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Beginnings and the 1920s

Monday, 13 October 1919 would be a landmark day in the history of sport in the city of Leeds. The Football League administrators expelled Leeds City, leaving supporters stunned. The then-Lord Mayor of Leeds, Alderman Joseph Henry, offered to run the club but to no avail and Port Vale replaced them in the Second Division. It had all started when former player Charlie Copeland had reported the club to the authorities for making illegal payments during the First World War. Within hours of the news breaking, supporters held a meeting at Salem Church Hall in Leeds and Joe Henry Junior was appointed chairman of a new club. On 17 October Leeds United was officially formed. Initially managed by former Leeds City player Dick Ray, they replaced Leeds City reserves in the Midland League on 31 October 1919 and moved back to Elland Road after Yorkshire Amateurs had agreed to leave. United's first game as a football club was against Yorkshire Amateurs at Elland Road on 15 November 1919, which they won 5-2, their first goal coming from a player named Hunt, although no records of his first name are available. Leeds played five first-team friendlies, listed below, before being admitted into the Second Division the following season.

15 November 1919, 5-2 v Yorkshire Amateurs (Elland Road).
Goals: Hunt, Moiser, Heslop, Birds, Rodgers

26 December 1919, 1-1 v Scarborough (Athletic Ground). Goal:
Rodgers (penalty)

27 December 1919, 3-2 v Bradford Park Avenue (Elland Road)
3-2. Goals: Birtles (2), Rodgers

2 April 1920, 1-0 v Bradford City (Elland Road). Goal: Butler

10 April 1920, 1-1 v Halifax Town (Elland Road). Goal: Butler

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Season 1920/21

Leeds United Football Club gained Football League status on 31 May 1920 and would start their life out away at Port Vale on the opening day of the 29th season of the competition. Arthur Fairclough was appointed as the club's first manager and Jim Baker was the first captain. A crowd of 6,000 supporters turned up for United's first friendly against an Ex Leeds City XI at Elland Road in miserable conditions as the Lady Mayoress opened the gates. John Brock had the first chance for United but missed his kick in front of goal. Robert Thompson did give them the lead just before the break but Billy Pease of Northampton levelled with a shot that gave Billy Down no chance. It was left to Jack Lyon to give United the win as he finished off a run from Brock after 67 minutes.

31 January 1921, 2-1 v Ex-Leeds City XI (Elland Road). Goals: Thompson, Lyon

Leeds: Billy Down, Bert Duffield, Jimmy Frew, George Stuart, Jim Baker, Jimmy Walton, John Brock, Ernie Goldthorpe, Jack Lyon, Basil Wood

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In the middle of March, Leeds took part in their first West Riding Cup tie as they hosted Bradford City at Elland Road in the first round. The visitors took the lead after 35 minutes through Peter Logan with a long-range effort that beat Billy Down before Anthony Bond was ordered from the field by the referee for disputing a free kick, leaving Bradford down to ten men. In a lively second half, Jim Baker hit the crossbar from the penalty spot before Tommy Howarth salvaged a replay for the hosts when he did beat Jock Ewart, again from a penalty, awarded for handball. It was back to Valley Parade a week later.

14 March 1921, 1-1 v Bradford City (Elland Road). Goal: Howarth (penalty)

Leeds: Billy Down, Bert Duffield, Jimmy Frew, Tommy Lamph, Jim Baker, Jimmy Walton, Robert Thompson, Robert Musgrove, Tommy Howarth, Matt Elson, Basil Wood

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Leeds made a decent start to the replay with Len Armitage coming close, but defender Fred Potts was on hand to deny him. Billy Down had to be alert to save from Jimmy McIlvenny before Anthony Bond gave the hosts the lead just before the interval; the same player made it two in the second period. Bond headed in a third from a cross from Arthur Rigby, before Rigby himself headed in number four.

21 March 1921, 0-4 v Bradford City (Valley Parade).

Leeds: Billy Down, Bert Duffield, Ralph Rodgerson, Robert Musgrove, Jim Baker, Jimmy Walton, Robert Thompson, John Brock, Len Armitage, Sam Powell, Basil Wood

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Season 1921/22

Leeds took part in a testimonial for Bob Preston as they faced Heart of Midlothian at the end of September, which attracted a crowd of around 8,000 to Edinburgh. Arthur Fairclough took a full-strength team including former Hearts player Jimmy Frew. Len Armitage scored the winner five minutes from the end.

