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INTRODUCTION

Some of the most famous players and club sides of Europe are featured in this collection of EURO-SOCCER 77 which is being presented at a time when interest in the three major European competitions continues to remain high.

Of course club sides can and do contain players from countries other than their own homeland and we have also included several instances of this listing for instance those English, Scottish, Welsh and Irish players who belong to different clubs in the Football League.

All the individual players who appear in this book are internationals either with the country of their club or for another European or South American nation.

Also many of the most famous club teams who have done well in the European Champion Clubs Cup, the Cup Winners Cup and the UEFA Cup like Real Madrid, Bayern Munich, Ajax, Leeds United, Anderlecht and Rangers are also featured.

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HISTORY OF THE EUROPEAN CUPS

In 1976 Bayern Munich won the European Champion Clubs Cup for the third successive year to equal the performance of Ajax Amsterdam who had achieved a similar feat from 1971 to 1973. But if Germany and Holland have dominated the leading European competition, honours have been spread around in both the Cup Winners Cup and the UEFA Cup.

In fact when Anderlecht won the Cup Winners Cup in 1976 they became the first Belgian club to achieve a major European honour. And FC Bruges reached the final of the UEFA Cup, too, before losing to Liverpool.

But it is from England in the UEFA Cup and its forerunner the Fairs Cup that the most successful clubs have come in this particular competition. From 1968 to 1976 there were seven winners from England. Leeds United won in 1968, Newcastle 1969, Arsenal 1970, Leeds again in 1971, Tottenham Hotspur 1972, Liverpool for the first time in 1973 and again in 1976.

However the European Champion Clubs Cup has eluded England apart from the success achieved by Manchester United in 1968. Only one other English club has ever reached the final and that was in 1975 when Leeds were beaten by Bayern Munich.

In the Cup Winners Cup there have been several English successes with Tottenham winning it in 1963, West Ham United in 1965, Manchester City 1970 and Chelsea 1971.

Scotland, too, has had its share of success and it was to these shores that the European Champions Cup first came to Britain in 1967, when Celtic won it. Rangers also won the Cup Winners Cup in 1972.

And though the power in European football appears to have swung towards West Germany in recent years at club level at least, in the early days of the European competitions the Latin nations dominated it in general with Spain being particularly successful.

Real Madrid actually won the first five European Champion Clubs Cup seasons in succession and achieved their sixth such title in 1966. Portugal's Benfica won it twice in 1961 and 1962 before it was the turn of Italian sides to do well in it.

After AC Milan were the 1963 winners, their neighbours who share the San Siro stadium in the same city with them Inter-Milan were twice winners themselves.

AC Milan won it for the second time in 1969 but this was the end of the Latin domination of the competition as Feyenoord were the 1970 winners for Holland just before Ajax and Bayern took over.

The Italians also had the initial champions in the Cup Winners Cup in 1961 through Fiorentina. Spain's Atletico Madrid won the second series and in 1964 it was the turn of Sporting Lisbon from Portugal.

West Germany's first winner was Borussia Dortmund in 1966 and the following year Bayern emulated their feat. AC Milan won in 1968 and again in 1973, while Slovan Bratislava became the first Czechoslovakian side to achieve a European honour in 1969.

Eastern Europe followed this up with more successes following East Germany's title in 1974 and Dynamo Kiev were Russian winners of the Cup Winners Cup in 1975.

The early years of the Fairs Cup were also solely the preserve of the Latin countries, too. Barcelona were the winners of the first two competitions in 1958 and 1960, AS Roma won the 1961 version before Valencia twice and Real Zaragoza in 1964 recaptured the trophy for Spain.

Hungary took it away from the Iberian peninsula in 1965 with their Ferencvaros club but Barcelona retrieved it in 1966. And in 1967 it swung back to Eastern Europe when Yugoslavia's Dynamo Zagreb achieved the honour.

In 1971 the Fairs Cup was replaced by the UEFA Cup and other than English teams the winners have come from Holland and West Germany again through Feyenoord in 1974 and Borussia Moenchengladbach in 1975 respectively.

Of course the UEFA Cup and its earlier form of Fairs Cup differ from the other two European competitions as they have home and away finals on the grounds of the respective finalists.

Apart from the first Cup Winners Cup final which was similarly played over two legs, all these other finals have taken place at one venue.

However drawn matches have necessitated replays, though it has only occurred once in the European Champions Cup, in 1974 when it was held in Brussels twice.

But the Cup Winners Cup has been replayed on three occasions in 1962, 1964 and 1971. Only once has the Fairs Cup been decided on the away goals rule and that was in 1971 when Leeds became the last winners of the competition before it was replaced by the UEFA Cup.

