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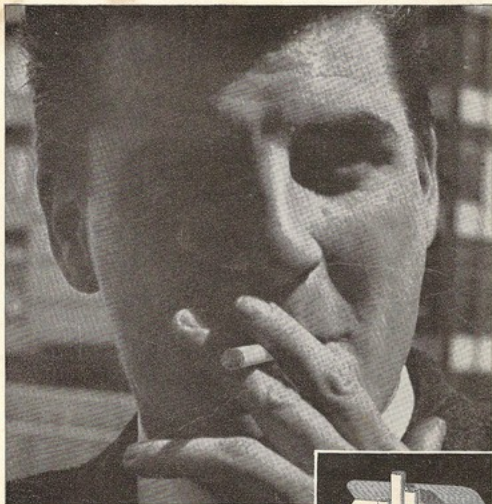
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FIRST TEAM				SECOND TEAM			
Date	Name of Club	Gr'nd	Res.	Date	Name of Club	Gr'nd	Res.
1963				1963			
Aug. 24	Bolton Wanderers ..	H	2-1	Aug. 31	Reading	H	6-2
" 28	Leicester City	A	0-3	Sept. 11	Fulham	A	0-2
" 31	Fulham	A	1-2	" 14	Charlton Athletic ..	H	1-1
Sept. 4	Leicester City	H	2-0	" 21	Leyton Orient	A	2-2
" 7	Manchester United ..	H	1-1	" 28	Coventry City	H	4-0
" 11	West Bromwich Albion	H	0-1	Oct. 5	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	4-1
" 14	Burnley	A	1-2	" 14	Queen's Park Rangers	A	2-1
" 18	West Bromwich Albion ..	A	1-3	" 19	Swindon Town	H	4-1
" 21	Ipswich Town	H	1-0	" 26	Southend United	A	3-0
" 25	Norwich City (F.L. Cup)	A	0-2	Nov. 2	Chelsea	H	1-1
" 28	Sheffield Wednesday ..	A	1-2	" 9	Aldershot	A	5-1
Oct. 2	Tottenham Hotspur ..	A	1-6	" 16	Watford	H	3-0
" 5	Everton	H	0-2	" 26	Millwall	A	2-3
" 19	Sheffield United	A	0-3	" 30	Bournemouth & B.A. ..	H	1-0
" 26	Wolverhampton Wand.	H	2-2	Dec. 7	Swindon Town	A	3-3
Nov. 2	Chelsea	A	3-2	" 14	Southampton	H	A
" 5	Arsenal	A	1-4	" 28	Southampton	A	A
" 9	Blackpool	H	3-2	1964			
" 16	Blackburn Rovers (1)	A	0-3	Jan. 4	Portsmouth	H	A
" 23	Nottingham Forest ..	H	3-3	" 11	Fulham	H	A
" 30	Stoke City	A	1-4	" 21	Charlton Athletic ..	A	A
Dec. 7	West Ham United (2)	H	2-1	" 29	Portsmouth	A	A
" 14	Bolton Wanderers ..	A	A	Feb. 1	Leyton Orient	H	A
" 21	Fulham	H	A	" 12	Coventry City	H	A
" 28	Arsenal	H	A	" 15	Brighton & H. Albion	A	A
1964				" 22	Southend United	H	A
Jan. 4	(3)			" 29	Chelsea	A	A
" 11	Manchester United ..	A	A	Mar. 14	Watford	A	A
" 18	Burnley	H	A	" 18	Aldershot	H	A
" 25	(4)			" 21	Millwall	H	A
Feb. 1	Ipswich Town	A	A	" 28	Bournemouth & B.A. ..	A	A
" 8	Sheffield Wednesday ..	H	A	Apr. 4	Queen's Park Rangers	A	A
" 15	Everton	(5)	A	" 14	Brentford	A	A
" 22	Liverpool	A	A	" 18	Brentford	A	A
" 29	Tottenham Hotspur (6)	A	A	Undated:	Reading	A	A
Mar. 7	Wolverhampton Wand.	H	A	MIDLAND INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE			
" 14	Blackburn Rovers (S.F.)	H	A	Date Name of Club Gr'nd Res.			
" 20	Blackpool	A	A	1963 CUP COMPETITION			
" 28	Chelsea	H	A	Aug. 31	Shrewsbury Town ..	H	3-0
" 30	Aston Villa	A	A	Sept. 7	Coventry City	H	6-1
" 31	Aston Villa	H	A	" 14	West Bromwich Albion	A	1-3
Apr. 4	Nottingham Forest ..	A	A	" 21	Aston Villa	H	4-1
" 11	Stoke City	H	A	" 28	Walsall	H	0-4
" 17	West Ham United ..	A	A	Oct. 5	Shrewsbury Town ..	A	0-2
" 25	Sheffield United ..	H	A	" 12	Coventry City	A	4-1
May 2	F.A. Cup Final			" 19	West Bromwich Albion	H	0-1
To be arranged:				" 26	Aston Villa	A	2-0
Liverpool	H			Nov. 2	Walsall	A	1-5
				LEAGUE COMPETITION			
				Nov. 9	Port Vale	A	6-1
				" 16	Nottingham Forest ..	H	4-2
				" 23	Coventry City	H	4-0
				" 27	Aston Villa	A	2-2
				Dec. 7	Leicester City	H	2-1
				" 14	West Bromwich Albion	A	A
				" 21	Notts. County	A	A
				1964			
				Jan. 4	Shrewsbury Town ..	A	A
				" 11	Walsall	A	A
				" 18	West Bromwich Albion	A	A
				" 25	Shrewsbury Town ..	A	A
				Feb. 1	Stoke City	H	A
				" 8	Stoke City	A	A
				" 15	Wolverhampton Wand.	A	A
				" 22	Wolverhampton Wand.	A	A
				" 29	Nottingham Forest ..	A	A
				Mar. 7	Coventry City	A	A
				" 14	Aston Villa	H	A
				" 21	Leicester City	A	A
				Apr. 4	Port Vale	H	A
				" 11	Notts. County	H	A
				" 18	Walsall	A	A

