

SCOTTISH CUP
Sunday, 13th March, 1977



Celtic v Queen of South

KICK-OFF 3 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 10p

No Celtic survivors from 1971

TODAY'S visitors, Queen of the South have only twice previously visited Celtic Park in the Scottish Cup competition.

The first of these visits was exactly fifty years ago after a 0-0 draw in the first game at Palmerston Park.

Older followers of both clubs may like to be reminded of the respective line-ups for the first round tie on January 22, 1927:-

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH: Smith; McLachlan and Quinn; W. Smith, Niven and Shedden; Mackie and Gray; Gilmour; Halliday and McCall.

CELTIC: Shevlin; W. McStay and Hilley; J. McStay, Donoghue and McFarlane; Connolly and Thomson; McGrory; McInally and McLean.

A newspaper account of the game at the time said that the home team missed a great scoring chance in the closing minutes of the game which would have eliminated Celtic from the competition.

The report went on to say that Celtic attacked more vigorously in the second half but all their efforts to score were unsuccessful.

Celtic Park was the scene of the replay on the Wednesday afternoon and Queen of the South fielded an unchanged team. The only change in the Celtic line-up was the inclusion of Peter Wilson at right-half in place of Jimmy McStay.

It took Celtic only fifteen minutes to achieve what they had failed to do in ninety minutes at Dumfries — score a goal. Jimmy McGrory was the man who found the net.

Adam McLean increased Celtic's lead just before the interval and in the second half Jimmy McGrory and Alec Thomson

goals took the total to four.

Although outside right McCall got a goal for Queens it didn't make any real difference and Celtic won the game by a 4-1 margin.

Celtic went on to beat Brechin City, Dundee, Bo'ness, Falkirk and finally East Fife to win the trophy.

The second, and most recent occasion of a Queen of the South visit to Parkhead for a Scottish cup-tie was just six years ago when the sides again contested a first round tie.

Surprisingly enough not one of the twelve Celts who took part in that match on January 23, 1971 is on the present Celtic playing staff.

The teams six years ago were:-

CELTIC: Williams; Craig and Gemmell; Murdoch, McNeill and Hay; Johnstone and Wallace; Hood; Callaghan and Auld. Twelfth man Brogan replaced Murdoch after 75 minutes.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH: Ball; Gilmour and Barker; Kerr, Scott and Dickson; Dempster and Evans; McChesney; Law and Murray. Twelfth man Donald.

A 25,000 crowd saw Celtic win fairly easily by 5-1 with goals from Harry Hood (2), Tom Callaghan, Billy McNeill and Willie Wallace. John Dempster was the scorer for the visitors. Celtic went on to win the cup beating Dunfermline, Raith Rovers, Airdrie en route to Hampden

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WE'VE GOT TO AVOID A REPLAY THIS TIME!



IT HAS BEEN said thousands of times, but there is one observation about the Scottish Cup which bears repetition before every tie . . . you cannot take anything for granted.

Celtic players will not be under any misapprehension about how they've to tackle today's Cup assignment with Queen of the South. As far as they are concerned it is a tie to which they've got to bend all their energies and skill.

It is a tie that has got to be won. We want it out of the way at the first attempt. In our previous rounds it has taken two matches to dispose of Airdrie and Ayr United. And when you've got to travel for the replay . . . well, it can be highly dangerous.

This season's tournament has brought its quota of surprises and we want to avoid becoming the victims of another one.

We rate Queen of the South as first-rate opponents. Don't let anybody get the idea that because they are in a lower division they are ripe for the beating.

They've watched us play and they know our style. And as a former Celt, their manager, Mike Jackson, can supply that little extra in motivation. Mark you we find all opposition sides "lift" their game against us! One player who will want to do well is Tommy O'Hara. He's an ex-Celt and naturally he'll want to impress.

We don't want involved in another replay in view of the important point at which the Premier League championship is poised. We're still in a good position here, but, like the Scottish Cup, we're not taking anything for granted.

The title hasn't been won by anyone yet. JOCK STEIN.

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Cup Winners (24 times)

1892, 1899, 1900,
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1923, 1925, 1927,
1931, 1933, 1937,
1951, 1954, 1965,
1967, 1969, 1971,
1972, 1974, 1975.

League Cup Winners (8 times)

1957, 1958, 1966,
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1970, 1975.

