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**JANUARY** 

#### **WEDNESDAY 1st JANUARY 1986**

The Clarets came from behind to beat Wrexham 5-2 on New Year's Day at Turf Moor. Phil Brignull and Brian Mooney scored for the Welsh side inside the first 21 minutes to put them two up. Tommy Cavanagh's side fought back to be level ten minutes later with goals from Alan Taylor and Ray Deakin. It was Deakin's first goal for the club.

Burnley were the better side in the second half. Midfielder Paul Comstive, who would go on to play for the Clarets, was sent off at 2-2. Goals from Neil Grewcock and Derrick Parker (2) reflected home superiority.

Centre-forward Parker had returned to Turf Moor after spells at Barnsley and Southend United. He had previously played for the Clarets in the First Division.

#### **MONDAY 1st JANUARY 2018**

Johann Berg Gudmundsson's first goal of the season looked to have given Burnley a precious point at home to Liverpool but the Clarets were cruelly denied by an injury-time winner from Ragnar Klavan. It was the Estonian's first ever Premier League goal.

Jurgen Klopp's team had taken the lead when Senegal international Sadio Mane picked up a deflected Trent Alexander-Arnold cross and fired past Nick Pope in style.

Gudmundsson's goal came three minutes from time from a deflected Charlie Taylor cross that had been headed on by substitute Sam Vokes. The Icelandic international headed home from close range.

Sean Dyche's team were denied when Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain's cross was headed towards goal by Dejan Lovren. His central defensive partner Klavan got the last touch with a diving header.

# SATURDAY 2nd JANUARY 1960

Burnley won 5-2 on a muddy Boleyn Ground pitch. Ian Towers deputised for the injured Jimmy McIlrov.

Striker Ian Lawson was the hero with two goals. He got the opener but it looked set to be a tight match when Welshman Phil Woosnam got an equaliser. Woosnam had left his job as a physics teacher to play for the Hammers before emigrating to the United States where he took on the role of NASL commissioner. Harry Potts's team took control before half-time with goals from Brian Pilkington and John Connelly. Lawson and Connelly scored again in the second half. Noel Cantwell had converted from the spot to make it 4-2.

Burnley were second in the First Division, ahead of local rivals Preston North End on goal average. Tottenham Hotspur were three points clear at the top.

#### MONDAY 2nd JANUARY 1978

Burnley pulled off a massive shock by winning 2-1 at top-of-the-table Bolton Wanderers. Harry Potts's team were bottom of the Second Division and went to Burnden Park as rank outsiders.

Bolton had only dropped one point at home all season and a big holiday crowd of 26,000 were stunned when the Clarets took a surprise lead in the 11th minute. Paul Fletcher and Terry Cochrane combined to send Brennan away and he finished in style past Jim McDonagh. It was 2-0 just after half-time. Tony Morley was fouled just outside the box. Brennan smashed the free kick round the wall and into the Bolton net. It was Brennan's sixth first-team goal and all of them had been away from Turf Moor. Neil Whatmore, who would later play for Burnley, got a consolation for Bolton.

#### **MONDAY 3rd JANUARY 2005**

Gary Cahill scored his only Burnley goal in a 1-0 win at Stoke City. Cahill had joined us on loan from Aston Villa ahead of the League Cup tie against Tottenham Hotspur in November 2004. The 19-year-old got on the end of a Tony Grant corner to force home the winner. Ade Akinbiyi, Wayne Thomas and Gifton Noel-Williams all played for the Potters that day. They would all move to Turf Moor later in their careers.

Sheffield-born, Cahill extended his loan spell at Turf Moor until the end of the season and picked up Player of the Season awards.

Cahill later moved to Bolton Wanderers and Chelsea. He made his England debut in September 2010 at Wembley against Bulgaria.

# **SUNDAY 3rd JANUARY 1988**

Andy Payton made his full Football League debut and scored in the first minute of a 3-1 derby win for Hull City against Leeds United in front of 15,000 fans. Alex Dyer and Richard Jobson got the other goals. Payton had been released by Burnley at the age of 16, in 1984, when John Bond was manager. Brian Horton was City's player-manager and took a chance on Payton.

'The Padiham Predator' would go on to play for Middlesbrough, Celtic, Barnsley and Huddersfield Town before returning to his hometown club. Chris Waddle brought him back to Turf Moor in a swap for Paul Barnes. He scored 27 league goals in our Second Division promotion-winning season in 1999/00.

# **SATURDAY 4th JANUARY 1975**

In one of the biggest FA Cup shocks in the history of the competition, Southern League Wimbledon travelled to Turf Moor and beat First Division Burnley 1-0.

The Dons were 10,000/1 to lift the cup and no one gave Allen Batsford's team a chance in this tie. The only goal came early in the second half. Ian Cooke broke clear. His effort was blocked by goalkeeper Alan Stevenson but Mick Mahon scored from the rebound.

The Clarets dominated possession. They had all the chances but couldn't find a way past inspirational stopper Dickie Guy.

It was the first time a non-league club had won away from home at a top division side. The Dons were drawn away to Leeds United in the next round. Guy was in fine form again, saving a Peter Lorimer penalty. After a goalless draw at Elland Road, the Yorkshire side won a tight replay at Selhurst Park.

#### **SATURDAY 4th JANUARY 1992**

Fourth Division Burnley held Derby County to a 2-2 draw at Turf Moor in their FA Cup third-round tie in 1992.

When Martyn Chalk scored for the Rams after just 32 seconds it looked like it would be a long afternoon for the Clarets. Not so. Burnley were level after six minutes. John Francis used his pace to get behind the visitors' defence. His cross was converted by Steve Harper at the near post.

A crowd of almost 19,000 saw County take the lead again with just 13 minutes left. Ted McMinn, who would go on to play for Burnley, put in a cross that was dropped by Mark Kendall for Andy Comyn to pounce.

Within four minutes Burnley had another equaliser. Mike Conroy's cross was headed past Peter Shilton by Roger Eli.

The replay was abandoned because of fog with Second Division Derby leading 2-0. In the next attempt, Arthur Cox's side won 2-0 with goals from Paul Williams and Ian Ormondroyd.

