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England and France benefit from Spanish withdrawal

Newcastle United FC and Paris Saint-Germain FC to enter the UEFA Intertoto Cup

All the teams participating in the 2001 UEFA Intertoto Cup are now known following the withdrawal of the Spanish FA, who had originally planned to enter two clubs in the competition. Sides from England and France are to occupy the positions left vacant.

The first spot has been allocated to Newcastle United FC, who finished in 8th position in the English Premier League. This will be 'The Magpies' second bite at the European cherry. Newcastle United FC missed a chance to enter the UEFA Cup on 6 June, as they were unlucky in the Fair Play draw. The Saint James' Park side will now have a second chance as the three 'winners' of the Intertoto Cup will gain access to the First Round of the UEFA Cup. The English side will be seeded and play its first match in the Third Round on 14/15 July.

The other team benefiting from this last-minute change is Paris Saint-Germain FC. The French team will enter the competition in the Second Round and play their first match at home on 30 June or 1 July against the winner of the tie between Romanian side FC Gloria Bistrita and FC Jazz of Finland.

Match Calendar

First Round (16/17 June 2001 and 23/24 June 2001)

1 NK Zagreb (CRO) – FK Pobeda (MKD)
2 FC Universitatea Craiova (ROM) – KS Bylis (ALB)
3 Groclin-Dyskobolia SSA Grodzisk (POL) – FC Spartak Varna (BUL)
4 Hapoel Haifa (ISR) – TVMK Tallinn (EST)
5 FK Ekranas (LIT) – FC Artmedia Petrzalka (SVK)
6 Lombard FC Tatabanya (HUN) – FC Shirak (ARM)
7 Zaglebie Lubin (POL) – Hibernians FC (MLT)
8 AGF Arhus (DEN) – NK Publikum (SLO)
9 Dundee FC (SCO) – FK Sartid (YUG)
10 UE Sant Julià (AND) – Lausanne-Sports (SUI)
11 FC Jazz (FIN) – FC Gloria Bistrita (ROM)
12 Anorthosis Famagusta FC (CYP) – NK Slaven Belupo (CRO)
13 NK Celik (BHZ) – Denizlispor (TUR)
14 FC WIT Georgia Tbilisi (GEO) – SV Ried (AUT)
15 Carmarthen Town FC (WAL) – AIK Solna (SWE)
16 Toftir B68 (FAR) – Sporting Lokeren St-Niklaas Waasland (BEL)
17 FC Dinamo Minsk (BLS) – CS Hobscheid (LUX)
18 FC Tiligul Tiraspol (MOL) – Cliftonville FC (NIR)
19 Grindavik (ISL) – FC Vilash (AZE)
20 Cork City FC (IRL) – FHK Liepajas Metalurgs (LAT)

Second Round (30 June/1 July 2001 and 7/8 July 2001)

A Winners Match 13 – KAA Gent (BEL)
B Odense BK (DEN) – Winners Match 15
C (Spain 2) – Winners Match 11
D FC Basel (SUI) – Winners Match 19
E Troyes FC (FRA) – Winners Match 14
F SK Sturm Graz (AUT) – Winners Match 10
G Winners Match 20 – SC Heerenveen (HOL)
H Winners Match 12 – SC Bastia (FRA)
I Winners Match 1 – Rizespor (TUR)
J TSV 1860 München (GER) – Winners Match 9
K 1. FC Synot (CZE) – Winners Match 2
L Winners Match 3 – FC Tavriya Simferopol (UKR)
M Winners Match 18 – Winners Match 6
N Winners Match 8 – Winners Match 5
O Winners Match 17 – Winners Match 4
P Winners Match 7 – Winners Match 16

Third Round (14/15 July 2001 and 21 July 2001)

Winners Match P – (Spain 1)
FK Chmel Blšany (CZE) – Winners Match I
Stade Rennais FC (FRA) – Winners Match K
Winners Match H – Aston Villa FC (ENG)
RKC Waalwijk (HOL) – Winners Match J
VfL Wolfsburg (GER) – Winners Match O
SV Werder Bremen (GER) – Winners Match A
(Italy) – Winners Match M
Winners Match E – Winners Match B
Winners Match L – Winners Match C
Winners Match D – Winners Match G
Winners Match N – Winners Match F