

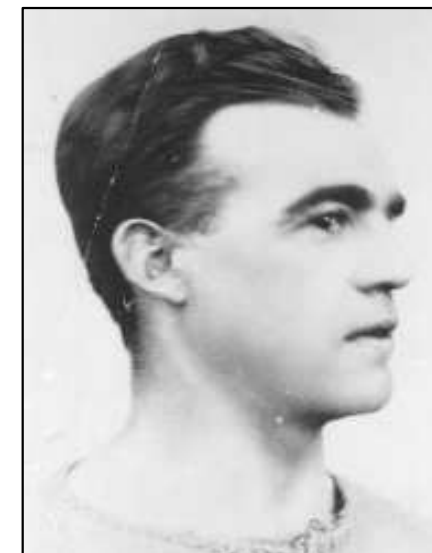
THOMSON	Robert John
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<i>Date of Birth</i>	29.12.1890	<i>Place of Birth</i>	Croydon		
<i>Date of Death</i>	9.1.1971	<i>Place of Death</i>	Croydon		
<i>Height</i>	5ft 6in - 5ft 7.5in (depending on source quoted)			<i>Position</i>	Centre Forward
<i>Weight</i>	10st 2lb - 11st 5lb (depending on source quoted)				

<i>Club</i>	<i>Joined</i>	<i>Season</i>	F L		F A		S L		L L		S E		L C		TOTALS	
			A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G		
Sydenham Road School																
Mitcham Road School																
Croydon																
Croydon Common	cs1910	1910-11			3	3	22	23	10	5	27	20			62	51
Chelsea	9.1911	1911-12	21	8	2	0									23	8
		1912-13	10	1											10	1
		1913-14	9	1											9	1
		1914-15	30	13	8	6									38	19
		1915-16											31	38	31	38
		1916-17											37	29	37	29
		1917-18											31	26	31	26
		1918-19											7	2	7	2
		1920-21	13	2	2	0									15	2
Charlton Athletic	2.1922	1921-22	12	1											12	1
		1922-23	19	4	6	2									25	6
		1923-24	24	9	4	0									28	9
		1924-25	15	1	2	0									17	1
Dartford	cs1925															
		TOTALS	153	40	27	11	22	23	10	5	27	20	106	95	345	194

<i>Internationals</i>	None	<i>Cigarette/Trade Cards</i>	None
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<i>F.A. Cup Finals</i>					
<i>For</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Season</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Venue</i>
Chelsea	24.4.1915	1914-15	Sheffield United	0-3	Old Trafford, Manchester



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Jottings

Had only one eye - the other was lost at the age of 7 when another boy thrust a firework in his face - and claimed "I shut the other one and play from memory"

Appeared for Croydon Common in 2 minor cup matches, without scoring

Held the Croydon Common record for goals in a competitive match (7) and goals in a season (51)

Was Chelsea's top scorer in the 1914-15 season

Once scored 7 goals for Chelsea against Luton Town

Appeared for Chelsea in 4 matches in the National War Fund Cup (1917-18), scoring 3 goals

The transfer fee was £300 when he moved to Charlton Athletic

Appeared for Dartford in 28 matches in 1925-26, scoring 23 goals

Was also a fine amateur cricketer

Was recorded as a turf accountant living at 74 South Norwood Hill, Croydon in 1939, but was a local government officer at the time of his retirement



Chelsea 1911-12

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Chelsea F.A. Cup Final 1915

The MANCHESTER HIPPODROME (OXFORD) Twice Nightly at 8-40 & 9-50 (STREET) MANCHESTER—F.A.C. and Thos. & A.


MANCHESTER UNITED PROGRAMME

CHELSEA

Royal Blue Stripes and White Kickers

1		3	
MOLYNEUX		HARROW	
Goal		Left Back	
2	4	5	6
BETTRIDGE	TAYLOR	LOGAN	WALKER
Right Back	Right Half	Centre Half	Left Half
7	8	9	10
FORD	HALSE	THOMSON	CROAL
Outside Right	Inside Right	Centre	Inside Left
11		11	
M'NEEL		M'NEEL	
Outside Left		Outside Left	

Referee: Mr. H. H. TAYLOR



KICK-OFF: 8 - 30.

12	13	14	15	16
EVANS	MASTERMAN	HITCHEN	PAZACKERLEY	SIMMONS
Outside Left	Inside Left	Centre	Inside Right	Outside Right
17	18	19	20	
UTLEY	BHELSPOND	STURRESS		
Left Half	Centre Half	Right Half		
21	22			
ENGLISH	COUGH			
Left Back	Goal			

Set out White Stripes and Black Center

SHEFFIELD UNITED

Any change in the Teams will be notified to number on the board which will be seen round the enclosure.

6-40 ARDWICK EMPIRE (TWICE NIGHTLY) 9-0

The line-ups for the 1915 F.A. Cup Final