

**Grimsby Town Football Club Limited.**

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**FOOTBALL LEAGUE (NORTH) CHAMPIONSHIP.**

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**GRIMSBY TOWN**

*VERSUS*

**PRESTON N.E.**

**ON**

**Blundell Park, Grimsby,**

**Saturday, May 4th, 1946**

**KICK OFF - 3-0 P.M.**

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**OFFICIAL PROGRAMME**

**PRICE TWOPENCE.**

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**Any alterations before the match will be notified on  
the board.**

# HISTORY OF PRESTON N.E.

Club formed in 1880.

Played on present ground since 1880.

Record attendance :—42,684 v. Arsenal (I league), April 23rd, 1938.

Best in F.A. Cup :—Winners in 1888—89 and 1937—38.

Biggest Football League victory :—10—0 v. Stoke, September 14th, 1889.

Heaviest defeat :—0—7 v. Nottingham Forest, April 9th, 1927.

Most Football League goals for Club up to start of 1939 war :—156 by W. T. Roberts from 1919—20 to 1927—28 inclusive.

Record individual total of Football League goals for one season :—37 by E. C. Harper in 1932—33.

Best individual scoring feat for one Football League match :—Seven goals by J. Ross v. Stoke, October 6th, 1888.

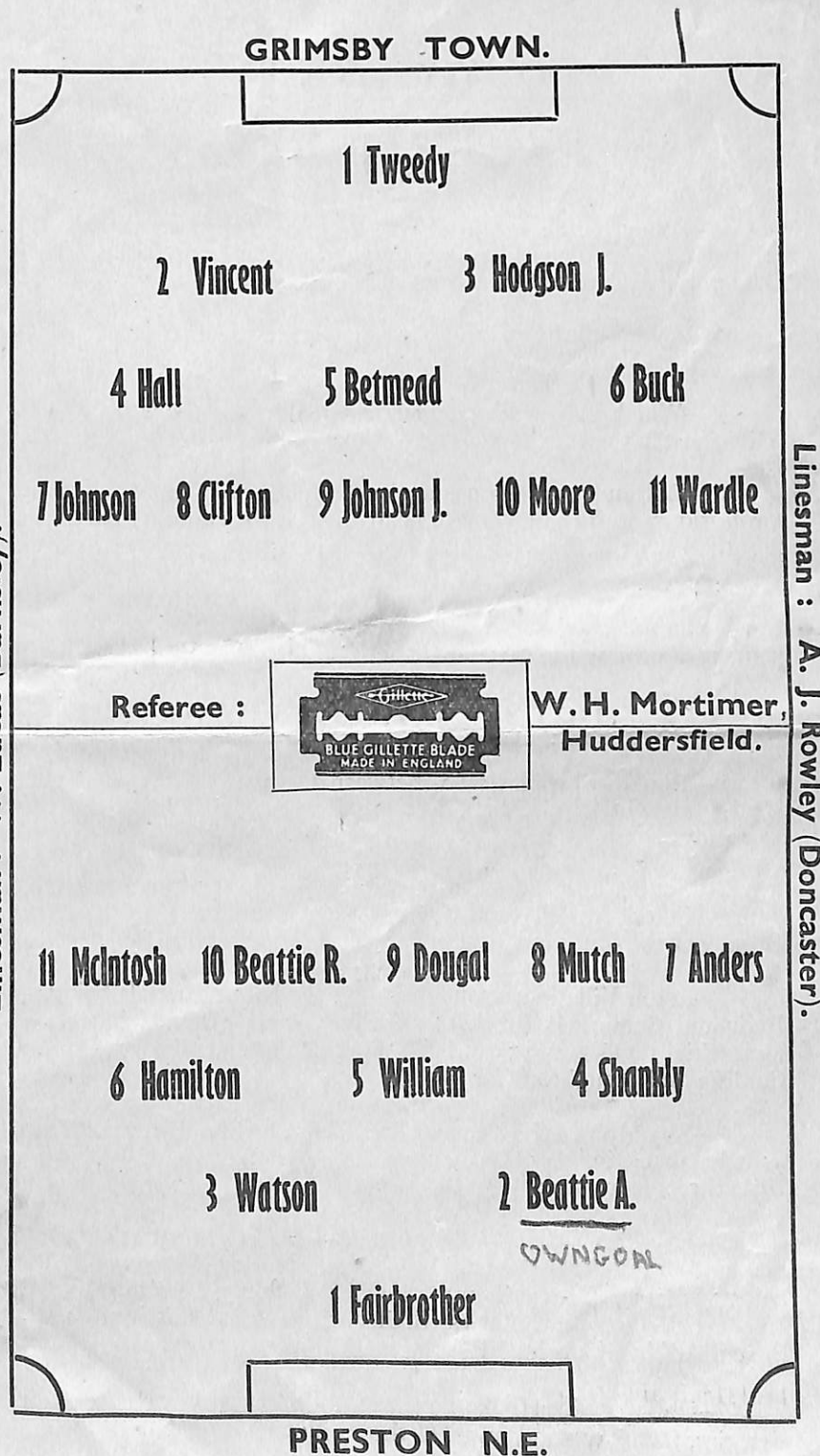
Best individual scoring feat against for one Football League Match :—Four goals by A. Shepherd (Newcastle United), January 3rd, 1910 ; H. Woods (Arsenal), December 6th, 1924 ; J. Trotter (Sheffield Wednesday), September 12th, 1925 ; W. W. P. Haines (Portsmouth), May 7th, 1927 ; E. M. Glover (Grimsby Town), October 15th, 1932 ; C. Lewis (Grimsby Town), October 31st, 1936.

