

Players Parade at Goodison Park

Appearance record to end of 1969-70 season

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Alan Durban

ALAN DURBAN is yet another Derby transfer "snip" - but he doesn't come under the Clough banner. The Port Talbot-born schemer came from Cardiff City for a mere £12,000 seven years ago and, although always rated as a skilful individualist at inside forward, he lacked the surroundings to prosper as Derby dived with relegation to Division III. Even when Clough came, Durban had his "downs", dropping into the reserves at the end of 1968 and thinking about a transfer. Then he was switched to the midfield general's role - and hasn't looked back. He returned to the First Division in which he had appeared briefly for Cardiff as an 18-year-old and the Welsh honours began to pile up. He finished Derby's Second Division Championship with a hat-trick against Bristol City and a few weeks later captained his country in the Home Championship.

Alan Durban's League career:

Cardiff City Apps. 52 Goals 9

Derby Apps. 269 Goals 80

Alan Hinton

ALAN HINTON is still only 27 but this fierce-shooting Derby winger has crammed a wide range of experience into a career dating back to a teenage debut with Stan Cullis's Wolves.

He quickly graduated to Under-23 and full honours and

drew a large transfer fee from Nottingham Forest but his true potential has perhaps been revealed only since arriving at Baseball Ground.

Alan Hinton's League career:

Wolverhampton Apps. 75 Goals 29

Nottingham Forest Apps. 108 (4) Goals 25

Derby Apps. 108 (1) Goals 19

Archie Gemmill

Latest of the many productive Derby signings is ARCHIE GEMMILL. a scottish Under-23 international who became too good for Preston to hold when they took the drop into Division III.

After early "groundwork" in Scotland with St. Mirren, Gemmill came to England and made a great impression as a determined but skilled midfield man. He cost Derby £60,000 just over a fortnight ago.

Archie Gemmill's League career:

St. Mirren Apps. 65 (2) Goals 9

Preston Apps. 86 (9) Goals 13

Dave Mackay

Footballer extraordinary that is perhaps the easiest way to summarise Derby skipper DAVE MACKAY. What other man could have seen one great career at Tottenham scarred by two broken legs and yet started another lease of soccer life when past 30?

His insistent leadership and courageous qualities have "made" Derby and when the times comes for him to retire, he can look back on a great record involving Scottish caps, Cup and League medals with the Double-winning Spurs, another Cup medal in 1967, the share of the Footballer of the Year with Tony Book in 1969, and Second Division success with Derby County. What a

great player, what a great example to the country's youth.

Dave Mackay's League career:

Hearts Apps. 135 Goals 26

Tottenham Hotspurs Apps. 268 Goals 43

Derby Apps. 80 Goals 3

John O'Hare

When Derby paid out £22,000 to pluck centre forward JOHN O'HARE out of Sunderland's reserves three years ago, neither they nor O'Hare could have imagined that he would develop into Scotland's centre forward by the time of this year's Home Championship. Even O'Hare was doubtful about leaving the First Division for Derby.

But the move paid off handsomely as he became one of soccer's priceless rarities - a powerful front runner good enough to take the knocks, and also score goals. John first took Scotland's notice when scoring twice on his Under-23 debut against Wales last January.

John O'Hare's League career:

Sunderland Apps. 51 Goals 14

Derby Apps. 124 Goals 35

John Robson

Another shrewd deal by Brian Clough brought Durham youngster JOHN ROBSON into League soccer at the age of 17 - only a few weeks after he had been playing junior soccer. Spotted by Peter Taylor in a youth representative game.

Robson has taken less than a century of League games to become established among the leading defenders and last month he was honoured with an appearance for the Football League side against the Irish League, followed

by selection for the England Under-23 team next week.

John Robson's League career:

Derby Apps. 85 Goals 1

Kevin Hector

KEVIN HECTOR, capped by the Football League team last month, got a sad reminder of how far he had progressed when his former club, Bradford PA, dropped out of the League not much more than four years after receiving Derby's £45,000 cheque.

Overlooked by Leeds after playing in their Youth team with Paul Madely and Paul Reaney. Hector was given his chance by then Bradford boss Jimmy Scoular and he started off a transfer chase when he popped home 45 goals in one season - including five in a match against Barnsley.