26 September 1921, 1-0 v Heart of Midlothian (Tynecastle). Goal: Armitage

Leeds: Fred Whalley, Jimmy Frew, Ralph Rodgerson, Jim Baker, Ernie Hart, Jimmy Walton, Walter Coates, Len Armitage, Tommy Haworth, Jim Moore, Basil Wood

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Leeds then faced Bradford Park Avenue in the West Riding Cup semi-final at Elland Road. Jim Baker delivered a long ball forward which visiting defender Tom Curtis met and passed it back to Ernie Scattergood, but the keeper missed it and it ended up in the back of the net to give Leeds the advantage after 30 minutes. The new club reached their first cup final.

24 April 1922, 1-0 v Bradford Park Avenue (Elland Road). Goal: Curtis (own goal)

Leeds: Fred Whalley, Bert Duffield, Jimmy Frew, Harry Sherwin, Ernie Hart, Jim Baker, George Mason, Bill Poyntz, Len Armitage, Jack Swan, Wallace Clark

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Three days later Leeds travelled to Anlaby Road to face Hull City in the Hull Hospitals Cup. Hull took the lead when Jimmy Frew brought down Paddy Mills in the penalty area and Tommy Bleakley scored from the spot. Len Armitage beat Mercer from ten yards out on 68 minutes but the hosts won the game thanks to Mills two minutes from the end.

27 April 1922, 1-2 v Hull City (Anlaby Road). Goal: Armitage

Leeds: Fred Whalley, Bert Duffield, Jimmy Frew, Harry Sherwin, Ernie Hart, Jim Baker, George Mason, Bill Poyntz, Len Armitage, Jack Swan, Wallace Clark

Having defeated Bradford Park Avenue, Leeds faced First Division Huddersfield Town in the final of the West Riding Cup at Valley Parade. Islip won it for the Terriers and gave them the trophy with a winner after 54 minutes, latching on to a pass from Billy Smith.

13 May 1922, 0-1 v Huddersfield Town (Valley Parade).

Leeds: Fred Whalley, Jim Baker, Jimmy Frew, Harry Sherwin, Ernie Hart, Jimmy Walton, Walter Coates, Bill Poyntz, Len Armitage, Jack Swan, Wallace Clark

Season 1922/23

Leeds entertained Bradford City at Valley Parade in the West Riding Cup semi-final. George Mason set up Ernie Hart to beat Jock Ewart in the Bradford goal to score after nine minutes and set Leeds up for a game against Halifax Town in the final.

11 October 1922, 1-0 v Bradford City (Valley Parade). Goal: Hart

Leeds: Fred Whalley, Bert Duffield, Joe Potts, Tom Gascoigne, Ernie Hart, Jim Baker, George Mason, Alf Dark, Bill Poyntz, Jack Swan, Wallace Clark

In the final against Halifax it took Leeds 51 minutes to take the lead. Joe Harris swung in a cross that found Jack Swan who then fed Poyntz to score. Leeds should have added to their advantage when Swan missed an open goal but despite pressure from the Shaymen they held out to win their first trophy.

25 October 1922, 1-0 v Halifax Town (Elland Road). Goal: Poyntz
Leeds: Fred Whalley, Bert Duffield, Joe Potts, Harry Sherwin,
Ernie Hart, Jim Baker, George Mason, Alf Dark, Bill Poyntz,
Jack Swan, Joe Harris

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Season 1923/24

Leeds started their West Riding Cup campaign in the first round at Bradford City where Cecil Kilborn gave the hosts the lead after just 18 minutes. However Leeds took charge after that and reached the semi-final with a brace of goals from Sam Powell and one from Jack Lambert. They would face Halifax Town at the end of April in the last four.

