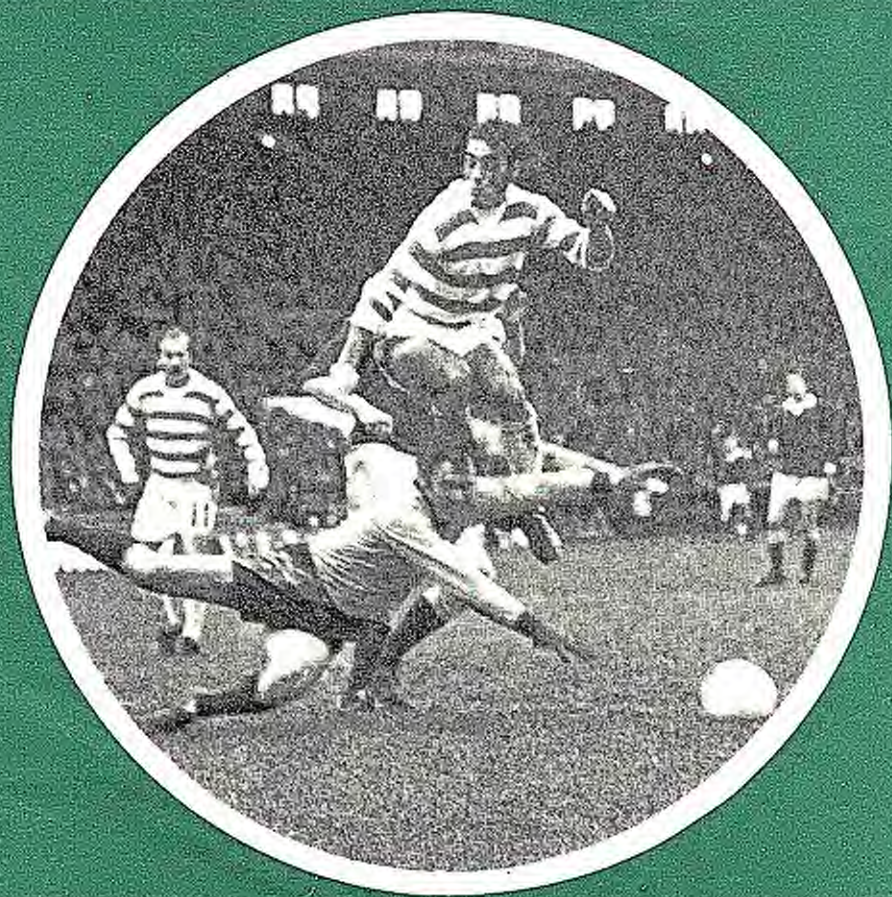


**SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE**  
**Saturday, 7th February, 1976**



**CELTIC v HEARTS**

Kick-off 3 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 10p

# "SHOCKING" HEARTS SET THE CELTS PLENTY OF PROBLEMS

WHEN Hearts came to Celtic Park on November 18, 1972, they lined up against a Celtic side with a few unfamiliar faces and several positional changes as well.

Missing from the Parkhead squad for the game were such household names as Billy McNeill, Bobby Murdoch, Lou Macari and George Connelly.

Today, for various reasons, none of these players will figure in the proceedings, but several of the players who did play will be in the running for inclusion in the Celtic line-up.

The team selections, for that league match just over three years ago, were:

**Celtic:** Williams; McGrain and Quinn; McCluskey, Hay and Brogan; Johnstone and Deans; Dalglish; Hood and Callaghan. Bobby Lennox was the Celtic substitute.

**Hearts:** Garland; Sneddon and Clunie; Thomson, Anderson and Brown; Park and Menmuir; Ford; Carruthers and T. Murray. Andy Lynch was the Hearts 12th man.

Hearts shocked the home team by taking the lead after 15 minutes play. The Maroons were awarded a free-kick, and from the resultant cross, Alan Anderson headed the ball down for Donald Ford to blast into the net.

Celtic threw everything at the Hearts

defence as they chased an equaliser, but it took them until the 41st minute to get back onto level terms.

The goal was from a superb Kenny Dalglish shot from all of 25 yards.

Celtic started the second half on the offensive, but they were shocked in the 51st minute when Donald Ford outpaced the defence on the left wing and then cut inside to give Hearts the lead for the second time.

Jimmy Johnstone took a hand in things 15 minutes later when he made the opening for Dixie Deans to equalise, and followed this up 10 minutes later with a goal to put Celtic in front.

Just three minutes later Harry Hood added a fourth for Celtic to give the home team a well-deserved 4-2 victory.

More recently—on October 4, 1975, to be exact—the two teams had a Premier League meeting at Celtic Park and the teams lined up as follows:

**Celtic:** Latchford; McGrain and Lynch; McCluskey, McDonald and Edvaldsson; Wilson and Dalglish; Deans, Callaghan and Hood. Substitutes: Lennox and Casey.

**Hearts:** Cruickshank; Clunie and Kay; Jeffries, Anderson and Murray; Aird and Brown; Busby; Callaghan and Prentice. Substitutes: Park and Gibson.

