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# JOCK STEIN says...

East Fife visit us this afternoon in a league position that must be very satisfying to Manager Pat Quinn and his directors. They are not only highly placed but they have scored more goals than all but Dundee United and ourselves of the 18 first division clubs.

East Fife have something of a reputation as a defensively minded side, but Pat Quinn has the answer to that when he points to his goals for total in the league—14, which is an average of two per game.

The Fife club have played us twice already this season. They surprised lots of people by drawing a League Cup game at Celtic Park and then they lost the return match at Methil 2-3. We also do not forget that they gave us a very difficult match at Parkhead in the league last season. On that occasion we won by a late goal by "Dixie" Deans.

I am confident that our visitors will find Celtic greatly improved compared with early in the season.



The games with Dundee and Partick Thistle have produced much more like our best form. I say that in the knowledge that we lost 0-1 at Dens Park. Anyone who saw that League Cup game must admit that the result was a travesty. One good thing about it is that it leaves us with a good chance to recover. We played well and gained reward for that against Partick Thistle; long before the end victory was certain.

What we want now is for the great improvement to continue today and, of course, against Ujpest Dozsa on Wednesday night. Next week will be extra-important for us for our next league game involves a visit to Aberdeen, who could well be again our most serious challengers.

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## CELTIC Honours

### Scottish League Champions (27 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.

### Scottish Cup Winners (22 times)

1892, 1899, 1900, 1904, 1907, 1908, 1911, 1912, 1914, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1931, 1933, 1937, 1951, 1954, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1971, 1972.

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## ONLY THREE LEFT

Only Jimmy Johnstone (second from left, top), Bobby Lennox (second from right, top) and Billy McNeill (centre of bottom row) remain at Celtic Park of those 10 players who contributed to the European Cup triumph of season 1966-67. Top—John Clark, Johnstone, Jim Craig, Lennox, Charlie Gallagher; middle—Ronnie Simpson, John Hughes; bottom—Tommy Gemmill, McNeill, Steve Chalmers.



# WHEN EAST FIFE LED THE SCOTTISH LEAGUE

## Season of double over Celtic

How many times have East Fife finished above Celtic in the league? The answer may surprise many people, particularly younger Celtic supporters who have little or no knowledge of the Methil club's successful years of the late 1940's and early 1950's.

**The answer is four times, though there have been only 12 seasons in which the clubs have competed in the same division of the Scottish league.**

The first time East Fife finished higher in the table was season 1948-49 and that has been the only season in which they beat Celtic in the league at Celtic Park.

### Attendance of 55,000

The club who in those days played in black-and-gold striped shirts came to Parkhead in November, 1948, as champions of the second division. These were days of huge attendances and the records tell us that no fewer than 55,000 saw East Fife win 1-0 through a goal by their strong-shooting outside-left, Davie Duncan. The teams were :—

Celtic—Bonnar; McGuire, Milne; Evans, Boden, Baillie; Sirrell, Tully, Gallacher (J), Johnston, Paton

East Fife—Clark; Proudfoot, Stewart; Philp, Finlay, Aitken; Adams, Fleming, Morris, Brown, Duncan.

Referee—R. G. Benzies (Irvine).

One of those East Fife players will be on duty as the club's trainer today—Jimmy Philp.

On the night of that 1948 victory East Fife were top of the first division

(or as it was known then, Division A) with 14 points from nine games and Celtic were ninth with 9 points from 10 games. Remarkably, Celtic had reached that stage of the competition without having won a match at Parkhead!

East Fife recorded a league double over Celtic that season, for they won the Bayview Park match by 3-2.

### In the top league

East Fife were formed in 1903. This is their thirteenth season in the top league, and their previous placings have been :—

1930-31	17th	1953-54	6th
1948-49	4th	1954-55	11th
1949-50	4th	1955-56	12th
1950-51	10th	1956-57	15th
1951-52	3rd	1957-58	17th
1952-53	3rd	1971-72	16th

In 1948-49 Celtic were sixth, in 1949-50 they were fifth, in 1951-52 they were ninth, and in 1952-53 they were eighth.

Finishing third of the 16 clubs in 1952-53 has been East Fife's best league performance. They aggregated 39 points from their 30 games compared with the 43 points of Rangers and Hibernian, the first and second clubs.

