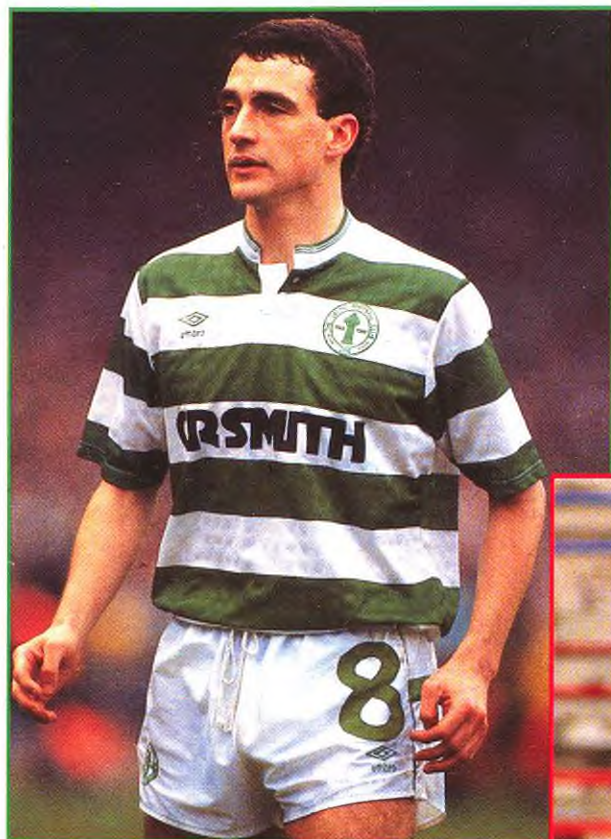


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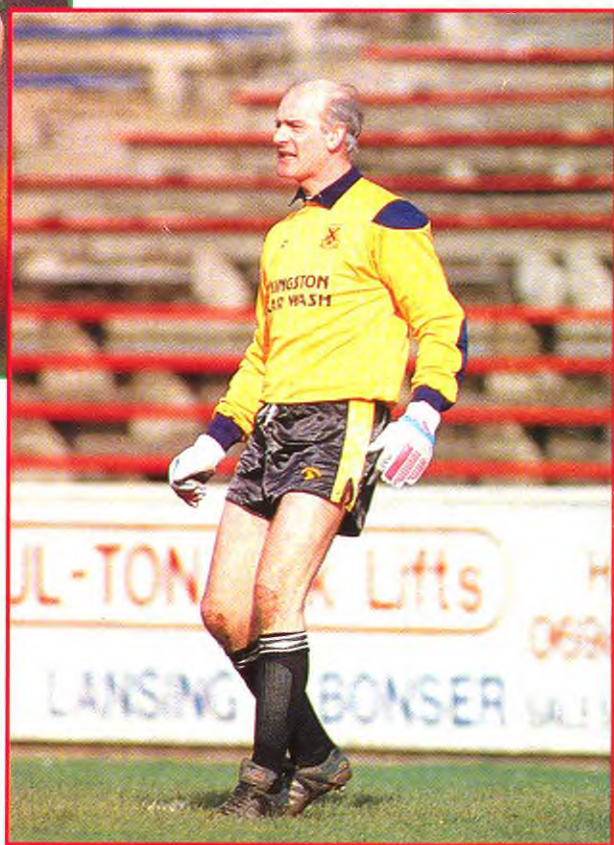
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Those 29 wins come from 45 final appearances in the 89 occasions they have competed in the competition.

That gathering of silverware is a record of astonishing consistency while in contrast Clydebank, formed only 25 years ago, are today making their baptism of fire in the penultimate stage.

But the desire for victory and a place in the final is such that even old hands in the Celtic squad will feel the flutter in the stomach just as much as the lads in the

Above: Hampden on Cup Final day. Today's semi-finalists will all be giving 100 per cent as they try to ensure reach they this year's final on May 12.

By John Quinn (Evening Times)

Kilbowie ranks.

Certainly when the final whistle sounded at Brockville, signalling quarter-final victory over Stirling Albion, the look of delight on the faces of the Bankies boys was worth preserving.

Success can sometimes be taken for granted by the big boys and their fans but for the Steedman family and their supporters it was the culmination of a dream, an appearance at Hampden against the holders.

Life was certainly sweet at that moment and regardless of what happens today it will not turn sour.

In the Celtic ranks Paul McStay will be looking to lead his troops to their first final under his captaincy.

And his two Polish team mates, Jacki Dziekanowski and Dariusz Wdowczyk, will be hoping to set themselves up for another cup winners medal to follow the one they got last year with Legia Warsaw.

Jacki, indeed, has set his heart on achieving a club hat-trick. As well as last year's award he has experienced the same winning feeling when with Widsaw Lodz five years ago.

Winning cups has become a way of life for the Parkhead players and their vast army of fans but today's match is the highlight of Clydebank's very existence.

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To the players and officials of the four clubs competing in today's semi-finals at Hampden and Tynecastle we offer our best wishes. Only two teams can realise their ambition of reaching the Tennents Scottish Cup Final and we look forward to welcoming them to Hampden Park on Saturday, 12 May, 1990.

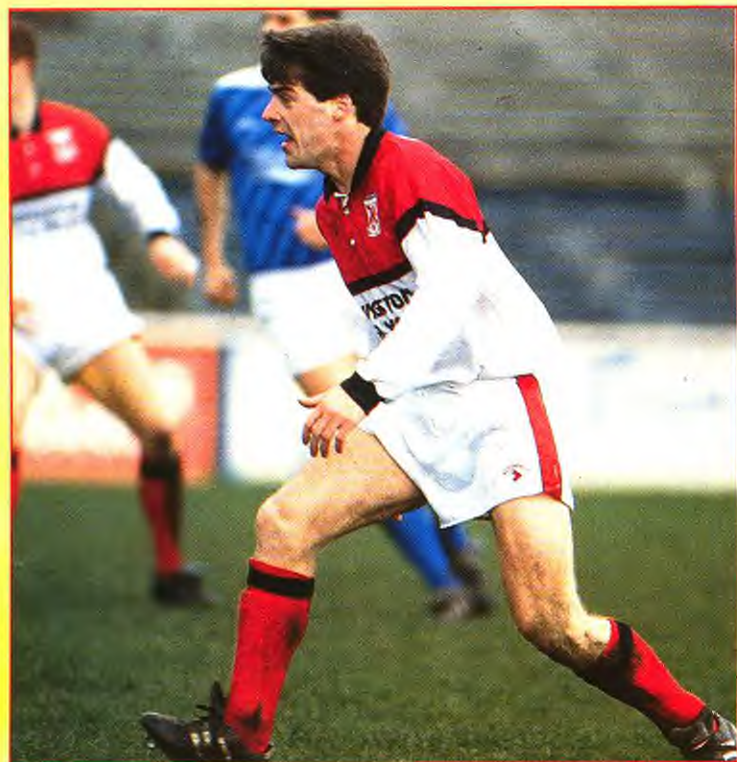
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Angus Meldrum (left) Marketing Director of Tennents and SFA President Peter Gardiner with the Tennents Scottish Cup.



