

**SCOTTISH CUP SEMI-FINAL**



# CELTIC <sup>3</sup>

**VERSUS**

# AIRDRIEONIAN <sup>3</sup>

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

**Saturday, April 3, 1971**

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# A FLASHPOINT THE LAST TIME THEY MET



## . . . and the agony of a man who can only watch

THE manager's life is not an easy one . . . as Ian McMillan made clear after the 4-1 defeat from St. Johnstone. Once the game is under way all he can do is hope that things go the way he has planned.

### Big prizes

But it doesn't always happen that way.

The big prizes in football are so few that, by and large, the manager's task is a worrying one. An agonising one . . . as Ian McMillan shows.

But for the respected Airdrieonians' manager it has its compensations—like having reached the semi-final of the Scottish Cup—not bad at all for the economic Lanarkshire side.



THERE'S rarely a game which doesn't throw up a line of controversy, and the last meeting between Celtic and Airdrieonians at Parkhead in the League on February 20 was no exception.

As you will see from the picture, wee Jimmy Johnstone was flying through, in one of his many first half raids, and goalkeeper Tom Gourlay dived at his feet. Jimmy fell to the ground and the referee gave a penalty.

There was, however, some argument as to whether Gourlay had made contact and actually pulled Jimmy down, or whether Johnstone had stumbled at the last moment.

The picture will certainly not prove the point but it certainly shows Tom Gourlay's right hand nearer to Johnstone's left foot than the ball.

### Won decisively

But while the goal perhaps lent controversy—there was no argument about the result . . . Celtic won decisively by 4-1. There was no dispute about that.

The League game earlier in the season at Broomfield also resulted in a clear cut 3-1 victory for Celtic. Harry Hood scored two goals while Bobby Lennox got the other. Airdrieonians' only goal was scored by right winger Billy Wilson. But as skipper Derek Whiteford maintains, "Playing at Hampden in the Scottish Cup is something very different from the League fare". While there are no certainties in football and Airdrieonians will undoubtedly fight hard it will be a major shock if the League Champions do not march on to the final.



# Celtic v Airdrieonians ... with Jock Stein and Ian McMillan ON THE FIELD!

by JIM PARKINSON *Glasgow Herald*



THE mutual admiration, Jock Stein and Ian McMillan, hold for each other, stems from the time 16 years ago, when they played in opposition at Hampden in another Celtic-Airdrieonians Scottish Cup semi-final tie.

It was an occasion in which Celtic's star-spangled team of the day took two games to beat Airdrieonians' part-time eleven. The club roles of the two personalities have since changed substantially but as they take their places in the respective dug-outs today they will recollect, no matter how briefly, the events of 1955 when Stein was the stalwart of the Parkhead defence, and McMillan, a developing inside-forward of exceptional talents.

Reputations of the bigger, wealthier teams, meant little to Airdrieonians—something that applies to their current attitude—and there was complete consternation when John Reid scored 20 seconds after kick-off without a Celtic player having touched the ball.

The teams were—Celtic—Bonnar; Haughney, Meechan; Evans, Stein, Peacock; Collins, Fernie, Walsh, Mochan and Tully.

Airdrieonians—Walker; Shanks, Gordon; Quinn, Baillie, Cairns; Reid, Welsh, Baird, McMillan and McCulloch.

Despite the electrifying start, they had to settle for a 2-2 draw and a replay, which they lost 2-0, John McPhail, who had replaced Neil Mochan, scoring both goals.

Airdrieonians have still to beat Celtic in the Scottish Cup. They have been drawn together six times during their history and the 1955 meeting was the most memorable.

Over 160,000 spectators watched the two games, and there was a further 72,000 crowd at their only other semi-final clash in season 1960-61. John Hughes (2), Steve Chalmers, and Willie Fernie, who all retain their link with the club, scored in Celtic's clear cut 4-0 victory.

The attendances are in stark contrast to Airdrieonians' four matches—Alloa (twice), Cowdenbeath, and Kilmarnock—in the competition so far this season. The aggregate has been less than 20,000.

Celtic's previous semi-final victories over the Broomfield team have had a strange ill-fated twist. In both finals, they were defeated by Clyde and Dunfermline respectively. Nevertheless the Parkhead players, have, in the last decade, turned Hampden into their second home and today the club will be bidding to take part in their eighth final in the last eleven seasons.

Airdrieonians are undaunted by this impressive record and their opponents almost inherent right to be contesting the final. They won the trophy in 1924, their one and only cup final appearance. They feel they can overcome Celtic's power to come within 90 minutes of success again with a new crop of part-timers.

Ian McMillan, in his first season as manager, has created an immediate impact and given the players, who all combine their football with a variety of everyday jobs, a new insight. Always a great reader of the play, he has imparted his knowledge to his men who, no longer, are held spell-bound by rigid patterns but can adapt themselves to the flow of a game.

