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Scottish Cup Winners (21 times)

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

Scottish League Cup Winners (7 times)

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

Empire Exhibition Cup 1938

Coronation Cup 1953

European Cup 1967

JOCK STEIN says...

Now that we have settled to a one-game-per-week routine the players are showing a consistency that must please our supporters. I have said before that we, just as much as the other clubs, do not relish the glut of fixtures in the early part of the season, though we are not complaining in the slightest.

We have had our share of injuries already this season and we have been introducing young players, who rarely if ever find the move from the reserve team something that they can take in their stride.

Of one thing I am confident—Celtic are stronger in playing strength than they were at this time a year ago. I say that in the knowledge that after 11 league matches last season we had taken 20 points, whereas this season after 11 games our pointage is 19. Aberdeen at this stage last season were two points behind us, compared with their being in the lead now by a point.

The Celtic players as well as myself and the other members of the staff are delighted with the support we are getting. Again at Tannadice last Saturday our supporters did not appear to be upset at all by the fact that we were a goal down at half-time. They seemed to be sure that we would win, judging from the happy note of their singing and chanting.

This afternoon we welcome Falkirk to Celtic Park. All of us are aware that the 'Bairns' have an unenviable record at our ground—the details in recent seasons are on



page 6—but we do not take another victory for granted.

Falkirk have been altering their team in much the same manner as we have done. They also have had a lot of injuries and they too have been bleeding young players. I believe their new centre forward Somner is a player of the future. Willie Cunningham has a good pool of players of experience and youth who will I feel certain give us a splendid test today.

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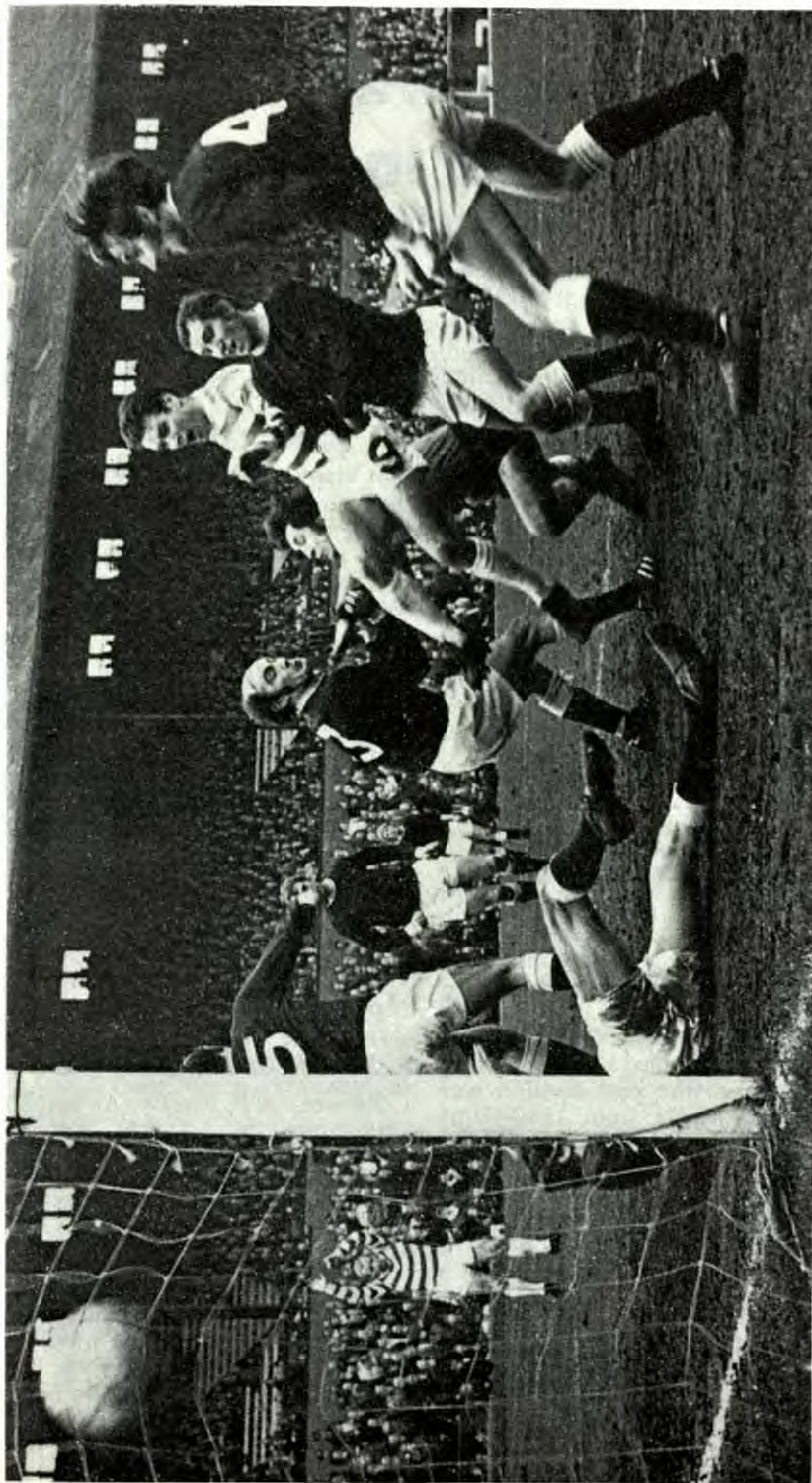
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This was Celtic's first goal in the last match in which they played Falkirk—in the league at Celtic Park in March of this year. Willie Wallace (now with Crystal Palace) shoots the goal. The Falkirk no. 3., John ("Tiger") McLaughlin, is another recent transfer to England—his new club, Everton.