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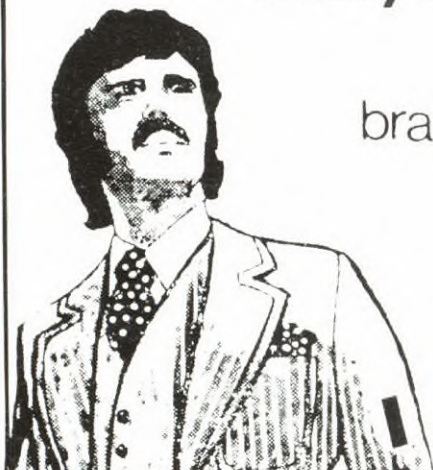
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BY HARRY, IT'S ANOTHER CELTIC CUP GOAL



The head of Harry Hood directs the ball into the Queen of the South net in a 1971 Scottish Cup tie at Parkhead. The beaten goalkeeper Alan Ball played this afternoon, but not a single Celt who took part in the match is still on the Parkhead staff.

TODAY'S VISITORS

'SPECIAL' TRAINING BLENDS QUEENS

MIKE JACKSON who brings his Queen of the South side to Parkhead this afternoon is one of the younger school of managers. This is the 38-year-old former Celtic player's second year in the role of team boss at Palmerston.

A sense of humour is indispensable in the management business. Mike has one to offset the trials and disappointments of the job. Like when he reeled off the names of his player pool for this afternoon's tie. "D'you think they'll let me play all 14?" he chortled.

Mike is not wildly optimistic about the tie finishing in Queen's favour, but he's worked hard to get his side to the sharpest possible pitch for the game.

"Now if Celtic got a wee bit complacent we could surprise them", he muses, adding: "But I don't think any Celtic team would be allowed to feel that way."

Mike should know. He was seven years at Celtic Park and played alongside Parkhead favourites like Charlie Tully, Bobby Evans, Bertie Peacock and Bobby Collins. He got a glimpse of the Continental scene too, and after leaving Parkhead saw service with St. Johnstone, Third Lanark, Partick Thistle, Clyde and Clydebank.

The experience gathered on the way is now being used to blend the play at Palmerston though the geographical position of the club makes for training problems.

Each week Manager Jackson has one or two men training at Dumfries, one (Balderstone) working out in Huddersfield, and the remainder in Glasgow. Which means that the team only comes together on match days on many occasions.

For today's tie Queens have changed the routine. All players gathered in Largs on Friday, worked out as a team at the Inverclyde Centre yesterday and travelled to Parkhead for the tie.

"We hope this get-together will pay off at Celtic Park," said the manager who put Celts

under fine focus in their Premier League match with Partick Thistle on Wednesday evening.

"One thing you can be certain about. The side won't be overawed by the occasion. We've got a number of players who have been over the course before. The club reached the quarter finals of the competition last season. We'd like to go one better this time... and it is a powerful incentive for the boys."

These are the players from whom manager Jackson will name today's line-up:

Alan Ball (goal). Signed in 1963 from the Northumberland amateur side, Stanley United. During his 13 years at Palmerston he has missed very few matches and set up a club record in first-team appearances. The 34-year-old is a most consistent and reliable performer and for a tall man (just topping 6 feet) quick and agile.

Jimmy Miller (defence). Joined Queens in 1974 from Aberdeen. He also had three years with Leicester City. A fast, progressive player who likes to link up with the forwards in attack. He was in the Scottish Second Division side which played against Italy in 1974. Age 23.

Iain McChesney (defence). "Ches" is the captain of the side and the longest-serving player at Palmerston. He's been with the club for 15 years, joining from amateur football. Now 31 he has played in every team position except goal.

Crawford Boyd (defence). The 24-year-old Queens centre half joined in 1972 from Largs Thistle and has been the keystone of the defence. He is strong in the air and skilled on the ground. Has made a good comeback from a leg break. Last season Southampton showed a keen interest in him. Was in the Second Division select side against Italy in 1974.

Nobby Clark (defence). Signed last season from Partick Thistle (the club he joined

the day he left school) he is now a regular in the Queens set-up. Strong tackler. Age 26.

Tommy O'Hara (defence). A former Celt he linked with Queens in 1974 and immediately won a place in the first team. Played four times for Junior Scotland before turning senior. A strong-running and clever ball player, he has been operating at full back with Queens.

George Dickson (midfield). Signed from Shotts Bon Accord six years ago. George is the tallest player (6ft. 2in.) in the team. His height is used to advantage at set pieces and he has collected a fair quota of goals himself.

