

The Victorian Football Miscellany

Goal-Post announces the release of *The Victorian Football Miscellany*, a new book by football writer Paul Brown. The book is released as a limited edition hardcover on 20 May 2013 and as a paperback and eBook on 17 June 2013.

The Victorian Football Miscellany is a quirky and fascinating collection of trivia, facts and anecdotes from football's earliest years. Delve into an absorbing world of ox-bladder balls, baggy-kneed knickerbockers and outstanding moustaches, and read remarkable tales of the first ever cup final, the invention of the shinpad, the evolution of dribbling, the first own goal and a seemingly-invincible penalty-taking elephant. Other entries cover the foundation of the Football Association, the development of the Laws of the Game and the origins of football's most popular clubs. Packed with stories, profiles and lists, this is an indispensable guide to the colourful and unusual world of 19th century football.

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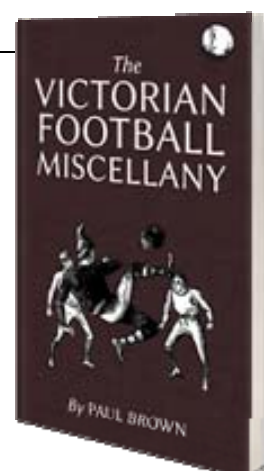
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