This is Clydebank's biggest day...



Pat Kelly...scored the goal that put Clydebank through to the semi-finals of the Tennents Scottish Cup.

By Hugh Keavins (The Scotsman)

Clydebank's Jack Steedman, who would describe himself as having a "well chiselled if not exactly hard bitten" exterior yielded to an uncharacteristically emotional outburst and admitted that his club's achievement in getting to the semi-final of the Tennents Scottish Cup was the greatest moment of his life.

This was said outside the earshot of Mrs Steedman, the mother of their five children, but since two of them, Colin and Ian, are co-directors at Kilbowie Park they would doubtless have agreed that this was not an insensitive remark to make on what is also the occasion of the club's silver jubilee.

Outside of certain prominent members of the Royal Family, Jack Steedman is probably among the most titled in the land. He is effectively Clydebank's owner as well as the club's managing director and chief publicist. Control of the team has never passed from his hands, either, and he remains responsible for selection and substitutions on match days. All of this is done whilst being President of the Scottish Football League, of course.

Above all, though, Steedman is the man who had a vision of a senior club returning to the burgh of Clydebank and who endured civil proceedings and an occasionally un-civil response from the public to keep one there these past twenty five years.

A quarter of a century spent fighting to keep a team alive in the town has left no time for friveries. If Clydebank were to go on and win the Scottish Cup, the club would, for example, need to build a board room first of all before they could exhibit the trophy.

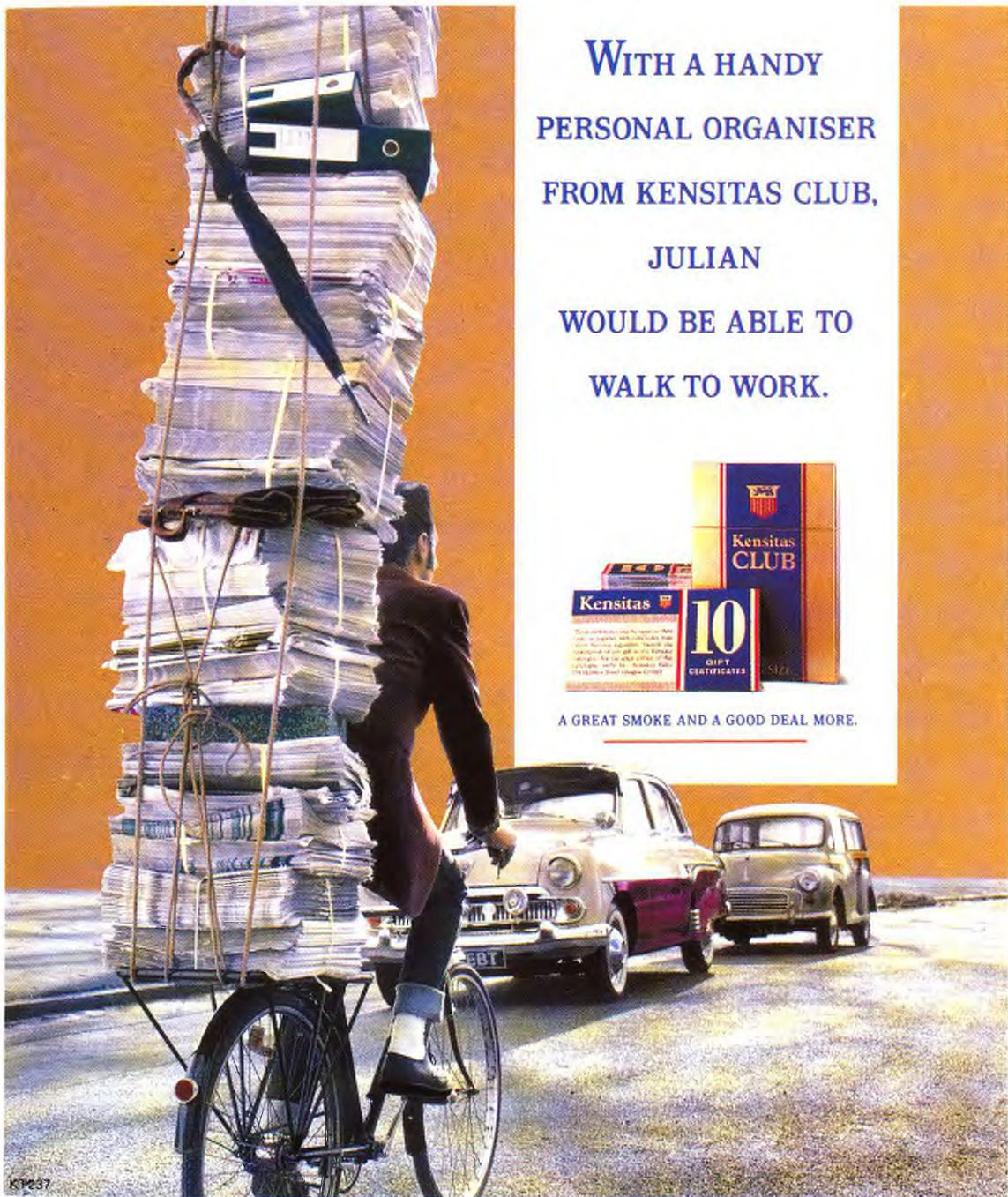
To appear in the last four for the first time in their history, though, sees Clydebank remaining true to their objective of setting themselves ever increasing standards and strenuously hoping that the gradual construction of a tradition of their own will ultimately breed a generation of committed

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Sean Sweeney...knows what it's like to watch Celtic from Hampden's concrete steps. Today, though, he will get a lesson in what it means to represent a big club in a game as important as this one.

