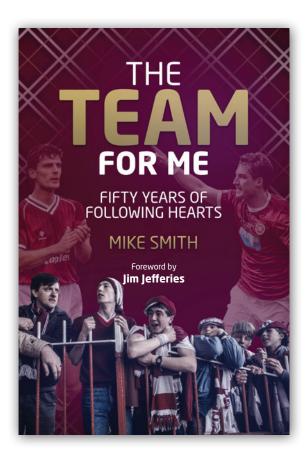


Title information



The Team For Me

Fifty Years of Following Hearts

By Mike Smith

Key features

- A personal journey following the fortunes of Heart of Midlothian FC
- A passionate and emotional portrayal of what football means to supporters not just of Hearts but of any club
- Tales from the 1960s through the decades to the present day, underlining the joy and heartache (but mostly heartache) of being devoted to your football team
- Written by Mike Smith, respected local journalist and author of two previous books on Hearts
- Includes colour photo section to accompany the text
- Publicity campaign planned together with local media coverage and book launch

Description

Does your life revolve around your football team? Does your team's result on a Saturday make or break your weekend? Would you leave you're in the day she's due to give birth to go to a cup final 140 miles away? Or miss your daughter's fourth birthday because you're in Madrid for a UEFA Cup tie? If so, this book is for you. The Team For Me is a personal reflection of the joy and heartache of football from a fan's perspective. Written by a Hearts supporter of 50 years' standing (and occasionally falling over), its tales will hit home among fans of any and every club – from the Saturday-morning feeling of anticipation to regaling your children with what it means to follow your club; from pre-match rituals to hammering your arch-rivals in a cup final. Fans who grew up in the 60s and 70s will also revel in memories of half-time scoreboards, dashing to the local newsagent at 5.30pm on a Saturday for a copy of the ink-stained 'Football Special' edition, and of collecting football cards to swap with your pals.

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