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BIRMINGHAM CITY v. R.C.D. ESPANOL

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1961

Kick-off 7.15 p.m.

Welcome to R.C.D. Espanol

WE again welcome visitors from Barcelona and, although this is the first time that Espanol have joined us, we hope that they will enjoy being here as much as their neighbours C. de F. Barcelona have in the past. Naturally we hope to reverse the result of the first game but, nevertheless, we shall be doing our utmost to repay that fine hospitality extended to our party on their recent trip to Spain. Of one thing our visitors can be sure, and that is a fair acknowledgment by St. Andrew's spectators of good football, whether it be ourselves or our opponents. Undoubtedly tonight's game is of great importance to us but we can still say "may the best team win!"

Real Espanol, Bienvenidos

UNA vez más damos nuestra bienvenida a nuestros visitantes de Cataluña, y aunque esta es la primera visita del Real Español, esperamos que esta sea tan agradable como las del C. de F. Barcelona fueron en el pasado. Naturalmente que esperamos ganar el partido y la eliminatoria, pero cualesquiera el resultado, haremos todo lo posible para que su estancia sea tan agradable como fue la nuestra en la hermosa ciudad de Barcelona. Pueden estar seguros que nuestro público de St. Andrew's aprecia el buen futbol no importa quien lo practique. Sin ninguna duda, el partido de esta noche es de gran importancia para nosotros, pero con toda sinceridad decimos, "¡Qué gane el mejor!"

A BRIEF HISTORY OF R.C.D. ESPANOL

THE R.C.D. Espanol Club was founded in the year 1900, but at the outset they were named "Sociedad Española de Futbol", and played their first match on November 11th of that year. In this first year of their formation they had to seek fixtures to make up their programme, and recall that their second ever game was against a team of Scots, then resident in Barcelona. Espanol joined the Spanish Football League in 1901 and in season 1902/3 enjoyed their first success when they won the Catalan League Cup. Their first game against foreign opposition was in December 1904 when they played a Toulouse side whom they beat 7-2. It is interesting to note that in 1911/12 the then King of Spain, Alfonso XIII, accepted the Presidency of the Club, and the new name Real Espanol was adopted.

In season 1915/16 Ricardo Zamora, at the age of fifteen, made his debut in goal. Zamora, you will remember, was to become the greatest goalkeeper of all time in the history of Spanish football.

Espanol moved to their present ground in 1923, when the capacity was only 15,000, but since then a great deal of improvement has taken place and the present limit is 40,000. They won the Spanish Cup in 1929, beating Real Madrid 2-1 at Valencia. In 1940 they were again Cup winners, beating Real Madrid once more by 3 goals to 2.

Espanol have the distinction, along with Real Madrid, Barcelona and Bilbao, of being in the First Division throughout their career. This is the first time that the Club has participated in the Inter-Cities Fairs Cup, and progressed from the preliminary round when they eliminated Hanover F.C. on a 3-0 aggregate.

In the Espanol team there are a number of players who have represented their country in international spheres. The most notable being their right-back and captain Argiles, Bartoli centre-half, Sastre left-half and outside-left Camps. The latter notched three goals against us during the first leg in Barcelona.

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INDIO (centre-forward)

ARGILES (right-back, Capt.)

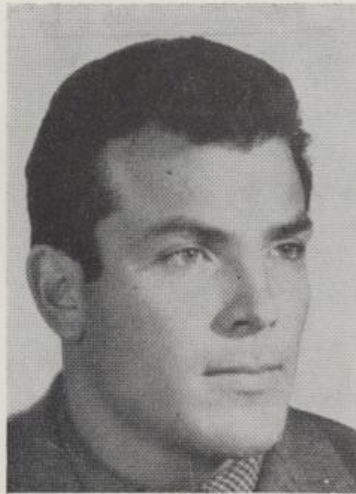
CAMPS (outside-left)

BARTOLI (centre-half)



Front Row: Castanos, Carranza, Indio, Rial, Camps

Back Row: Piris, Munoz, Bartoli, Dauder, Campos, Santos



CARRANZA

Argentinian inside or centre-forward, whom our team know they must watch extremely carefully tonight if he is playing.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR
(9th December)
v.

