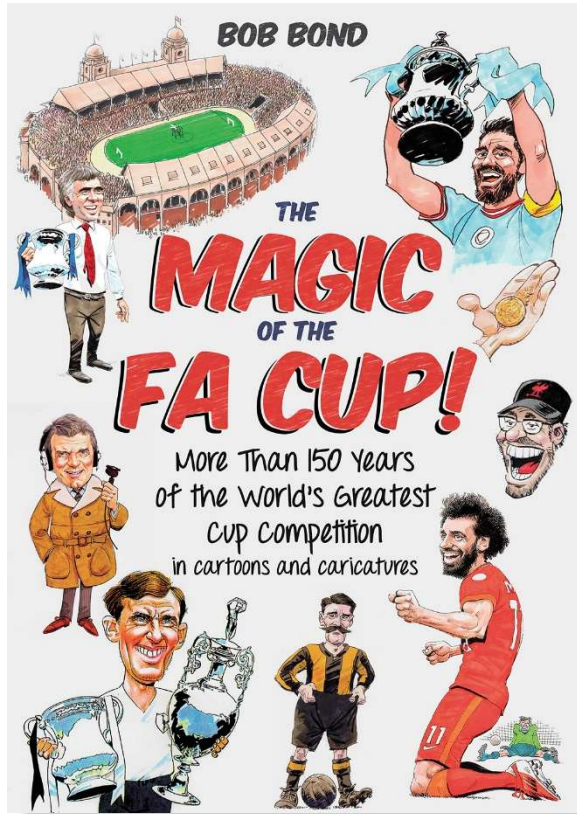




## Title information



### The Magic of the FA Cup!

A Century of the World's Greatest Cup Competition

By Bob Bond

#### Key features

- Fascinating history of the FA Cup told primarily through eye-catching cartoons
- From the days of heavy boots and balls, quaint and cumbersome outfits, ropes instead of crossbars, no nets and peculiar pitch markings through to the era of high wages, massive transfer fees, unscrupulous agents and VAR
- A nostalgic journey for older football fans, who will remember when match cartoons were a regular feature on the sports pages of newspapers
- Provides inspiration for younger readers to pick up a pen or pencil and sketch a match
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

#### Description

Bob Bond takes us on a nostalgic journey through FA Cup history, telling the story of football's oldest competition through captivating match cartoons. For a century and a half the FA Cup's power to excite and fascinate fans the world over has never ceased. Every year we wait for the balls to fall out of the velvet bag to see where 'our team' will be travelling to, and as always, we'll be hoping and believing that this year will be 'our year'. This book recalls not only the cup finals, but some of the great matches, players, goals, upsets and infamous moments in FA Cup history. In days gone by, the match cartoon was a regular newspaper feature. But now, with instant TV coverage and endless replaying of incidents, it is a thing of the past. So, take a trip down memory lane with the history of one of the world's greatest football competitions elegantly depicted in illustrated form, from Victorian times to the present day.

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