#### **WEDNESDAY 5th JANUARY 1966**

Burnley's Gordon Harris made his England debut in a 1-1 draw with Poland at Wembley just five months before the 1966 World Cup was set to get under way. Harris had been in superb form for the Clarets in the 1965/66 season and deserved his call-up. Alf Ramsey played an experimental 4-3-3 formation, with Harris playing in an unfamiliar right-half role.

Captain Bobby Moore scored a rare international goal with a late header that gave England a point.

The England side was: Banks: Cohen, J Charlton, Moore, Wilson: Harris, Ball, Stiles: Baker, Hunt, Eastham.

Sadly, it was the only international appearance for 'Bomber' Harris. Ramsey went with a 'wingless wonders' 4-4-2 formation and lifted the World Cup. Harris wasn't even in the 22-man squad.

#### SATURDAY 5th JANUARY 1980

Granada TV's *Kick Off* cameras were at Turf Moor for this controversial FA Cup third-round tie.

The Clarets were having a miserable season and would be relegated to the third tier for the first time in their illustrious history. The Potters were in the top flight and were odds-on favourites.

13,000 fans enjoyed a compelling cup tie which hit fever pitch in the 69th minute when referee Kevin McNally sent off Denis Smith in bizarre circumstances. It looked like City were set to make a change. Smith was limping but he told the visitors' bench he was OK to continue. McNally thought it was time wasting and sent him off!

Martin Dobson got the only goal from a dubious penalty. Stoke were down to nine men – Ray Evans had said something to the referee and was dismissed too.

#### **TUESDAY 5th JANUARY 2010**

Owen Coyle left Turf Moor for Bolton Wanderers midway through Burnley's first season in the top flight for 33 years. He had been linked with a move to Celtic immediately after the Championship play-off win against Sheffield United. For a Scot raised in the east end of Glasgow that might have been acceptable but Burnley fans were furious with his move to the Reebok.

The 43-year-old played 54 times for the club in the mid-1990s, the only time the Republic of Ireland international played outside of Scotland.

Damned in Burnley as a 'Judas' and revered in Bolton as a 'legend', he replaced Gary Megson at the Reebok. Coyle defended his move by saying, 'This [Bolton] is probably five or ten years ahead of what we were trying to achieve at Burnley.'

#### **TUESDAY 6th JANUARY 1970**

The Clarets drew 1-1 at Maine Road with Francis Lee scoring for Manchester City and Martin Dobson for Burnley. The game was due to be played originally on 27 December but was postponed and rescheduled for 6 January.

Burnley were 17th in Division One, the 1968 champions were seventh. In the City side were Stan Bowles, Ian Bowyer and Mike Summerbee. Bowyer would win the title with Nottingham Forest and his son, Gary, would manager Blackburn Rovers. Summerbee would have a spell at Turf Moor later in his career.

For Burnley, there were first starts of the season for Ray Ternent, Freddie Smith and David Walker.

#### **SATURDAY 6th JANUARY 1973**

Jimmy Adamson's Burnley won 3-0 at Villa Park. Peter Higgs said in the *Burnley Express*, 'Who can stop Burnley now?'

On paper it looked a tough test in front of a noisy 38,000 crowd. Former Claret Andy Lochhead was kept quiet by Colin Waldron. Keith Newton scored his first Burnley goal in the seventh minute from a well-worked free kick taken by Billy Ingham. Geoff Nulty got the second goal in the 23rd minute after good work from Paul Fletcher and Frank Casper.

The game was over as a contest just after half-time when Ingham netted after Leighton James had missed an opportunity.

Adamson's side led the Second Division by four points from Queens Park Rangers with Oxford United another four points back in third place.

#### **SATURDAY 7th JANUARY 1995**

The Clarets won 4-2 at Cambridge United in an FA Cup third-round tie. Jimmy Mullen's side had to come from behind to win the tie after Steve Butler had given United the lead. David Eyres (pen), Liam Robinson, Adrian Randall and John Gayle all scored for Burnley. Butler got a second, a late consolation.

Despite being back in the second tier, Burnley had played in the earlier rounds and had already beaten Shrewsbury Town and Chester City to reach this stage. Next up, in the fourth round, were Liverpool. The Clarets held them to a goalless draw at Turf Moor before going out to a solitary John Barnes goal in the Anfield replay.

# **SATURDAY 7th JANUARY 2017**

Joey Barton made his second debut for the Clarets in a goalless draw at the Stadium of Light the week before. The former England international had returned to Turf Moor after a brief, ultimately unsuccessful, spell with Glasgow Rangers.

Barton scored on his Premier League return against Southampton. His free kick deceived Fraser Forster to give Burnley a vital 1-0 win. It was his first Turf Moor goal.

The midfielder had played a big part in Burnley's Championship titlewinning season in 2015/16 which ended with a 23-game unbeaten run.

Barton would leave the club the following summer after being hit with an 18-month suspension (later reduced) for betting irregularities.

# **SATURDAY 8th JANUARY 2011**

Stuart Gray was in temporary charge of the Clarets for a 4-2 FA Cup third-round win over Port Vale at Turf Moor in 2011. Brian Laws had left the club after a disastrous home defeat to Scunthorpe United. Gray was caretaker manager. Defender Clarke Carlisle got the early goal

Burnley needed when Vale couldn't clear a fourth-minute corner and Carlisle headed home a Chris Eagles cross. There was a shock equaliser on 15 minutes when Michael Duff's clearance hit Rob Taylor and went into the Burnley goal.

There was a rare goal for Tyrone Mears after 21 minutes. His superb free kick went round the wall and past Stuart Tomlinson in the visitors' goal. Jack Cork set up Eagles to make it 3-1 early in the second half and Graham Alexander converted from the spot to make it 4-1 after Mears had been pushed in the box. Taylor got his second, a consolation, late on.

#### **SATURDAY 8th JANUARY 1983**

Burnley drew 2-2 at Brunton Park in the FA Cup on this day in 1983. Steve Taylor and Andy Wharton scored for Brian Miller's side. Paul Bannon and Malcolm Poskett scored for the Cumbrians.

