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New book reveals how blind ambition and financial blunders drove one football club to the brink of extinction

Dave Tomlinson announces the release of 'Leeds, Money, and Misery Me'

BIRMINGHAM, England– In his third and most ambitious book to date, "Leeds, Money, and Misery Me" (<u>published by AuthorHouse UK</u>), author Dave Tomlinson offers readers a searching narrative covering the catalogue of disasters that crippled Leeds United Football Club over a span of two decades.

"Leeds, Money, and Misery Me" takes a poignant look into the hopes and dreams of one of the most committed sets of fans in Europe and the men who let them down and abused their trust. It covers an extraordinary period in the history of British football — when money drove a revolution — and shines a light on important themes and trends such as racism, commercialism and globalism.

In the book, Tomlinson discusses the financial albatross that dogged the club, as well as the controversies, legal disputes and misjudgments by the men in charge and the impact of their eccentricities and egos. As the subtitle suggests, the book picks out the 23 most crucial mistakes and what might have happened if they had been avoided.

"It tells the real and fascinating story of a club that reached for the stars, over extended itself and imploded," says the author. "This book is more about the off field side of the club than the playing side. It's written with a passion for Leeds United but also points out with stark objectivity the faults that were made by so called stewards."

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Dave Tomlinson is a lifelong supporter of Leeds United Football Club. He grew up at a time when Leeds were seen as either "Beautiful Losers" or "Dirty Leeds," depending on one's inclination. In 1999, Tomlinson established www.mightyleeds.co.uk with the intention of it providing, in his words, "the definitive history of the club." The website is an in-depth piece of work, revealing a remarkable level of research and capitalising on Tomlinson's encyclopedic knowledge of the club and its doings. He is also the author of "Leeds United: A History" (Amberly Publishing 2015) and "Billy Bremner: 50 Defining Fixtures" (Amberley Publishing 2016). Away from his love of Leeds, Tomlinson is a finance director in the National Health Service (NHS) and lives with the love of his life, Adele, their three dogs and ferocious cat, in Birmingham.

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