Last Season was Falkirk's best ever in League

One of the best performances in the Scottish League first division championship of last season was that of Falkirk, who immediately after a season in the second division finished seventh in the major league table. This was one of the reasons for the Scottish Football Association's offer of the International team manager's job to Willie Cunningham, who after careful consideration of the matter decided to remain as Falkirk's manager.

The worth of the effort of Cunningham and his men in season 1970-71 may be gauged by the fact that it was the first time in the 18-club league that Falkirk had finished in the top half of the table.

IMPROVEMENT

The 18-club league started in season 1955-56 and Falkirk's final placings in it have been:—

1955-56 — 14	63-64 — 13
56-57 — 14	64-65 — 16
57-58 — 10	65-66 — 10
58-59 — 17	66-67 — 14
59-60 — —	67-68 — 15
60-61 — —	68-69 — 17
61-62 — 14	69-70 — —
62-63 — 13	70-71 — 7

Since the league competitions proper were resumed after the Second World War—the first division was a 16-club league from 1946-47 to 1954-55 inclusive—Falkirk have only three times (including last season) finished in the top half of the table. They were seventh in 1948 and fifth in 1949.

FOURTH TO CELTIC

Away back in 1937-38 Falkirk finished fourth in the 20-club league with 47 points compared with the 61 of the champions, Celtic. In the following year they also finished fourth with 45 points.

AT PARKHEAD

Not many of Falkirk's points down through the years have been won at Celtic Park. The clubs have met 21 times in the league at Parkhead since the Second World War. Celtic have won 16 and Falkirk 2; 3 have been drawn.

Celtic have won the last nine in succession having scored 38 goals and conceded only 3. The last Falkirk win was in October, 1958, when a goal in the last few seconds by Doug Moran gave Falkirk a 4-3 victory. Of the teams then only Billy McNeill is playing regularly in the top class. The teams were:—

Celtic—Beattie; Donnelly, Mochan; Crerand, McNeill, Smith; Colrain, Fernie, Conway, Divers, Auld.