This was an all-Second Division clash and Burnley won the third-round replay 3-1 at Turf Moor with goals from Brian Flynn, Trevor Steven and a Brian Laws penalty. Poskett scored again for Carlisle.

That replay win was Miller's last in his first stint as manager. He was replaced by Frank Casper ahead of the successful trip to White Hart Lane for the League Cup quarter-final later in the month.

#### **SATURDAY 9th JANUARY 1892**

Burnley's record peacetime league win came on this day in 1892 when they beat Darwen 9-0 in a home First Division fixture. Tom Nicol and Alex McLardie got hat-tricks. James Hill scored twice and John Espie got the other goal. Darwen were a member of the Football League from 1891 to 1899. They joined the Lancashire League in 1900 and have remained in the non-league circles ever since.

In their last season in the Football League (1898/99) they suffered 18 successive defeats – it remains a league record.

# **TUESDAY 9th JANUARY 1979**

This 1979 FA Cup tie had been postponed from the previous Saturday. Burnley came through 2-0 winners at St Andrew's against First Division Birmingham City in this rearranged game four days later.

Tony Morley, a £100,000 signing from neighbours Preston, replaced the injured Paul Fletcher and got off to a flyer with a cracking left-foot shot inside the first minute. 1973 Sunderland FA Cup hero Jim Montgomery stood no chance in the home goal.

The Clarets were up against England star Trevor Francis who was withdrawn at half-time. Francis was about to move to Forest to become Britain's first £1 million footballer. Also in the home ranks was Argentinean World Cup star Alberto Tarantini.

Burnley sealed their passage to the next round with a late second goal when Leighton James thumped the ball home after an impressive flowing move.

Joe Gallagher was in the centre of the City defence. Gallagher, James, Billy Rodaway and referee George Courtney would all be back at Turf Moor just eight years later for the famous Orient game.

# **SUNDAY 10th JANUARY 2010**

Burnley appointed Terry Pashley and Martin Dobson as caretaker managers after Owen Coyle had moved to Bolton Wanderers. Both were former Burnley players. Dobson was working as director of youth development and Pashley was youth team coach at Turf Moor. It was originally thought Steve Davis would take charge of team affairs but he, and goalkeeping coach Phil Hughes, elected to follow Coyle to the Reebok.

Dobson had previously managed in the Football League with Bury and Bristol Rovers. As it happened, they didn't actually take charge of a game. Another former player Brian Laws was appointed before the Manchester United match the following Saturday.

#### SATURDAY 10th JANUARY 1998

It was bottom against top at Turf Moor and Chris Waddle's side pulled off a big shock with a 2-0 win over Watford. Andy Cooke scored both goals against Graham Taylor's high-flying side. Waddle had recalled Glen Little and Paul Smith to his side and that much needed width helped Burnley to three valuable points.

This was the former England international's only season in football management. Assisted by Glenn Roeder, it looked like they were willing to allow Little to leave the club. A move to Notts County seemed on the cards until he was dramatically restored to the side.

One move that was definitely going ahead was a Paul Barnes/Andy Payton swap deal with Huddersfield Town. It was a move that would reignite Burnley's season. Payton, a former Gawthorpe High School pupil, had been released under John Bond's management in 1984.

# SATURDAY 11th JANUARY 1975

The Clarets won 1-0 at Loftus Road on this day in 1975. It would prove to be Burnley's last top-flight league win in the capital until a 2-0 success at Selhurst Park in April 2017 – a gap of 42 years!

Jimmy Adamson's team were recovering from a shock FA Cup defeat at the hands of Southern League Wimbledon.

Dave Thomas was in the Queens Park Rangers side and there was a league debut for winger Colin Morris. He played on the opposing flank

to Leighton James, who had been linked with a big-money move to Everton or Derby County.

Ray Hankin's goal was controversial because Hoops defender Ian Gillard was down injured.

Adamson's response to the James rumours? 'Brezhnev has more chance of becoming American president than James has of leaving Burnley!' James joined Derby later that year.

# **WEDNESDAY 11th JANUARY 1978**

Michael Duff was born in Belfast on this day. A Steve Cotterill signing, he joined the Clarets from Cheltenham Town in the summer of 2004 for a bargain fee of £30,000.

His Clarets debut came in the 1-1 home draw against Sheffield United on 7 August 2004. He is the only Burnley player to win three promotions to the top flight – 2009, 2014 and 2016.

His last Burnley appearance came as a late substitute for Michael Keane in the 3-0 win at Charlton Athletic on 7 May 2016. Sean Dyche's team clinched the Championship trophy that day. He made 342 appearances for the club, scoring seven times.

After hanging up his boots he joined Burnley's coaching staff and was promoted to manage the under-23 development squad at the start of the 2017/18 season.

#### **TUESDAY 12th JANUARY 2016**

Sean Dyche's Burnley were in imperious form on this day in 2016, winning 5-0 at Milton Keynes Dons. Joey Barton scored his first goal for the club after 14 minutes, robbing a Dons defender before firing home.

The Clarets went on a scoring spree in the second half. Sam Vokes scored after just 30 seconds of the restart. He went on a solo 60-yard run before firing past Lee Martin to score. Andre Gray headed home from a Barton free kick and Matt Lowton got his first Burnley goal to make it 4-0. George Boyd completed the rout after a pass from Gray.

Referee Steve Martin sent off home defender Anthony Kay in the second half. Burnley were up to fourth in the Championship after registering their biggest win under Dyche.

# WEDNESDAY 12th JANUARY 1977

The Clarets were FA Cup winners on this day in 1977, triumphing 1-0 at Sincil Bank in a third-round replay. The first tie had been drawn 2-2 at Turf Moor and the Third Division side were now favourites to progress.

Joe Brown's Second Division team edged through thanks to a goal from Paul Fletcher. It was an early birthday present for the former Bolton Wanderers striker who would turn 26 the following day.

On a bone-hard pitch that was barely fit to play on, a recalled Malcolm Smith played a big part in the goal. With his back to goal, his shot on the turn was blocked but it fell kindly to Fletcher who made no mistake. In the Lincoln City side were Sam Ellis and John Ward, who would later be assistant managers at Turf Moor. Worcestershire batsman Phil Neale was also in their ranks.

