

# CUSC TRAVEL NEWS

## October 2011



### A Season in Brief 1970 - 71

What would turn out to be an excellent campaign in the old Division Two for Carlisle didn't start out that way as, under the tutelage of Ian Macfarlane, they lost their opening two games before going on to pick up a 2-2 draw at Leicester City, United at that point sitting at the bottom of the table after three games. A run of just one defeat in the next 15 games though, albeit seven of those matches ending in draws, lifting the Blues to a much healthier position of sixth place in the table, the days of two points for a win seeing Carlisle just five points behind league leaders Leicester.

A narrow 1-0 defeat at Bristol City then followed before the Cumbrians thrashed Portsmouth 6-0 at home thanks to four goals from Bob Hatton and a further brace from Bobby Owen. After that though it was back to a disappointing run of just one win in five games before the Blues put together five victories on the bounce at the end of January and through February, Carlisle then up to third in the division after a tight 1-0 win at Brunton Park, thanks to another Bobby Owen goal, against free scoring leaders Sheffield United.

With just first and second being promotion places in those days the Blues were now threatening to make it into the top tier, only for another poor run of one win in six games to drop them down to sixth place, although still just three points off second spot. Carlisle had left themselves too much to do though and even an excellent five victories and a draw from their last six matches was not enough for a finishing position any higher than fourth as both Leicester City and Sheffield United just kept on winning on their way to promotion to Division One.

In the cup competitions, United defeated Southend 3-0 on the road in round three of the FA Cup before going on to lose 3-2 at home to Spurs in front of over 25,000 fans crammed inside Brunton Park. League Cup-wise rounds two and three saw two home wins for the Cumbrians, the first being a cracking 2-1 victory over Manchester City before Oxford were the defeated side, 3-1, at the next stage courtesy of a Bob Hatton hat-trick. The Blues though going out in round four as their first away game in the competition saw them go down 1-0 at Aston Villa.

Unsurprisingly Bob Hatton was easily Carlisle's top scorer that season with a bumper 24 goals while Bobby Owen and Dennis Martin vied for nine months for the silver and bronze medals, with Owen eventually just defeating Martin by one goal at 13 to 12. As far as appearances were concerned, it was in the back line where United were the most solid with four ever

presents starting all 47 Carlisle games that season, the quartet being Allan Ross, Joe Davis, Stan Ternent and Graham Winstanley, with Bob Hatton also just missing one game, a 2-0 home win over Leyton Orient early in the season.

### It's a Funny Old Game

Lincoln City at home to Halifax Town in 1932 doesn't sound too exciting at first glance but it ended up so for the Imps fans in a game they won 9-1 despite only being 2-0 up at half-time. All the fun starting after the break though as the home side scored a remarkable seven times in the space of only 21 minutes straight away in the second-half, even more amazing being the fact that that Frank Keetley, who hadn't netted in the opening period, scored six of the seven goals. Lincoln somewhat unsurprisingly that 1931-32 season going on to win Division Three North on goal average.

I'm sure we've all got our own thoughts on Carlisle players who have put in similar performances in a blue shirt over the years but a match between two teams with different handicaps was arranged at a village sports near Birkenhead in 1910. One side having their boots and shoes removed as well as having their arms tied to their side, while the players on the other side were mounted on six foot high stilts, an early version of Peter Crouch seemingly. A report in Thomson's Weekly News summarising the game:

'The contest was not so unequal as might have been expected for though those on stilts found it difficult to touch the ball, their antagonists discovered how important a part the arms play in maintaining balance, and when they attempted to run they fell in all directions. In the end the tied arm team won.'

Sticking with unusual football situations Sanger's Circus was in town in Leicester in the late 1890s, featuring an elephant that was unbeaten in penalty kick competitions. Four Leicester Fosse players took up the challenge over four penalties each, the ball though rather favouring the elephant as it was around six times the size of a normal football, and lo and behold three of the first four professional Fosse footballers lost out to the Elephantidae giant.

The last hope was now William Keech who chose a crafty ruse to fox the elephant, Keech feinting to play the ball to one side of the elephant, and then as the elephant raised its foot in anticipation he cheekily slotted the ball home into the other corner of the goal. The elephant still managed to hang on for a 2-2 draw though, but with a replay ordered to decide the winner the pressure became too much for the enormous mammal who went on to lose 3-2, too tough a tusk for him perhaps?

## Away Day Travelling

The trip to the Glovers takes stamina. After over 300 miles of motorway it's great to leave the M5 but that final 25 miles on A roads seems to go on for ever. If the length of the journey down to Huish Park is enough to put off all but the most fervent supporter, then the journey home can seem like a round the world expedition on a push bike. Six trips to Huish Park has produced one point and even that draw could have been missed by some supporter as the Carlisle goal in the 1-1 result was scored in added time back in the 2008/09 season, thanks to Michael Bridges.