12 September 1923, 3-1 v Bradford City (Valley Parade). Goals: Powell (2), Lambert

Leeds: Fred Whalley, Bert Duffield, Jimmy Frew, Tom Gascoigne, Bobby Mason, J.M. Morris, Alan Noble, Jack Lambert, Sam Powell, Bob Fullam, Joe Harris

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It took Leeds just five minutes to go ahead in the semi-final when Joe Richmond headed against the crossbar and then tapped into an empty net. Joe Harris made it two with a free kick and Richmond scored his second from a Percy Whipp cross to make it three, all before the end of the first half. Herbert Housley did pull one back for the visitors but Leeds eased through to the final against Bradford Park Avenue.

30 April 1924, 3-1 v Halifax Town (Elland Road). Goals: Richmond (2), Harris

Leeds: Billy Down, Bert Duffield, Bill Menzies, Jim Baker, Ernie Hart, Len Smith, Walter Coates, Percy Whipp, Joe Richmond, Jack Swan, Joe Harris

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Bradford Park Avenue took the lead in the final after 55 minutes when George McLean scored after being set up by Harold Peel. Leeds levelled soon after when Joe Richmond equalised from a cross from Walter Coates on 65 minutes but it was McLean who won the trophy with a header 18 minutes from the end.

10 May 1924, 1-2 v Bradford Park Avenue (Elland Road). Goal: Richmond

Leeds: Billy Down, Bert Duffield, Bill Menzies, Lawrie Baker, Ernie Hart, Jim Baker, Walter Coates, Percy Whipp, Joe Richmond, Jack Swan, Joe Harris

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Four days later Leeds faced a Dutch Olympic XI at the Het Houten Stadion in Amsterdam in front of 16,000 spectators in sunny conditions. Joop ter Beek gave the hosts the lead before Joe Richmond levelled for the tourists as he turned in a cross from Walter Coates. Jack Armand put Leeds in front 15 minutes from the end but ter Beek levelled six minutes from the end.

14 May 1924, 2-2 v Dutch Olympic XI (Het Houten Stadion). Goals: Richmond, Armand

Leeds: Billy Down, Bert Duffield, Bill Menzies, Lawrie Baker, Ernie Hart, Jim Baker, Walter Coates, Jack Armand, Joe Richmond, Jack Swan, Joe Harris

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Interestingly, the day before they faced Ajax, Leeds were entertained to a smoking concert that included a dance and a feast. Twenty-four hours later the tourists from England were hungry for goals as the Second Division champions eased to a 4-1 win in the Dutch capital. Walter Coates opened the scoring just before the break. Powell made it two before Formenoij reduced the lead. Ernie Hart, who had replaced Jim Baker outfield when Baker had to go in goal to replace the injured Billy Down, made it 3-1 and a late own goal made it 4-1 to Leeds.

18 May 1924, 4-1 v Ajax (Het Houten Stadion). Goals: Coates, Powell, Hart, own goal by unknown scorer

Leeds: Billy Down (Ernie Hart), Bert Duffield, Bill Menzies, Jim Baker, Bobby Mason, Len Smith, Walter Coates, Jack Lambert, Joe Richmond, Sam Powell, Joe Harris

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Next up was a game against a Hague Combination XI and Leeds eased to a 4-1 victory as Richmond grabbed a hat-trick, the Whites' other goal being an own goal from Bontje. The Hague did register as Leeds moved on to face Bolton Wanderers.

2 May 1924, 4-1 v The Hague Combination XI (Houtrust Stadium). Goals: Richmond (3), Bontje (own goal)

Leeds: Jack Lambert, Bert Duffield, Bill Menzies, Jim Baker, Ernie Hart, Len Smith, Jack Armand, Sam Powell, Joe Richmond, Jack Swan, Joe Harris

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In front of 5,000 fans the Wanderers won 3-1 thanks to goals from Joe Smith, Bill Jennings and David Jack. Leeds' goal came from the excellent Richmond. The defeat shouldn't diminish Leeds' season as a whole as they looked forward to top-flight football for the first time.

25 May 1924, 1-3 v Bolton Wanderers (Het Houten Stadion). Goal: Richmond

Leeds: Billy Down, Bill Menzies, Bert Duffield, Len Smith, Ernie Hart, Jim Baker, Joe Harris, Jack Swan, Joe Richmond, Jack Armand, Walter Coates

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Season 1924/25

Leeds again started in the first round of the West Riding Cup and took on Huddersfield Town at Leeds Road. Leeds took the lead slightly against the run of play when Joe Richmond scored from a Percy Whipp centre on 42 minutes. After that it was all about Billy Cook who hit a hat-trick as the home side progressed through to the semi-finals with goals on 59, 66 and 74.