#### **TUESDAY 13th JANUARY 1953**

Portsmouth had won the league championship in successive years in 1949 and 1950 and were a major force in the 1950s. Burnley drew 1-1 at Fratton Park in the third round of the FA Cup to take the tie back to Turf Moor for a Tuesday afternoon replay.

Some Burnley fans had gone to the Preston/Wolves tie on the Saturday and were disappointed when the tannoy mistakenly announced the Clarets had lost 4-1!

Amazingly, almost 40,000 fans turned up for the replay despite the afternoon kick-off. Some employers helped. The National Coal Board amended shift patterns to allow fans to finish early and head straight for the game. Those fans saw goals from Jimmy McIlroy, Les Shannon and Billy Elliott in a 3-1 win as Frank Hill's team went through.

#### **SATURDAY 13th JANUARY 1962**

Burnley were top of Division One with Manchester City struggling at the foot of the table.

Harry Potts's side won a fantastic Turf Moor game crammed with nine goals. Former German paratrooper Bert Trautmann was missing from the City side because of a back injury. Trautmann had been close to joining the Clarets after the Second World War. He had been a prisoner of war in Ashton-in-Makerfield and played for John Connelly's former club St Helens in the Lancashire Combination after hostilities ended. The former Luftwaffe pilot elected to go to Maine Road rather than Turf Moor.

He was, however, at the Burnley v Hamburg European Cup tie helping with communication between the two sides.

Trautmann's replacement was young keeper Harry Dowd who had also conceded six in a reserve fixture at Turf Moor on 23 December 1961. Peter Dobing, Joe Hayes and Neil Young scored for City. Jimmy McIlroy and Jimmy Robson both scored twice. Gordon Harris and a Cliff Sear own goal completed the scoring.

# **TUESDAY 14th JANUARY 1992**

Clarets midfielder Robbie Brady was born in Dublin on this day. He was spotted by Manchester United scouts playing for St Kevin's Boys and joined United's academy in 2008. His only United appearance came in the League Cup tie against Newcastle United at Old Trafford in October 2016.

After spells with Hull City and Norwich City he joined Burnley on transfer deadline day in January 2017 for a fee believed to be worth £13 million. He scored his first Burnley goal against Chelsea in February 2017. His fabulous free kick beat Thibaut Courtois to give Burnley an equaliser in a 1-1 draw against the champions-elect.

A Republic of Ireland international, he scored a header against Italy in Lille in the 2016 European Championships. His goal took Martin O'Neill's side through to the knockout stages.

#### **SATURDAY 14th JANUARY 2012**

Eddie Howe's Burnley won 2-0 at the Riverside in a Championship game on this day. Jay Rodriguez and Kieran Trippier scored the goals. The first came in the sixth minute through a fantastic training ground routine. A Ross Wallace corner was dummied by David Edgar for Burnley-born Rodriguez to fire home.

It was 2-0 after 28 minutes. A long throw from Ben Mee wasn't cleared and full-back Trippier fired home from 30 yards. Rookie goalkeeper Connor Ripley, son of ex-Rovers and England winger Stuart, looked at fault.

Boro substitute Lukas Jutkiewicz would later sign for the Clarets. Ex-Burnley loanee Rhys Williams was in the heart of the home defence.

# FRIDAY 15th JANUARY 2016

Burnley followed up a 5-0 win at Milton Keynes Dons with another superb performance at Griffin Park. The Clarets beat Brentford 3-1 live on Sky Sports with three top-class goals all before half-time.

Scott Arfield got the first, a marvellous team goal. Andre Gray touched the ball back to the former Falkirk player for him to find the top corner for a goal of the season contender.

Joey Barton stepped up to take a free kick which went over the wall and in off the post. George Boyd got the third. A headed clearance only found the former Peterborough United player, who struck left-footed into the bottom corner.

Much-sought-after winger Alan Judge got a goal back in the second half but it was only a consolation.

James Tarkowski was left out of the Bees side. He would join Burnley later that month.

The Clarets moved within two points of the Championship's top two.

#### **SATURDAY 15th JANUARY 1977**

Back in 1977, Burnley faced a Fulham side at Craven Cottage that featured Bobby Moore, Rodney Marsh and George Best. It finished 2-2. Peter Noble (pen) and Paul Fletcher scored for Burnley. For the home side Alan Slough netted the opener and there was a late leveller from Les Barrett. Ex-Claret Gerry Peyton was in the Fulham goal.

A crowd of less than 9,000 took this opportunity to see Best. No longer in his prime, he had spent time in America playing for Los Angeles Aztecs. Pop star Elton John co-owned the Aztecs and at that time the North American Soccer League was thriving. At Fulham he was on a reported £500-a-match deal.

Burnley were in the bottom three of the Second Division and Joe Brown was under pressure as the Clarets were striving to avoid a second successive relegation.

#### **TUESDAY 16th JANUARY 1996**

Title-winning manager Harry Potts died on this day in 1996 aged 75. He was one of Burnley's finest servants and had two spells as Burnley manager. Firstly he replaced Billy Dougall from January 1958 until January 1970. He returned to the hot seat when Burnley were struggling in the Second Division between February 1977 to October 1979.

From Hetton-le-Hole in County Durham, he first joined the club as a 16-year-old in 1937. After serving with the RAF in India he returned to Turf Moor after hostilities ceased. He helped Burnley to promotion and the FA Cup Final in 1946/47 – his first season.

He followed former manager Cliff Britton to Everton in 1950. He managed Shrewsbury Town before returning to East Lancashire in 1958.

Potts and Bob Paisley were childhood friends and both would manage league championship-winning sides. The Clarets had finished sixth and seventh in his first two seasons in charge but they took the title in style with a last-day win at Maine Road in 1960.

# **WEDNESDAY 16th JANUARY 1963**

When the draw was made for the third round of the FA Cup in the 1962/63 season the Clarets were drawn away to Spurs in the first FA Cup tie played after the 1962 Cup Final. This should have been the tie of the round between the best two teams in the country but after a number of postponements it was played on a pitch covered in snow and ice.

Burnley won the game easily 3-0 with goals from John Connelly, Andy Lochhead and Gordon Harris.

