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CELTIC PARK

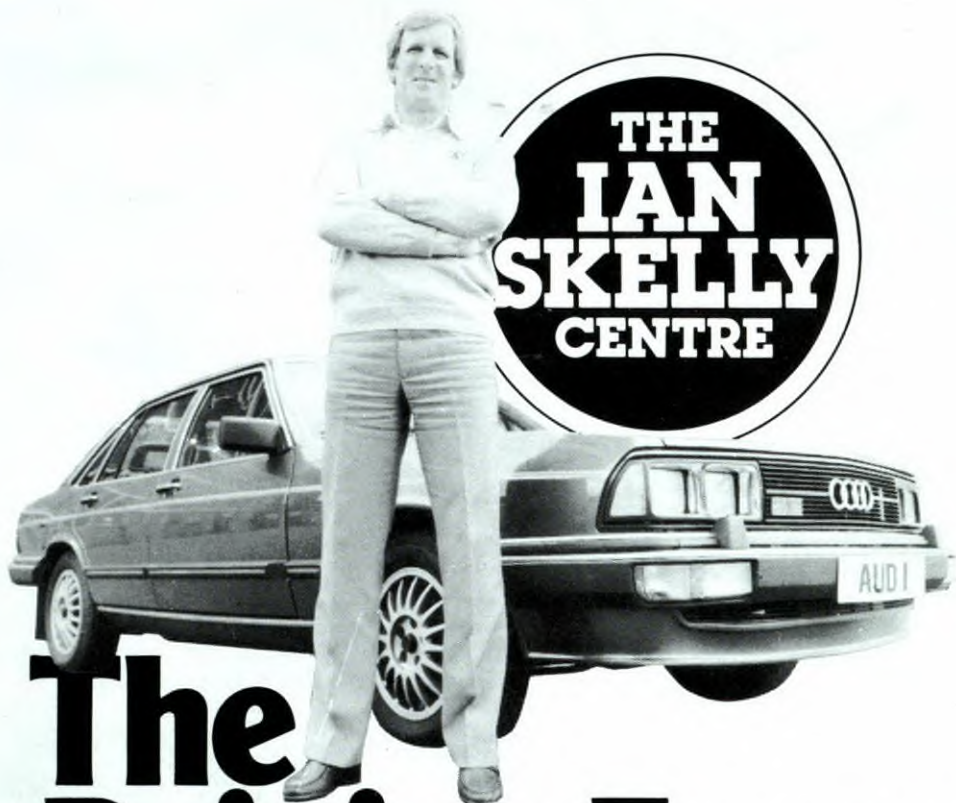
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FROM THE MANAGER



TODAY is our last home game of the season and no matter what the league position we always like to put on a good performance to end the season.

Today's game is still more important as we have recently given Aberdeen fresh hope of collecting league honours and there is no better way of dispelling this hope than a winning performance.

DISAPPOINTING RESULTS

Our last two matches have produced disappointing results in very different ways. In our Monday afternoon match against St Mirren, I felt we were unfortunate not to collect both points. We played well and all that was missing was that touch of good finishing.

Last Saturday's match against Dundee United was a very different story. While I cannot take any credit from United, who played as well as I've ever seen them, our performance was very disappointing and our players never showed their true form. The loss of Dom Sullivan so early and the knock that George McCluskey picked up in the first half did not help our plans either.

WORTHY CHAMPIONS

As well as being disappointed for the players over these past two games, for not being to clinch the title, I have also been very disappointed for the fans. Having asked them to turn out in support, to which they responded well as always, we have failed to give them any cause for celebration. It is, therefore, our intentions to thank them today by turning on a performance that would make us worthy champions.

Our injury problems have again become more serious and at the time of writing we have another three players undergoing treatment. More than that I can't say, we can only hope that we are able to field a full strength side this afternoon.

CELTIC



FOUNDED 1888

Directors

Desmond White, C.A. (Chairman)
Thomas L. Devlin,
James M. Farrell, M.A., LL.B.
Kevin Kelly, John C. McGinn,
Christopher White, C.A.

Manager:

Billy McNeill, M.B.E.

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HONOURS:

League Champions (32 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,
1979, 1981.

Cup Winners (26 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, 1980.

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BEHIND THE SCENES

SHOP-TALK

The end-of-season sale continues in the Souvenir Shop with many cut price bargains. The shop will, as usual, be open for a while after the match. We would like to thank everyone who has used the shop throughout the season. Through buying your souvenirs from us rather than from street vendors, who sell cheaply made imitations of our stock, you are actually helping Celtic.