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Ferencvaros Torna Club

FERENC LANDI (Goalkeeper): Born 12.10.39 a fine player who came up from FTC Youth teams.

DEZSO NOVAK (Right-back): Born 3.2.39. A former winger turned full back with 'B', Under-23 honours and 4 full caps.

JENO DALNOKI (Left-back): Born 17.12.32. Another international with 14 full caps.

OSZKAR VILEZSAL (Right-half): Born 17.9.30. The veteran of the side and often captain.

SANDOR MATRAI (Centre-half): Born 20.2.32. Stopper for FTC but right back for Hungary in more than 50 internationals.

SANDOR HAVASI (Left-half): Born 30.10.41. Came into the team last year and now a candidate for Hungary's Olympic squad.

JOZSEF FENYVESI (Outside-right): Born 18.9.40. Younger brother of left winger Mate who joined FTC a year ago from Budapest junior club Medosz.

ZOLTAN VARGA (Inside-right): Born 1.1.45. A 'B' international also in line for the Olympic team.

FLORIAN ALBERT (Centre-forward): Born 15.11.41. The star of the team with 42 caps, and the top scorer for the last five seasons.

GYULA RAKOSI (Inside-left): Born 9.9.38. Another international who can play on the wing and at half back. 14 caps.

MATE FENYVESI (Outside-left): Born 20.9.33. "Dr" Fenyvesi—a qualified vet and 57 times an international.

Others who might play:

ZOLTAN FRIEDMANSZKY: Born 22.10.34. Inside-forward or centre-forward with 'B' and Under-23 caps.

GYORGY HORVATH: Veteran centre-half born 7.3.29 with 1 cap. Also doubles up at full back in emergency.

GYORGY KOCSIS: Born 2.7.36. Wing-half who was a regular until this season.

PAL OROSZ: Play anywhere in attack type with Under-23 caps. Born 25.1.34.

ACZEL (Goalkeeper):

JOZSEF MESZAROS (FTC Manager): 40 years and formerly centre-half for the club. One international cap.

...TWO, FOUR, SIX, EIGHT, WHAT DO WE APPRECIATE ..?



Gil Merrick's Notes



IT is a great pleasure to welcome our Hungarian visitors for tonight's friendly match, not only because they are one of the top sides of their Country, but it also brings back the flavour of the Inter-Cities Fairs Cup to St. Andrew's. I must admit that we have sorely missed the competition, and the very happy occasions we have spent with

many Continental Clubs. Tonight we will attempt to get ourselves back into the Continental Match atmosphere and at the same time get away from the tension of League games with the hope that it will serve to get a little more confidence for the severe League programme ahead.

Our victory over West Ham United on Saturday was deserved, although it was rather a struggle in the finish, simple because of the fact that our forwards again could not take advantage early on, that is why I am hoping that with the freedom from tension in this evening's game, we shall be able to improve up front.

In the "needle" match with our closest rivals Swindon Town, who are lying in second place in the Combination, the lads had a grand match and after a very hard struggle they finished level at 3 each, Peter Bullock 2, Mick Bullock 1 were our scorers.

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BIRMINGHAM CITY v. FERENCVAROS (HUNGARY)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11th, 1963

Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

IT gives us great pleasure tonight to welcome the Hungarian League Champions FERENCVAROS to St. Andrew's. They are a team who in the past 64 years have been champions of their country on no less than eighteen occasions. The present line up includes many current and recent International players and actually four of them have made 160 senior International appearances between them. Names such as Albert, Fenyvesi, Rakosi, Matrai and Sandor are well known to us in England and few will deny that here we have a

team of many talents and great potential. We have seen many most interesting floodlit encounters at St. Andrew's and it is felt that tonight's game should be among those to remember.

Ferencvaros are making a 3 match tour culminating in their fixture at Highfield Road, Coventry on Monday next, and we all trust that they will enjoy their sojourn in our country and return to Hungary with happy memories and having made many new friends.