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supporters in an area where apathy and allegiance to more famous sides has conspired against them.

Clydebank evolved from Steedman's earlier association with East Stirling. A side known as E.S. Clydebank then moved into Kilbowie Park in 1963, but it was only in June, 1965 that Clydebank F.C. came into being, playing their first games in the Combined Reserve League until they gained full membership of the Scottish League.

"In these days, it was possible for us to play Glasgow University and get a crowd of 4,000 at Kilbowie Park," recalled Steedman. "That meant Clydebank could pay the wages of the players from gate receipts. Today, our income from gates does not pay half our total wage bill for the season.

"Therefore, I have had cause to wonder every second day of these last twenty five years if I did the right thing in the first place. Getting to a Tennents Scottish Cup semi-final, particularly against Celtic at Hampden Park, is not about money, however. I never thought the day would ever dawn when Clydebank managed such a distinction and we are conscious of it being the greatest day of our lives, even if it is David against Goliath."

Clydebank's birth in 1965 coincided with the renaissance of Celtic's side, which was started by the man who will manage them today, Billy McNeill. In April, 1965, McNeill scored the goal that won Celtic the Scottish Cup Final against Dunfermline, giving them their first trophy for eight years.

To put Clydebank's task even more sharply into focus, from then until now, Celtic have won the Scottish Cup thirteen times in all.

Jim Fallon, Clydebank's coach, understands what awaits his players today in that case.

"What we are taking on, first and foremost, is heritage, Celtic's pride being always of supreme importance to them. Then there is history, Celtic, with 29 wins, having lifted the Scottish Cup more times than any other club. Last, but not least, there is Hampden Park itself. Over the years, Celtic have come

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to regard the national stadium as their second home but it is foreign territory to the vast majority of the Clydebank players whose only experience of the place will have been watching games from the terracing."

Only the veteran goalkeeper, Jim Gallagher, is old enough to have played at the national stadium for Clydebank against Queen's Park in a league match. Such as Pat Kelly, the Celtic supporter who scored the goal that took his team into the semi-finals, has never played on the ground before and could not have contemplated such an opportunity when he emigrated to South Africa last season because of disillusionment with the game.

Kelly, along with such as Sean Sweeney, knows what it is like to watch Celtic from Hampden's concrete steps. Today, though, they will get a lesson in what it means to represent a big club in a game as important as this one.

Fallon tells a story which perfectly sums up the professional discipline his side will first need to combat, and then attempt to match, this afternoon.

In January, 1974 Celtic met Clydebank at home in what was the first Scottish Cup tie ever played on a Sunday. Billy McNeill was still captain of a side that had gone through their previous five league matches without losing a goal. With sixty seconds of the third round tie remaining, Celtic were winning 6-0, meaning they had gone almost nine hours and scored a total of 24 goals for the loss of none.

It was then that Fallon himself, whose goals for Clydebank were conversation pieces only for those blessed with a long memory, scored just before the final whistle.

"Billy went mad with everyone he saw in green and white and yet the goal was completely irrelevant. He was such a professional, though,

he was annoyed at Celtic's record having been blemished. That is the kind of awesome club spirit Clydebank will be up against since Billy will, as a manager, be even more fiercely protective of Celtic's good name."

Fallon signed for Clydebank from Holy Cross High School, in Hamilton, in 1968, one of that group of players assembled by Steedman who went under the collective title of the "Bankie Babes". His signing on fee was £20 and, with the financial shrewdness for which he has attained almost legendary status, the managing director deducted from that the cost of a club blazer.

Nevertheless, Fallon stuck around to see how the story of the young club turned out.

"Clydebank are like Celtic in one respect and that is our philosophy that, no matter what, the game is best enjoyed by watching ball players and that is the only type we try to have in our team.

"Having said that, an experience like meeting Celtic at Hampden is one that may occur only very rarely in our careers. That is why we must enjoy the day and play our game as naturally as we can in order to help provide as entertaining a spectacle as possible.

"We have had our fair share of luck on the way to Hampden, getting a last minute goal at Love Street, to force a replay against St. Mirren and then surviving Stirling Albion at the second attempt after they played us off the park in the first game of the quarter final tie.

"Now we are at Hampden, though, we have the chance to put an unforgettable memory in the minds of young and impressionable supporters that will tie them to the club even more strongly and help make Clydebank even bigger over the course of our next twenty five years."

Celtic are aiming for their first-ever straight hat-trick of Scottish Cup Final wins this season to complement the legendary 9-in-a-row title triumphs in the club's record books.

Billy McNeill captained Celtic to those championship successes and as manager he has steered them to their epic Centenary year win over Dundee United and followed with year's success against Rangers.

But a sharp reminder not to be complacent about meeting First Division part-timers Clydebank in today's semi-final comes - from of all places - Parkhead!

Twelve months ago a similar David and Goliath clash was staged there when Rangers and St Johnstone met on neutral territory in the semis.

And one player today who won't need a reminder about what happened in that game is Bankie's striker Tommy Coyle.

He starred in Saints attack which shook the Gers by holding them to a goalless draw at Parkhead . . . when they were unlucky not to win.

Perth boss Alex Totten knows all about these sort of ties.

As assistant-manager of Rangers under Jock Wallace he helped take them to two league cup finals . . . and last season came close to an upset with an unfancied side in the Scottish.

"And there's no need to tell a manager like Billy McNeill, who has been over the course many times, that cup games against the smaller teams are a different ball game from meeting sides from your own level.

"The Bankies will be all fired up for their big day . . . just as we were a year ago."

"It was the highlight of our

Celtic looking for three in a row

season - probably of many seasons - and the players relished the razzamataz".

"Even just being taken away to a hotel to prepare made them walk that bit taller".

"The media attention they received added to the excitement and they were really geared-up by the time they got to Parkhead".

"Everybody told us that being involved in the semi-final was our Final".