There was a little bit of needle. In one incident Burnley goalkeeper Adam Blacklaw was caught by Terry Dyson. The Scot then chased Dyson and was only stopped by four Burnley players!

#### FRIDAY 17th JANUARY 1997

This was a Friday night game live on Sky TV, or the 'Magic Lantern' as then Bury manager Stan Ternent called it!

Adrian Heath's Burnley were 3-0 up inside 30 minutes and the game was over. Goals were scored by Peter Swan, Paul Smith and David Eyres. Paul Barnes even missed a late penalty when he snatched the ball off Eyres. Chris Lucketti had tripped Andy Cooke. Bury goalkeeper Dean Kiely moved to his left to save. Rob Matthews got a consolation for the Shakers.

Bury boss Stan Ternent could see Turf Moor from his Cliviger home. Dean West, David Johnson, Ronnie Jepson, John O'Kane and Lennie Johnrose were all in Bury's ranks and would go on to play for the Clarets.

#### **THURSDAY 17th JANUARY 1935**

Albert Cheesebrough was born on this day in Burnley in 1935. Cheesebrough was the captain of his Rosegrove School team and played at county level for Lancashire. He made his Burnley debut against Manchester United as a 17-year-old in 1952.

An inside-forward, he played more when Alan Brown became manager and scored a hat-trick in the 7-3 win over Leicester City in November 1957. However, Harry Potts tended to favour Jimmy Robson and Cheesebrough moved on to Leicester in 1959 for a £20,000 fee. He scored 40 times in 158 appearances in nine years at Burnley.

He played in the 1961 FA Cup Final for the Foxes against Tottenham Hotspur. He later moved on to Port Vale and Mansfield Town before retiring to run a butcher's shop in Southport. His daughter Susan represented Great Britain at gymnastics in the 1980 Olympics in Moscow.

#### **WEDNESDAY 18th JANUARY 1961**

Burnley were only the third English club to take part in the European Cup, following Manchester United and Wolves. We had beaten French champions Stade Reims to reach the last eight. On a wet January night, the Clarets turned in a wonderful performance against the star-studded Germans. The game was being beamed live across the country by the BBC with Kenneth Wolstenholme on commentary duties.

Brian Pilkington scored two fantastic goals. The second was probably his best in claret and blue. Cutting in from the wing, he fired home a thunderous shot past Horst Schnoor in the Hamburg goal. Jimmy Robson netted a third after a Ray Pointer header had been blocked but Gert Dorfel got a crucial German goal late in the contest.

Hamburg, led by the excellent Uwe Seeler, turned the tie around in the second leg, beating the Clarets 4-1 to go through on aggregate.

#### **TUESDAY 18th JANUARY 2005**

A comical own goal from Djimi Traore gave Burnley a memorable FA Cup win over Liverpool. This was a rearranged date after the match had been postponed because of a waterlogged Turf Moor pitch. The crucial goal came after 51 minutes. Richard Chaplow's cross looked harmless when Traore's attempted drag-back crept past Dudek into the net.

Rafa Benitez opted to leave Jamie Carragher and Steven Gerrard in the stands and without their two local stars they couldn't force an equaliser. Antonio Nunez added to their misery by being sent off by referee Mark Clattenburg for striking out at Tony Grant.

The Clarets were through to a home fourth-round tie against a Bournemouth side that included Wade Elliott, Garreth O'Connor and John Spicer. Liverpool moved on. A sensational comeback in the Champions League Final against AC Milan in Istanbul was the highlight of their season.

#### **WEDNESDAY 19th JANUARY 1983**

Burnley were stuck near the bottom of the Second Division. Manager Brian Miller was relieved of his duties ahead of the coach journey south with Frank Casper stepping in as caretaker boss. In that season's Milk Cup competition, the Clarets had already beaten two top-flight sides – Coventry City and Birmingham City – to reach the last eight. It was a star-studded home side that included the likes of Osvaldo Ardiles, Ricky Villa, Ray Clemence, Glenn Hoddle and Gary Mabbutt.

Everything seemed to be going to plan for Spurs when little Terry Gibson got the first goal in the first minute of the second half. However, Graham Roberts gifted the Clarets an equaliser when he diverted a Kevin Young cross past Clemence into his own goal.

Then Billy Hamilton scored from six yards after Young found him with a superb free kick. It was 3-1 when Steve Taylor ran deep into the home half and his cross was diverted home by the hapless Roberts. Hamilton's second, and Burnley's fourth late on sealed the tie.

# SATURDAY 19th JANUARY 2008

This had been a difficult week for Burnley. Top scorer Andy Gray had left the club for promotion-chasing Charlton Athletic in a big-money deal. The former Leeds United and Sunderland striker scored 28 goals for Burnley in 69 appearances.

Life without Gray started well. Ade Akinbiyi and Robbie Blake got the goals in a fine 2-1 win at the Ricoh Arena. Michael Doyle scored for the Sky Blues. Graham Alexander took over the captaincy from the suspended Steven Caldwell. Alexander was back at the city of his birth. Danny Fox, who would later join Burnley, played left-back for City.

#### **WEDNESDAY 20th JANUARY 1965**

Warren Joyce was born on this day in 1965. His father, Walter, also played for the Clarets. Walter left Turf Moor the year before his son was born after making 70 league appearances over a ten-year period – he was part of the squad that won the league championship in 1960. Warren joined Burnley in 1993 from Plymouth Argyle and promptly scored twice on his first-team debut in a win over Port Vale.

They were the second father/son partnership to play for the club after Brian and David Miller.

Joyce Jr had played for Bolton Wanderers and Preston North End and stayed three seasons. He was part of the squad that won promotion via the play-offs in 1994.

#### SATURDAY 20th JANUARY 1990

The Clarets struggled against a Rochdale side that was down to ten men after 55 minutes and nine men after 72. Dale won 1-0. It brought back memories for assistant manager Michael Docherty and injured midfielder Gary Rowell. They were in the Sunderland ranks that won at Turf Moor with nine men in 1978.

Goalkeeper Keith Welch was the Dale hero. Time and time again he kept Burnley at bay. Peter Ward got the crucial goal, heading home a Jimmy Graham cross.