Huish Park has certainly been an eventful ground for me. Out of the six matches played down there three have been notable for personal disasters. The first time was the only time I've missed kick off on an away trip. The match was in August and a huge traffic jam around Bristol saw us arrive 20 minutes into the game despite the heroic efforts of the bus driver, who used a cross country route to make sure we got there. I got into the ground just as Kevin Gall fired home Yeovil's second, and Roddy Collins was making a substitution in a vain attempt to turn things round. For many it may have been a relief to miss the start of the game but I was working for the Carlisle website at the time and was supposed to be doing the match report. Comment and description was short and not too sweet on that one!

The next mishap was at the match two years ago. I was there taking photos for the Carlisle website and when I unpacked my bag I found I'd left my monopod at home. A monopod is the stick that balances a heavy lens, so the camera doesn't shake and blur the photos and believe me a big lens is heavy. I had no option but to hold the lens without support but by the end of the match I could hardly straighten my arms and my elbows had developed a twitch that lasted for most of the journey home. Fortunately for me, if not for Carlisle, the only last minute goal that day was scored by Yeovil, because by the 87th minute my arms were shaking so much that photos were unusable. The only goal for Carlisle, in the 3-1 defeat came from an Ian Harte penalty.



All the above fades into insignificance after my soaking at last season's game. The match was played on a Tuesday night after a postponement due to Carlisle's cup commitments. The floodlights are not that great at Huish Park which meant I had to work hard to get useable photos. I was sitting just behind the goal line with one camera round my neck and the other on my lap watching play at the other end when suddenly it hit me. . . I wasn't sure what, I just felt a pain on the side of my head and at first thought some one in the crowd had thrown something. A second later when the pain didn't stop I looked round. . . and got the force of the jet of water from Yeovil's sprinkler system full in the face! For some unknown reason the sprinklers had come on half way through the first half of the game. The jet was only a foot away from me and I was well watered much to the amusement of the crowd. It must have been funny to see but for me it was just sheer panic in case my cameras were damaged. My glasses were hanging off one ear, I grabbed them put myself between the water and my cameras and managed to shuffle clear of the torrent. Once the sprinklers subsided I emptied my shoes of water, found a towel to dry my cameras and then sat down and finished shooting the match. One camera wasn't happy, it struggled to focus and started to steam up but thankfully recovered the next day. The journey home was pretty uncomfortable, I sat on a plastic bag to try not to wet the seat and after a few hours I nodded off, only to wake up wondering why I was sitting in a bus soaking wet, then the memory came flooding back!

So this trip, along with my big camera box, my laptop bag and my food holdall, I will probably have another bag containing a change of clothes, towels and a spare monopod, just don't ask if I'm going on holiday! They say bad things happen in threes and I've had my three at Huish Park. So here's to a nice day and a Miller hat trick, we are more than due a change of luck!

Squad Number/Position	Player / Career Record	Age	Starts	Substitute ON and OFF	Unused	Time on Pitch	Goals	Assists	Cards
1 (G)	Adam Collin	26	15	-	-	1,485	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
2 (D)	Frank Simek	27	1	1 off	-	41	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
3 (D / M)	Matt Robson	26	14	-	-	1,388	1	-	3Y, 0R (0YR)
4 (M)	Jon-Paul McGovern	31	9	5 on and 2 off	1	1,031	2	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
5 (D)	Danny Livesey	26	7	2 off	4	629	-	1	2Y, 0R (0YR)
6 (D)	Peter Murphy	30	11	-	1	1,042	1	1	0Y, 0R (1YR)
7 (M)	Andy Welsh	27	4	7 on and 3 off	1	578	-	1	0Y, 0R (0YR)
8 (M)	Graham Kavanagh	37	-	-	1	-	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
9 (A)	Rory Loy	23	8	5 on and 5 off	-	848	1	2	0Y, 0R (0YR)
10 (A)	Paddy Madden	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
11 (M)	Paul Thirlwell	32	12	1 on and 5 off	1	863	-	-	2Y, 0R (0YR)
12 (M)	Tom Taiwo	22	10	3 on and 5 off	2	903	1	-	4Y, 0R (0YR)
13 (M/A)	Francois Zoko	28	11	4 on and 5 off	-	1,095	1	1	1Y, 0R (0YR)
14 (A)	Lee Miller	28	8	1 off	-	622	5	1	1Y, 0R (0YR)
15 (A)	Craig Curran	22	5	7 on and 3 off	3	584	-	2	2Y, 0R (0YR)
17 (M)	Liam Noble	20	9	4 on and 3 off	2	908	1	1	3Y, 0R (0YR)
20 (G)	Mark Gillespie	19	-	-	12	-	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
21 (M)	James Berrett	22	14	-	-	1,368	3	3	2Y, 0R (1YR)
22 (D)	James Tavernier	19	12	-	-	1,158	-	-	2Y, 0R (0YR)
23 (G)	Tony Caig	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
25 (D)	Lubomir Michaklik	28	10	-	-	968	-	-	2Y, 0R (0YR)
27 (M/A)	Ben McKenna	18	-	-	1	-	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
29 (D)	Stephen O'Halloran	23	5	1 off	8	464	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
31 (D)	Steven Swinglehurst	18	-	-	2	-	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)
32 (M)	Josh Todd	17	-	-	1	-	-	-	0Y, 0R (0YR)

