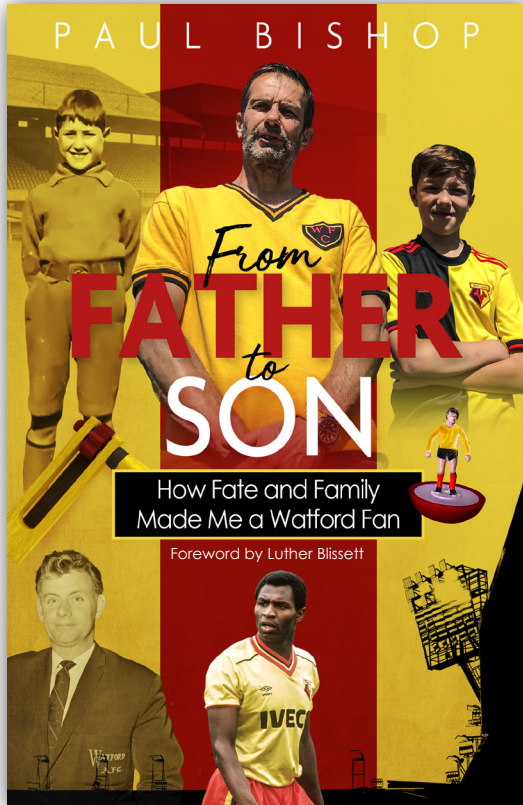




Title information



From Father to Son

How Fate and Family Made Me a Watford Fan

By Paul Bishop

Key features

- Semi-autobiographical exploration a young boy's love of football began to develop in the 1960s
- Reflects a bygone era, and covers the significant changes the game has seen, like Jimmy Hill's successful battle with the FA to end the players' maximum wage rule
- Authentic and amusing explanation of how football used to be, set against vivid personal accounts of the game
- Features some of the household names of the game, alongside Watford's less well-known players and staff
- Written by life-long Watford fan and full-time writer Paul Bishop, this is his first book
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

From Father to Son is Paul Bishop's semi-autobiographical account of his love of football, and most of all his local team Watford. It touches on the innocence of childhood and the influence of parents, family, friends, and in Paul's case Jimmy Hill, Johnny Haynes and many others. Part history, part travelogue, the book takes the reader on a nostalgic trip from the early 1960s, when football was a game and not a business. It explains why a five-minute segment in *Kes* makes it a better football film than *Escape to Victory*. It was an era when all English grounds were dominated by terraces, you could meet your mates and have a chat on the 'cinder curve' at Vicarage Road, as you marvelled at the skill of Ray Lugg and the heading ability of Barry Endean. The author also acknowledges the original 'boss' in his young eyes... Watford's legendary manager Ken Furphy, who went from Workington to New York Cosmos, via Watford, and ended up coaching both Pele and Johan Cruyff.

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