

# Doing the 92!

It started as a normal day following my local football team, Cardiff City, in a match on 7th March 1981 away against Watford at Vicarage Road – we lost 4-2!

Fast forward 42 years to August 2023 and I decided to list the matches (and Indeed grounds) I had been to over the years.

It came to a total of 70 of the current 92 league grounds. It was at this time that I consciously made an effort to try and complete the 92.

By the middle of April 2024, I had managed to tick them all off with Crawley being the original 92nd ground visited (see pic).

However, relegation of teams from the EFL, together with promotions from the National League means you 'lose' teams each season.

Add to that, Everton deciding to build

a brand new stadium, so I end up, after visiting the Hill Dickinson Stadium 3 weeks ago for number 91 (pics attached), with 'The Hive' of Barnet FC being the magic 92nd ground.

This is the 3rd time completing the feat until the league positions are finalised at the end of the season.

Then it will be time to start planning all over again the 'new' grounds to visit next season .

It's not a chore but a great hobby that takes you all over the country, much to the missus's delight – I THINK!

Happy 92nd to me!

(P.S. today is number 66 for my fiancée Sarah Hamlin – not a bad effort).

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