Total minutes of game time this season = 1,485.

Positions - G = goalkeeper, D = defence, M = midfield, A = attack.

Time on pitch worked out from the BBC text commentaries and rounded up to a full minute (injury time included).

Cards - Y = yellow, R = straight red, YR = 2 yellow card sending off.

## Don't Quote Me On It

### Newcastle

*We're like the Basques. We are fighting for a nation, the Geordie nation. Football is tribalism and we're the Mohicans.*  
Sir John Hall, 1995

*Newcastle have been very unlucky with injuries this season. The players keep recovering.*  
Len Shackleton, 1965

*We're already bigger and more financially stable than Barcelona. We can attract any player from anywhere in the world.*  
Douglas Hill, Newcastle vice-chairman, 2001

*Newcastle have the potential to allow me to pick up the phone and say to someone like Alex Ferguson: 'I want to buy your best.' I believe that day will come.*  
Jim Smith, 1988

*People talk about Newcastle as a sleeping giant. They last won the Championship in 1927 and the FA Cup in 1955. They already make Rip Van Winkle look like a catnapper.*  
Hugh McIlvanney, 1999

*The old Wimbledon  
The best way to watch Wimbledon is on Ceefax.*  
Gary Lineker, 1993

*It was a typical Wimbledon goal. Sad, miserable, but very effective.*  
Sir Bobby Robson, 2000

*It was just welly, welly, welly. The ball must've been screaming for mercy.*  
Ron Yeats, 1988

*Wimbledon are killing the dreams that made football the world's greatest game.*  
Terry Venables, 1988

*The borstal of football.*  
Dave Bassett, 1987

## Ten to Try - England Special

1. Apart from Wayne Rooney who is the only other England player to have been sent off twice?
2. Five players over 100 England caps, Peter Shilton, David Beckham, Bobby Moore, Bobby Charlton and?
3. Most capped black English player?
4. Youngest England debutant?
5. Oldest age appearance by an England player?
6. Most England hat-tricks (plus over three goals in a game) by a player?
7. Most appearances as captain (two players tied)?
8. Top England penalty scorer (not including shootouts)?
9. Most England games as manager?
10. Second most capped England goalkeeper?

Answers on back page

## Away fixtures results 2011

Date	Fixture	Result	Scorer
Tue 9 August	Oldham (Carling Cup)	1- 1 aet, won 4-2 on penalties	McGovern 57
13 August	Bury	2 - 0	Berrett 68 Noble 90
Tue 16 August	Rochdale	0 - 0	
27 August	Leyton Orient	2 - 1	Miller 68, 87
Tue 30 August	Aldershot T (Carling Cup)	0 - 2	
Tue 6 Sept	Accrington Stanley (JPT)		McGovern 61 Zoko 68
Tue 13 Sept	Tranmere	2 - 1	Miller 3, Berrett 35 (pen)
Tue 17 Sept	Chesterfield	1 - 4	Miller 20
1 October	Walsall	1 - 1	Robson 50

## Away fixtures and departure times 2011-2012 Saturdays unless stated

Date	Fixture	Depart	Cost
15 October	Yeovil	6.00am	£35
22 October	Charlton	6.00am	£32
5 November	Exeter	6.00am	£34
19 November	Sheffield United	10.00am	£17
10 December	Scunthorpe	9.00am	£18
Mon 26 Dec	Preston	11.00am	£12
31 December	Huddersfield	10.00am	£13
14 January	MK Dons	6.00am	£28
28 January	Hartlepool	11.00am	£12
11 February	Stevenage	6.00am	£30
18 February	Brentford	6.00am	£32
3 March	Notts County	9.00am	£20
17 March	Bournemouth	6.00am	£35
24 March	Colchester	6.30am	£32
Friday 6 April	Wycombe	6.00am	£28
21 April	Sheffield Wed	9.00am	£17
5 May	Oldham	10.00am	£15

