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# JOCK STEIN says...

After the trip to Switzerland in mid-week, for the first leg of our European Cup quarter final tie with Basle, we return to league football this afternoon with the visit of Hearts.

Today's game in fact starts off a period in which we play four games at Celtic Park—Motherwell in the Scottish Cup, Ayr United in the Championship and Basle in the European Cup.

Looking back to last Saturday and our win at Easter Road, the display of the team pleased me on several counts.

Apart from the win, which has widened our lead at the top of the league to five points, the overall performance of the team pleased me enormously. Perhaps some individual players performed better than others, but on the whole the win was a triumph for team work.

## PLEASING

Another pleasing aspect of this result was the fact that it came hard on top of our two recent league reversals, coupled with the fact that some football commentators were tipping us to receive a third defeat.

In face of all these pressures, the team showed an abundance of character as well as a high degree of skill in winning the game so convincingly.

All credit to Hibs for contributing so much to a game which thrilled and delighted the huge crowd in attendance. As I have said before, and I make no apologies for repeating it again, given football like this every week there would be no talk of falling gates in Scottish Football.

With regard to our defeat in Basle, the only consolation is that the players will be given an opportunity to redeem themselves when the second leg is played at Celtic Park on Wednesday, 20th March.



Certainly, if they want to progress in the competition, they will have to play much better than they did on Wednesday night.

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# TODAY'S VISITORS, HEARTS

Several new signings by Hearts manager Bobby Seith at the start of this season gave the Tynecastle side a bit of a new look and one of their brightest league starts for some time.

Although Hearts haven't sustained their early season challenge for the championship they are still a side to be reckoned with and they are still very much involved in the final stages of the Scottish Cup competition.

Today's line up is likely to come from the following pool of players:—

**Jim Cruickshank**—Has been the Tynecastle sides last line of defence for several seasons and his goal-keeping displays won him Scottish Caps. Displaced for some time by former Newburgh Juniors, keeper Ken Garland, he has once again fought his way back into the first team.

**Ian Sneddon**—Joined up at Tynecastle from Drumchapel Amateurs in 1965 and is currently the regular right back in the side. A strong, good tackling full back, he is a very consistent player.

**Allan Anderson**—Has been ten years at Tynecastle since he joined them from, at a moderate fee, from Scunthorpe United. A big, powerful player who is the anchor man in the Hearts defence.

**Jim Brown**—Has been around the Tynecastle scene for a few seasons, and is a very versatile player. Generally plays with the No. 6 shirt now and likes to move forward from the middle of the field to join in with the attack.

**Kenny Aird**—A recent arrival at Tynecastle having been bought from St. Johnstone. Started his career at Celtic Park, he then played with St. Mirren before being transferred to Muirton Park. Clever, speedy and direct winger despite his size.

**Donald Ford**—Has been a Hearts favourite for several years with his good play and good scoring exploits. Scored a recent hat-trick at Firhill

to clinch a place in the quarter-finals of the Scottish Cup.

**Drew Busby**—Bought from Airdrie last year to link up with Donald Ford he is an aggressive striker with an eye for goals. He is perhaps taking a little time to settle with his new club, but if he clicks with Ford they could become a lethal partnership.

**John Stevenson**—A skillful and industrious mid-field player who was signed from Coventry City last year. Has really made his mark with the Edinburgh club, and his intelligent play has made him a favourite with the fans.

**Bobby Prentice**—Signed by Hearts at the start of the season on being released by Celtic at his own request. A left footed player who likes to take players in with the ball, he has grabbed his chance at Tynecastle and gained under-23 recognition.

**Willie Gibson**—A 20-year-old, he joined the club from Methil Star Colts in 1971. He gave up his training as a Sanitary Inspector with Kirkealdy Town Council to become a full-time player last summer. This has paid off with promotion to the first team this season.

**Jim Jeffries**—Was recruited from Gala Fairydean in 1969 and has played either at full-back or in the wing-half position.

**Roy Kay**—Originally a wing-half, has recently been appearing in the left-back position. Joined the club from Crossroads United Juniors in 1967.

**Tom Murray**—Was brought back to Scotland from Carlisle United some time ago. A skillful player in the mid-field or in the wing.

**Donald Park**—A product of Highland League football who is small in stature, but a speedy and clever winger.

Four other players—Davie Clunie, Jimmy Cant, Peter Oliver and Eric Carruthers have been out of action recently with injuries.



