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## **ENGLAND ON WAY BACK TO TOP**

*Three-match victory tour*

by John Camkin

**T**HE 1962-63 season saved its brightest offerings until the last. In April and May, England's youngsters won the international Youth tournament; Tottenham Hotspur became the first Football League side to win a major European competition, and England themselves started on an all-conquering tour of Europe.

Between them England, Spurs and the Youth side rescued a cause which had sunk almost to the depths of a decade earlier. Add to this the spicing of an increase of a million spectators at the League matches, and perhaps the overall picture was brighter than it deserved to be.

### *Rare talent*

Perhaps England's successful tour of Czechoslovakia, East Germany and Switzerland, which produced three victories and ended with an 8-1 thrashing for the unfortunate Swiss, was the most important.

England, of course, changed managers for the first time since the war when Alf Ramsey, the former Tottenham and England full-back, succeeded popular Walter Winterbottom before Christmas. A 5-2 defeat in the European Nations' Cup in Paris and a scrappy performance against Scotland at Wembley was not the best of starts.

But Mr. Ramsey is a manager of rare talent and determination. Certainly he succeeded in inspiring his team with his own fighting qualities on tour and the players gained rapidly in confidence with every game.

The situation was rather similar to 1956 when a fine win over Germany in Berlin's Olympic Stadium bred the confi-

dence that Winterbottom was able to develop so successfully that only the Munich Disaster robbed England of probable success in the 1958 World Cup.

Tottenham won the European Cup-Winners Cup with a five-goal burst which shattered Atletico Madrid, one of Europe's top sides, in the Final. Here again was a breakthrough which could inspire other English teams to greater achievements in international club contests—where our record has been dismal.

Perhaps the importance of the Youth team's success was overstated. The international tournament is so often won by the host country, as was the case in the Centenary Year of the F.A. And so many of these bright young men do not survive the long and tough path to the top.

Nevertheless, this was the first time that the F.A. have planned a long and thorough process of team-building and the results were encouraging enough to justify an experiment with the full international side.

### **Form, Fixtures Havoc**

In League affairs, the season was remarkable for the prolonged spell of bad weather which almost wiped out the programme from Christmas until March. Finally it was necessary to extend the playing season by a month.

The shut-down played havoc with form as well as fixtures. Aston Villa, for example, were coasting towards one of the top places in the Championship at Christmas. After the snow cleared, they lost ten matches in succession and were faced with relegation.

In these circumstances, the Championship was not perhaps so fair a test of skill as usual. But Everton, the big-money spenders, were probably worthy winners even if their success was not universally popular.

In the legislative councils, the outlook was as gloomy as ever. At the annual convention of clubs in June, there was little constructive on the agenda and only a deal of moaning against the effect of unrestricted wages was heard at the bars.

Perhaps it was not the removal of the maximum wage rule which was at fault so much as the manner in which some of the clubs themselves have operated the new system.

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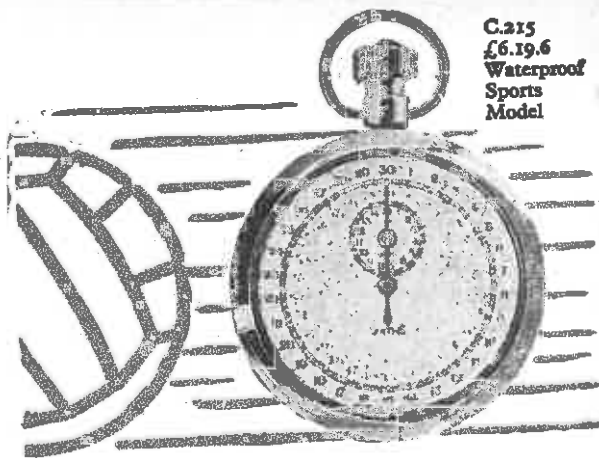
Stanley Matthews (Stoke)

**STANLEY MATTHEWS** is a legend in his own lifetime. He achieved this distinction even before he left First Division pastures at Blackpool in 1961 to return to Stoke City where he started his unique career almost 30 years earlier.

Nearer 50 than 40, neither Matthews nor Stoke could really hope that the greatest years were yet to come. Yet in many respects the 1962-63 season represented a new and greater pinnacle for Matthews the ageless wonder.

Before Matthews returned to Stoke they were a struggling club sparsely supported and heading for the Third rather than the First Division.

At the end of the season they were a magnificent thriving organisation, champions of the Second Division and Matthews, now close to 50, was elected as Footballer of the Year for a second time.