Celtic attacked the Edinburgh side right from the kick-off, and it was no surprise when Dixie Deans opened the scoring after 12 minutes. Five minutes later Harry Hood made it two from close range, and Paul Wilson finished a goal-scoring burst with a cracking right-foot shot in the 21st minute.

Drew Busby scored a consolation goal for Hearts in the second half to end the scoring.

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# TOP AGAIN AND WE CAN STAY IN FRONT



CELTIC at the top of the Premier League table again seemed to surprise a number of people. Well, we've just decided to accept the situation and get on with the job.

Mark you, there wasn't much else we could do, considering we'd more points than any other title contender after last week's programme!

Top of the heap is a position we've known for a long time, this season as well as others in the past, and I'm highly optimistic about staying in front. Of course, in all walks of life skelpers seem to outweigh helpers, and "struggling" Celtic have had their "deficiencies" and "failures" well spotlighted recently.

If management and players at Parkhead had taken them all to heart we would have chucked in the towel long ago. Yet all one has to do is look at the league table . . . surprise, surprise, CELTIC ARE IN THE DRIVING SEAT.

Staying in control will require drive and dedication to recapture the high standards on which we are assuredly being judged today, by Celtic fans as well as others.

Of course, the fans are entitled to voice their opinion, and a number of them did so in the match against Dundee United. Clearly our play didn't meet with their approval.

Yet, on reflection, they must have taken into account the pavement-hard pitch in which the players had to operate, and surely this must have tempered their instant match-day reaction.

Nevertheless, we have played much better, and it was annoying to miss a number of chances. Certainly getting a 2-1 result against United is not anything like the standard we expect at Celtic Park.

The team has shown on several occasions recently that they can string things together and look a skilful, devastating company, and that's what is necessary in EVERY game to ensure Premier League success.

Today's opponents, Hearts, will only be taken if the Celtic team is on song. The Tynecastle squad doesn't like to sit back, content to break up and frustrate the positive football of the opposition.

They prefer "defending" around their opponent's 18-yard line, and I anticipate they'll be coming forward at every opportunity today.

On Wednesday there should be another treat for the Celtic fans when Leeds United come to Parkhead for a challenge match. Like ourselves, they don't treat such games as easy-as-frendlies. They've got club prestige to maintain, and the players have their professional pride to uphold.

SEAN FALLON.

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1922, 1926, 1936,  
1938, 1954, 1966,  
1967, 1968, 1969,  
1970, 1971, 1972,  
1973, 1974.

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

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1967, 1968, 1969,  
1970, 1975.

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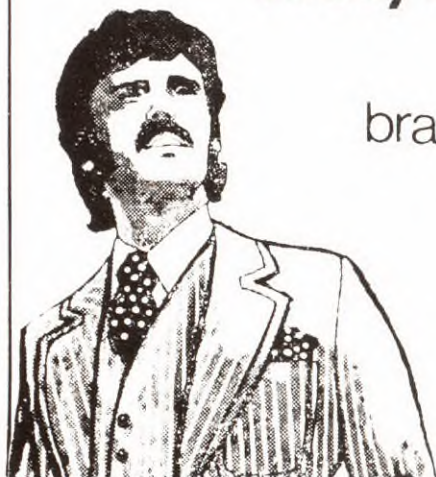
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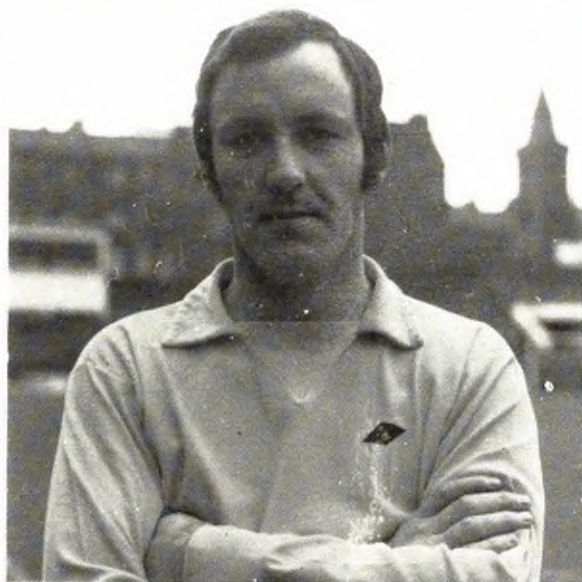
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# TYNECASTLE TOPPERS



● JIM CRUICKSHANK (left) is just one reason why Hearts make it so tough for every other club in the Premier League to master the Tynecastle team. The long-service keeper is in tip-top form, and his skills and consistency meant a recall to the Scotland squad against Rumania in December.

Two more stalwarts in the Tynecastle set-up ... all-action midfielder man JIM BROWN (lower left) and RAB PRENTICE, a former Celt who has developed into an exciting left-flank attacker.



# TODAY'S VISITORS

HEARTS have had to surrender full points to Celtic in their two Premier League meetings, and with the tourney nearing the three-quarter mark, Tynecastle hopes of the title have pretty well been extinguished. Even allowing for the shocks the competition has thrown up so far.

