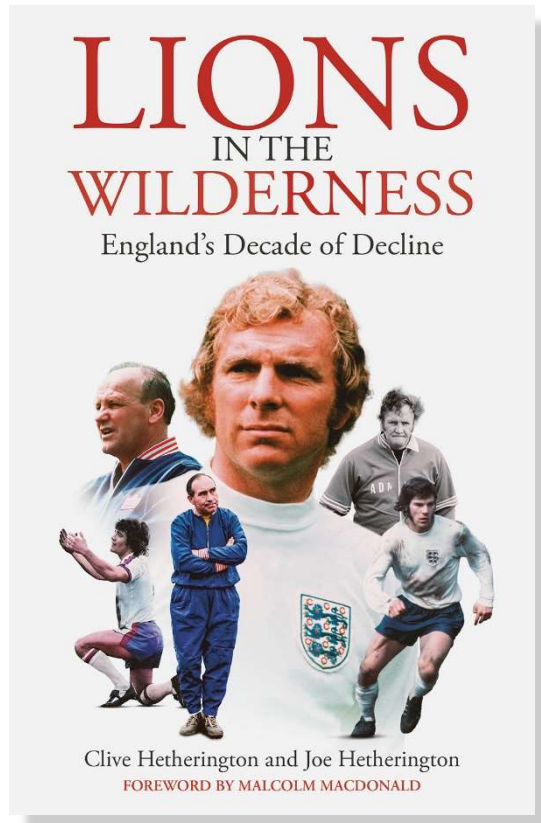




Title information



Lions in the Wilderness

England's Decade of Decline

By Clive Hetherington and Joe Hetherington

Key features

- In-depth look at how the England football team's fortunes unravelled in the years following the 1966 World Cup
- Background on the four men who managed England in the 1970s
- Revealing interviews with England players of the era and others who were in the game
- First-hand accounts of what it was like to be in and around the national side during that turbulent decade
- Insight into the influential characters who were at the heart of the England set-up
- Shines a spotlight on the long-overdue arrival of black players in the England ranks
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Lions in the Wilderness: England's Decade of Decline traces the trials and tribulations of the England football team in the 1970s. It was a decade that began with the Three Lions being deposed as holders at the 1970 World Cup in Mexico, and ended with them failing to appear in another major tournament until the 1980 European Championship. Manager Sir Alf Ramsey, who led England to their famous 1966 World Cup Final triumph over West Germany at Wembley, lost his job in the wake of his side's calamitous failure to qualify for the 1974 tournament, while ultimate successor Don Revie walked out in highly controversial fashion to take charge of the United Arab Emirates and leave Ron Greenwood to pick up the pieces of his country's shattered reputation. *Lions in the Wilderness* also focuses on the personalities who shaped English football in the 70s and charts the growing emergence of black players, culminating in right-back Viv Anderson becoming the first black player to win a senior England cap.

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