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 Drabrook—Chelsea to West Ham £35,000, October, 1962.  
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 Sewell—Notts County to Sheffield Wednesday £34,500, March, 1951.  
 Gray—Third Lanark to Manchester City £31,001, February, 1963.  
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 Stevens—Bolton to Everton £30,000, March, 1962.  
 McFarland—Aston Villa to Wolves £30,000, January, 1962.  
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 Taylor—Barnsley to Manchester United £30,000, March, 1953.  
 Ivor Allchurch—Swansea to Newcastle £30,000, October, 1958.  
 Mackay—Hearts to Tottenham £30,000, March, 1959.  
 Marchi—Juventus (Turin) to Tottenham £30,000, June, 1959.  
 Settars—W.B.A. to Manchester United £30,000, January, 1960.  
 Woosnam—Leyton Orient to West Ham £30,000, November, 1958.  
 Cantwell—West Ham to Manchester United £29,500, Nov. 1960.  
 Docherty—Freston to Arsenal £29,500, August, 1958.  
 Graver—Lincoln to Leicester £29,500, December, 1954.  
 Ford—Aston Villa to Sunderland £29,500, October, 1950.  
 Charles (M.)—Arsenal to Cardiff £28,500, February, 1962.  
 Holliday—Middlesbrough to Sheffield Wed. £28,000, March, 1962.  
 Daniel—Arsenal to Everton £28,000, June, 1953.  
 Gabriel—Dundee to Everton £28,000, March 2, 1960.  
 Lazarus—Q.P.R. to Wolves £27,500, September, 1961.

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1900-1—Oswestry	1921-22—Cardiff	1939-40—Wellington
1901-2—Wellington	1922-23—Cardiff	1940-46—No contest
1902-3—Wrexham	1923-24—Wrexham	1946-47—Chester
1903-4—Druids	1924-25—Wrexham	1947-48—Lovell's Ath.
1904-5—Wrexham	1925-26—Ebbw Vale	1948-49—Merthyr Tydfil
1905-6—Wellington	1926-27—Cardiff	1949-50—Swansea
1906-7—Oswestry	1927-28—Cardiff	1950-51—Merthyr Tydfil
1907-8—Chester	1928-29—Connah's Quay	1951-52—Rhyl
1908-9—Wrexham	1929-30—Cardiff	1952-53—Rhyl
1909-10—Wrexham	1930-31—Wrexham	1953-54—Flint
1910-11—Wrexham	1931-32—Swansea	1954-55—Barry
1911-12—Cardiff	1932-33—Chester	1955-56—Cardiff
1912-13—Swansea	1933-34—Bristol City	1956-57—Wrexham
1913-14—Wrexham	1934-35—Tranmere	1957-58—Wrexham
1914-15—Wrexham	1935-36—Crewe	1958-59—Cardiff
1915-19—Abandoned	1936-37—Crewe	1959-60—Wrexham
1919-20—Cardiff	1937-38—Shrewsbury	1960-61—Swansea
1920-21—Wrexham	1938-39—S. Liverpool	1961-62—Bangor
		1962-63—Borough Utd.

## IT'S EVERTON AT HOME —TOTTENHAM AWAY

*Oldham top both tables*

**N**OTHING succeeds like success. League champions Everton increased their average home gate by 10,000 as shown in these tables based on published attendance figures.

Although Tottenham have been passed as the top home team they are still the biggest crowd-pullers for away games.

Sunderland (8,000 up) and Coventry (7,000 up) are top of their Divisions although they just missed promotion.

In Division Four, Oldham head the home and away tables with an overall increase of 4,000.

### DIVISION I

	HOME Pos'n	Average Att'd'ce		AWAY Pos'n	Average Att'd'ce
Everton .....	1	51,471	Tottenham .....	2	39,938
Tottenham .....	2	47,229	Manchester Utd. ....	19	35,871
Liverpool .....	8	42,939	Everton .....	1	34,670
Manchester Utd. ....	19	40,132	Wolverhampton .....	5	29,597
Arsenal .....	7	32,332	Burnley .....	3	28,787
Aston Villa .....	15	30,722	Arsenal .....	7	27,991
Sheffield Wed. ....	6	26,016	Leicester .....	4	27,590
Wolverhampton .....	5	25,792	Aston Villa .....	15	27,411
Leicester .....	4	25,747	Liverpool .....	8	26,649
Burnley .....	3	25,146	West Ham .....	12	25,423
Manchester C. ....	21	24,656	Manchester C. ....	21	25,150
West Ham .....	12	23,611	W. B. Albion .....	14	24,995
Sheffield Utd. ....	10	22,865	Birmingham .....	20	24,911
Birmingham .....	20	22,516	Nottm. Forest .....	9	24,409
Fulham .....	16	21,989	Sheffield Wed. ....	6	24,260
Nottm. Forest .....	9	21,741	Sheffield United .....	10	24,133
Bolton .....	18	19,198	Blackburn .....	11	24,093
Ipswich .....	17	19,062	Bolton .....	18	23,841
W. B. Albion .....	14	18,646	Leyton Orient .....	22	23,730
Blackpool .....	13	18,364	Blackpool .....	13	23,480
Leyton Orient .....	22	16,489	Fulham .....	16	23,454
Blackburn .....	11	16,024	Ipswich .....	17	23,309