# PLAYERS & OFFICIALS

## CELTIC

(from)

WILLIAMS  
McGRAIN  
HAY  
BROGAN  
MURDOCH  
McNEILL  
CONNELLY  
DALGLISH  
MACARI  
DEANS  
CALLAGHAN  
LENNOX  
HOOD

Referee:

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(Newport-on-Tay)

Linesmen:

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(Clydebank)

W. W. CAMPBELL  
(Irvine)

## EAST FIFE

(from)

GORMAN  
DUNCAN  
McQUADE  
HAMILTON  
MARTIS  
CLARKE  
BERNARD  
HEGARTY  
GREEN  
BORTHWICK  
McPHEE  
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## Quiz on East Fife

1. Can you name the East Fife team who won the Scottish Cup in 1938 when they beat Kilmarnock in the final?

2. A former Celtic player was manager of the East Fife team on that occasion; a former Celtic player was manager of Kilmarnock. Who were they?

3. Which of these East Fife footballers played for Scotland—Alan Brown, Sammy Stewart, Pat Quinn, John Martis, Jimmy Philp?

4. When did East Fife first play in the first division?

5. How many times have East Fife been second division champions?

6. In the team who beat East Fife in the final of the Scottish Cup in 1927 were two players who were winning a medal in their first season with Celtic. Who were they?

7. East Fife finished sixteenth in the first division last season. In which place in the Reserve League did they finish?

8. East Fife are the only club to have won the League Cup as a second division club. Give the year and their opponents.

9. When did East Fife last beat Celtic at Parkhead?

10. There were seven goals in last season's Scottish Cup final (Celtic 6, Hibernian 1). When last were there six goals in a Scottish Cup final in one match?

(Answers on page 9)

## FIRST DIVISION TABLE

	GOALS							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	
Dundee United	7	6	0	1	17	9	12	
Celtic	7	5	1	1	17	6	11	
Hibernian	7	5	0	2	14	7	10	
Aberdeen	7	3	3	1	13	7	9	
Dundee	7	3	3	1	9	6	9	
East Fife	7	4	1	2	14	11	9	
Ayr United	7	3	3	1	9	7	9	
Hearts	7	4	0	3	10	9	8	
Arbroath	7	2	4	1	9	9	8	
Rangers	7	3	1	3	9	9	7	
Falkirk	7	1	4	2	9	9	6	
Motherwell	7	2	2	3	11	18	6	
Partick Thistle	7	2	1	4	10	12	5	
Dumbarton	7	1	3	3	6	9	5	
St. Johnstone	7	1	2	4	9	12	4	
Morton	7	0	3	4	8	14	3	
Kilmarnock	7	1	1	5	9	20	3	
Airdrieonians	7	0	2	5	7	16	2	

# THE CELTIC SEASON SO FAR

## FIRST TEAM LEAGUE CUP

		F	A
Aug. 12	(a) Stirling Albion	3	0
" 16	(h) East Fife	1	1
" 19	(a) Arbroath	5	0
" 23	(a) East Fife	3	2
" 26	(h) Stirling Albion	3	0
" 28	(h) Arbroath (at Hampden)	3	3
Sept. 20	(a) Stranraer	2	1
Oct. 4	(h) Stranraer (second round)	5	2
Oct. 11	(a) Dundee (quarter final)	0	1

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Sept. 2	(h) Kilmarnock (at Hampden)	6	2
" 9	(a) Morton	2	0
" 16	(h) Rangers (at Hampden)	3	1
" 23	(a) Dundee	0	2
" 30	(h) Ayr United	1	0
Oct. 7	(h) Airdrieonians	1	1
" 14	(a) Partick Thistle	4	0

## EUROPEAN CUP

Sept. 13	(h) Rosenborg (at Hampden)	2	1
" 27	(a) Rosenborg (first round)	3	1

## SCORERS

11—Dalglish
9—Deans
6—Murdoch (5 pen.) Lennox
5—Macari, Hood
2—Davidson (V)
1—Johnstone, Hay
1—Own goal (Cargill, Arbroath)