Total players (while with Club) supplied for International Championship matches :—24 : Nine English, nine Scottish ; four Welsh ; two Irish.

Longest service in Club's employ among present registered professionals :—Frank Gallimore, secured in June, 1931.

Total players ordered off in Football League matches since 1914—1918 war :—Two.

Linesman : W. Lucas (Barnsley).



## DO YOU KNOW ?

1 Which player made F.A. Cup semi-final appearances with the most different Clubs in history ?

2—Which Club received an aggregate of over £18,000 in transfer fees in one actual playing season for three half-backs it had recruited without cost from minor football ?

3—Which Club was relegated at the end of a season in which it had the help of 13 Internationals ?

4—Which player was signed as a reserve left-back by a Third Division Club with which he became an International goalkeeper ?

5—Within two seasons, a Football League Club had on its professional staff 15 players who had all been with another particular Football League Club. What were the circumstances ?

6—How often has it happened in Football League history that home victories, away wins, and draws have been identically the same in the First and Second Division for a completed season ?

## HERE'S THE ANSWER

1—Ronald Starling, who, between the two wars, appeared in semi-finals with Hull City, Newcastle United, Sheffield Wednesday and Aston Villa.

2—Sunderland did so in season 1937—38, for the transfers of James Clark (to Plymouth Argyle), Alexander McNab (West Bromwich Albion), and Leslie McDowall (Manchester City).

3—Aston Villa in season 1935—36, the Internationals being :—Blair and Cummings (backs) ; Massie, Gibson, Allen Griffiths and McLuckie (half-backs) ; and Phillips, Hodgson, Waring, Astley, Cunliffe and Houghton (forwards).

4—Roy John who secured by Walsall from Swansea Town as a left-back in May, 1928, became the goalkeeper of Wales less than three years later.

5—In season 1935—36 and 1936—37, Bournemouth had 15 players who had all been with Wolverhampton Wanderers, these being :—Bellis, Bucknall and Marsden (backs) ; Smith, Pincott, Mordue, Wilson and Twiss (half-backs) and Whittam, Akers, Burns, Adkins, Burgin, Flaherty, and Morgan (forwards).

6—Only once. In season 1935—36 there were 259 home victories, 92 away wins, and 111 draws in each division.