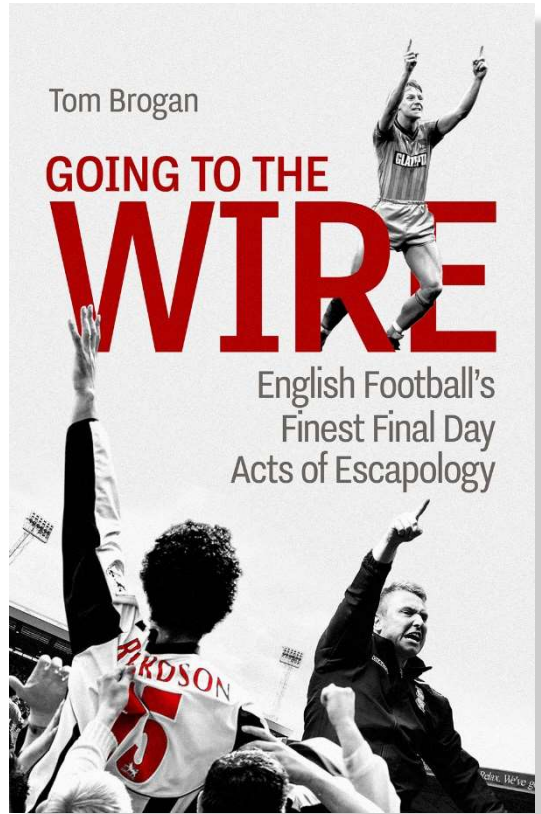




Title information



Going to the Wire

English Football's Finest Final Day
Acts of Escapology

By Tom Brogan

Key features

- A detailed look at 12 clubs who survived relegation on the final day of the season
- Interviews and contributions from more than 20 players, executives, historians, authors and fans who offer fresh perspectives on those final-day dramas
- Examines how the financial situations in the leagues have changed and the increased significance of relegation
- Reveals how relegation fixtures have altered from the 1970s, when games kicked off at different times and were crammed into any available space, to the present day, when TV is a key consideration
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Going to the Wire looks at a dozen teams, from the 1970s to the present day, whose survival came down to the season's final day. It captures the drama and the passion that comes when not only league survival, but jobs and even a club's very existence can be on the line. It's all here, as Tom Brogan looks at the drama of late, late goals, on those days when fans can spend more time with ears pressed to radios, or eyes glued to mobile phones, all for news from another ground! The passion, the shredded nerves, bitten fingernails, the absurdities of blatant time-wasting, fake news of 'goals' elsewhere and ultimately teams coming back from the dead. Relegation is all part of the game, but one that no fan wants their team to get dragged into, but great escapes can make heroes of the unlikeliest of players. Tottenham Hotspur, Everton, Middlesbrough, Burnley, Derby County and Coventry City are just a few of the clubs whose final-day escapes make the cut in *Going to the Wire*, as Brogan reveals just how close some clubs got to falling through the relegation trap door and what it took to avoid it.

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