However, unlike Celtic, they are still Scottish Cup contenders, and with a fourth round tie against Stirling Albion at Tynecastle, look a fair bet to reach the quarter-final stage.

Manager John Hagart's basic aim is consistency of performance, but realises that this comes only from hard work in the training ground. He is optimistic the aim will be achieved, for his players have responded with drive and dedication.

So with league hopes gone, the Cup's the thing for Hearts, and it wouldn't be a surprise if they made it all the way. They've got a balance of experience and youthful skill that just requires the extra touch to weld it into a potent football force.

Manager Hagart has strengthened his hand for Cup success with the £20,000 transfer of Graham Shaw from Dunfermline last month, and already the player has shown his ability in the Premier League and "Scottish" replay against Clyde at Shawfield last week.

They are still a match for every side in the Premier title race, and these are the players manager Hagart has available for selection at Celtic Park this afternoon:

**Jim Cruickshank: goal.** Joined Hearts in 1960 from Queen's Park and is a safe, confident and most consis-

## "SCOTTISH" IS TARGET FOR HEARTS NOW

tent goalkeeper. A season ago he lost his place in the Tynecastle side, but fought back to take the No. 1 spot again, and his form this term saw him recalled to the Scotland squad for another cap against Rumania in December.

**Dave Clunie: full-back.** A regular in the Hearts set-up, this experienced defender can play on either flank. Has been honoured by the Scottish League.

**Roy Kay: full-back.** A defender with a highly developed attacking flair. His positive thrusts from the back have made many useful openings for the Tynecastle striking force.

**Alan Anderson: defender.** It is 12 years since Hearts bought him from Scunthorpe at the bargain fee of £1,000. Anderson's pace wouldn't cause the "peds" any great concern, but his ability in the air, tackling strength and experience make him a difficult man to negotiate. Has given great service to the club.

**Don Murray: defender.** Like Anderson, reached Hearts after a spell in English football with Cardiff City, and with the centre-half makes up a tall defensive unit.

**Jim Jeffries: defender.** The type of player a club

finds invaluable. Jeffries is a real Mr Versatile, being able to take up full-back, centre-back or midfield role. Has been six years at Tynecastle.

**Jim Brown: midfield.** An all-action player whose positive attitude and zest for the game has sparked Hearts in many matches.

**Drew Busby: midfield.** A tremendous striker with Airdrie, he joined Hearts two years ago, and last season was given a new role. It has been a highly successful switch. Busby hasn't lost the scoring touch, and is still dangerous with his booming shot.

**Ralph Callaghan: midfield.** A local boy. After playing for Scotland at Youth and Amateur levels, broke into the Tynecastle league side last season. He can also play on the wing.

**Kenny Aird: winger.** A diminutive touchline operator who has plenty of experience and can snap valuable goals. His expertise has been a great asset to Hearts in vital games.

**Donald Park: winger or midfield.** Arrived from Inverness Caley three years ago.

**Cammy Fraser: striker or midfield.** Another of Hearts finds from the Highlands. Joined from Invergowrie

Boys' Club two years ago and has made rapid progress to become a regular member of the league side pool.

**Willie Gibson: striker.** Signed by Hearts in 1971 he broke into the league side last season. Was injured early in the 1975-76 campaign, but is back to his best, snapping up goals from close in. He got the only score in the replay against Clyde that took Hearts through to round four of the Scottish Cup.

**Rab Prentice: striker.** Received a 'free' from Celtic and is now a firm favourite with Hearts fans. Has worked up a fine understanding with Willie Gibson, and his wing pace makes for exciting football.

**Graham Shaw: midfield.** After only a few weeks at Tynecastle the former Dunfermline player, who cost the Edinburgh club £20,000, has shown he will be a handy man to have around in the Cup bid.



Dave Clunie



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## SIDELINES

### Man in charge

Fifer Charlie Hutton who referees today's game is one official who knows football well from the playing viewpoint.

He went through all the grades as a keeper, and had senior service with East Fife, Dundee United and Brechin City.

This is his second spell on the SFA's refereeing list. He was a Grade One official when he went off to Singapore on business for 3½ years.

He continued refereeing in the Far East, and was ready to take up his place on the Scottish list when he returned to his home town, Dunfermline.

He had to start again as a linesman, but progressed quickly to the top grade, and this is his fourth season in the big time.

In his career he has handled a Scottish Junior Cup final and a Scottish Qualifying Cup final, and "thoroughly enjoys" his current link with the game.

### League Positions

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Celtic .....	23	14	5	4	49	30	32
Rangers .....	23	13	5	5	39	20	31
Motherwell .....	23	11	5	7	42	30	29
Hibernian .....	22	11	5	6	39	25	28
Aberdeen .....	23	9	7	7	37	33	25
Hearts .....	23	7	8	8	27	34	22
Dundee .....	23	7	9	7	38	44	21
Ayr United .....	23	8	11	4	30	39	20
Dundee United ..	22	4	12	6	26	38	14
St Johnstone ....	23	2	19	2	23	57	6

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