# 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)

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McGRAIN  
BROGAN  
CONNELLY  
McNEILL  
HAY  
HOOD  
MURRAY  
DEANS  
DALGLISH  
WILSON  
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<b>B</b> AYR UNITED DUNDEE		<b>F</b> PARTICK THISTLE EAST FIFE
<b>C</b> DUMBARTON CLYDE		<b>G</b> ST. JOHNSTONE MOTHERWELL
<b>D</b> DUNDEE UTD. ABERDEEN		<b>H</b> AIRDRIE BERWICK

# FOR TODAY'S GAME

## CELTIC HONOURS

### HEARTS

(from)

CRUICKSHANK  
 SNEDDON  
 KAY  
 JEFFRIES  
 ANDERSON  
 BROWN  
 AIRD  
 GIBSON  
 FORD  
 BUSBY  
 STEVENSON  
 MURRAY  
 PRENTICE  
 PARK

Referee:  
 PATERSON  
 (Bothwell)  
 Linesmen:  
 ROBERTSON  
 (at Kilbride)  
 McWHAN  
 (Dumfries)

#### Scottish Cup

Winners (22 times)

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

#### European Cup

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#### Coronation Cup

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#### Empire Exhibition

Cup

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# Welcome to Hearts on their Centenary

The Celtic Football Club welcome Hearts to Celtic Park this afternoon and congratulate the Edinburgh Club on attaining their hundredth birthday in Scottish football.

Visits of Heart of Midlothian to Parkhead have invariably produced exciting football encounters and it is hoped that this afternoon's match will be no exception.

Hearts, together with Celtic, Dumbarton, Rangers and St. Mirren, are one of the five clubs left in football of the ten who originally started the Scottish League Competition. The Maroons also share the distinction with Aberdeen, Celtic and Rangers of never having been relegated from the first division of the Scottish League.

Founded a century ago, the Tynecastle club have won the Scottish

League title on four occasions—1895 and 1897 and over sixty years later in 1958 and 1960.

In season 1964-65, the last season that the championship was won by a club other than Celtic, they seemed certain to win the title for a fifth time when they played Kilmarnock in the last game of the season at Tynecastle Park. Although 'Killie' were the only team with an outside chance of overtaking Hearts, such an event seemed unlikely as the Edinburgh side had a lead of two points and a slightly superior goal average.

Football is an unpredictable sport, however, and the Rugby Park team shocked Hearts and surprised the football world with 2-0 win which won them the League Flag on a fractionally better goal average.

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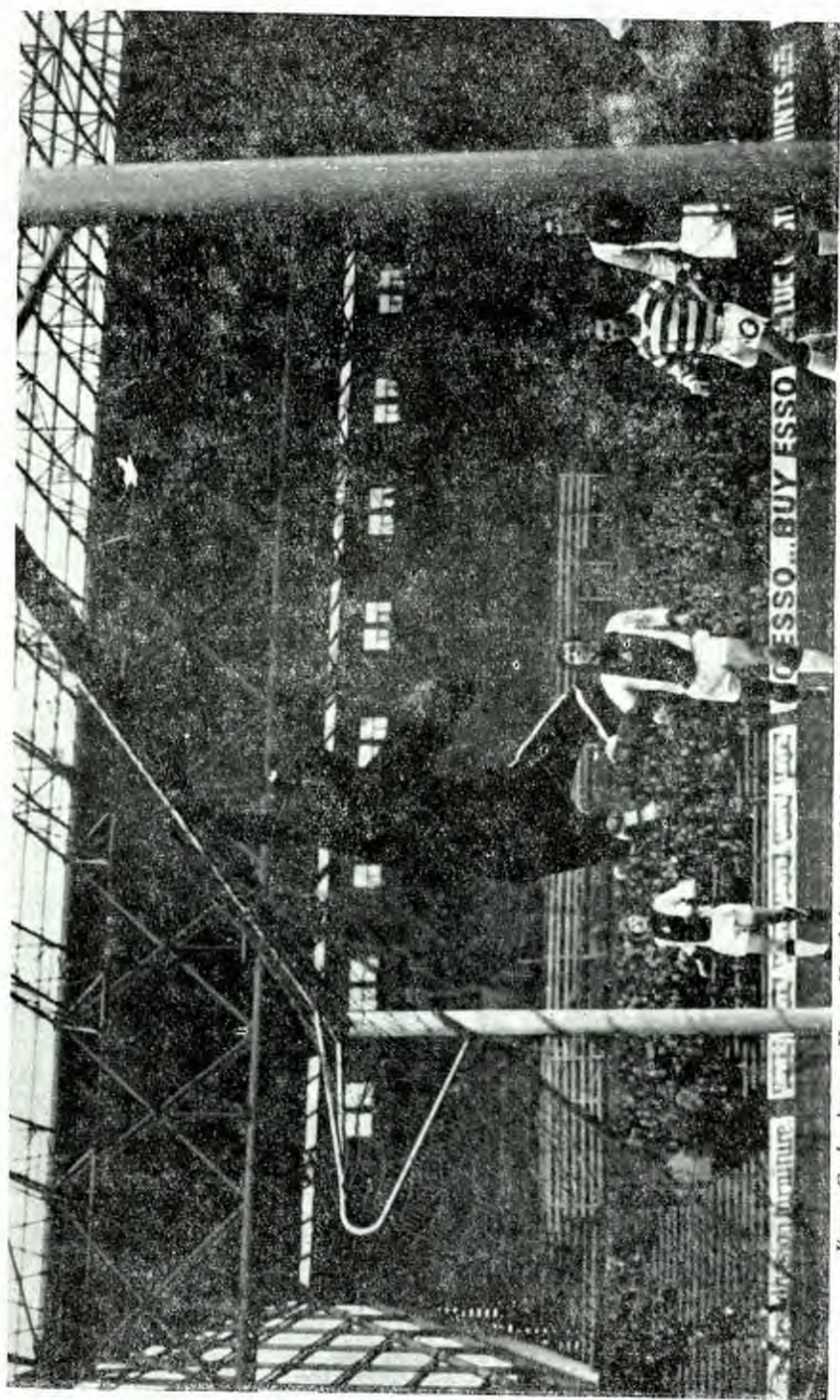
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*Kenny Garland tips a Harry Hood shot over the bar during Hearts' last league visit to Celtic Park in November 1972.*