Steve O'Shaughnessy and Willie Burns were the visiting players that were dismissed.

Burnley slipped to ninth spot in the Fourth Division, 11 points behind leaders Carlisle United.

There was good news off the pitch. Speedy forward John Francis was on his way back from Cambridge United after preferring the Clarets to Leyton Orient. Tony Hancock left the club for Preston North End.

#### WEDNESDAY 21st JANUARY 2009

This was a real night of heartache for Burnley fans. After trailing 4-1 from the first leg of this Carling Cup semi-final against Tottenham, Burnley were less than three minutes away from reaching Wembley in a prestigious cup final for the first time since 1962.

Nobody gave Burnley a prayer. After 33 minutes, Robbie Blake spotted goalkeeper Ben Alnwick out of position waiting for a cross. He cleverly curled his free kick inside the wall and in. Game on! It was 2-0 when Blake turned young Chris Gunter inside out. His astute cross was turned home by Chris McCann. With just three minutes remaining Alnwick fumbled a Blake free kick for supersub Jay Rodriguez to strike.

Bizarrely in the Carling Cup away goals counted double ONLY after extra time.

Burnley defended like trojans. With less than three minutes left Spurs broke down the left and found Roman Pavlyuchenko who smashed the ball into the net to keep up his record of scoring in every round. Burnley's misery was compounded when Jermain Defoe, signed between the semifinal legs, shot home from just outside the box.

#### **MONDAY 21st JANUARY 2008**

Former Burnley player Billy Elliott died on this day in 2008. Bradfordborn, he played for Burnley between 1951 and 1953. A winger, he cost £23,000 from Bradford Park Avenue – a big fee back then. He made his England debut in the May 1952 international against Italy in Florence, which was drawn 1-1. That was the first of his five caps.

He left Burnley for Roker Park in 1953 and played in over 200 games for Sunderland.

For his first managerial job he coached Libya before returning to coach at Sheffield Wednesday and Sunderland. He later managed SK Brann (Norway), Sunderland and Darlington.

#### WEDNESDAY 22nd JANUARY 2014

This date marks the sad death of former Burnley inside-forward Arthur Bellamy, aged 71. Born in Consett in County Durham, he was spotted at 15 by legendary scout Jack Hixon while playing for the Consett Iron Company works team. Harry Potts offered him a deal and he scored on his first-team debut in the 5-2 away win at Manchester City in March 1963. He went on to play in 250 games in all competitions, scoring 29 goals. He scored two hat-tricks, firstly at Goodison Park in a 4-3 win in September 1963 and then against Orient in a 6-1 eight years later.

After a spell at Chesterfield, and a period out of the game, Bellamy returned to Turf Moor where he took up coaching and groundsman roles. He was at Brian Miller's side for the fateful Orient game in 1987.

## SUNDAY 22nd JANUARY 2017

Sean Dyche's team were hard done by in this controversial game at the Emirates in his 200th game in charge. Arsenal led through a Shkodran Mustafi header just before the hour.

Burnley stayed in the game, and Granit Xhaka was sent off for a poor challenge on Steven Defour. Burnley appeared to have won a point when Ashley Barnes was felled in the box and Andre Gray beat Petr Cech from the spot. Arsenal boss Arsene Wenger was sent off for manhandling fourth official Anthony Taylor. But there was a sting in the tail. Referee Jon Moss gave a late penalty for a high boot by Ben Mee on Laurent Koscielny. It looked incredibly harsh and the Frenchman was in an offside position. Alexis Sanchez converted down the middle.

#### **MONDAY 23rd JANUARY 1939**

A painting of Jimmy Robson's 1962 Wembley goal is available to see in football boardrooms around the country. It was the 100th FA Cup Final goal scored at Wembley. Unfortunately, Burnley lost the game 3-1 to Tottenham Hotspur.

The Clarets legend was born on this day in 1939. Robson hailed from Pelton, a small village near Chester-le-Street. He scored the first of his 100 Burnley goals on his debut as a 17-year-old against Blackpool in October 1956.

He was a valuable part of the Clarets side that won the Division One title in 1960. He scored 18 league goals that season with five of them coming in the 8-0 hammering of Nottingham Forest. Amazingly, the following season he scored 37 goals in all competitions.

He moved on to Blackpool in 1965 – he was the first Pool substitute to score a goal against Manchester United at Old Trafford in 1966. He later returned to Turf Moor as a coach working firstly for Jimmy Adamson and then with Stan Ternent.

#### **TUESDAY 23rd JANUARY 2001**

The Clarets went out of the FA Cup in dramatic style at Glanford Park. Third Division Scunthorpe United claimed the scalp of First Division Burnley with a penalty shoot-out win. The original tie had finished 2-2 at Turf Moor with Lenny Johnrose earning Stan Ternent's side a replay with a late leveller.

The packed ground erupted when Kevin Ball blasted Burnley's sixth penalty over the bar to hand the home side a fourth-round away tie at Bolton.

Against the run of play, Andy Payton fired a low shot across Tommy Evans into the net to put Burnley ahead. Andy Dawson got the equaliser with a superbly executed free kick when he lifted the ball over the wall and into the net.

Peter Morrison and Steve Davis had their penalties saved at the start of the shoot-out.

Then, after nine successful strikes, including one from Scunthorpe assistant boss Russ Wilcox, Ball blazed his effort over the crossbar as the Third Division side won through.

# **SATURDAY 24th JANUARY 1970**

Dave Sexton's Chelsea were third in Division One, Burnley a lowly 17th ahead of this FA Cup fourth-round tie. The BBC's *Match of the Day* cameras were there to witness an amazing Burnley comeback. The Clarets trailed 2-0 after goals from John Hollins and Peter Osgood. Manager Harry Potts pulled off a masterstroke, switching Martin

Dobson to centre-forward. With ten minutes left he reduced the arrears with a simple finish from a Frank Casper cross. Then sensationally the 21-year-old struck again with just three minutes left after a mesmerising run from Ralph Coates.

Keith McNee in the *Burnley Express* described it as 'a soccer climax to beat them all'. Unfortunately, the Londoners won the Turf Moor replay and went all the way to the final, lifting the cup after two bruising encounters with Don Revie's Leeds United.

