



**Scottish Premier
League**

Celtic
versus
Hearts

**CELTIC PARK
SATURDAY,
30th DECEMBER, 1978
Kick-off 3.00 p.m.**

PROGRAMME

10p

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Problem to be solved for a Happy New Year



ROY AITKEN and Tommy Burns under a one-match suspension (having accumulated ten penalty points) and Johnny Doyle's fitness still in doubt . . . we could have been better prepared for today's Premier League test with Hearts.

Results haven't been returning to the side as due reward for the great efforts they've expended through the first half of the championship series. Their work has been appreciated all right, but the problem is how to translate it into the goals it deserves.

VITAL INGREDIENT

In the well-worn football phrase we've done everything but score in some matches. Against Morton at Greenock last week-end for example.

Recapturing that vital ingredient isn't just a matter of whistling it up. We'll have to work to solve the problem and in this I know the players won't be found wanting.

Today's match represents the start to the second half of the season and while our tally of 19 points from the first 18 games isn't of the order to produce singing and dancing the championship race is a long way from being settled.

One or two convincing games from the side in next few engagements . . . and it could be a good "second half" for the Celts.

DISAPPOINTMENT

Greenock last week-end was a disappointment. True we hadn't been stringing victories together but we were picking up points and a Cappielow win would have provided the fillip we seek.

It won't be easy against Hearts this afternoon. The Tynecastle side proved that when we met them in Edinburgh in October, and while we put four goals in against them at the start of the season there was no goals "problem" for Celts at that time.

Nevertheless, I'm optimistic about the future. The players have shown commitment. The fans have demonstrated their loyalty time and again. It has all been most heartening and I hope that 1979 will be a Happy New Year for everyone.

BILLY McNEILL

CELTIC



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Kevin Kelly

Manager:

Billy McNeill

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HONOURS:

League Champions (30 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, 1974, 1977.

Cup Winners (25 times)

1892, 1899, 1900,
1904, 1907, 1908,
1911, 1912, 1914,
1923, 1925, 1927,
1931, 1933, 1937,
1951, 1954, 1965,
1967, 1969, 1971,
1972, 1974, 1975,
1977.

League Cup Winners (8 times)

1957, 1958, 1966,
1967, 1968, 1969,
1970, 1975.

Empire Exhibition Cup 1938

Coronation Cup 1953
European Cup 1967



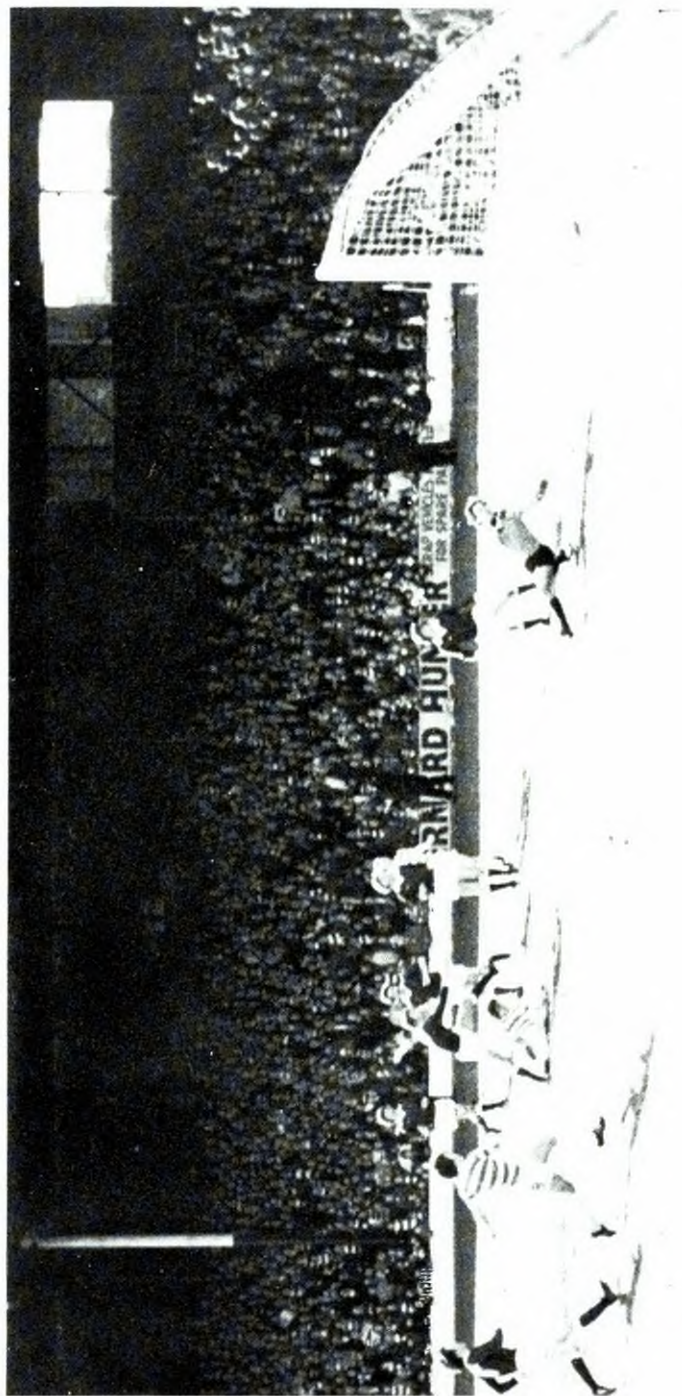
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OUR VISITORS

