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# JOCK STEIN says...

Last Saturday's League Cup final was a most disappointing occasion for us in every way.

Everyone knows the weather conditions under which the game was played and the controversy surrounding the advisability of playing the game at all. However, I am not going into that again and I am most certainly not looking for any excuses for our poor performance on these grounds.

Our team did not approach the game in the same determined manner of their opponents. The Dundee team approached the game with a will to win and a determination which Celtic never looked like equalling.

In point of fact I selected the men who have been doing a good job for us in recent weeks but on the day they didn't produce the type of form that was expected of them.

Throughout the game the Celtic team were content to wait for the game to run for them whilst Dundee were more concerned with directing the play by sheer effort.

At the end of the game the result and the trophy went to the team who had striven hardest to win and in so doing had displayed the greatest enterprise and skill.

If this latest reversal strengthens the determination of the Celtic players to succeed in the League Championship, the Scottish Cup and the European Cup then perhaps something can be learned from this defeat.

Today we return to the race for the league title with a match against Falkirk who have still to record a win in this season's league competition. Although we can have every sympathy for a team in this un-



enviable position, we cannot allow it to interfere with our aim of winning two points.

Nor does Falkirk's lowly position mean that today's game can be won with any less effort than it takes to defeat any other team in the league. It will be firmly impressed on the minds of all our players today that this game, like any other, can only be won with an approach of skill, dedication and determination.

**Spectators are requested to avoid undue haste in and around the ground and especially when leaving at the end of the match.**

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# To-day's visitors to Celtic Park

Falkirk come to Celtic Park today looking for their first win of the season. Manager John Prentice, who returned to Falkirk this season has also had management stints with Clyde and Dundee as well as a previous spell managing the 'Bairns'.

The Brockville side's trainer is Ronnie McKenzie who does a similar job for the Scottish team squad.

Players on Falkirk's staff include:-

**Ally Donaldson**—a goalkeeper who during his ten seasons with Dundee won Scottish League and under-23 honours.

**Billy Fowler** was quickly signed up during the close season when he was released by West Brom. A local lad, he was a terrific goalscorer in his minor soccer days.

**Stewart Wheatley**—a youngster who plays in the centre of the defence and has become a regular since introduced to the team last season.

**John Markie**—the club's longest serving player and a solid skipper. Joined Falkirk in 1964 after a spell with Newcastle United.

**Stewart Kennedy**—another player who joined the 'Bairns' from minor grade football and quickly established himself in the top team. Overlapping full-back with Under-23 recognition.

**Ian Harley**—joined the club from Shotts Bon Accord three years ago. A speedy and dangerous forward who knows the way to goal.

**Dave Cattanach**—needs no intro-

duction to Celtic fans because he was several seasons on the Parkhead staff before moving to Brockville a couple of years ago.

**Henry Hoggan**—another local lad who was signed as a teenager and then given junior experience with Linlithgow Rose. A winger who can play on either side of the attack.

**Jim Mercer**—joined the club in the close season after a spell with St. Johnstone. Strong and forceful player.

**John Whitefield**—signed from Airdrie during the close season to add strength and experience to the team.

**Doug Somner**—missed a lot of games last season because of injury but on his return he scored five goals in nine matches.

**George Gibson** is playing again after two leg breaks. A stylish player who normally plays in midfield.

**Jim Shirra**—another player back in action following a broken leg incurred last season. An enthusiastic all purpose type player.

**Tom McLeod**—played in several positions for the 'Bairns' last season including full-back and striker. An industrious player in any position.

**Billy Thomas**—a fast raiding forward, was signed from West Brom during the close season.

**Denis Setterington**—formerly with Rangers before joining the Brockville club, normally plays in the midfield or in attack.



# TEAMS AND OFFICIALS

## CELTIC HONOURS

### Scottish League Champions (28 times)

1893, 1894, 1896,  
1898, 1905, 1906,  
1907, 1908, 1909,  
1910, 1914, 1915,  
1916, 1917, 1919,  
1922, 1926, 1936,  
1938, 1954, 1966,  
1967, 1968, 1969,  
1970, 1971, 1972,  
1973.

### Scottish League Cup Winners (7 times)

1957, 1958, 1966,  
1967, 1968, 1969,  
1970.