Jim Donald (midfield). Came from Renfrew Juniors in 1970 and early in his career was used as a winger. One of the club's most tenacious players. Age 26.

Billy McLaren (midfield). A tireless worker, he's another six-footer whose height is valuable when he joins in attacks. Reached Palmerston after spells with East Fife, Dunfermline and Raith Rovers. Age 27.

Benny Ferrie (midfield). In his first full season, the 20-year-old (who joined from Auchinleck Talbot) is a big favourite with the Palmerston support. Has fine ball control and can score.

Chris Balderstone (midfield). Signed in October, the tall (6ft. 1in.) 36-year old has had a wealth of experience in football — and cricket. His expertise and ability to read the play have been invaluable to Queens. He played with Huddersfield, Carlisle and Doncaster before reaching Palmerston. A well-known county cricketer he has played for England's Test side.

John Dempster (forward). Has been a regular ever since signing from Muirkirk in 1970. A speedy and intelligent winger he has scored a lot of goals and his shooting accuracy makes him the club's penalty kick king. Age 27.

Peter Dickson (forward). Age 24. Brought from Albion Rovers last season at a five-figure fee Peter is a goalscorer. Hit home 15 goals in only 22 games last term. His sharp reflexes spell danger for every defence. Last season played for the Scottish League and the Scotland Under-23 side.

Ian Reid (forward). Age 25. After experience with Notts Forest arrived at Palmerston from Dundee United in 1973. The team's leading scorer for two seasons he makes up a formidable striking force with Peter Dickson.

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TODAY'S TEAMS

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SIDELINES

It's Alans 643rd game for Queens

WHEN HE runs out on to Celtic Park this afternoon with Queen of the South it will be goalkeeper Alan Ball's 643rd appearance. It is some time ago since he smashed the club record of appearances and now he aims for 700 matches. Ball joined the club in 1963.

Who was best man today?

KENNY DALGLISH and Jim Donald (Queen of the South) played together at Possil and have remained firm friends. So much so Jim was best man at Kenny's wedding. However, for 90 minutes this afternoon they were professionals in opposition and called a "truce" on their buddies' act.

Only three blanks for Celtic scorers

THE ABERDEEN match last week-end was only the third occasion this season that Celtic have failed to score. The other sides who got shut-outs against them: GKS Wisla Krakow (UEFA Cup), and Dundee United (Premier League). It was the fourth time Aberdeen have scored two goals against Celtic winning three and drawing one.



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Yes, it is Celtic Park — before reconstruction. That's the former stand with Press box perched on top. The date is 1971 and the occasion — the last Scottish Cup tie between Celtic and Queen of the South.

"PREMIER" SEASON FIXTURES

1976

JULY
30—Inverness Thistle (A) 6 2

AUGUST
2—Ross County (A) 4 0
7—PENAROL (H) 3 0

GLASGOW CUP (1975-76 final)

AUGUST
10—RANGERS (H) 1 3

CHALLENGE MATCH

NOVEMBER
14—IPSWICH TOWN (H) 1 2

LEAGUE CUP

AUGUST
14—Dundee United (A) 1 0
18—DUMBARTON (H) 3 0
21—Arbroath (A) 5 0
25—Dumbarton (A) 3 3
28—ARBROATH (H) 2 1

SEPTEMBER
1—DUNDEE UNITED (H) 1 1
22—Albion Rovers (Q-Final) .. (A) 1 0

OCTOBER
6—ALBION ROVERS (Q-F) ... (H) 5 0
25—HEARTS (Hampden, S-Final). 2 1

NOVEMBER
6—ABERDEEN (Hampden, Final) 1 2

UEFA CUP

SEPTEMBER
15—GKS WISLA KRAKOW ... (H) 2 2
29—GKS Wisla Krakow (A) 0 2

SCOTTISH CUP

Third Round

JANUARY
29—Airdrie (A) 1 1

FEBRUARY
2—AIRDRIE (replay) (H) 5 0

Fourth Round

2—Ayr Utd (replay) (A) 3—1
13—Q.O.S. (5th round) (H) 5—1

PREMIER LEAGUE

SEPTEMBER
4—RANGERS (H) 2 2
11—Dundee United (A) 0 1
18—HEARTS (H) 2 2
25—Kilmarnock (A) 4 0

OCTOBER
2—HIBERNIAN (H) 1 1
16—Ayr United (A) 2 0
20—DUNDEE UNITED (H) 5 1
23—Aberdeen (A) 1 2
30—MOTHERWELL (H) 2 0