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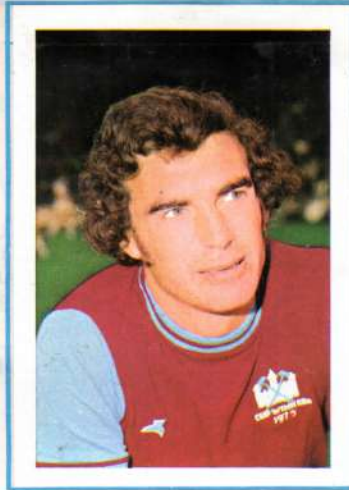
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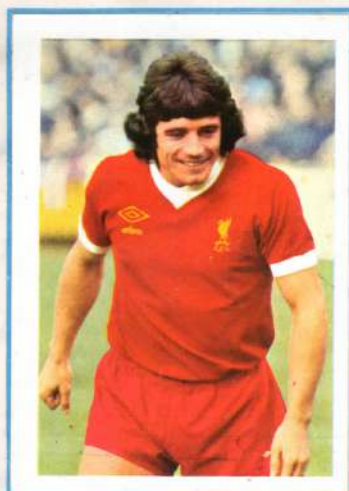
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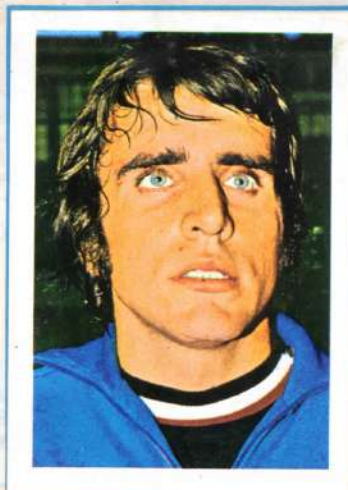
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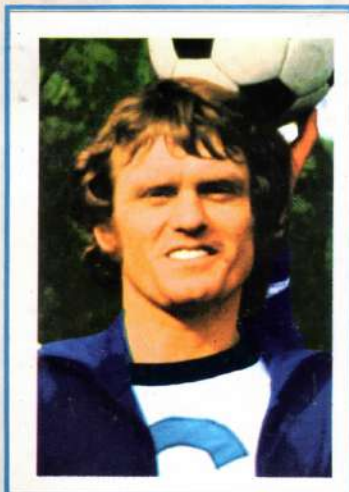
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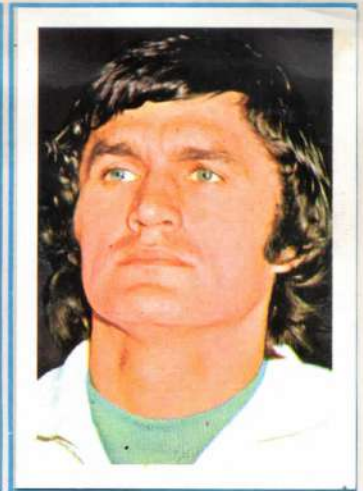
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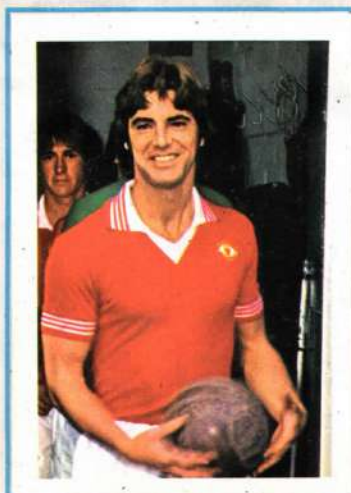
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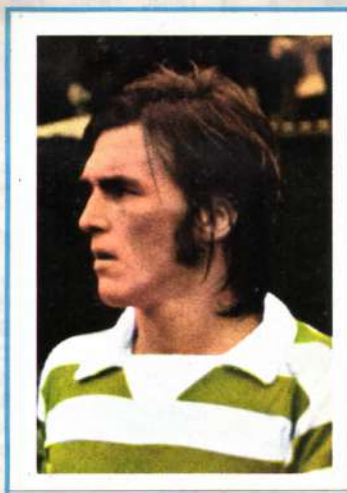
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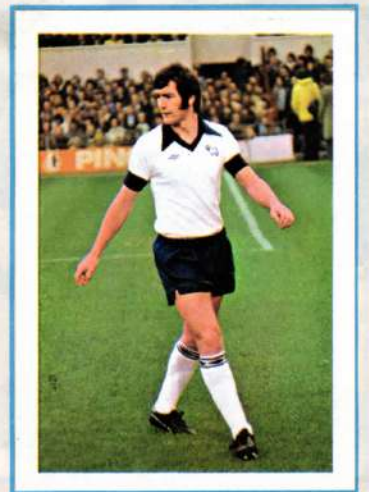
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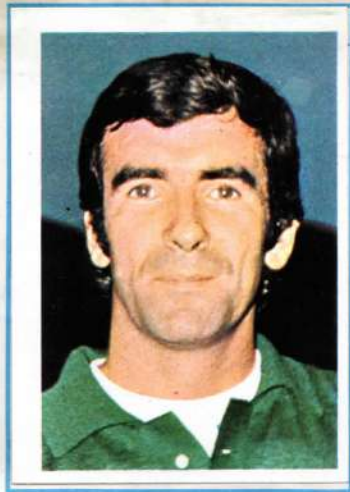


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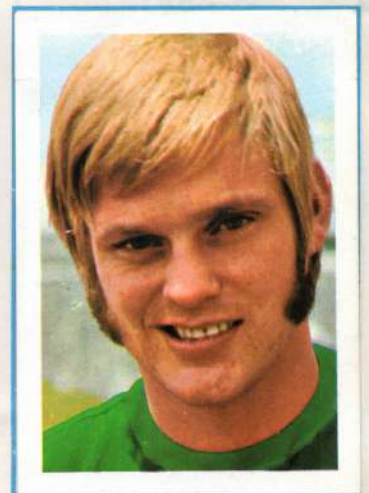


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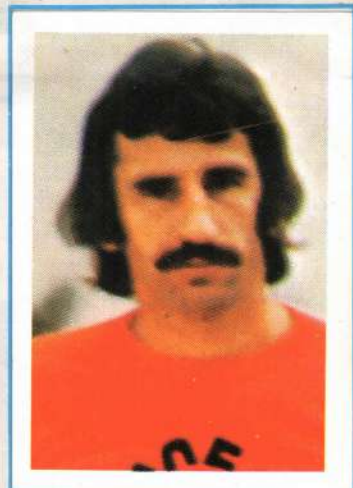
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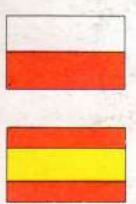
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