Kevin Hector's League career:

Bradford Apps. 176 Goals 113

Derby Apps. 153 Goals 65

Les Green

LES GREEN overcome two handicaps to become the key goalkeeping figure in the re-birth of Derby. At 5ft. 8,5 ins. tall, he is just about the shortest No 1 in the First Division and, of course, people said he was too small to make the grade. His second handicap was his slow start in the professional game. He set off in the Southern League with Nuneston and also had a brief spell with Hull City - but it was his move to Burton Albion that sparked off a chain of events to the top division. Peter Yaylor, now the Derby assistant manager, was in charge at Burton and became so impressed with Lespotential that he took him along when he joined Brian Clough in managerial partnership at Hartlepool. The management duo moved on again to Derby - but this time Green was left behind and then went to the Baseball Ground.

Les Green's League career:

Hull Apps. 4

Hartlepool Apps. 34

Rochdale Apps. 44

Derby Apps. 84

Ron Webster

One of Brian Clough's first moves on arrival at Derby was to switch Belper-born RON WEBSTER from wing half to full Back. It was a astute plan since repaid by the season-by-season consistency of one of the best uncapped backs in the business. The 27-year-old defender was a Derby supporter as a boy and has been on the Rams' professional roll for ten years.

Ron is looking to his future outside the game and among his hobbies is a keen interest in farming.

Ron Webster's League career:

Derby Apps. 266 Goals 5

Roy McFarland

Many are the arguments in Derby clubs and pubs about who is the greatest of all Brian Clough's bargains. The Rams' Boss would be unlikely to disagree if you put forward centre half ROY McFARLAND, a £25,000 import from Tranmere Rovers who was on many clubs' Prenton Park "shopping list" until Clough beat them all by swooping in a midnight deal.

This talented "Scouser" was immediately made the coq of a promotion-winning defence. England Under-23 honours soon followed and it is no secret that manager Clough rates him good enough to go on to full caps.

Roy McFarland's League career:

Tranmere Rovers Apps. 35

Derby Apps. 120 Goals 16

Terry Hennessey

So far this season Derby's defence has not been in the steely mood normally associated with Clough's teams. Perhaps the most serious and unsettling injury was that suffered by Welsh international TERRY HENNESSEY, who moved for £100,000 from Nottingham Forest midway through last term.

The ex-Forest skipper was not fully fit at the start of the season and, in a Central League try-out, he broke down with cartilage trouble. The necessitated surgery and at the moment Terry is making great progress on his seven-week schedule for a first team return. Since bursting into the Birmingham City team in European Fairs Cup football as a teenager, Hennessey has been one of the modern game's top half backs. He won his first caps as a creative player, but left Birmingham for £65,000 at a time when he was unhappy in a sweeper's role. Yet, at Forest, he willingly settled in the back four, eventually replacing veteran Bobby McKinley at centre half.

Terry Hennessey's League career:

Birmingham Apps. 178 Goals 3

Nottingham Forest Apps. 160 Goals 5

Derby Apps. 12 Goals 2

Willie Carlin

Midfield power is a top priority for Brian Clough and that's why he was prepared to invest £60,000 two years ago in a Liverpool boy who was released for £1,500 by the Anfield club, WILLIE CARLIN vowed to prove Bill Shankly wrong the day he signed for Halifax Town.

In his second season he started the campaign by becoming club skipper and scoring 24 goals. Carlisle

were among the first to see the potential in the 5ft. 4 ins, tall dynamo and paid out £10,000 to get his assistance in their climb to Division Two. Even a broken leg couldn't seriously hinder Carlin's rise back to Division One and he got there on a £40,000 deal to Sheffield United and although the Blades were soon relegated. he achieved his ambition of playing in a winning side at Anfield! But it wasn't long before the persistent Carlin re-appeared at the top by helping Derby to promotion. Once ignored by the England schoolboy side because of his size, Carlin has had his share of the unlucky breaks, but he says happily: "Everything has worked out fine now."

Willie Carlin's League career:

Liverpool Apps. 1

Hallifax Apps. 95 Goals 32

Carlisle Apps. 91 (1) Goals 21

Sheffield United Apps. 36 Goals 3

Derby Apps. 76 Goals 14