#### SATURDAY 24th JANUARY 2009

This FA Cup fourth-round tie followed the heartbreak of the Carling Cup elimination to Spurs. Burnley drew away 2-2 at top-flight West Bromwich Albion. Owen Coyle's side had already played 37 league and cup games in 2008/09, and there was more to come! The Clarets led through an early Graham Alexander penalty.

However, the Clarets looked set to go out when Robert Koren and Kim Do-heon scored before half-time. Kim's free kick hit Robbie Blake in the Clarets' wall and diverted beyond Brian Jensen. The Clarets were unlucky to be behind.

The equaliser came two minutes before time. A superb cross from Wade Elliott was touched home by Martin Paterson.

The Clarets won the replay 3-1 at Turf Moor with goals from Steven Thompson (2) and Wade Elliott.

# **TUESDAY 25th JANUARY 1966**

Chairman Bob Lord was on the rampage. The BBC had originally announced this FA Cup fourth-round tie would be featured on their *Sportsnight* programme. Lord refused to allow cameras into the ground. He was adamant it would affect the crowd and wanted compensation.

The Clarets had been held to a 1-1 draw in the first game at Dean Court in a rough encounter.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery wrote to Northern Ireland international Alex Elder and told him to 'knock them for six'. Harry Potts's side went one better and hit seven in a 7-0 thrashing.

Andy Lochhead became the first Burnley player to score five times in an FA Cup tie. He netted his hat-trick inside 29 minutes. Willie Irvine and Harris got the other goals. Spurs boss Bill Nicholson was at Turf Moor with Tottenham being Burnley's next opponents. The crowd (without TV coverage) was 22,000.

# FRIDAY 25th JANUARY 2002

On this day, Robbie Blake joined the Clarets in a £1.4 million move from Bradford City. Middlesbrough-born, he had started his career at Darlington before joining the Bantams. Sky pundit Chris Kamara signed him for the Yorkshire club. Stan Ternent wanted Blake to help Burnley's push for the top flight. He had already played Premier League football with City, scoring 16 goals in their First Division promotion season of 1998/99 alongside Lee Mills. Unfortunately, Blake didn't look 100% fit and required a hernia operation.

We needn't have worried. In two spells Blake was magnificent for Burnley, scoring 72 goals in 282 appearances for the Clarets. His highlight would probably be the volleyed winner against Manchester United – Burnley's first Premier League goal.

#### SATURDAY 26th JANUARY 1963

Burnley drew 1-1 at home to Liverpool in the FA Cup. It was Jimmy McIlroy's last Burnley appearance. Almost 50,000 fans were there to see it. Harry Potts had John Connelly to thank for still being in the competition. The St Helens-born winger scored in the 50th minute after McIlroy got the better of Ronnie Moran and his excellent cross was hammered past Tommy Lawrence by an alert Connelly. Kevin Lewis had given Pool the lead after a Jimmy Melia cross had rebounded off Jimmy Adamson for the winger to fire home.

The harsh winter of 1962/63 had already taken its toll. This clash was the tie of the round. Liverpool had been promoted from the Second Division the previous season and were starting to re-establish themselves as a major force in the game. Bill Shankly's side won the replay with a late Ronnie Moran penalty after Adam Blacklaw had fouled Ian St John.

#### **SATURDAY 26th JANUARY 1991**

This was a big three points for Frank Casper's side as they defeated the previous Fourth Division leaders Stockport County 3-2 at Turf Moor. Nearly 9,000 fans saw a great game in which Burnley came from behind to win.

County led after eight minutes through Alan Finley from an Andy Kilner corner. Kilner was a former England youth international. He had started his career at Turf Moor. Two goals inside five minutes late in the first half gave the Clarets the advantage. John Deary and Ron Futcher were the scorers.

In a competitive second half, Burnley went 3-1 up through a powerful Roger Eli header past County keeper Paul Cooper. Then with 17 minutes left, the visitors pulled a goal back with Bill Williams scoring from another Kilner corner.

When referee Alan Wilkie sent off David Frain and keeper Chris Pearce for fighting, Andy Farrell dramatically put on the keeper's jersey to help protect Burnley's lead.

#### **SATURDAY 27th JANUARY 1973**

A luxury 'pop-special' train took Burnley supporters to London for the Queens Park Rangers match. The league paid £50,000 to British Railways for the 12-coach train and spent £15,000 to equip it with 'discos', bingo facilities, a restaurant, etc. The League Liner would be hired out to clubs during the season and the aim was to cut out vandalism.

The Londoners won 2-0 and the Clarets lost their unbeaten away record in the league. Prior to the trip to Loftus Road, it had been seven wins and six draws in 13 games.

It was a disappointing day for Second Division Burnley. Mick Leach got the first, Don Givens the second. Burnley thought a Frank Casper effort had crossed the line before Ian Watson could clear but it wasn't given. The London club had reduced the gap at the top to just a point but the Clarets had a game in hand.

Dave Thomas was in the Rangers ranks. He had left Burnley earlier in the season.

#### **SATURDAY 27th JANUARY 1968**

The Clarets went out of the FA Cup at the third-round stage after a disappointing 3-1 home defeat to West Ham United. Burnley led through Frank Casper after 18 minutes but the advantage lasted just five minutes with Brian Dear equalising. World Cup winner Martin Peters scored twice to take the tie away from Harry Potts's side.

Among the Burnley ranks, there was a rare appearance for Stan Ternent.

Eventual winners West Bromwich Albion were held by Colchester United to a 1-1 draw at Layer Road. The Hammers went out in the next round to Sheffield United.

#### WEDNESDAY 28th JANUARY 1959

Jimmy Robson was the hero in this 2-1 derby win. This FA Cup fourth-round tie had been abandoned four days earlier with Rovers leading. Still frost-bound, the Ewood Park pitch was heavily sanded.

Rovers led through an early Peter Dobing effort but Burnley nearly equalised just before half-time when Jimmy Robson hit the bar and Brian Pilkington sliced the rebound well wide.

Roy Vernon had his goal ruled out because Bryan Douglas had straved offside.