Maybe it was . . . but we still wanted to be in the final itself and we weren't far off that".

Totten added: "But Billy has loads of Cup experience and he'll have his players well-briefed to know what to expect".

"The Bankies like Celtic are a good attacking team and they'll be out to make their first semi-final appearance a day to remember".

"But at this stage of the competition the smaller club only gets one bite of the cherry".

"If we don't succeed with the first bite then the Premier Division team's got to be fancied for the replay".

"They don't slip up twice!"

Coyle - whose brother Owen, now with Airdrie, has been given a Republic Of Ireland call-up - finds himself in the rare position of having faced both Old Firm clubs in Scottish Cup semis in successive seasons.

"He has proved he can score goals and he'll be eager to make an impact in this particular game," says his old boss.

For Celtic the experience of a big game at Hampden will be a novelty for Polish ace Dariusz Wdowczyk and Jacki Dziekanowski though they have Cup medals from their native country.

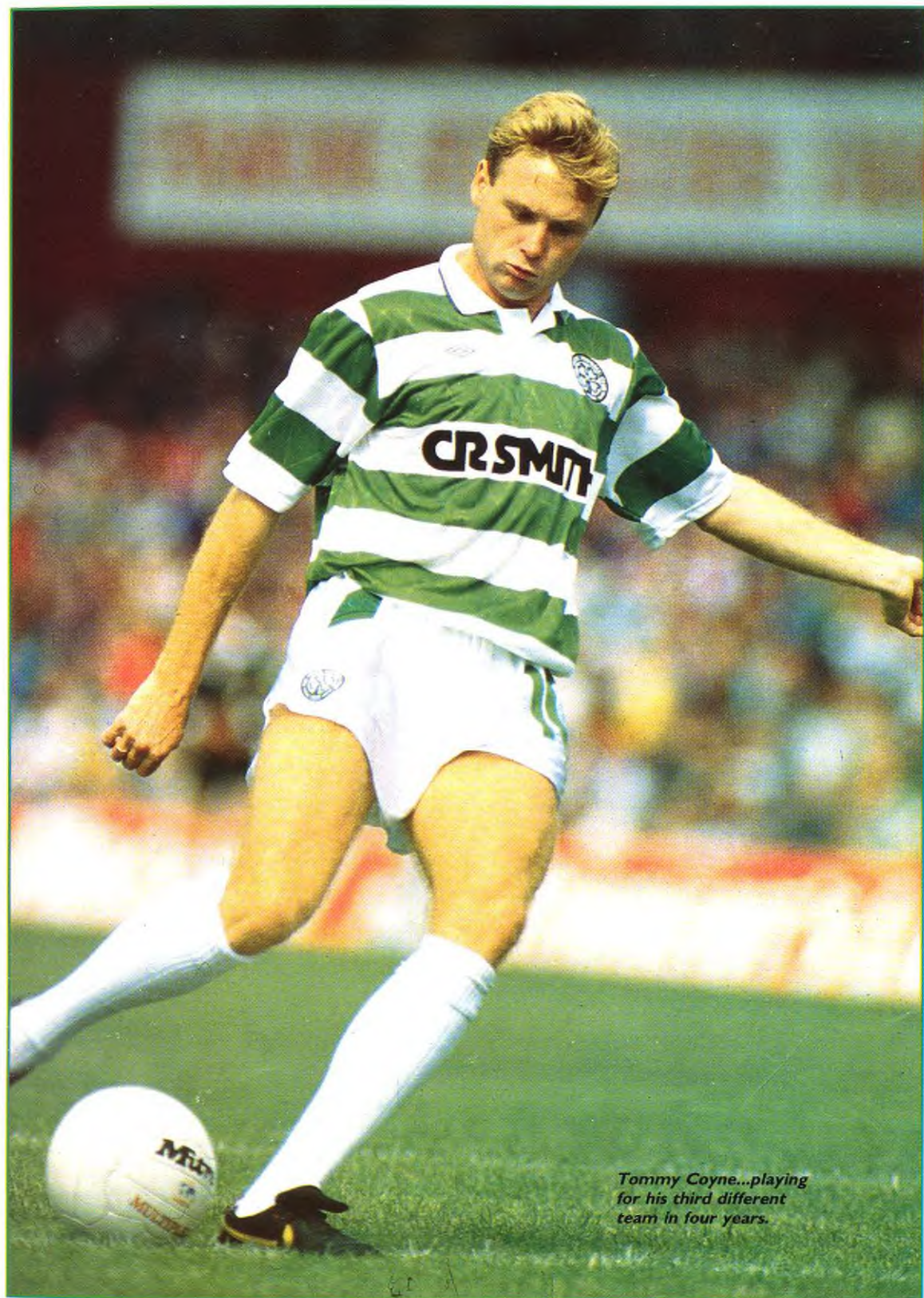
Most of the others are old hands when it comes to the Cup . . . and Celtic goal hero Tommy Coyne finds himself playing for his third different team in four years in the later stages of the tournament.

As a Dundee United player, he first figured in the quarter-finals, scoring a goal for them.

The following season he had moved across the street to Dens Park and enjoyed a good scoring run with six cup goals to help Dundee to the semi-

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By Martin Frizell (News Of The World)



*Tommy Coyne...playing
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finals against his former teammates.

But in a thriller at Tynecastle, Dundee were pipped for a place in what turned out to be Celtic's Centenary Year Final.

Now Coyne gets his chance of glory . . . and - like his near-namesake Tommy Coyle - football has once again thrown up a coincidence.

Because Coyne started his career way back in 1981 with Clydebank before leaving Kilbowie Park for pastures new.

But before moving on, he played in a Scottish Cup tie for the Bankies - against Celtic.

That third round tie was at Kilbowie on January 28, 1982, with Celtic notching-up a 3-0 victory.

Tommy will be facing a colleague on this occasion - the evergreen Jim Gallagher who at 39 is still the Bankies' hero.

But he will be hoping for a better score-line than the previous encounter when Charlie Nicholas scored twice and George McCluskey got the other goal.

The teams were:

Clydebank - Gallagher, Treanor, Fallon, McGhie, Given, Gervaise, Ronald, Hughes, McCabe, Williamson, Coyne.