The shop will stay open throughout the close season so if you are in Glasgow come along and have a look round. Our opening hours are 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

As this is the last game of the season we are giving a special bonus. We will extend our double offer special, due to close today, for a week for all of you who have a copy of today's programme.

If you bring along this programme when you buy an official Celtic pullover from us

at the knockdown price of £12.50 (adults), you can also collect a free gift and give yourself a one-in-fifty chance of winning an official Celtic football autographed by the players and staff.

The offer must close this Friday, so hurry!



TESTIMONIALS

Alan Rough's named was added to the long list of players for whom Celtic have played testimonial matches at the weekend. Celtic put out a team to play against a Scotland XI that included names like Frank Gray, Paul Sturrock, John Robertson and John Wark and were eventual winners by eight goals to three. The score might sound a bit high but the game was played as just pure football and in those circumstances Celtic could score highly against anyone.

A crowd of 14,000 turned out and although they were mainly Celtic fans they gave Alan Rough a tremendous reception. Everyone believes that such support is part of the reason Celtic are invited to play in so many testimonial matches. Besides the loyalty they have to the club they are always good humoured and well behaved.



HOSPITAL VISIT

Tommy Burns took all our best wishes with him when he went to visit young Katrina Stephenson in hospital last week. Katrina is the young girl who was badly burned when one of the refreshment kiosks was broken into during the recent Old Firm match at Celtic Park. Tommy presented her with a Celtic Teddy Bear on behalf of the players and staff. Katrina's doctors say she is making good progress.

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Celtic	35	23	7	5	76	33	53
Aberdeen	34	21	7	6	65	29	49
Rangers	35	16	11	8	57	41	43
Dundee Utd.	35	14	10	11	59	37	38
St Mirren	34	14	9	11	49	47	37
Hibernian	35	11	13	11	38	40	35
Morton	35	9	11	15	31	54	29
Dundee	35	10	4	21	45	72	24
Partick Th.	35	6	10	19	34	57	22
Airdrie	35	5	8	22	31	75	18

(Up to and including last Saturday's matches)

MATCH



Manager
BILLY McNEILL

CELTIC (POOL)

Pat BONNER
 Danny McGRAIN
 Mark REID
 Roy AITKEN
 Tom McADAM
 Murdo MacLEOD
 Davie PROVAN
 Dom SULLIVAN
 George McCLUSKEY
 Tommy BURNS
 Danny CRAINIE
 Davie MOYES
 Paul McSTAY

HALF-TIME

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B	DUNDEE v AIRDRIE	<input type="checkbox"/>
C	MORTON v HIBERNIAN	<input type="checkbox"/>
D	PARTICK THISTLE v DUNDEE UTD	<input type="checkbox"/>
E	CLYDEBANK v AYR UNITED	<input type="checkbox"/>
F	DUNFERMLINE v EAST STIRLING	<input type="checkbox"/>
G	FALKIRK v QUEEN'S PARK	<input type="checkbox"/>

Referee
Mr E. H. PRINGLE
(Edinburgh)

Linesmen
Mr L. G. RUSSELL
(Carnoustie)

Linesmen
Mr T. T. GRAY
(Giffnock)

BELL'S SCOTCH

TEAMS

ST. MIRREN (POOL)

Billy THOMSON
 Alex BECKETT
 David WALKER
 Tony FITZPATRICK
 Mark FULTON
 Jackie COPLAND
 Lex RICHARDSON
 Billy STARK
 Frank McDOUGALL
 Frank McAVENNIE
 Doug SOMNER
 John McEACHRAN
 Alan LOGAN



Manager
 RICKY McFARLANE



● LEX RICHARDSON — His consistency throughout the season has made him a favourite with the Love Street fans.