Burnley were level halfway through the second half. Jimmy McIlroy scored through a congested penalty area. Robson got the winner two minutes from time when he got his head to a John Connelly corner.

Burnley beat Portsmouth in the next round but lost at home to Aston Villa in the quarter-finals.

#### **TUESDAY 28th JANUARY 1997**

This was a rearranged game from New Year's Day. Somehow, it ended goalless at Turf Moor. Burnley's goalkeeping coach Billy Mercer was in the visitors' goal and manager Sean Dyche was in their defence. A point was enough to take Burnley back into a play-off spot. The Clarets went closest when a second-half header from Peter Swan was tipped superbly on to the bar by Mercer. Tom Curtis hit the bar in the closing seconds for the Derbyshire club.

The Clarets were linked with Terry Cooke at Manchester United and Andy Walker at Sheffield United.

Dyche's Chesterfield were on the march in the FA Cup. They had already beaten Bury, Scarborough, Bristol City and Bolton Wanderers to reach the last 16. They would beat Nottingham Forest and Wrexham, and only missed out on a place in the final after a controversial semi-final loss to Middlesbrough.

#### SATURDAY 29th JANUARY 2011

Burnley beat Burton Albion 3-1 in this FA Cup fourth-round tie. It was the first ever meeting between these two sides.

Chris Eagles got the only goal in the first half. He took a pass from Jack Cork and beat three defenders before firing past future Claret Adam Legzdins in the Albion goal.

The crucial second goal almost killed the tie and came 20 minutes from time. After a poor clearance hit big Darren Moore, Ross Wallace ran at the Burton defence. His cross was touched back to Eagles by Chris Iwelumo.

There was some alarm when Calvin Zola touched home a Scott Malone cross with ten minutes left but Burnley sealed the win in time added on when a Wallace free kick deflected into Martin Paterson's path. Next up, in the fifth round, Burnley lost 5-1 at Upton Park.

## **SATURDAY 29th JANUARY 2005**

The Clarets reached the fifth round of the FA Cup after a 2-0 win over Sean O'Driscoll's AFC Bournemouth. Ian Moore scored both goals. It ended a barren run for the former Tranmere Rovers striker stretching back 16 games. It extended a fabulous record he had in the competition for the club. These were his 11th and 12th goals in the FA Cup for the Turf Moor club.

The south coast club impressed. Future Burnley boss Eddie Howe was on the bench. Wade Elliott, John Spicer, Garreth O'Connor and Brian Stock were in the Cherries team that day and would go on to play for the Clarets.

#### **SATURDAY 30th JANUARY 1915**

Star striker Bert Freeman dramatically saved the life of colleague Tommy Boyle. They were sharing accommodation at Royle Road, Burnley when Freeman returned to discover Boyle had become asphyxiated on the evening after his 29th birthday after inadvertently leaving the gas on.

Both had appeared in Burnley's FA Cup Final win over Liverpool the previous April. Freeman got the only goal. Captain Boyle lifted the trophy from King George V. Freeman's shirt and winners' medal are on display at Turf Moor. Thankfully, Boyle made a full recovery.

#### **SATURDAY 30th JANUARY 2010**

Carlo Ancelotti's Chelsea won 2-1 at Turf Moor in a Saturday night game live on ESPN. All the press attention was on former England captain John Terry. An injunction had been lifted and stories had emerged linking him with the girlfriend of team-mate Wayne Bridge.

The Blues led through a breakaway goal from Nicolas Anelka. The Clarets equalised when a lovely Robbie Blake ball found Steven Fletcher who drove home. The winner came, ironically, from Terry. With eight minutes left he headed home a pinpoint Frank Lampard corner.

This was Brian Laws' first home game in charge of the Clarets. After a run of 92 consecutive league and play-off games there was no Graham Alexander who had a calf injury. Chris McCann was also missing with a knee injury picked up in the game at Bolton.

Laws had brought in Leon Cort from Stoke City, who made his debut. Other recruits Nicky Weaver (Dundee Utd) and Frederic Nimani (Monaco) were on the bench.

# **SATURDAY 30th JANUARY 2016**

Sean Dyche's team had been handed a tough fourth-round FA Cup draw at the Emirates. Arsenal ran out 2-1 winners in a tight tie.

It was 1-1 at half-time. Alexis Sanchez helped to set up Calum Chambers after 19 minutes. On the half-hour Burnley were level after a slick move. Scott Arfield found Ten Darikwa on the overlap. His superb cross was headed home by Sam Vokes in front of the travelling Burnley fans.

The Gunners' winning goal came eight minutes after half-time. Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain crossed for Sanchez to fire home.

It was an excellent performance from the Clarets and it gave everyone hope for the rest of the Championship season. Dyche's team had just beaten Derby County (4-1), Brentford (3-1) and Milton Keynes Dons (5-0). Burnley were on the up.

# **SATURDAY 31st JANUARY 1998**

This was one of the highlights of Chris Waddle's reign as Clarets boss. Burnley thumped York City 7-2. Under Waddle Burnley were starting to find their form and this was their third successive home win.

When Alan Pouton gave the Minstermen the lead there was no indication of the goal fest to come. Central defender Neil Moore got the equaliser in the 40th minute and then Burnley scored another four times in 18 minutes!

City's Tony Barras scored at both ends. Andy Payton kept up the fine start to his professional Burnley career with another goal. Andy Cooke got a hat-trick on his return from suspension and there was even a goal for Chris Brass – his only ever strike in the Burnley first team!

#### **TUESDAY 31st JANUARY 2017**

This was a busy day at Turf Moor. On the pitch, Burnley beat the reigning Premier League champions Leicester City 1-0 with a late controversial Sam Vokes goal. Michael Keane had nodded down Scott Arfield's corner and Vokes forced home. Leicester thought it had come off his arm.

This was the third time in the Premier League era that Burnley had beaten the reigning champions. Previously they had beaten Manchester United (2009) and Manchester City (2015). It was a fifth successive home top-flight win for Sean Dyche's team – the first time that had happened since 1966.

Off the field, the Clarets made two big signings on transfer deadline day. Ashley Westwood joined from Aston Villa and Robbie Brady came to Turf Moor from Norwich City.