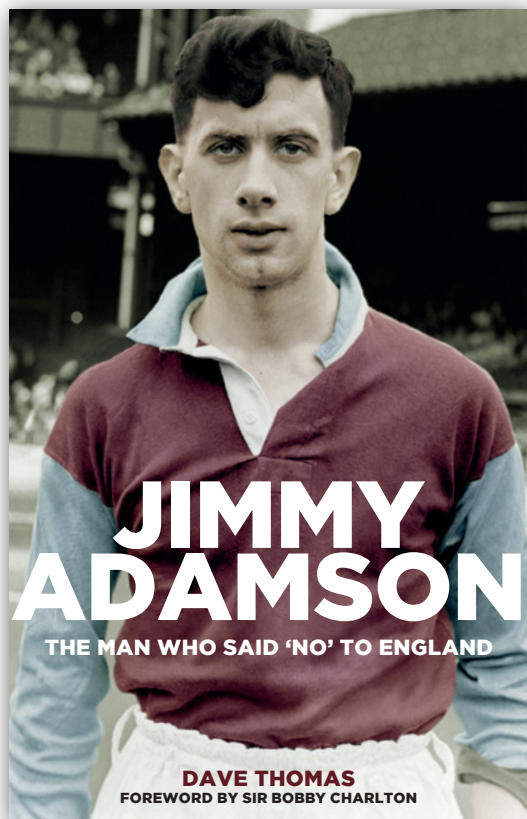




Title information



Jimmy Adamson

The Man Who Said 'No' to England

By Dave Thomas

Key features

- Paperback edition of the long-overdue reassessment of an enigmatic football player and manager, with an enduring human interest story to tell
- Foreword by World Cup winner, prolific England goalscorer and football legend Bobby Charlton
- Written by Dave Thomas, author of several books on Burnley FC, with which club Adamson is chiefly associated
- A story of high ideals and personality clashes; of broken dreams, failed ambitions and personal tragedy
- Includes colour photo section, with pictures to accompany the text

Description

Jimmy Adamson was a football enigma, revered by some, disliked by others – a supremely elegant player of the '50s and early '60s, a title winner and a respected coach, but a manager whose spirit was ultimately shattered. In 1962, Adamson had the world at his feet: FA Cup finalist, Footballer of the Year and invited to become England manager, having been assistant at the World Cup in Chile. But Adamson said 'no'. In 1970 he predicted that Burnley would become the 'Team of the Seventies', but despotic chairman Bob Lord's selling policy saw the vision fade and die. Controversially sacked in 1976, Adamson moved to Sunderland and then endured two torrid years at Leeds United before turning his back on the game. This is a poignant story of broken dreams, failed ambitions and personal tragedy, ending in estrangement from the club he loved. A story of what might have been.

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