**Please note:** Some times/days may be altered subject to league alterations.



**CUFC League Positions at the end of season 2011 / 12**  
**Cash prize of £20**

League Position	Name 1	Name 2	Name 3
1	Kate Rowley	Kate Rowley	Daniel Cottrill
2	Jayne	Dan Irving	Peter Osborne
3	Thompson - Gretna	Carol Merrie	Dan Foughey
4	David McNay	Susan Elliott	Ann Watters
5	Nichol	Bob Lindsey	Becky Potts
6	Andrew McNay	David Jackson	A Irwin
7	Doyle (Dan's pal)	Nichol	Nathan Armstrong
8	Thompson - Gretna	Nobby	Jay Gleen (Green)
9	Ronny Harrison	Jo Merrie	Ray Dent
10	Krystal Gayle	Michelle Merrie	Jason Bell
11	Raymond Bristo	Marjory Carr	Jay Gleen (Green)
12	Barry Johnston	Netta	Ryan Blaylock
13	Brian B	Rosalyn	Craig Phillips
14	Janice Edgar	Bill Bradford	Matty Buek
15	Nichol	Keith Elliott	Tommy Milner
16	PI	George Gayle	Martin Armstrong
17	Bill Edgar	PI	Steve Potts
18	Barbara H	Alan Carr	Carl McDermott
19	Laura McNay	Susan Elliott	Josh Pieri
20	Barry Johnston II	Bryan Jackson	Don Foughey
21	Maggie	Norman Steel	Robbie Morley
22	George Gayle	Ian Tuer	Robbie Marley
23	Brian Sanderson	Helen Ross	David Mott
24	Tommy Coleman	Joan Bradford	Liam and Luke

**Carlisle United Supporters Away Travel**

**QUIZ NIGHT**

**Friday 27 January 2012**

**£25 per team entry**

includes pie, peas and gravy at half time

Commencing 19.30hrs at Harraby Catholic Club, Carlisle

Teams of 4 persons. Cash prizes for all members of the first 3 teams

Please ask for entry forms and more details from Kate on 07816 118 601

Entertainment on conclusion of the quiz by **Stevie Las Vegas**

## Bottle Draw Winners

1	PI	
2	Tommy Coleman	
3	Mr Dent	
4	Ginger	
5	Ali	
6	Ian Tuer	
7	Nobby	
8	Steve & Becky	Winner Wk 1 and 4
9	Sarah	Winner Wk 1
10	Carole Merrie	Winner Wk 2 and 3
11	Paul Dent	
12	Barbara Abbott	
13	Krystal Gayle	Winner Wk 1
14	N Steel	
15	R Bristo	
16	Michelle Merrie	Winner Wk 3
17	Barbara Hetherington	
18	Keith Elliott	
19	R Brown	
20	Susan Elliott	
21	Barry Johnston	
22	George Gayle	Winner Wk 4
23	Jo Merrie	
24	B Smallwood	
25	Kate	
26	Helen Ross	

## The FA Cup with Budweiser

(Budweiser the new official sponsor on a three year agreement signed in June 2011)

Fourth Round Qualifying	Saturday 29 October
First Round Proper	Saturday 12 November
Second Round Proper	Saturday 3 December
Third Round Proper	Saturday 7 January
Fourth Round Proper	Saturday 28 January
Fifth Round Proper	Saturday 18 February
Sixth Round Proper	Saturday 17 March
Semi-Finals	Saturday 14 April & Sunday 15 April
Final	Saturday 5 May

## Weekend Away

16 - 18 March 2012

Stay at the Holiday Inn Hotel, Southampton (City Centre) for the Bournemouth match on the 17th March 2012

Dinner, bed and full english breakfast **£175.00**

**Full payment by 11 February 2012**

**Only 1 twin or double left**

*Day coach travel will be available on both trips for those not wishing to take up the weekend option*

**If you are wanting transport for Preston game on Boxing Day book early**

## Travel Committee

Kate Rowley, Ali Ross, Martin Armstrong, Karen Gallagher, Susan & Keith Elliott, Helen Fuller, Becky & Steve Potts & Jo Merry

## Quiz Answers

1. David Beckham
2. Billy Wright
3. Ashley Cole
4. Theo Walcott
5. Stanley Matthews
6. Jimmy Greaves
7. Bobby Moore and Billy Wright
8. Frank Lampard
9. Walter Winterbottom
10. David Seaman