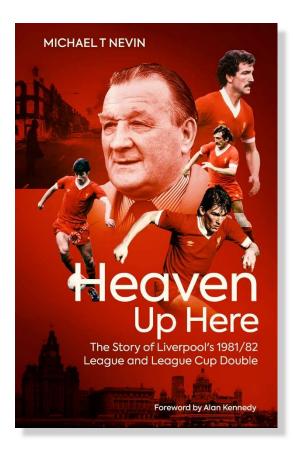


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Heaven Up Here

The Story of Liverpool's 1981/82 League and League Cup Double

By Michael T Nevin

Key features

- Enthralling account of the revolutionary 1981/82 season and Liverpool's 13th league title
- Dressing-room insights from Alan Kennedy, Graeme Souness and Phil Thompson – plus Kevin Keegan on the death of legendary manager Bill Shankly
- Contemporary eyewitness accounts from Liverpool supporters bring the season to life
- Explores the social, cultural and wider football backdrop, depicting challenging times for the city and the game
- Mike Nevin is a respected writer and commentator on LFC history; he is co-author of the critically acclaimed On the March with Kenny's Army
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

It's August 1981 and Liverpool, a city already on its knees in the grip of Thatcherism, is reeling from the devastating effects of the summer riots. While Charles and Diana marry, Ian Botham wins the Ashes and Shergar romps to Derby glory, Liverpool is ablaze. Mass unemployment and widespread poverty reign and hope among the young is fading fast. All that is left to cheer is the football. On the pitch, Liverpool – the European champions – are struggling. The Reds lie adrift in 12th place at Christmas. Gates are falling, key players are ageing, or in the case of Ray Clemence, leaving. But Bruce Grobbelaar has arrived and Ian Rush and Ronnie Whelan are emerging. The axe falls on Phil Thompson's captaincy and the armband is awarded to his nemesis Graeme Souness. It was a Bob Paisley masterstroke. The Reds roared to a 13th league title and an epic Wembley defeat of Spurs to complete a memorable double. This is the story of that unforgettable season, set against a uniquely Scouse social and cultural backdrop.

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