LEAGUE TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Liverpool	20	13	2	5	38	20	28
Blackburn	22	11	6	5	48	28	28
Tottenham	20	12	4	4	57	37	28
Manchester United	21	11	4	6	43	27	26
Arsenal	22	11	4	7	57	49	26
Sheffield Wed.	21	10	5	6	41	30	25
Everton	20	10	5	5	36	28	25
Sheffield United	21	9	6	6	36	29	24
Burnley	22	9	6	7	33	30	24
West Brom. A.	21	9	4	8	34	27	22
Chelsea	21	7	8	6	32	30	22
Nottingham Forest	21	8	6	7	31	29	22
Leicester City	21	6	8	7	32	30	20
West Ham United	21	6	8	7	30	34	20
Fulham	21	8	3	10	23	31	19
Wolverhampton W.	21	7	5	9	28	45	19
Stoke City	21	6	6	9	41	46	18
Blackpool	21	6	5	10	25	40	17
Aston Villa	21	7	3	11	28	31	17
Birmingham City	21	6	3	12	26	47	15
Bolton	21	3	4	14	27	44	10
Ipswich	21	1	5	15	19	53	7

THE FOOTBALL COMBINATION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Birmingham City	15	9	4	2	41	18	22
Chelsea	14	9	3	2	38	10	21
Swindon Town	14	10	1	3	45	25	21
Leyton Orient	16	9	3	4	37	34	21
Charlton Athletic	13	7	4	2	23	18	18
Fulham	16	7	4	5	33	29	18
Portsmouth	14	7	3	4	35	22	17
Southampton	15	8	1	6	35	29	17
Coventry City	16	5	5	6	27	26	15
Millwall	15	6	3	6	22	21	15
Reading	16	5	5	6	41	44	15
Watford	15	5	4	6	29	30	14
Bournemouth & B.A.	15	5	3	7	22	24	13
Brighton & H.A.	14	5	2	7	25	43	12
Queens Park R.	15	4	1	10	18	32	9
Brentford	16	2	5	9	18	32	9
Aldershot	14	1	4	9	15	35	6
Southend United	15	1	3	11	24	49	5

APPEARANCES AND GOAL-SCORERS

	Football League		F.A. Cup		Football League Cup		Football Comb.	
	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals
Anderson							10	5
Atkinson							4	2
Auld	17	7					3	3
Beard	19	1			1			
Bloomfield	18	2			1		2	
Brown							1	
Bullock, M.							7	5
Bullock, P.	11	1					4	5
Clarke							10	
Farmer							14	2
Farrell	2				1		9	2
Foster	7						4	
Green	21				1			
Harley	17	3			1			
Harris	2	2					6	3
Hellawell	20	2						
Hennessey	19				1			
Hopkin							2	
Leek	11	1			1		2	3
Lowe							14	1
Lynn	18	4					2	1
Martin							9	
Regan							9	2
Rushton	3				1		11	
Schofield	2						13	
Sharples							9	
Smith	17	1			1			
Thompson							1	
Thomson	6	1					2	1
Thwaites	2						7	5
Vincent							9	1
Withers	19				1		1	
Opponents (o.g.)		1						
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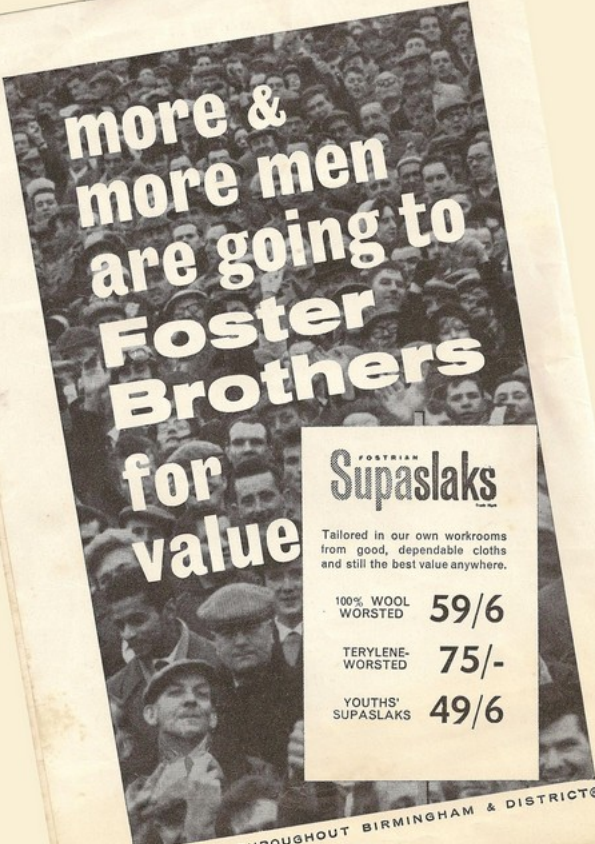
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