NOVEMBER
20—Hearts (A) 4 3
24—Rangers (A) 1 0
27—KILMARNOCK (H) 2 0

DECEMBER
4—Hibernian (A) post.
18—AYR UNITED (H) 3 0
26—ABERDEEN (H) 2 2

1977

JANUARY
1—Motherwell (A) post.
3—RANGERS (H) 1 0
8—Dundee United (A) 2 1
22—Kilmarnock (A) 3 1

FEBRUARY
5—HIBERNIAN (H) 4 2
7—HEARTS (H) 5 1
12—PARTICK THISTLE (H) 2 0
19—Ayr United (A) 4 2
22—Partick Thistle (A) 4 2

MARCH
5—Aberdeen (A) 2—2
9—PARTICK THISTLE (H) 2 1
19—Rangers (A)
26—DUNDEE UNITED (H)

APRIL

2—Hearts (A)
9—KILMARNOCK (H)
13—Motherwell (A)
16—Hibernian (A)
20—ABERDEEN (H)
23—Partick Thistle (A)
30—AYR UNITED (H)

GROUND ALL CLUBS LIKE TO VISIT

WITH a number of Scottish clubs having celebrated their centenaries and others approaching the 100 mark, Queen of the South has to be regarded as a youthful organisation. The foundations date was 1919.

Their best performance to date in the Scottish Cup was in 1950 when the semi-final was reached. However, after drawing (1-1) with Rangers they went out in the replay with the Ibrox club.

This is the second season in a row that the quarter-final has been reached. Last season Queens disposed of St. Johnstone and Ayr United before losing 5-0 to Rangers at Palmerston.

This time they've beaten Montrose 3-2 (George Dickson (2) and Ian Reid) and Alloa 2-1 (Reid (2)).

Queens best known player was undoubtedly Billy Houlston, the big bustling scoring centre who played in the late 1940's

and fifties for Scotland and the Scottish League.

An ankle injury ended his career but he's remained a great Queens enthusiast. He is now vice-chairman of the club and the chairman is also a former player, Willie Harkness. More than most clubs, former players have a great affection for Queens and ex-Palmerston favourites turn up at matches all over the country.

It is a club that has retained what might be described as the "old-fashioned sociability" the game once possessed and a visit to Dumfries is still a journey that is taken by teams today in the knowledge that the ground has a special welcoming flavour.

Queens have coped admirably over the years with the problems created by their geographical position, and also taken their full part in the administration of the game. Currently chairman Harkness is a member of the Scottish F.A.'s international and selection committee.

HALF-TIME QUIZ

- 1—Name the ex-Celt who joined Partick Thistle last week?
- 2—Who holds the first-team appearances record with Queen of the South?
- 3—Watch this one. Unscramble these letters to find a man who took part in today's tie . . . DANEXREAL.
- 4—Which club play at The Valley?
- 5—Who is Celtic's leading scorer in the Premier League?

- ANSWERS
- 1—Willie Wallace.
 - 2—Alan Ball.
 - 3—Alexander (referee).
 - 4—Charlton Athletic.
 - 5—Ronnie Glavin (14).

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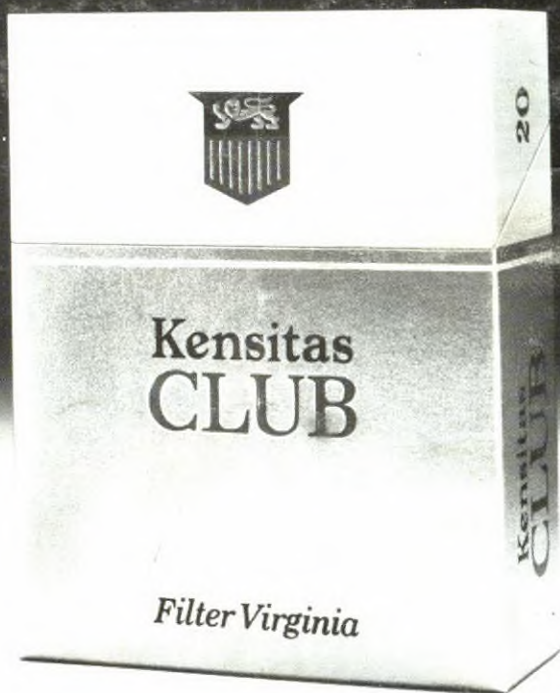
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