They work rigorously to pack into their restricted curriculum the same amount as rival full time teams, and astute economical management has made the club the envy of others as they show how to cut their cloth and balance within their budget.

They rear their own players, and have often had to sell the best, including Hughie Gallacher, Bob McPhail, Frank Brennan, and even Ian McMillan.

Several players could be sold at high profit. Drew Jarvie, who recently rocketed to the Under-23 and League international ratings, Drew Busby, and Sam Goodwin, all former juniors, have been in demand by other teams.

Jarvie and Busby have been a devastating scoring combination sharing over 40 goals this season, and during their infrequent lapses, wingers Billy Wilson and John Whiteford, have stepped in capably as strikers.

The latter's cousin, Derek, has been an inspiring captain since being released by Hibernian. Other unwanted players, John Menzies (ex-Partick Thistle), Mark Cowan (West Bromwich Albion), and Pat Delaney, who had spells with Motherwell, Dunfermline and Clyde, are all enjoying a new lease of life at Broomfield. Paul Jonquin is the longest serving player on the staff, while the most recent is Des McKay, who is in the vanguard of a bulging supply train of "S" form signings.

Tom Preston, the club's chairman, has encouraged the policy in breeding schoolboy players to maturity in the first team. He knows the exhilarating feeling of cup success because he was Airdrieonians' right-half in the 1924 triumph. It would be a unique and appropriate honour if his team could land the trophy again during his term of office.



# HAMPDEN... "A SECOND HOME TO ME," SAYS JIMMY DELANEY



I HAVE always regarded Hampden as my second home! Celtic Park and Old Trafford hold wonderful memories of triumph for me, yet some of my proudest achievements were fashioned at Hampden . . . for Celtic and Scotland.

It's a few years back to 1937 but that Cup final against Aberdeen will always be a memorable one for me. Maybe because it was recognised as one of the best finals ever or maybe because I laid on one of the two goals in our 2-1 win over the Dons.

What I do remember particularly, however, was the tremendous crowd—the biggest ever for a club match in Scotland. It was obvious to us all as we ran out on to the pitch that day that it was a crowd record.

As we kicked into goal before the start I could see the tremendous sway behind our goal. And if

a cup-tie needs any atmosphere that huge crowd certainly gave it more than usual.

"Where are they going to put them all?" I remember Willie Buchan remarking to me, as we saw the fans still flooding down the passageways, looking for space to stand.

As I have said, there are many memories of Hampden for me, but I think the final against Aberdeen is the one I remember most.

Aberdeen had a first class team at that time—as they have now—and they gave us a tremendous fight. But perhaps what I remember most—apart from getting the coveted winner's medal is the clean sporting way the game was played.

Maybe that's why people like myself still talk about that great day.

## Half-time Scoreboard

<b>A</b> ABERDEEN MOTHERWELL		<b>G</b> RANGERS MORTON		<b>N</b> MONTROSE RAITH ROVERS	
<b>B</b> AYR UNITED HEARTS		<b>H</b> ARBROATH ALBION ROVERS		<b>O</b> Q.O.S. PARTICK THISTLE	
<b>C</b> CLYDE DUNDEE		<b>J</b> BERWICK RANGERS ALLOA ATHLETIC		<b>P</b> STIRLING ALBION STRANRAER	
<b>D</b> DUNDEE UNITED COWDENBEATH		<b>K</b> EAST FIFE BRECHIN CITY		<b>Q</b> ARSENAL CHELSEA	
<b>E</b> DUNFERMLINE ATH. ST. JOHNSTONE		<b>L</b> EAST STIRLING CLYDEBANK		<b>R</b> LEEDS UNITED BURNLEY	
<b>F</b> HIBERNIAN FALKIRK		<b>M</b> HAMILTON ACAS. FORFAR ATHLETIC		<b>S</b> WOLVES NOTTS FOREST	



# PLAYER POOLS FOR TODAY

## CELTIC

EVAN WILLIAMS  
DAVID HAY  
TOMMY GEMMELL  
TOM CALLAGHAN  
BILLY McNEILL  
JIM BROGAN  
JIMMY JOHNSTONE  
HARRY HOOD  
WILLIE WALLACE  
VIC DAVIDSON  
JOHN HUGHES  
BOBBY LENNOX  
GEORGE CONNELLY

### Referee:

A. MacKENZIE, Larbert.

### Linesmen:

D. F. ROBERTSON, Dumfries  
(Red Flag)

J. McD. INGLIS, Glasgow  
(Orange Flag)

## AIRDRIEONIANS

TOM GOURLAY  
PAUL JONQUIN  
DES MCKAY  
GEORGE CALDWELL  
JOHN MENZIES  
SAM GOODWIN  
PAT DELANEY  
DEREK WHITEFORD  
WILLIE McPHEAT  
MARK COWAN  
JOHN WHITEFORD  
DREW BUSBY  
DREW JARVIE  
BILLY WILSON

### In the event of a draw . . .

If today's tie finishes level after 90 minutes play, the replay will take place at Hampden Park on Wednesday, April 7 kick-off at 8 p.m. In the event of the tie still being level at the end of 90 minutes—thirty minutes extra time will be played.