Celtic - Bonner, McGrain, Aitken, McAdam, Reid, MacLeod, McStay, (Sullivan), Provan, Nicholas, McCluskey, McGarvey.

Celtic have only come close to a Hampden hat-trick of final victories twice before . . . and are determined to make it this time.

It will be a season to savour for Paul McStay if Celtic go on to win the trophy.

The Quiet Man of Parkhead was handed the captaincy when Roy Aitken decided to go off to England, and it was a promotion that was questioned in some quarters.



Mike Galloway...will be well-briefed on what to expect.

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But having been plunged in at the deep end, McStay has shown that he can handle the job and, more importantly, that it doesn't effect his performances as Celt's midfield maestro.

He's too polite a guy to have

the last laugh on anyone . . . but if there's a grin as wide as the pitch on his face when he goes up to collect the trophy on Cup Final day, the 12th May, the message will have got through.

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1976-77				1981-82				1985-86			
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Hearts	0	Rangers	2	Aberdeen	3	St Mirren	2	Dundee Utd	0	Hearts	1
Celtic	2	Dundee	0		(after 1-1 draw)			Hibernian	0	Aberdeen	3
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1978-79				1983-84				1987-88			
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Rangers	1	Partick Thistle	0		(after 1-1 draw)			Dundee	1	Aberdeen	0
FINAL				FINAL				FINAL			
Rangers	3	Hibernian	2	Rangers	0	Aberdeen	1		(after second replay)		
(After two 0-0 draws)				(after extra time)				(after second replay)			
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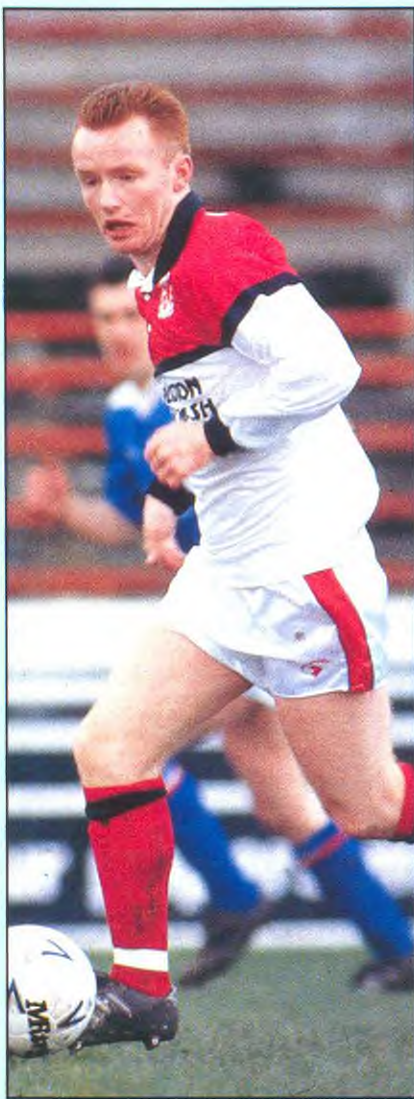
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☆ BEING successful in a Scottish Cup semi-final means the spectacle of a Scottish Final in May and the possibility of a great ending to the season. Failure to progress, however, can leave players with a feeling that their season is at an end. Gary Mackay of Heart of Midlothian is one player who has experienced what it means to be involved in a semi-final. Here he talks about the feeling of being 'so near yet so far'...

Hearts' internationalist Gary Mackay would pinpoint his winning goal for Scotland against Bulgaria in the European championship as one of the choice moments in his career - and prefer to forget his experience in recent Scottish Cup semi-finals.

"I feel it's like a kick in the teeth when you lose a semi," says Gary. "Nobody likes coming second in a final, either, but you are happy to be involved in the decider and the medal ensures you have something by which to remember the occasion.

When we lost to St. Mirren three years ago, Hearts were clear favourites to reach the final, allowing for the fact that we were understrength through suspensions.

John Robertson had been sent off in the previous round of the Cup at Brockville and he topped double figures in penalty points to be counted out of the semi. Walter Kidd, Brian Whittaker and Neil Berry were not available either but we were not really concerned with those setbacks and I thought we had sufficient cover to keep it going.

"It was not a good game, especially for us, and though I took some delight in scoring my only goal at Hampden to bring the game level, we went out to Frank McGarvey's winner.

"If Hearts had held out for a replay, we could not have played as poorly again. It was very disappointing because we had let down our supporters.

"I think most players would agree that it is a heartbreak to go so close and then fail. And the



Gary Mackay... "like a kick in the teeth when you lose a semi".

worst aspect in 1987 was knowing what a chance we had missed with neither Rangers nor Celtic involved in the semi-finals.

"Perhaps there is something to be said for being underdogs once you reach the last four in the Scottish Cup. Today, for instance, the pressure will be on Celtic and Aberdeen to qualify for the final

and that could work in favour of their opponents."

Gary enjoyed the satisfaction of actually winning a semi in the previous season when Hearts overcame Dundee Utd to face Aberdeen in the showdown match. But that turned out to be another non-starter for the Tynecastle side in view of what happened to them in their final league game.

Hearts had gone months without defeat and the league title seemed to be at their mercy on that fateful afternoon at Dens Park. Illness struck the dressing room and the draw that would have given them a passport into the Champions Cup eluded

them in the closing minutes as Dundee scored twice to let Celtic take the flag on goal difference.

Explained Gary: "We were still numbed from the shock of surrendering the championship and I doubt if the Hearts players had any chance of recovering from such a stunning blow as the defeat at Dundee.

Aberdeen won comfortably in

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By Stewart Brown (Edinburgh Evening News)



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the final and it meant we had a terrible finish to a season that had promised so much. With only eight days to go, there was the prospect of a Cup and League double and it was all whipped away from us."

Two years ago the redoubtable Hearts were back on the Cup trail and looked set for their second final in four years as they went into the last few minutes leading Celtic by a Brian Whittaker goal.

But Celtic never give up until the final whistle has sounded and their furious pressure found a weakness in Hearts' defence. Mark McGhee, who had become the scourge of the Gorgie side before his move to Newcastle, equalised and Andy Walker snapped up the winner from another error.