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## F.A. Cup

### OUTSIDERS UNITED CANTER FINAL

Manchester United 3, Leicester City 1  
(at Wembley—May 25, 1963)

THE 1963 F.A. Cup Final, even before the kick-off, had earned itself a place in the record-books twice over. Never before had the climax to England's domestic Soccer season taken place so long after the start of cricket.

And certainly the gate receipts of £89,000 were far larger than any ever known even at Wembley, more than £35,000 more than previous Cup Finals. While a principal share went to the two clubs, their 90 Football League colleagues as well as the F.A. were substantial beneficiaries.

After the opening 15 minutes of the match, it was crystal clear even to the more fervent supporters of Leicester City that this Final would have a third claim to the unorthodox. Leicester, the firm favourites, were to be defeated by Manchester United, the outsiders.

#### **Relegation threat**

At full stretch in those opening minutes, the red-shirted men from Old Trafford quickly gained a grip on affairs which was to become a stranglehold before half-time. Finally, they were to canter to an easy victory.

*Leicester, like so many sides before them, lost the Cup not so much on Wembley's green turf but on the League grounds which claimed their attention between the semi-final and Final. In these matches, injuries and lack of concentration combined to produce a dismal record.*

United, by contrast, had been compelled to fight almost until the Final eve against the threat of relegation. Consequently the team was sharp and free from worry for the first time for months, Cantwell and his men celebrated with

as distinguished a Soccer style as has graced Wembley for many a year.

Every man, except perhaps goalkeeper David Gaskell, who had one or two nervous moments, played to his maximum, both in quality and quantity. None was greater than right-half Crerand, who snuffed out Gibson, so often the inspiration of Leicester's attacks in League football.

Law, too, was superb, opening the gates to victory with a superbly-taken goal in the first half. Quixall, Charlton, Setters and Foulkes, the bastion of defence, added substantial contributions to the whole.

*Yet, for most of the match, Leicester, who really didn't have anybody in top form, were within a goal of United. In the last 20 minutes, they went two down when Banks, positioning strangely, only parried Charlton's shot which ultimately gave Herd a simple goal.*

Leicester retaliated with a magnificent headed goal from Keyworth almost immediately but finally capitulated when Banks dropped a centre right to Herd's boot in the final minutes.

Scorers: Manchester United—Law, Herd (2); Leicester City—Keyworth.

Manchester United: Gaskell; Dunne, Cantwell (captain); Crerand, Foulkes, Setters; Giles, Quixall, Herd, Law, Charlton.

Leicester City: Banks; Sjoberg, Norman; McLintock, King, Appleton (captain); Riley, Cross, Keyworth, Gibson, Stringfellow.

Referee: K. Aston (Ilford).

#### First Round

Aldershot .....	1	Buxton.....	2	1
Brentford.....	0	Barrow.....	2	3
Andover .....	0	Carlisle.....	2	
Gillingham .....	1	Hartlepool.....	1	
Barnsley .....	4	Halifax.....	1	
Rhyl .....	0	Bradford .....	0	
Bedford T. ....	2	Hinckley .....	3	
Cambridge Utd. ....	1	Sittingbourne .....	0	
Blyth Spartans .....	2	Hounslow .....	3	2
Morecambe .....	1	Mansfield .....	3	9
Boston .....	1	Hull .....	5	
King's Lynn .....	2	Crook .....	4	
Bristol C. ....	4	Lincoln .....	1	2
Wellington .....	2	Darlington .....	1	1
Bristol Rovers.....	0	Maidenhead .....	0	
Port Vale .....	2	Wycombe Wdvs. ....	3	

North Shields .....	2	2	Gateshead .....	2	
Workington .....	2	7	Wigan .....	1	
Notts County .....	0		Gravesend .....	3	
Peterborough .....	3		Exeter .....	2	
Millwall .....	3		Oldham .....	2	
Margate .....	1		Bradford City .....	5	
Northampton .....	1		Q. P. Rangers .....	3	
Torquay .....	2		Newport .....	2	
Chelmsford .....	2		Southend .....	2	
Shrewsbury .....	6		Brighton .....	1	
Cheltenham.....	3		Southport .....	1	2
Enfield .....	6		Wrexham.....	1	3
Chester .....	0		South Shields .....	0	1
Tranmere .....	2		Doncaster .....	0	2
Chesterfield .....	4		Swindon .....	4	
Stockport .....	1		Reading .....	2	
Coventry .....	1		Watford .....	2	2
Bournemouth .....	0		Poole .....	2	1
Crewe .....	1	3*	Wimbledon .....	2	2
Scarborough .....	1	2	Colchester .....	1	
Crystal Palace.....	2		Yeovil .....	3	
Hereford .....	0		Dartford .....	2	
Falmouth .....	1		York .....	0	2
Oxford .....	2		Rochdale .....	0	1

\* After extra time.