Falkirk—Slater; Richmond, Hunter; Wright, Prentice, Price; McCulloch, White, Grierson, Moran, Lachlan

Referee—J. P. Barclay (Kirkcaldy).

Celtic led 3-2 at half-time. Their scorers were John Divers (2) and Willie Fernie. Falkirk's other scorers were Willie McCulloch and John White.

That success has been Falkirk's last in any competition against Celtic at Celtic Park. The clubs have not met in Scottish Cup or League Cup since 1955-56 when they were in the same League Cup section.

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PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS FOR TODAY'S GAME

CELTIC

(from)

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HAY

McNEILL

CONNELLY

JOHNSTONE

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(from)

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GIBSON

SHIRRA

HOGGAN

YOUNG

SOMNER

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Quiz on Falkirk

1. Two Falkirk players were in the Irish International team who played Scotland in 1927. Who were they?

2. Falkirk were beaten 4-1 after a 0-0 draw in the final of the 1947-48 League Cup. Who were the winners?

3. A former Falkirk player was in the Dundee team who beat Rangers last Saturday. Who is he?

4. One of Falkirk's greatest victories was gained at Celtic Park nearly 60 years ago. What was it?

5. What have Falkirk and Celtic done in common in recent weeks? (The number of this question provides a clue).

6. Give the Christian name of these Falkirk players—Abel, Jones, Setterington, Hoggan.

7. A Falkirk inside forward who was to win fame as a Scottish Internationalist played his first Division I match at Celtic Park. Who was he?

8. Did any Falkirk player miss no league game last season?

9. What was Falkirk's biggest league win last season?

10. One of Falkirk's Scottish Cup winning team of 1957 is a well known club manager. Can you name him?

(Answers on page 9)

Division I Table

		GOALS						
		P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Aberdeen	....	11	9	2	0	32	5	20
Celtic	....	11	9	1	1	33	9	19
Hibernian	....	11	6	2	3	22	10	14
Hearts	....	11	5	4	2	22	15	14
St. Johnstone	....	11	6	2	3	21	16	14
Dundee	....	11	5	3	3	22	16	13
Rangers	....	11	6	0	5	29	16	12
Partick Thistle	....	11	3	6	2	17	20	12
Ayr United	....	11	3	4	4	11	13	10
Motherwell	....	11	3	3	5	16	22	9
Falkirk	....	11	4	1	6	17	27	9
Morton	....	11	4	0	7	16	18	8
Kilmarnock	....	11	3	2	6	12	21	8
Airdrieonians	....	11	2	4	5	11	26	8
Dunfermline Ath.	....	11	2	3	6	9	17	7
Dundee United	....	11	3	1	7	24	34	7
Clyde	....	11	3	1	7	11	24	7
East Fife	....	11	2	3	6	10	26	7

The Celtic Season so far

LEAGUE CUP			F	A
Aug. 14	(h)	Rangers (at Ibrox Stadium)	2	0
" 18	(a)	Morton	1	0
" 21	(a)	Ayr United	3	0
" 25	(h)	Morton	0	1
" 28	(a)	Rangers	3	0
" 30	(h)	Ayr United	4	1
Sep. 8	(a)	Clydebank	5	0
" 22	(h)	Clydebank (quarter-final)	6	2
Oct. 6	(n)	St. Mirren (semi-final)	3	0
" 23	(n)	Partick Thistle (final)	1	4
LEAGUE			F	A
Sep. 4	(h)	Clyde	9	1
" 11	(a)	Rangers	3	2
" 18	(h)	Morton	3	1
" 25	(a)	Airdrieonians	5	0
Oct. 2	(h)	St. Johnstone	0	1
" 9	(a)	Hibernian	1	0
" 16	(h)	Dundee	3	1
" 27	(a)	Dunfermline Ath.	2	1
" 30	(a)	Ayr United	1	0
Nov. 6	(h)	Aberdeen	1	1
" 13	(a)	Dundee United	5	1
EUROPEAN CUP			F	A
Sep. 15	(a)	B 1903 Copenhagen	1	2
" 29	(h)	B 1903 Copenhagen (first round)	3	0