Hearts were victims of 'semi-itis' yet again and it was positively no consolation to the players that they beat Celtic 2-1 on the following Saturday with goals from Gary Mackay and Mike Galloway.

There was some speculation about Hearts and Hibs meeting in their first semi final for 89 years when the Prime Minister, Margaret

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So good, indeed, that the winner of this season's Tennents Scottish Cup could take more than £50,000.

Dundee United lead the way with £17,300 from the ties so far played, followed closely by Aberdeen, Clydebank and Celtic - the last two having played an extra tie each.

It's conceivable that any one of the four will take more than £50,000.

The four semi-finalists will receive an additional £9000, while the winners of the Cup will get a massive £30,000 in addition to the total already won.

The losers will get £15,000 in the final, but be on your best behaviour on the big day - a caution will cost £1500 and an ordering off £3000. So beware!

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ABERDEEN: 3rd Round - £4,500; 4th round - £6,000; 5th Round -£5,600. Total - £16,100.

DUNDEE UNITED: 3rd Round - £5,000; 4th round - £6,000; 5th Round - £6,300. Total - £17,300.

CELTIC: 3rd Round - £5,000; 4th round* - £3,600; 5th Round -£6,300. Total - £14,900.

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* Over two ties.

Thatcher, made the draw before the quarter finals.

But Aberdeen and Dundee United ensured that the debate over where such a game might be played was not allowed to become

a serious problem. Even one semi-final place was beyond the Capital clubs but, at least, the players of Hearts and Hibs will not encounter the grim experience this time of semi-final drop-outs!

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THE BOSSES

The often used description "great club servant" could have been written specifically for Billy McNeill and Jim Fallon.

For if ever a cap fitted it was this one to the men who have masterminded the paths to today's semi-final stage.

Between them, these two great examples of one club loyalty amassed a total of 1606 games.

The Celtic stalwart pulled on the Parkhead strip on 831 occasions while the man who is now coach to the team that has been his life took part in 775 games for the Bankies.

There, however, the similarity ends for while Billy won every honour available to him, including a record seven Scottish Cup winners medals with the club, Jim's honours were more modest although, it must be said, equally meritorious.

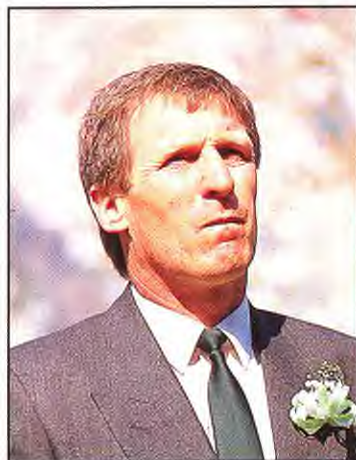
The man, who was as familiar in a Clydebank jersey to the riverside townspeople of the famous Burgh as the Old Singer's Clock used to be, started his love affair with the Bankies in 1967.

That was only two years after the formation of the club, and he remained with them until retiring to take up a coaching position at Kilbowie four years ago.

There were many proud moments, not the least of



Jim Fallon (Clydebank)



Billy McNeill (Celtic)

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them being his testimonial match in October 1983 when he scored Bankies' third goal from the spot in a 5-3 defeat by . . . Celtic.

Meanwhile Billy McNeill was adding to his honours as Celtic manager after a playing career that spanned the years 1957-75.

The honours list of the man known as Caesar is almost endless with championship and League Cup medals galore.

But he has a special affection and affinity for the national cup competition.

After two unsuccessful attempts he finally made the winners' rostrum in 1965, appropriately enough scoring the winner against

Dunfermline.

He later trod the same steps to receive the trophy in '67, '69, '71, '72, '74 and last of all in 1975.

Whisper it, however, he picked up the runners up medal on five other occasions, '61, '63, '66, '70, and '73.

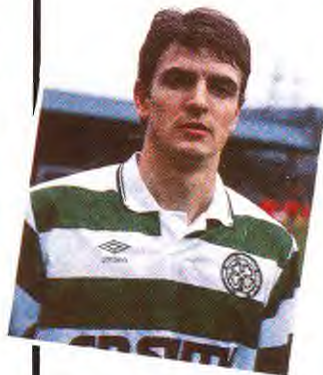
And when he held the Cup aloft in 1975 after the 3-1 win over Airdrie he chose that day to announce his retirement.

Since then, of course, he has won the Cup three more times as manager and now stands only two games away from achieving yet another landmark of three final wins in a row. A feat that has escaped them despite a record 29 wins.

By John Quinn (Evening Times)