BIRMINGHAM CITY

FULHAM
(16th December)
v.

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VINAS
10

SANTOS
8

CAMPS
11

INDIO
9

CASTANOS
7

GORDEJUELA
6

BARTOLI
5

CAMPOS
4

RIERA
3

ARGILES (capt.)
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A BRIEF HISTORY OF R.C.D. ESPANOL—continued

Other players of note are "Indio", their Brazilian centre-forward, Carranza, their Argentinian inside-left and Santos, the inside-right from Real Madrid. In the background they have such players as Rial who also comes from Real Madrid, and Castanos, who saw service with the same club earlier in his career.

Their type of play is typically Spanish, mostly with the use of the short accurate ball, although we found them quite capable

of chasing the long through-pass.

A noticeable feature of their play in the first game was close-marking, anticipation and general tenacity. They are not enjoying the best of seasons in their League, but, nevertheless, are quite capable of rising to the big occasion and due to the lead they have secured it is anticipated that they will employ defence in depth, an art at which they are adept.

LAST WEEK'S LINE-UP

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION 1

BIRMINGHAM CITY 3 CARDIFF CITY 0

Birmingham City: Schofield; Lynn, Sissons; Hennessey, Smith, Beard; Hellawell, Orritt, Harris, Leek, Auld.

Cardiff City: Swan; Harrington, Milne; Gammon, Baker, Hole; King (P.), Ward, Edwards, Moore, King (J.)

Scorers: Hellawell, Leek (2)

MIDLAND INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

BIRMINGHAM CITY 3 WEST BROM. ALBION 1

Birmingham City: Draper; Rushton, Sharples; Wolstenholme, Clark, Farmer, M.; Edmunds, Anderson, Stubbs, Atkinson, Roberts.

Scorers: Anderson (2), Stubbs

...TWO, FOUR, SIX, EIGHT, WHAT DO WE APPRECIATE...?



INTER-CITIES FAIRS' CUP COMPETITION 1961-62

PRELIMINARY ROUND

GROUP A	Spartak Brno—Leipzig	2-2
	Leipzig—Spartak Brno	4-1
	Racing Strasbourg—M.T.K., Budapest	1-3
	M.T.K., Budapest—Racing Strasbourg	10-2
	A.C. Milan—Novi Sad	0-0
	Novi Sad—A.C. Milan	2-0
	F.C. Iraklis—bye	
GROUP B	Copenhagen—Dinamo Zagreb	2-7
	Dinamo Zagreb—Copenhagen	2-2
	Olympique Lyonnais—Sheffield Wednesday	4-2
	Sheffield Wednesday—Olympique Lyonnais	5-2
	V.B.B., Berlin—C.F. Barcelona	1-0
	C.F. Barcelona—V.B.B., Berlin	3-0
	A.S. Roma—bye	
GROUP C	Basle—Red Star Belgrade	1-1
	Red Star Belgrade—Basle	4-1
	F.C. Hannover—R.C.D. Espanol	0-1
	R.C.D. Espanol—F.C. Hannover	2-0
	Hibernian—Belenseses	3-3
	Belenseses—Hibernian	1-3
	Birmingham City—bye	
GROUP D	Union St. Gilloise—Heart of Midlothian	1-3
	Heart of Midlothian—Union St. Gilloise	2-0
	Cologne—Internazionale	2-0
	Internazionale—Cologne	4-0
	Valencia—Nottingham Forest	5-3
	Nottingham Forest—Valencia	2-0
	Lausanne Sports—Valencia	1-5
	Lausanne Sports—bye	

FIRST ROUND

M.T.K., Budapest—Leipzig	3-0
Leipzig—M.T.K., Budapest	3-0
Leipzig—M.T.K., Budapest	0-2
F.C. Iraklis—Novi Sad	2-1
Novi Sad—F.C. Iraklis	9-1
C. F. Barcelona—Dinamo Zagreb	—
Dinamo Zagreb—C.F. Barcelona	—
Sheffield Wednesday—A.S. Roma	4-0
A.S. Roma—Sheffield Wednesday	—
Red Star Belgrade—Hibernian	4-0
Hibernian—Red Star Belgrade	0-1
R.C.D. Espanol—Birmingham City	5-2
Birmingham City—R.C.D. Espanol	—
Heart of Midlothian—Internazionale	0-1
Internazionale—Heart of Midlothian	4-0
Lausanne Sports—Valencia	—
Valencia—Lausanne Sports	—



