance: 45,497
AFC: Kelsey; L.Wills, W.Barnes, A.Forbes, Dodgin, Mercer, B.Walsh, Logie, T.Lawton, Lishman, Roper
CCFC: Vearncombe; Gale, Sherwood, W.Baker, Montgomery, D.Sullivan, Tiddy, Nugent, Ford, Northcott, W.Grant
Scorers: Lishman (1) - Ford (1)

Bolton Wanderers v Preston North End 0-2
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Burnden Park, attendance: 44,639
BWFC: Grieves; J.Ball, T.Banks, Wheeler, Barrass, E.Bell, D.Holden, W.Moir, Codd, Hassall, R.Parry
Preston: G.Thompson; W.Cunningham, J.Walton, T.Docherty, J.Marston, W.Forbes, T.Finney, R.Foster, Wayman, J.Baxter, A.Morrison
Scorers: T.Finney (1), J.Baxter (1)

Blackpool FC v Sunderland AFC 3-0
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Bloomfield Road, attendance: 23,058
BFC: Wylie; Shimwell, Frith, E.Fenton, H.Johnston, H.Kelly, Mudie, E.Taylor, R.L.Stephenson, A.D.Brown, Perry
SAFC: Cowan; Hedley, Hudgell, S.Anderson, G.Aitken, A.Wright, T.Wright, L.Shackleton, Purdon, Chisholm, W.H.Elliott
Scorers: A.D.Brown (2), Perry (1)

Portsmouth FC v Manchester City 4-1
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Fratton Park, attendance: 30,013
PFC: M.Gill; A.Wilson, J.Mansell, L.Phillips, D.Reid, Dickinson, P.Harris, J.D.Gordon, J.Henderson, Dale, J.Froggatt
MCFC: Trautmann; Branagan, Meadows, McTavish, D.Ewing, Paul, Spurdle, Hart, McAdams, Revie, R.Cunliffe
Scorers: J.Froggatt (2), J.Henderson (2) - McAdams (1)

Liverpool FC v Charlton Athletic 2-3
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Anfield Road, attendance: 47,657
LFC: Crossley; Lock, R.Moran, Twentyman, L.Hughes, Paisley, B.Jackson, J.Evans, Liddell, E.Anderson, A'Court
CACF: Bartram; J.Campbell, S.C.Ellis, B.Fenton, Hewie, Hammond, Gd.Hurst, Ayre, Leary, O'Linn, E.Firmani
Scorers: J.Evans (1), E.Anderson (1) - E.Firmani (2), O'Linn (1)

Middlesbrough FC v Huddersfield Town 0-3
Saturday, 13 February 1954, Ayresome Park, attendance: 18,717
MFC: Ugolini; Bilcliff, Stonehouse, H.Bell, R.Dicks, Birbeck, Delapenha, W.Mannion, Spuhler, Fitzsimons, W.Watkin
Town: Mills; Staniforth, L.Kelly, W.McGarry, D.McEvoy, J.Watson, Burrell, Frear, Glazzard, Cavanagh, Metcalfe
Scorers: Metcalfe (1), Burrell (1), Glazzard (1)

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	P	W	D	L	Pts	GF GA	GR
01 West Bromwich Albion	30	19	06	05	44-16	75:39	1.923
02 Wolverhampton Wanderers	30	18	05	07	41-19	70:45	1.556
03 Huddersfield Town	30	14	10	06	38-22	54:36	1.500
04 Bolton Wanderers	30	14	09	07	37-23	56:41	1.366
05 Burnley FC	30	17	02	11	36-24	62:48	1.292
06 Manchester United	30	12	11	07	35-25	55:43	1.279
07 Charlton Athletic	30	15	03	12	33-27	59:53	1.113
08 Preston North End	30	14	03	13	31-29	64:43	1.488
09 Chelsea FC	30	11	09	10	31-29	56:56	1.000
10 Arsenal FC	29	10	10	09	30-28	52:51	1.020
11 Blackpool FC	30	11	08	11	30-30	52:56	0.929
12 Tottenham Hotspur	30	12	04	14	28-32	46:50	0.920
13 Portsmouth FC	30	09	09	12	27-33	62:66	0.939
14 Newcastle United	31	09	09	13	27-35	49:59	0.831
15 Sheffield Wednesday	31	12	03	16	27-35	56:72	0.778
16 Cardiff City	30	10	07	13	27-33	31:55	0.564
17 Manchester City	30	09	08	13	26-34	40:55	0.727
18 Sunderland AFC	30	10	05	15	25-35	60:67	0.900
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