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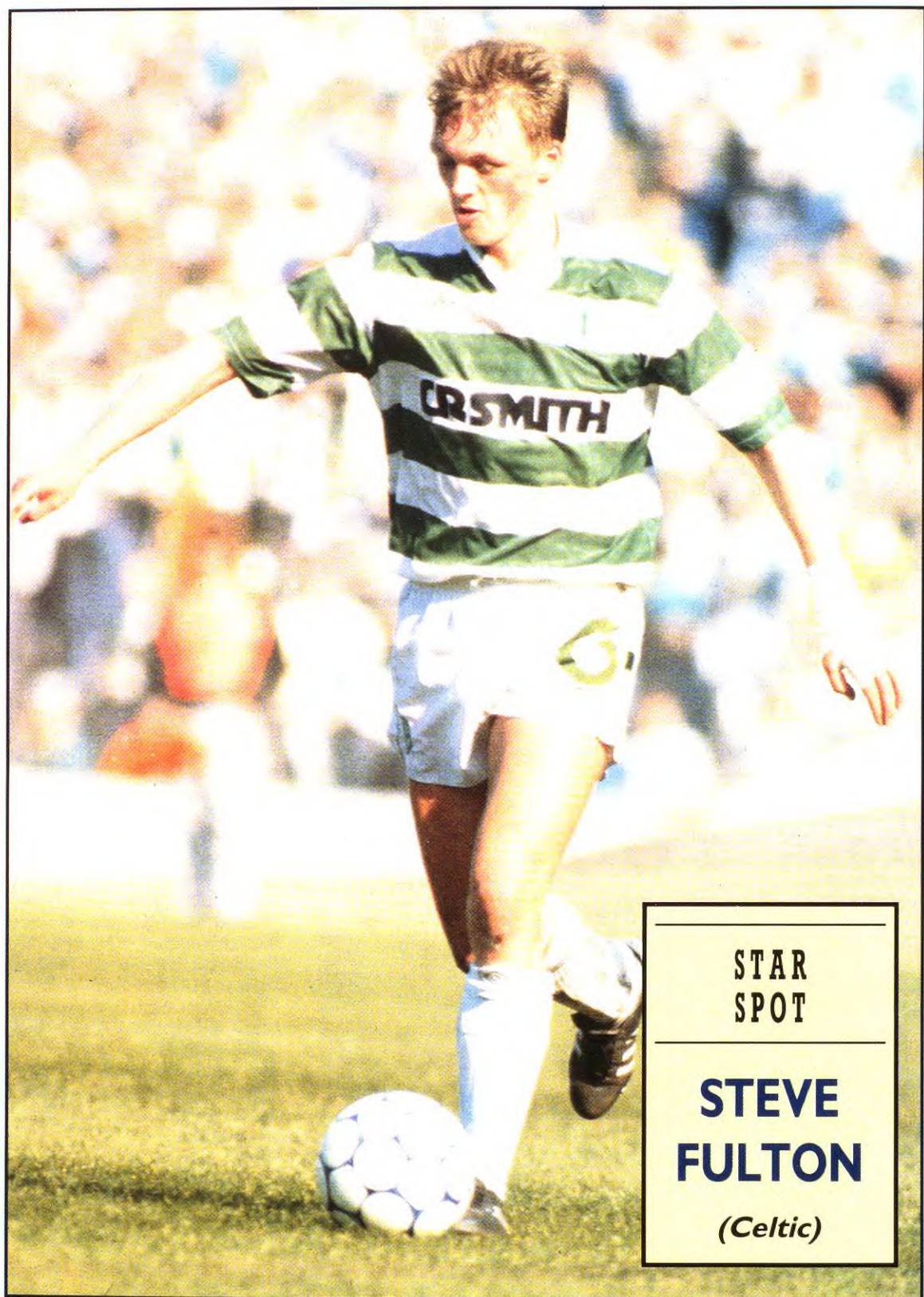


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(Celtic)

Arguably the happiest - and possibly the most relieved - player at windswept Brockville Park in Falkirk on a Wednesday night last month at the end of the replay of the Tennents Scottish Cup tie between Clydebank and Stirling Albion was Ken Eadie.

Clydebank had just beaten the Second Division side thanks to a late goal from Pat Kelly and ended the personal nightmare of Bankies striker Eadie who had the unusual distinction of 'sitting this one out'.

In the first tie, which had ended in a 1-1 draw at Kilbowie Park the previous Saturday, Eadie had suffered the embarrassment of being sent off. He admits: "It was almost unbearable sitting watching my team-mates battle for a place in the semi-final. I so wanted to be part of it."

The end result, however, was that Clydebank stepped into their first semi-final of the Scottish Cup against Celtic and Eadie and his teammates are now enjoying one of the biggest days of their footballing lives.

Eadie, a manager of a plant hire company in Edinburgh, drives twice a week along the M8 from the Capital City to train at Kilbowie. And then it is back into the car again on a Saturday to meet up with his teammates for match day.

At 29, this is now his 10th season at senior level, having been with Kilmarnock, Brechin and Falkirk before arriving at Clydebank.

He points out: "In all that time I have missed playing at only four grounds...Stair Park at Stranraer, Ochilview Park, Stenhousemuir, Shielfield Park, Berwick, and HAMPDEN PARK.

"Turning out in this semi-final tie at Hampden Park is a milestone in my career, and certainly the highlight so far.

Yet, it has been a testing time for us to get to this stage in the competition, and I must admit at times it looked as if we would not be here.

"One of the other nervous ninety minutes for me was when we were at Coatbridge to play Albion Rovers. I missed that one, too, because of flu

By Bill Marwick



Ken Eadie...now in his 10th season at senior level.

Today is highlight of Ken's career

and I spent the afternoon in front of the television continually switching over to Ceefax to watch the score flashes.

"When the draw was made for the next round we did not know whether or not St.Mirren

would be our eventual opponents, but we were not too perturbed. We had the confidence from beating them in the Cup two years previously and drew from that."

Earlier in the season Eadie had an outstanding partnership with Owen Coyle, but that striking duo was parted when the Republic of Ireland under 21 internationalist moved to Airdrie on a £180,000 deal. Eadie's present contract expires at the end of this season but thoughts of the future are forgotten at the moment as he savours the occasion

of a Tennents Scottish Cup semi-final tie.

"The Clydebank support have been kind to me since I arrived at the club, and I have taken to them. No doubt that was helped by the fact that I

“The fact that the supporters have been on my side at all times has been a marvellous boost for me”

got away to a scoring start for I seem to remember that I collected five goals in my first four games.

“I was on target in my first game against Meadowbank, and then it was onto the Tennents Scottish Cup-tie against St.Mirren where, like the time we meet them last month, I got two.

“The fact that the supporters have been on my side at all times has been a marvellous boost for me. That is particularly important for a striker for there are always times when the goals do not come. Yet they have never attacked me and have been very patient.”

Eadie now wants to repay that faith and understanding on the biggest Cup day yet for Clydebank, but he refers to a wider issue when he points out, “We are here to prove that the First Division is a good division. We have been told that we are a really good footballing side and we want to live up to that.”

And Eadie has the example of the Falkirk side in which he played a few seasons ago. They looked down and out and ready to slide from the Premier Division to the First Division when they went to Parkhead and beat Celtic with a result which shocked Scottish football. Another shock like that would be very acceptable to this enthusiastic striker.



Ken Eadie in action.

If, for the sake of argument, Irish and English players are excluded, relatively few foreign players have become familiar figures around Parkhead over the years.

In recent years the much capped Icelandic star, Johannes Edvaldsson, proved one exciting example of influence from abroad while, from entirely different eras, men like Dane Bent Martin and Jamaican Gil Heron made an impact on the first team. A couple of Brazilians once had a stint at Parkhead, too, but generally it has been home grown material that has formed the base of Celtic teams.