# RESULTS SO FAR

<b>FIRST TEAM</b>			<b>European Cup 3rd Round</b>		
<b>League Cup</b>			<b>(1st Leg)</b>		
Celtic	2	Arbroath	1	Basle	3
Falkirk	0	Celtic	2		Celtic
Rangers	1	Celtic	2	<b>1st TEAM SCORERS</b>	
Celtic	2	Falkirk	1	24—Deans	
Celtic	1	Rangers	3	20—Lennox	
Arbroath	1	Celtic	3	18—Dalglish	
<b>League Cup 2nd Round</b>			<b>(1st Leg)</b>		
Motherwell	1	Celtic	2	13—Hood	
<b>(2nd Leg)</b>			7—Wilson		
Celtic	0	Motherwell	1	6—Murray	
<b>2nd Round Decider</b>			5—Johnstone		
Celtic	3	Motherwell	2	4—Callaghan	
<b>Quarter-final—(1st leg)</b>			2—Connelly, McCluskey, Hay		
Celtic	3	Aberdeen	2	1—Lynch, McGrain, V. Davidson	
<b>(Quarter-final, 2nd Leg)</b>			2—O.G.'s.		
Aberdeen	0	Celtic	0	108	
<b>Scottish League Cup Semi-final</b>			<b>RESERVES</b>		
Rangers	1	Celtic	3	<b>League Cup</b>	
<b>Scottish League Cup Final</b>			Arbroath		0
Dundee	1	Celtic	0	Celtic	4
<b>Scottish League</b>			Celtic		1
Dunfermline	2	Celtic	3	Falkirk	1
Celtic	5	Clyde	0	Celtic	4
Rangers	0	Celtic	1	Rangers	3
St. Johnstone	2	Celtic	1	1 Celtic	4
Celtic	2	Motherwell	0	2 Celtic	0
Dundee	0	Celtic	1	1 Arbroath	1
Celtic	1	Hibernian	1	<b>League</b>	
Hearts	1	Celtic	3	Celtic	0
Celtic	4	East Fife	2	1 Ayr Utd.	1
Ayr Utd.	0	Celtic	1	0 Celtic	1
Celtic	7	Partick Thistle	0	2 Rangers	0
Dumbarton	0	Celtic	2	4 St. Johnstone	0
Arbroath	1	Celtic	2	0 Celtic	2
Celtic	3	Dundee Utd.	3	2 Dundee	1
Celtic	6	Falkirk	0	1 Celtic	2
Celtic	6	Dunfermline	0	1 Celtic	3
Clyde	0	Celtic	2	1 Celtic	0
Celtic	1	Rangers	2	4 Aberdeen	1
Celtic	3	St. Johnstone	0	2 Celtic	6
Motherwell	3	Celtic	2	0 Celtic	2
Celtic	1	Dundee	2	2 Celtic	0
Hibs	2	Celtic	4	Dundee Utd.	1
<b>Scottish Cup 3rd Round</b>			St. Johnstone		1
Celtic	6	Clydebank	1	Morton	0
<b>Scottish Cup 4th Round</b>			Celtic		1
Celtic	6	Stirling Albion	1	1 Hibs	1
<b>European Cup 1st Round</b>			<b>2nd XI Cup</b>		
<b>(1st Leg)</b>			Q.P. Strollers		1
TPS Turku	1	Celtic	6	Ayr United	0
<b>(2nd Leg)</b>			Celtic		5
Celtic	3	TPS Turku	0	<b>RESERVE SCORERS</b>	
<b>European Cup 2nd Round</b>			12—Davidson (V.)		
<b>(1st leg)</b>			10—Wilson		
Celtic	0	Vejle B.K.	0	6—Deans, Lynch	
<b>(2nd Leg)</b>			4—Lennox, McNamara		
Vejle BK	0	Celtic	1	3—Quinn	
			2—McCluskey,		
			1—Casey, Davidson (J.), Hood, McCool,		
			McDonald, Mulholland, O'Hara,		
			Ritchie Johnstone.		
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