15 October 1924, 1-3 v Huddersfield Town (Leeds Road). Goal: Richmond

Leeds: Bill Johnson, Ian Kirkpatrick, Bill Menzies, Bobby Mason, Lawrie Baker, Len Smith, Walter Coates, Percy Whipp, Joe Richmond, Wallace Clark, Joe Harris

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Leeds eased to a 3-0 win against Corinthian, who were an amateur club based in London having been formed in 1882. Sam Powell scored two goals and Fred Graver added the third. Leeds put out a strong side with a youngster by the name of Fawcett in goal (no first name was given) who had been playing in the London Professional Mid-Week League.

30 December 1924, 3-0 v Corinthian (Elland Road). Goals: Powell (2), Graver

Leeds: Fawcett, Bert Duffield, George Speak, Jim Baker, Ernie Hart, Josh Atkinson, Alan Noble, Fred Graver, Joe Richmond, Sam Powell, Joe Harris

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Leeds travelled to Blundell Park to face Grimsby Town at the end of March for a benefit game for George Affleck who had made 179 appearances for the home side without scoring. John William Thain gave Grimsby the lead after Billy Down had failed to hold his first shot. Thain then made it two before Whipp pulled one back for Leeds.

26 March 1925, 1-2 v Grimsby Town (Blundell Park). Goal: Whipp

Leeds: Billy Down, Harry Roberts, George Speak, Jim Baker, Ernie Hart, Len Smith, Joe Richmond, Percy Whipp, Jock Thom, Jack Swan, Jack Martin

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Season 1925/26

Leeds faced Bradford City in the semi-final of the West Riding Cup and went behind to Norman after just five minutes, but they hit back when Tom Jennings levelled and then booked their place in the final against Huddersfield Town with his second goal.

12 April 1926, 2-1 v Bradford City (Valley Parade). Goals: Jennings (2)

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, C.W. Wootton, Jim Kirkpatrick, Josh Atkinson, Tom Townsley, Jim Baker, Bobby Turnbull, Percy Whipp, Tom Jennings, Wilf Chadwick, Billy Jackson

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Leeds then sent a side to Chesterfield in a benefit game for Alf Saxby who made his debut for the Spireites in August 1921. Chesterfield won by the odd goal in five with their strikes coming from James Cookson, Norman Whitfield and Edward Roseboom. Leeds' goals came from Jackie Fell and Frank Mears.

14 April 1926, 2-3 v Chesterfield (Saltergate). Goals: Fell, Mears

Leeds: Bill Johnson, C.W. Wootton, Jim Kirkpatrick, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Albert Sissons, Harry Duggan, Frank Mears, Jock Thom, Jackie Fell

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Leeds reclaimed the West Riding Cup by beating Huddersfield Town in the final at Park Avenue in Bradford despite falling behind to Willie Devlin's goal after 42 minutes. They tore into Huddersfield in the second half with four unanswered goals, three of them from Tom Jennings. Billy Jackson got the other goal as Leeds won the trophy.

8 May 1926, 4-1 v Huddersfield Town (Park Avenue). Goals: Jennings (3), Jackson

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Jimmy Allen, Bill Menzies, Willis Edwards, Tom Townsley, Josh Atkinson, Bobby Turnbull, Percy Whipp, Tom Jennings, Wilf Chadwick, Billy Jackson

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Season 1926/27

Leeds travelled to Falkirk to take part in Joe Gowdy's benefit match and the goals came in the second half in a 2-2 draw. The visitors' strikes came from Bobby Turnbull and Harry Duggan while Daniel Patterson and James Cox scored for Falkirk.

29 September 1926, 2-2 v Falkirk (Brockville Park). Goals: Turnbull, Duggan

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Harry Roberts, Jimmy Allan, Willis Edwards, Tom Townsley, Bill Menzies, Albert Sissons, Harry Duggan, Tom Jennings, Russell Wainscoat, Bobby Turnbull

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Leeds faced Bradford City in the West Riding Cup last four and Russell Wainscoat gave them the lead after 14 minutes, heading in from a Tom Jennings cross. Jennings added a second to book a place in the final against Bradford Park Avenue.