## CELTIC

(from)

HUNTER  
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## HALF-TIME

<b>A</b> ARBROATH ABERDEEN	<b>E</b> DUNFERMLINE DUNDEE UNITED
<b>B</b> AYR UNITED EAST FIFE	<b>F</b> HIBERNIAN MORTON
<b>C</b> DUMBARTON RANGERS	<b>G</b> PARTICK THISTLE HEARTS
<b>D</b> DUNDEE MOTHERWELL	<b>H</b> ST. JOHNSTONE CLYDE

# FOR TODAY'S GAME

## CELTIC HONOURS

### FAEKIRK

(from)

DONALDSON  
 WHITEFORD (D)  
 CAMERON  
 MARKIE  
 GIBSON  
 WHEATLEY  
 HARLEY  
 FOWLER  
 LAWSON  
 WHITEFORD (J)  
 THOMAS  
 SHIRRA  
 YOUNG  
 CATTANACH  
 SHIRRA

Referee:  
 ANDERSON  
 (Referee)  
 Umpires:  
 McKEE  
 (Glasgow)  
 STONESTONE  
 (Referee)

### Scottish Cup

Winners (22 times)

1892, 1899, 1900,  
 1904, 1907, 1908,  
 1911, 1912, 1914,  
 1923, 1925, 1927,  
 1931, 1933, 1937,  
 1951, 1954, 1965,  
 1967, 1969, 1971,  
 1972.

### European Cup

1967.

### Coronation Cup

1953.

### Empire Exhibition Cup

1938.

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# Falkirk's Last Win At Parkhead

Today's visitors, Falkirk, have never found Celtic Park a profitable visiting place and in fact in their last win at Parkhead the present manager, John Prentice, was the club's centre-half. That was in October of 1958 and the teams lined up as follows :—

**Celtic**—Beattie; Donnelly and Mochan; Crerand, McNeill and Smith; Colrain and Fernie; Conway Divers and Auld.

**Falkirk**—Slater; Richmond and Hunter; Wright, Prentice and Price; McCulloch and White; Grierson, Moran and Lachlan.

A late Doug Moran goal clinched a 4-3 win for the 'Bairns'. Celtic's goalscorers were John Divers (2) and Willie Fernie.

A more recent meeting of the two clubs was that of March 27th, 1971 when only Billy McNeill survived the game of 1958.

The respective line-ups were :—

**Celtic**—Williams; Hay and Gemmell; Callaghan, McNeill and Brogan; Johnstone and Hood; Wallace, Davidson and Hughes. Twelfth man—Murdoch.

**Falkirk**—Devlin; Abel and McLaughlin; Markie, Miller and Gibson; Hoggan and Ford; Young, Ferguson and Shirra. Twelfth man—Settingington.

Celtic won the game 4-0 with goals coming from Wallace, Hughes and Hood (2) in a fifteen minute spell before and immediately after half-time.



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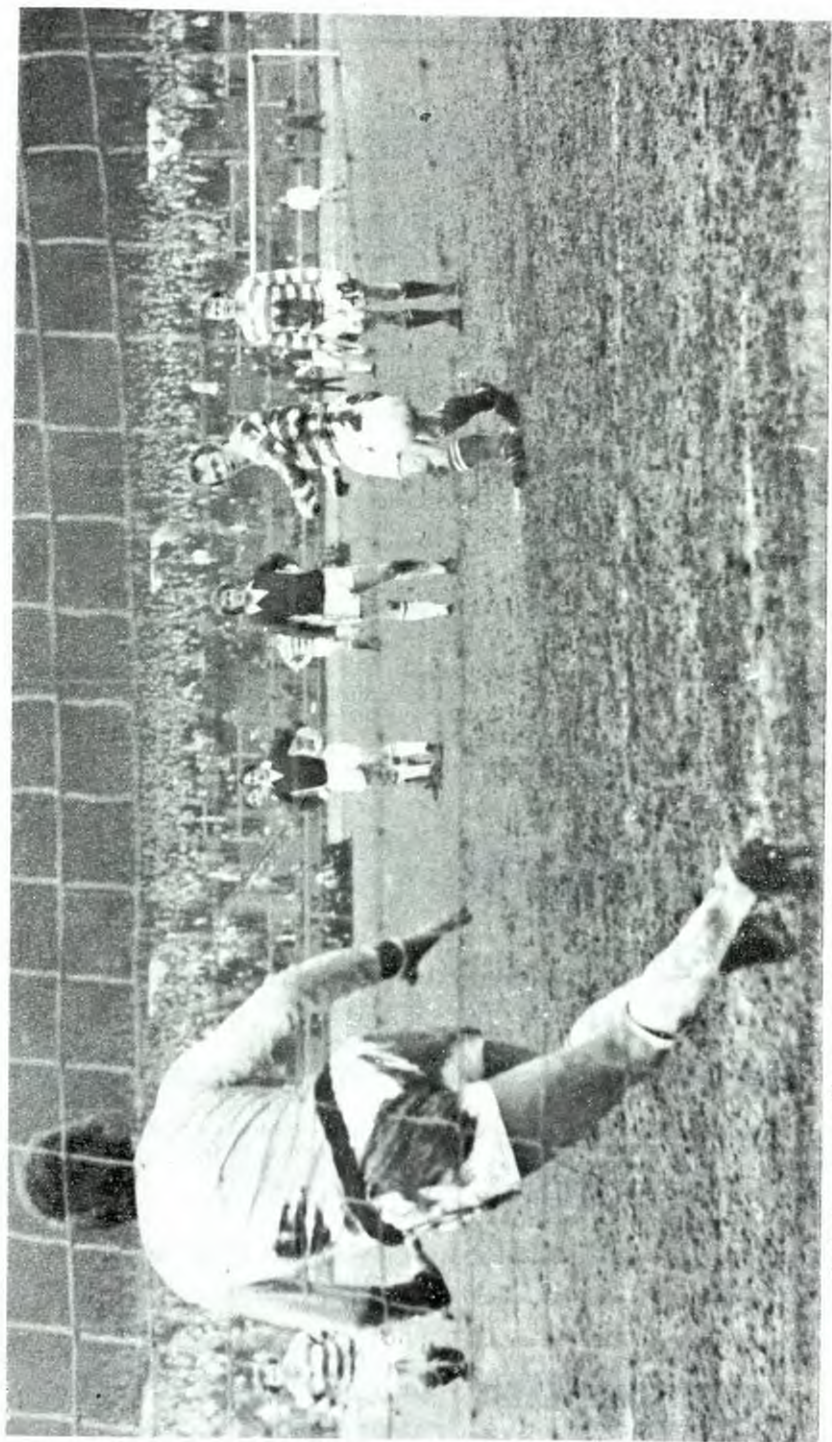
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*Bobby Lennox sent 'keeper Donaldson the wrong way when he scored from the penalty spot in Falkirk's last league visit to Celtic Park.*