### A reminder to the fans . . .

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# CELTIC ARE CERTAINLY NO BACK NUMBER!

SINCE he took over at Parkhead just a little more than six years ago, manager Jock Stein has seen his team win five League Championships . . . five League Cups . . . three Scottish Cups . . . and play in two European Cup finals—an individual record which will be difficult to beat.

It's consistency like that which Airdrieonians face today. Admittedly, Celtic have had their rougher moments but, with their record, it is obvious that Airdrieonians cannot afford to take their task without the utmost caution.

To enhance Celtic's claims, too, it is worth recording that since Jock took over, Celtic have played in 30 Scottish Cup ties—and lost only three. They lost to Rangers in the final in 1966, lost to Dunfermline Athletic in the first round in 1968 and, of course, were beaten by Aberdeen in last season's final.

That accounts for three of the six years—the other three Celtic were winners.

## A Commendation

To have lost only three Scottish Cup ties in six years is not only a tribute to the manager but also a commendation to the players under him. And when you add these statistics to the five League Championship wins in a row it clearly shows just how consistent the Celtic boys are.

It could be said, with some conviction of course,

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## One of the young stars

CELTIC have several bright young players on their staff, but the one to emerge with most distinction this season is VICTOR DAVIDSON.

The former Ashfield youngster has made a tremendous impact on the fans with his skill and opportunism. He has scored 31 goals with the reserve side, which must make him clearly Scotland's leading scorer, and six goals in his few first team appearances this season.

A clean cut, well dressed, well mannered young man off the field he takes his success as it comes. Without the trace of a boast he says, "I would love to win a Scottish Cup winners' medal."



that this season Celtic have probably had their least consistent term in the last half dozen.

They lost the League Cup to Rangers . . . they are fighting a bitter battle with Aberdeen for the League flag and Ajax knocked them out of the European Cup last midweek.

It would be so wrong, however, for Airdrieonians to think their task was made any easier by Celtic's fleeting moments of inconsistency.

True . . . Celtic have their bad days . . . but they have more good ones than bad ones. And as last week's 4-0 defeat of Falkirk suggested, there is little sign of a depression from the Ajax defeat.

## How Celtic and Airdrieonians Have Fared in the Past

1908-09	Third Rd.	Celtic Park	Celtic	3-1
1954-55	Semi-final	Hampden	Celtic	2-0 (after 2-2 draw)
1955-56	Third Rd.	Celtic Park	Celtic	2-1
1957-58	First Rd.	Broomfield	Celtic	4-3
1960-61	Semi-final	Hampden	Celtic	4-0
1963-64	Third Rd.	Celtic Park	Celtic	4-1

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## SKIPPERS McNEILL and WHITEFORD ... the men who call the tune



**B**ILLY McNEILL, skipper and Celtic's most experienced player.

Has been the key figure in Celtic's six years of success and has made a valuable contribution to the excellent name they have gained in Europe.

Played as a schoolboy with Our Lady's High School in Motherwell, before moving on to Blantyre Victoria. Has 34 International caps for Scotland, three Scottish Cup medals and is confident that he can make it four.

Of Airdrieonians he says, "We will not take them cheaply—but I'm certain we can go on to the final."

**D**EREK WHITEFORD, Airdrieonians skipper and one of their outstanding players this season is also a realist. He realises that they are underdogs in the battle against Celtic.

But he says, "I know we have lost a lot of goals in our last couple of games, but here we have nothing to lose. It will be all out attack from the start. I know that Celtic will adopt similar tactics but Dumbarton showed in the League cup that the champions can be upset."

He also thinks that the double spearhead of Jarvie and Busby could have an unsettling effect.

Airdrieonians haven't been in a Scottish Cup final for 47 years—so they've really got something to play for.

## ... and the men who score the goals

**W**HEN Harry Hood scored his second goal against Falkirk last Saturday at Parkhead it heralded the 50th goal he's scored for Celtic since he joined them last year.

Since the start in August he's scored 26 goals and is breathing down Joe Harper's neck for the First Division leading scorer tag.

Harry, an Under 23 international and honoured by the Scottish League, is really on the scoring target these days, and along with Willie Wallace has scored nearly fifty of Celtic's goals this season.

Signed from Clyde for £30,000, Hood has proved one of the most profitable Celtic buys in years.



**D**REW JARVIE, Airdrieonians' leading scorer with 24 goals is having his best season.

Along with Drew Busby has scored more than forty goals this season—a twin spearhead which has brought the Broomfield team to the semi-finals of the Cup.

Jarvie has been the subject of several inquiries from English clubs, but they have got little encouragement from manager Ian McMillan.

Airdrieonians, like most Scottish clubs have to sell when necessary, but right now, they are anxious to hold on to Jarvie and all the other bright boys who have made Hampden possible.



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