Hearts . . . back in the big time

WHAT'S in a name? Well, when you come to Heart of Midlothian in the roll of Scottish football, you find one that is woven into the fabric of Edinburgh life.

"The Herts", as every good Edinburgher will speak of them with affection, have always held a special place in the Capital's sporting story.

A glance back through the club's 100 years plus, finds names that have become legendary in Scottish football . . . like Charlie Thomson and Bobby Walker.

In days when Scottish football fans are probably feeling that the national side leans much too heavily on Anglos . . . well it wasn't any different in 1907 when Thomson and Walker were the only two home players in the side that played England at Newcastle!

Despite contributing so much to the Scottish game in entertainment and sportsmanship through the years a 50 year jinx stalked the Tynecastle side.

They simply couldn't get their hands on a major honour . . . and the comics "fed" on the situation for many a season.

But the barren years ended in the 50's when manager Tommy Walker piloted the side that many felt was the best ever gathered at Tynecastle to a League Cup triumph (1954). Skipping them was Bobby Parker, chairman of

the club today.

They went on to smash the hoodoo well and truly with a Scottish Cup triumph the following season, League Cup victory repeats in 1958 and 1959 and the League championship in 1958 and 1960.

These were heady times for Hearts and if the scene has changed a little today . . . well, Edinburgh's feelings for the club have remained the same.

Hearts may not be winning prizes but the Capital is delighted that they've won their way back to the Premier League, and manager Willie Ormond is quietly building for the future.

Of course, the present has to be dealt with and in Eamon Bannon the Hearts have a player who could take his place in the long succession of internationalists that the Tynecastle club has produced.

He has captivated shrewd football judges all over the country and looks like being one of the new group of players who will be given the job of carrying Scotland's colours in the near future.

Hearts immediate aim is to get a "lift" from the lower rungs of the league table and have shot three goals against Rangers at Ibrox two weeks back (through losing) and held Aberdeen last week they come to Celtic Park today in the mood of previous elevens to lay a bogey!

Drew still has scoring touch



Drew Busby has been a Hearts stalwart for five years. Joining from Airdrie as a centre forward he is today playing a midfield role . . . and still getting his quota of goals.

MATCH TEAMS

CELTIC

(from)

ROY BAINES
JOE FILIPPI
ANDY LYNCH
JIM CASEY
RODDIE McDONALD
JO EDVALDSSON
DAVE PROVAN
MURDO MacLEOD
TOM McADAM
JOHNNY DOYLE
ALFIE CONN
MIKE CONROY
BOBBY LENNOX
GEORGE McCLUSKEY

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Mr A. I.
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A	ABERDEEN MORTON		E	DUMBARTON STIRLING	
B	HIBERNIAN RANGERS		F	DUNDEE ARBROATH	
C	PARTICK THISTLE DUNDEE UTD		G	HAMILTON ST JOHNSTONE	
D	ST MIRREN MOTHERWELL		H	KILMARNOCK AIRDRIE	

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FERGUSON
(DUNDEE).

Linesmen:
ANDERSON
(DUNDEE).

D. BROWN
(DUNDEE).



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HEARTS

(from)

RAY DUNLOP
WALTER KIDD
CAMMY FRASER
DAVE McNICOLL
JIM JEFFRIES
JOHN CRAIG
WILLIE GIBSON
EAMON BANNON
DEREK O'CONNOR
DREW BUSBY
MALCOLM ROBERTSON
DENIS McQUADE
JIM BROWN
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KICK OFF TIMES

Starting times in the Ne'erday matches of Celtic are 3 p.m. for the Fir Park match with Motherwell on Monday, and 1 p.m. for the Parkhead match with Rangers next Saturday.

OLD FIRM REF.

Referee Eddie Pringle of Edinburgh is in charge of the Celtic - Rangers fixture at Parkhead next week-end.

REMEMBER . . .

. . . there is no Celtic View next week. Next publication date is January 10, 1979.

SAD STATISTICS

The statistics of the last three months pinpoint Celtic's current problem . . . failure to capitalise on the goal chances they make.

Just one League goal was scored in October. November brought an improvement with five, but the three games in December (Aberdeen, Dundee United and Morton) have produced just one!



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It's a goal strike ... by Alfie boy!



It's a goal . . . Alfie Conn's superb free kick against Hearts in the Premier fixture at Parkhead.