SCOREBOARD

H	HAMILTON v DUMBARTON	
I	HEARTS v MOTHERWELL	
J	KILMARNOCK v QOS	
K	RAITH ROVERS v ST JOHNSTONE	
L	IPSWICH TOWN v NOTTS FOREST	
M	LIVERPOOL v TOTTENHAM	
N	MANCHESTER UNITED v STOKE CITY	

SPECTATORS ARE REQUESTED TO
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 THE GROUND AFTER THE MATCH

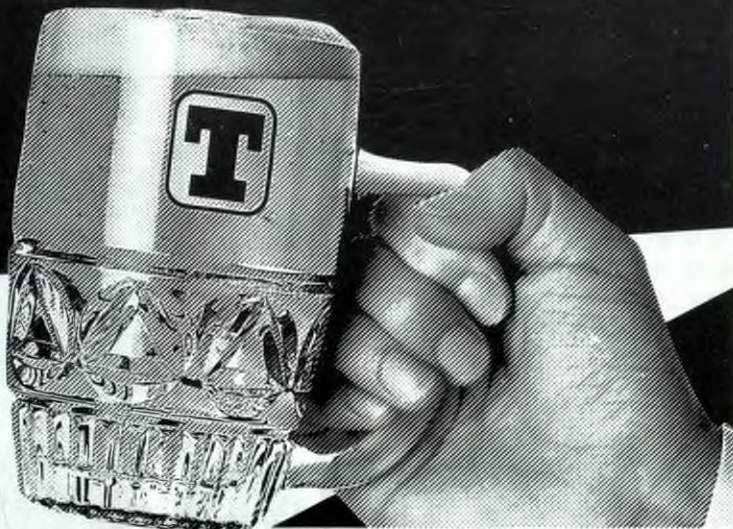
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Half-time		Full-time	

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SCOTTISH SPORTSCENE

By
DAVID BELL

WHO WILL GO UP WITH MOTHERWELL?

IT'S DEBATABLE if those masters of suspense Ian Fleming and Alistair McLean had combined their talents to script-write the current championship run-in if they could have produced a more nail-biting climax to the season.

Here we are on the final day of an extended season, still waiting on official public acclaim of the Premier League triumph, and unsure of who will be relegated along with Airdrieonians.

Equally, there's tension-packed anxiety in the First Division while the struggle is fought out to determine who will join the Top Ten with Motherwell, and in the Second Division as to who will step up with Clyde.

It's certainly pulsating stuff for the supporters of the clubs involved, and to all interested neutrals. But it's nerve-racking for the managers and their assistants locked in the dug-outs...

BUSY LINES

Telephone lines will surely be buzzing this afternoon between Firhill and Dens Park, and between Tynecastle and Rugby Park as the on-field action steps up with a Premier League place at stake.

Partick Thistle require to win at home to Dundee United to keep their hopes alive while relying on Airdrieonians to do them a favour by taking both points at stake at Dens Park.

It's a slim hope, but a hope nonetheless, and Jags boss Peter Cormack will be grasping that

lifeline as he sees through a first season in management which has been filled with more than the average amount of dramas and traumas.

Peter has not had his troubles to seek since his step-up as player-coach with Hibernian to boss at Firhill in the wake of Bertie Auld and Pat Quinn's departure in the other direction.

His first fankle to unravel on taking up office concerned his own transfer, and a claim for compensation from Hibernian. Once that was resolved the ex-Hibs, Liverpool and Nottingham Forest midfielder could concentrate of the Jags.

Firhill form tended to more than hiccup this season and by the turn of the year relegation notices were already being posted at Firhill. Then after threats and ultimatums, Thistle kicked into life to mount an 11th hour revival.

RESPONSE

For a spell it looked good enough to draw themselves clear. But Dundee responded by picking up their game. And the result is a neck-and-neck struggle towards the finishing tape.

There's also a keen contest in mid-table where Dundee United and today's guests St Mirren are vying for the remaining UEFA Cup place next season.

In the First Division, Hearts require a home victory over champions Motherwell to clinch promotion, knowing that

a draw might not be good enough to ward off the challenge of Jim Clunie's rejuvenated Kilmarnock side.

On paper, Kilmarnock on their own Ayrshire ground should dispose of the already doomed Queen of the South who have conceded 87 league goals this term. If they win convincingly they will top Hearts' pre-match points total.

DIFFICULT

The Tynecastle side, with full-time football looking in doubt next season if promotion fails, have the more difficult task — they face a Motherwell side chasing a new goals record for a side coming out of the new First Division.

In the Second Division, Alloa Athletic and Arbroath go into the final matches at Forfar and Stranraer respectively even on points with Alloa holding a far superior goal difference. Clyde, of course, are already promoted as champions.

But lurking one behind both these contenders are Frank Connor's Berwick Rangers side, bidding for a victory at Stirling in the hope that Forfar and Stranraer can topple their guests.

It's all good stuff, provided the "excitement" doesn't spill over as it did at Rugby Park last Saturday. Otherwise the factors which help "sell" this game are lost under the avalanche of hooliganism.