# RESULTS SO FAR

## FIRST TEAM

<b>League Cup</b>		
Celtic	2	Arbroath
Falkirk	0	Celtic
Rangers	1	Celtic
Celtic	2	Falkirk
Celtic	1	Rangers
Arbroath	1	Celtic
<b>League Cup 2nd Round</b>		
<b>(1st Leg)</b>		
Motherwell	1	Celtic
<b>(2nd Leg)</b>		
Celtic	0	Motherwell
<b>2nd Round Decider</b>		
Celtic	3	Motherwell
<b>Quarter-final—(1st leg)</b>		
Celtic	3	Aberdeen
<b>(Quarter-final, 2nd Leg)</b>		
Aberdeen	0	Celtic
<b>Scottish League Cup Semi-final</b>		
Rangers	1	Celtic
<b>Scottish League Cup Final</b>		
Dundee	1	Celtic
<b>Scottish League</b>		
Dunfermline	2	Celtic
Celtic	5	Clyde
Rangers	0	Celtic
St. Johnstone	2	Celtic
Celtic	2	Motherwell
Dundee	0	Celtic

## Scottish League continued

Celtic	1	Hibernian	1
Hearts	1	Celtic	3
Celtic	4	East Fife	2
Ayr Utd.	0	Celtic	1
Celtic	7	Partick Thistle	0
Dumbarton	0	Celtic	2
Arbroath	1	Celtic	2
Celtic	3	Dundee Utd.	3

## RESERVES

### League Cup

Arbroath	0	Celtic	0
Celtic	4	Falkirk	0
Celtic	1	Rangers	3
Falkirk	1	Celtic	4
Rangers	2	Celtic	0
Celtic	1	Arbroath	1

### League

Celtic	0	Dunfermline	1
Celtic	1	Ayr Utd.	1
Clyde	0	Celtic	1
Celtic	2	Rangers	0
Motherwell	0	Celtic	2
Celtic	2	Dundee	1
Hibernian	1	Celtic	2
East Fife	1	Celtic	3
Celtic	4	Aberdeen	1

### 2nd XI Cup

Q.P. Strollers	1	Celtic	5
Ayr United	0	Celtic	5

### European Cup 1st Round

<b>(1st Leg)</b>			
TPS Turku	1	Celtic	6

### European Cup 1st Round

<b>(2nd Leg)</b>			
Celtic	3	TPS Turku	0

### European Cup 2nd Round

<b>(1st leg)</b>			
Celtic	0	Vejele B.K.	0
<b>(2nd Leg)</b>			
Vejele BK	0	Celtic	1

### 1st TEAM SCORERS

13—	Deans
12—	Lennox
11—	Dalglish
9—	Hood
5—	Johnstone
4—	Wilson, Callaghan
2—	Connelly, McCluskey, Murray
1—	Hay, Lynch, McGrain
2—	O.G.'s.

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### RESERVE SCORERS

7—	Wilson
6—	Davidson (V.)
5—	Deans
3—	Lynch, McNamara
2—	Lennox, McCluskey, Quinn
1—	Casey, Davidson (J.), Hood, McCool,
—	McDonald, McNamara, O'Hara.

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