SASTRE

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FIXTURE LIST, 1961-62

FIRST TEAM				FIRST TEAM			
Aug. 19	Fulham	H	2-1	Mar. 24	Blackpool	A	1-1
22	Nottingham Forest	A	1-2	31	Blackburn Rovers (S.F.)	A	1-1
26	Sheffield Wednesday	A	1-5	April 7	West Ham United	A	1-1
30	Nottingham Forest	H	1-1	14	Sheffield United	H	1-1
Sept. 2	Leicester City	H	1-5	20	Everton	A	1-1
6	West Bromwich Albion	A	0-0	21	Cardiff City	A	1-1
9	Ipswich Town	A	1-4	24	Everton	H	1-1
13	Swindon Town (F.L. Cup, 1st Round)	A	1-1	28	Tottenham Hotspur	H	1-1
16	Burnley	H	2-6				
20	West Bromwich Albion	H	1-2	SECOND TEAM			
23	Arsenal	A	1-1	1961			
25	Swindon Town (F.L. Cup, 1st Round Replay)	A	0-2	Aug. 19	Brighton & H.A.	A	2-0
27	A. S. Roma (Inter-Cities Cup Final, 1st Leg)	H	2-2	23	Southampton	A	3-1
30	Bolton Wanderers	H	2-1	Sept. 6	Coventry City	H	2-1
7	Wolverhampton W.	H	3-6	26	Swindon Town	A	1-1
Oct. 11	A. S. Roma (Inter-Cities Cup Final, 2nd Leg)	A	0-2	Oct. 4	Reading	H	2-0
14	Manchester United	A	2-0	11	Brenford	A	1-1
21	Chelsea	H	3-2	18	Charlton Athletic	H	0-1
28	Aston Villa	A	3-1	25	Chelsea	A	1-1
Nov. 4	Blackpool	H	1-1	Nov. 1	Leyton Orient	H	0-3
11	Blackburn Rovers	A	0-2	8	Portsmouth	A	2-0
15	Espanol (Inter-Cities Cup)	A	2-5	15	Bournemouth	H	2-1
18	West Ham United (1st Rd. 1st Leg)	H	4-0	22	Watford	H	4-2
25	Sheffield United (2)	A	1-3	29	Aldershot	H	4-0
Dec. 2	Cardiff City	H	3-0	Dec. 4	Queens Park Rangers	A	1-1
7	Espanol (Inter-Cities Cup)	H	3-0	13	Millwall	H	1-1
9	Tottenham Hotspur (1st Rd. 2nd Leg)	A	0-2	20	Fulham	A	1-1
16	Fulham	A	1-1	27	Southend United	H	1-1
23	Sheffield Wednesday	H	1-1	1962			
26	Manchester City	H	1-1	Jan. 10	Southend United	A	1-1
30	Manchester City	A	1-1	17	Southampton	A	1-1
Jan. 6	F.A. Cup 3rd Round	A	1-1	24	Coventry City	H	1-1
13	Leicester City	A	1-1	31	Swindon Town	H	1-1
20	Ipswich Town	H	1-1	Feb. 7	Brighton & H.A.	H	1-1
27	F.A. Cup 4th Round	A	1-1	14	Brenford	H	1-1
Feb. 3	Burnley	A	1-1	21	Charlton Athletic	A	1-1
10	Arsenal	H	1-1	28	Chelsea	H	1-1
17	Bolton Wanderers (5)	A	1-1	Mar. 7	Leyton Orient	A	1-1
24	Wolverhampton W.	A	1-1	14	Portsmouth	A	1-1
Mar. 3	Manchester United	H	1-1	21	Reading	A	1-1
10	Chelsea	A	1-1	28	Bournemouth	A	1-1
17	Aston Villa	H	1-1	April 3	Watford	A	1-1
				11	Aldershot	A	1-1
				18	Queens Park Rangers	H	1-1
				25	Millwall	A	1-1
				May 2	Fulham	H	1-1

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