Oct. 20	(h)	Sliema Wanderers	F	A
Nov. 3	(a)	Sliema Wanderers (second round)	5	0
			2	1

SCORERS

15—Macari
13—Dalglish
12—Lennox, Hood
4—Callaghan
3—Wallace, Hay
2—Johnstone, McNeill
1—Hughes, Murdoch, Gemmill, Brogan
2—own goals: Clark (Morton), Ruddy (Clydebank)

RESERVES

League Cup			F	A
Aug. 14	(h)	Rangers	1	1
" 17	(h)	East Fife	1	1
" 21	(h)	Ayr United	3	1
" 25	(a)	East Fife	2	1
" 30	(a)	Rangers	2	0
Sep. 2	(a)	Ayr United	1	1
Oct. 6	(a)	Dundee United (semi-final)	0	2

League

Sep. 4	(a)	Clyde	7	1
" 11	(h)	Rangers	4	1
" 25	(h)	Airdrieonians	1	0
Oct. 2	(a)	St. Johnstone	5	0
" 9	(h)	Hibernian	1	0
" 15	(a)	Dundee	2	1
Nov. 6	(a)	Aberdeen	3	6
" 13	(h)	Dundee United	3	0

Second XI Cup

Oct. 30	(h)	Ayr United (second round)	3	1
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SCORERS

9—Franchetti
7—Hood
4—Wilson
3—Gemmill, Hancock
2—Mitchell, Wallace, Hughes, Davidson (V)
1—McCluskey, White, O'Hara, Johnstone Quinn

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To and Fro—Kenny Dalglish

Ken Dalglish, still a few months short of his twenty-first birthday, could hardly have dreamed of the progress he has made in senior football in the three years he has been at Celtic Park.

He was recognised as the striker type of forward when Celtic booked him from Glasgow United and during his short spell as a junior with Cumbernauld United. But Celtic manager Jock Stein saw potential in the fair-haired Dalglish that pointed to special ability in midfield.

Now Kenny is doing a magnificent job in the midfield and also right up front in the attack. How difficult is it to adjust his game and style to suit the move back or forward?

Says Kenny:—"I think it is a very good thing for me; I have to think all the time about what I am doing.

"I am sure, too, that this is very valuable experience for me. When I am behind the strikers I know I have to try to give them the service I hope to get myself when I am up front. But whatever I think or believe I am very happy and content to play where



the Boss wants me and to try to do what he wishes done".

Now that Dalglish has made a mark on the International team there is a great future for him. But as he is careful to emphasise while delighted at being a Scotland player that Celtic come first—all the time.

Falkirk's best ever in League

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In last year's League match at Parkhead, which Celtic won 4-0, the teams were:—

Celtic—Williams; Hay, Gemmell; Callaghan, McNeill, Brogan; Johnstone, Hood, Wallace, Davidson, Hughes. (Sub. Murdoch for Brogan in 62 minutes).

Referee—I. K. Bain (Bankhead).

Falkirk—Devlin; Abel, McLaughlin; Markie, Miller, Gibson; Hoggan, Ford, Young, Ferguson, Shirra. (Sub. Setterington for Ferguson, 62 minutes).

Willie Wallace (36 minutes), John Hughes (40) and Harry Hood (50 and 51) were the scorers.

Answers to Quiz

1. Joe Gowdy and Patsy Gallacher
2. East Fife.
3. Bobby Ford.
4. They won the Scottish Cup there in 1913, beating Raith Rovers 2-0 in the final.
5. Both clubs scored five goals in league games at Tannadice Park.
6. Gregor, Mervyn, Denis, Wilson.
7. John White. (1958)
8. George Miller.
9. 3-0 at home in the league against Kilmarnock.
10. John Prentice (Dundee).

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