## RESERVES LEAGUE CUP

Aug. 12	(h) Airdrieonians	1	1
" 14	(h) Ayr United	4	1
" 19	(h) Motherwell	2	3
" 24	(a) Ayr United	3	2
" 26	(a) Airdrieonians	8	1
" 30	(a) Motherwell	1	2

## 2ND ELEVEN CUP

Oct. 9	(a) Motherwell (first round)	2	0
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## LEAGUE

Aug. 22	(h) Dumbarton	4	0
Sept. 2	(a) Kilmarnock	2	3
" 15	(a) Rangers	3	1
" 23	(h) Dundee	3	2
" 30	(a) Ayr United	2	1
Oct. 6	(a) Airdrieonians	3	1
" 11	(h) Partick Thistle	5	6
" 17	(h) Falkirk	4	1

## SCORERS

8—Davidson (V), Hood
6—White
4—Wilson, Hancock, Lennox,
3—McLaughlin, McNamara, Deans
2—O'Hara
1—Balmer, Franchetti, McCluskey, Johnstone.

Spectators are asked to avoid hurrying in and around the ground especially when leaving after the match. They are also requested to co-operate with police and stewards in order to try to ensure an accident-free match.

Celtic Football Club wish to thank their supporters for their continuing good behaviour.

## JOCK STEIN SAYS (contd.)

### DECISION

Our decision to play the European Cup match at Celtic Park is based on the belief that we shall get the real advantage of being at home. When I say that I mean supporters as well as players. Some of the seats in the stand may not be as good as they might be if the weather is not fair, but we feel sure that our supporters will accept things in the true spirit.

It is significant that as the attendances have risen so has Celtic's football. This I am determined will only be the start of an upward trend in both attendance and entertainment.



# Previous League Games

Of the 12 previous league games between Celtic and East Fife at Celtic Park Celtic have won eight and drawn three. Last season a seriously handicapped East Fife side—their right half, Cairns, was ordered off late in the second half—went down 1-2 at Parkhead. The teams were :—

Celtic—Connaghan; Hay, Quinn; Callaghan, McNeill, Brogan; Johnstone, Dalglish, Deans, Hood, Wilson. Sub., Craig (not used).

East Fife—Gorman; Duncan, McQuade; Cairns, Martis, Clarke; Love, Honeyman, Hughes, Hamilton McPhee. Sub., Bernard (for Love, 76 min.).

Referee—P. Hunter (Falkirk).

“Dixie” Deans scored both Celtic goals; Joe Hughes scored for East Fife.

Today's is the second match this season at Celtic Park between Celtic and East Fife. The first was a League Cup sectional tie in August which was drawn 1-1, the goalscorers being

Kenny Dalglish for Celtic and Kevin Hegarty for East Fife. The return game a week later at Bayview resulted in a 3-2 win for Celtic through goals from Dalglish (2) and Bobby Lennox to two goals by Hegarty.

Only Celtic and Rangers have won the League Cup more often than East Fife, who like Hearts have been three times winners.

East Fife have won promotion to the first division three times—in 1930, 1948, and 1971.

East Fife beat Celtic in the league at Methil in six successive seasons from 1952-53 to 1957-58. In those six games they scored 22 goals and lost 6.

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## Answers to Quiz

1. Milton; Laird, Tait; Russell, Sneddon, Harvey; Adams, McLeod, McCartney, Miller, McKerrell.
2. Davie McLean, Jimmy McGrory.
3. Brown, Quinn (while with Motherwell), Martis (while with Motherwell).
4. 1930-31.
5. Once; 1947-48.
6. John Thomson and John McMenemy.
7. Sixteenth (of seventeen clubs).
8. 1947-48; Falkirk.
9. August, 1953; 1-0 in League Cup.
10. 1938; East Fife 4, Kilmarnock 2 (after extra time).

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<b>C</b> AYR UNITED ABERDEEN		<b>K</b> RAITH ROVERS DUNFERMLINE ATH.	
<b>D</b> DUNDEE KILMARNOCK		<b>L</b> ST. MIRREN MONTROSE	
<b>E</b> FALKIRK DUNDEE UNITED		<b>M</b> STRANRAER STIRLING ALBION	
<b>F</b> HEARTS MOTHERWELL		<b>N</b> CRYSTAL PALACE ARSENAL	
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