

END OF AN ERA

PHOTO MEMORIES OF MANCHESTER CITY AT MAINE ROAD

Richard Tucker

Richard Tucker has been a Manchester City supporter for well over 60 years, watching his first game during the 1940s. In his career he has also been a professional photographer. These two passions have come together magnificently in this fascinating and nostalgic book containing over 200 images of nearly 50 games played by Manchester City during their Maine Road days. It will bring back memories of games, players and incidents from the '50s to the closure of Maine Road in 2003. It includes special coverage of the Cup Final in 1969 and the very last game at the famous ground. It also includes many images of the ground itself.

Richard Tucker has captured such legendary players as Bert Trautmann, Neil Young, Colin Bell, Mike Summerbee and Tony Brook, managers like Malcolm Allison, and momentous matches like the famous "Ballet on Ice" game against Spurs in December 1967.

This priceless collection – much of which has never been published before – will enthral any fan of "The Citizens" and the book will be a treasured memento for years to come.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

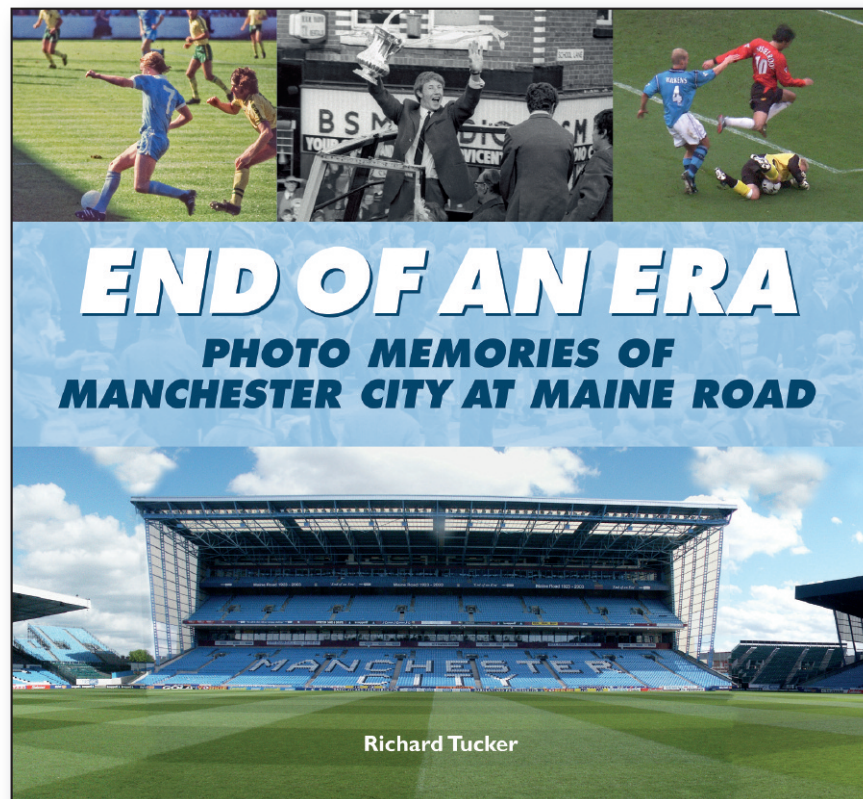
Richard Tucker achieved his FA preliminary coaching badge and first class referee status during his RAF days in the fifties. He refereed in the first Asian Cup in 1956 controlling games between National China and South Korea in Taipei and Vietnam v Israel in Hong Kong in his middle twenties and also the Hong Kong Shield Final in 1957. When he returned to the UK he refereed in professional football before a knee injury put paid to his refereeing ambitions. He coached in Thailand and Hong Kong and managed Northern Nomads in the then Lancashire Combination for a few seasons before becoming a professional photographer full time travelling worldwide. He is a Fellow of the Royal Photographic Society and presented Audio Visual shows in theatres and halls in the UK for Agfa and Nikon in the '70s and early '80s. He also produced an audio visual for "All Roads Lead To Eastlands" a track on the latest DVD by the Dandelion Clocks, a Manchester-based band. Now 'retired' among his clients were Gulf Air, Clynol, SAS, Saudia Catering, and the British Army.

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City v Burnley 0-1 August 1973 Charity Shield



City v Bristol City 2-0 May 1979



City v Everton 3-1 April 1981



City v Newcastle United 3-3 February 1996



City v Coventry City 1-2 August 2000



City v Birmingham City 3-0 September 2001. The minute's silence before the game was impeccably observed in memory of the events of 9/11 in New York.



Neil Young shoots for goal.



City players copped for offside.



Shilton saves - watched by Bell and Lee.



Shilton scores under pressure from Bell.



Harry Dowd scores by the post.



The Final Game at Maine Road – City v Southampton 0-1 May 11th 2003

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