28 March 1927, 2-0 v Bradford City (Elland Road). Goals: Wainscoat, Jennings

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Jimmy Allan, Bill Menzies, Josh Atkinson, Tom Townsley, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Tom Jennings, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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George McLean scored a brace for Park Avenue in the final as the hosts ran out 3-2 winners. Leeds went 2-1 in front with goals from Tom Jennings and Russell Wainscoat before Archie

Rawlings equalised, and McLean won the trophy a minute from the end.

14 May 1927, 2-3 v Bradford Park Avenue (Park Avenue). Goals: Jennings, Wainscoat

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Harry Roberts, Jimmy Allan, Willis Edwards, Tom Townsley, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Tom Jennings, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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Season 1927/28

Leeds faced Rotherham United for Jimmy Turner's benefit and the visitors won 5-4 with Charlie Keetley scoring a hat-trick and Russell Wainscoat grabbing two. The home side's goals came from a Bill Menzies own goal, Cyril Hemingway, a Joe Scott penalty and one from Fred Lievesley.

1 November 1927, 5-4 v Rotherham United (Millmoor). Goals: Keetley (3), Wainscoat (2)

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Jimmy Allan, Bill Menzies, Josh Atkinson, Tom Townsley, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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Once more Leeds faced Bradford City in the first round of the West Riding Cup at Elland Road. Despite a goalless first period Leeds went through to the semi-finals thanks to a brace from Charlie Keetley, who was having a fine season. Leeds would face Huddersfield Town in the last four.

28 March 1928, 2-0 v Bradford City (Elland Road). Goals: Keetley (2)

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Tom Townsley, Bill Menzies, Alex Stacey, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John Armand, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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Leeds then travelled up to Scotland to face Heart of Midlothian to take part in goalkeeper Willie White's testimonial. They fielded a strong side and took the lead on the half-hour when Russell Wainscoat headed in. The same player made it two just before the break before Jimmy Smith missed a penalty for the home side.

Smith did pull a goal back six minutes from the end but Leeds held out for victory.

30 April 1928, 2-1 v Heart of Midlothian (Tynecastle). Goals: Wainscoat (2)

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Tom Townsley, Bill Menzies, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Harry Duggan, John White, Tom Jennings, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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Leeds faced Huddersfield Town at Elland Road for the West Riding Cup semi-final and Charlie Keetley signalled their intentions with the first goal after just 17 minutes, before Tom Mitchell made it two moments later. Keetley added a third before half-time and Leeds never looked back. Mitchell added a fourth and a fifth to complete his hat-trick before Keetley made it six on 70 minutes. Keetley then added his fourth before Harry Raw pulled one back for the away side a minute from the end.

7 May 1928, 7-1 v Huddersfield Town (Elland Road). Goals: Keetley (4), Mitchell (3)

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Harry Roberts, Bill Menzies, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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Leeds won the West Riding Cup with a 4-2 victory over Bradford Park Avenue. The hosts took a 2-0 lead inside five minutes thanks to goals from Tom Mitchell and Ernie Hart. Bobby Turnbull then made it 3-0 after 20 minutes before the visitors staged a comeback before the interval. George McLean pulled one back on 40 minutes and it was game on when Bert Davies halved the deficit a minute before the break, but Charlie Keetley made it 4-2 early in the second half.

12 May 1928, 4-2 v Bradford Park Avenue (Elland Road). Goals: Mitchell, Hart, Turnbull, Keetley

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Harry Roberts, Bill Menzies, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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Season 1928/29

Leeds travelled with a strong side to Selby to provide the opposition for a Combined Selby XI, made up of players from Selby Town and Selby OCO, in an exhibition match. Selby took the lead after half an hour through Hughes whose initial shot was parried by Jimmy Wilson but he was able to crack in the loose ball. Ten minutes after the break it was two as Greenwood increased the lead. After a spell of even play Charlie Wilkinson scored from a free kick to bring Leeds right back into the game and with just five minutes to go Bobby Turnbull rifled home the equaliser from 20 yards.