#### Second Round

Barnsley .....	2	Lincoln .....	1	
Chesterfield .....	1	Halifax.....	0	
Blyth Spartans .....	0	Millwall .....	0	1
Carlisle .....	2	Coventry .....	0	2
Bradford City .....	3	Peterborough .....	1	
Gateshead .....	2	Enfield .....	0	
Bristol City .....	2	Port Vale .....	2	
Wimbledon .....	1	Aldershot .....	0	
Crystal Palace.....	2	2	Q. P. R. ....	7
Manfield .....	2	7	Hinckley .....	2
Doncaster .....	1		Shrewsbury .....	2
Tranmere.....	4		Torquay .....	1
Gillingham .....	3		Southend .....	0
Bedford .....	0		Watford .....	2
Gravesend .....	3		Wrexham.....	5
Wycombe Wanderers .....	1		Barrow.....	2
Hull .....	2		Yeovil .....	0
Workington .....	0		Swindon .....	2
King's Lynn .....	1		York .....	2
Oxford .....	2		Crewe .....	1

# TOTTENHAM BREAK NEW GROUND

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR became the first British team to win a major European competition when Atletico Madrid, the holders, were decisively beaten 5-1 in the Final of the European Cup Winners' Cup at Rotterdam on May 15.

This trophy may not possess quite the honour and glory contained in the winning of the European Cup, nevertheless Tottenham gained something far more substantial than a handsome cash reward.

In the first place they established themselves beyond doubt as the Champions of Britain with two victories over Glasgow Rangers. So conclusive that even the most patriotic of Scots were silenced into tacit approval.

### No Answer

These games captured the imagination of the British public as have few club matches in recent years. Indeed the modern trend quite clearly is for the big club match to displace the International game in public estimation.

In the semi-final it proved, too, that the team has acclimated itself to the stress, and strains of International football—so different to the domestic brand—with a victory over O.F.K. Belgrade, a city where English soccer hopes have so often met a sad fate in the past.

Although the great Mackay was unfit for the Final, Tottenham imposed their authority from the start. Atletico one of Europe's top teams had no answer to an attack in which Dyson and Greaves were outstanding.

Tottenham took a two goal lead at half-time through Greaves and White, then Collar made it 2-1 from a penalty. Dyson, Greaves and Dyson again, completed the scoring.

## CUP WINNERS' CUP FOR TOTTENHAM

Second Round	Quarter-Finals	Semi-Finals	Final (May 15th, at Rotterdam)
Graz (Austria) ..... 1 2 B. K. Odense (Denmark) ..... 1 3 St. Etienne (France) ..... 0 0 Nuremberg (W. Germany) ..... 0 3 Shamrock Rovers ..... 0 0 Rotev Plovdiv (Bulgaria) ..... 4 1 Atletico (Madrid) ..... 4 1 Tuberuzha (Malta) ..... 0 0 O.F.K. Belgrade (Yugoslavia) 3 2 Forward ..... 1 3 Ujpest Dozas (Hungary) ..... 1 1 Napoli (Italy) ..... 1 3 Lausanne Sports (Switz'd.) ..... 1 1 P. K. Sloven (Bratislava) ..... 0 0 Tottenham ..... 5 1 Rangers ..... 2 3	B. K. Odense ..... 0 0 Nuremberg ..... 1 6 Rotev Plovdiv ..... 1 0 Atletico ..... 1 4 O. F. K. Belgrade ..... 2 1 Napoli ..... 0 3 P. K. Sloven ..... 2 0 Tottenham ..... 0 6	Nuremberg ..... 2 0 Atletico ..... 1 2 O.F.K. Belgrade 1 1 Tottenham ..... 2 3	Atletico ..... 1 Collar ..... 2 Tottenham ..... 5 Greaves 2, White, Dyson 2 ..... 5 Attendance, 40,000.

## PREVIOUS WINNERS

1960-61 Fiorentina (Italy) beat Rangers 4-1 on aggregate  
 1961-62 Atletico (Madrid) beat Fiorentina (Italy) 3-0 (after 1-1 draw).