26 November 1928, 2-2 v Selby Combined XI (Recreation Ground). Goals: Wilkinson, Turnbull

Leeds: Jimmy Wilson, Tom Townsley, Bill Menzies, Alex Stacey, Teddy Buck, Charlie Wilkinson, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Charlie Keetley, Dave Mangnall, Tom Cochrane

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Leeds welcomed Heart of Midlothian to West Yorkshire after visiting them at Tynecastle a year earlier. The Whites had been due to play Bolton but they were engaged in an FA Cup semi-final. The Peacocks were dominant from the off but it took 20 minutes before Charlie Keetley opened the scoring, firing home from the edge of the box. Russell Wainscoat popped up with two more goals and United were three up before half an hour was on the clock. Wainscoat would complete his hat-trick with 15 minutes left.

23 March 29, 4-0 v Heart of Midlothian (Elland Road). Goals: Keetley, Wainscoat (3)

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Tom Townsley, Bill Menzies, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

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Leeds began their defence of the West Riding Cup with a trip to Bradford to meet City, knocking the Bantams out as they had done the previous season. City went ahead within five minutes through Tommy Moon but the stronger Leeds side got back into

it when Charlie Keetley equalised in the 23rd minute. Midway through the second half it was Keetley again who scored what would turn out to be the deciding goal.

22 April 1929, 2-1 v Bradford City (Valley Parade). Goals: Keetley (2)

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Tom Townsley, Bill Menzies, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, Eric Longden, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Mitchell

Season 1929/30

Bradford Park Avenue visited Elland Road for the West Riding Cup semi-final and Leeds were ahead in the first 15 minutes. Dave Mangnall, who just a month earlier had scored ten goals in a reserve match against Stockport County, once again showed his scoring prowess. He recorded the opener and was on target again six minutes later. Within five minutes Avenue's Billy Atherton scored from close range and repeated the trick again two minutes later to equalise. Early in the second half Mangnall completed his hat-trick and the best was saved until last as Russell Wainscoat scored United's fourth with a bullet header.

30 October 1929, 4-2 v Bradford Park Avenue (Elland Road). Goals: Mangnall (3), Wainscoat

Leeds: Bill Johnson, Harry Roberts, Jack Milburn, Alex Stacey, Tom Townsley, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, John White, Dave Mangnall, Russell Wainscoat. Tom Mitchell

Leeds took a side to Doncaster Rovers for a benefit game for Fred Emery, who was Rovers' captain and was in his sixth season with the South Yorkshire club. In front of about 3,000 supporters at Belle Vue Leeds eased to a 5-0 victory against a team who were mid-table in the Third Division South. It was only 1-0 at the break, through Charlie Keetley, but in the second period Leeds scored four without reply. Keetley completed his hat-trick with further strikes from Russell Wainscoat and Eric Longden.

14 April 1930, 5-0 v Doncaster Rovers (Belle Vue). Goals: Keetley (3), Wainscoat, Longden

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At the end of April, Leeds were fourth in the First Division and travelled to Anlaby Road to face Hull City in the Hull Hospitals Cup. The Tigers took the lead on 25 minutes when Ronnie Starling scored for the Second Division side. Starling had earlier hit the upright, and it stayed that way until 48 minutes when Charlie Keetley scrambled the ball home after a cross from Tom Cochrane. Bobby Turnbull then drove Leeds ahead, beating James Basey, before Harold March equalised. Neither side could be separated after first 90 minutes, then 120 minutes, and Leeds won the cup on the toss of a coin which captain Willis Edwards called correctly.

28 April 1930, 2-2 v Hull City (Anlaby Road). Goals: Keetley, Turnbull. Leeds won a toss of a coin

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Harry Roberts, Jack Milburn, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, George Reed, Bobby Turnbull, Joe Firth, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Cochrane

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Leeds then faced Huddersfield Town in the West Riding Cup Final and George Crownshaw scored the only goal after 70 minutes. The Whites had a wonderful chance to take the game into extra time when Reg Mountford handled in the area but Hugh Turner saved Harry Roberts' spot-kick.

10 May 1930, 0-1 v Huddersfield Town (Elland Road).

Leeds: Jimmy Potts, Harry Roberts, Jack Milburn, Willis Edwards, Ernie Hart, Alex Stacey, Bobby Turbull, Eric Longden, Charlie Keetley, Russell Wainscoat, Tom Cochrane