The trawling for players in western Europe has now become quite common, of course, but when Celtic recently joined in the more pioneering work behind the Iron Curtain (as it used to be called), they could not be accused of going at it half-heartedly.

The two men brought from Poland by manager Billy McNeill were fully fledged proven professionals, costing more than a million pounds.

Jacki Dziekanowski, a striker of impressive skills, has been capped more than fifty times for his country and it did not take him long to demonstrate his ability to cope with the demands of a different type of game in the Premier Division. His compatriot, Dariusz Wdowczyk, was also much capped and had gained a reputation that resulted in a collection of European clubs competing for his signature. His technique, especially his masterly striking of the ball, has already ensured him of a high rating in this country.

Between them, the two Poles have had a big influence on the Parkhead play this season and their contribution to the team's arrival at this stage of the Tennent's Scottish Cup has been considerable.

Yet there will be better and more to be seen from these skilled and mature players, as their manager has pointed out on a few occasions. The learning of the language, currently going on at a

By Ian Paul (*Glasgow Herald*)

CELTIC'S FOREIGN POLICY PAYING OFF...

fair rate, is a priority in their improvement as Premier Division players.

It may be true that football is essentially an instinctive game but there is a great deal of communication between players that can affect a team's performance. So far Jacki - who is further ahead in the English learning course than his colleague who did not arrive in this country until the season was well on its way - and Dariusz have managed splendidly but once they master the lingo they are bound to do even better.

"It shows up in little things, like not being able to let us know how clearly they are hurt when they take a knock," said McNeill, "Both of them are inclined just to get on with playing but sometimes they can aggravate an injury and prove worse in the long run."

McNeill and his assistants have worked hard during training stints with the new men, getting them accustomed to some of the football jargon but this takes time. Meanwhile the Poles continue to play it by instinct, rather than ear.

They are doing not too badly at that and their delight if Celtic go on to win the trophy will be just as easy to detect as in any of the local heroes.

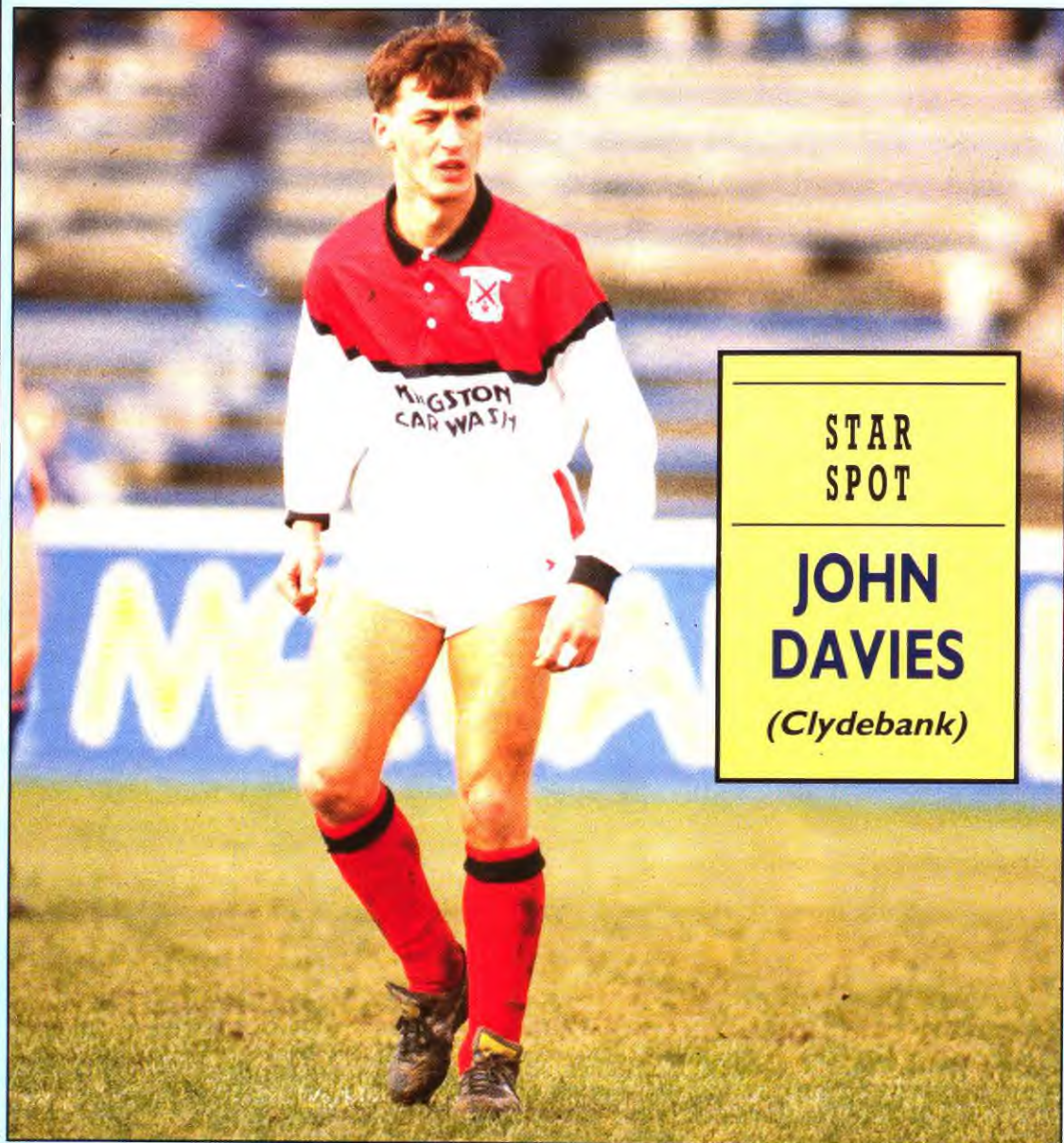
Dziekanowski for one will not be complacent about facing a team from the First Division. "Every game in Scotland is difficult, whatever league the team comes from. I learned this when I played a friendly in Inverness early on and it was the same again when we played Forfar in the Cup".

It was in that tie at Station Park that he scored one of the great goals of the season. In his first visit to Hampden with Celtic today he would settle for similar . . . and so would his many fans among the Parkhead faithful. Jim Gallagher in the Clydebank goal might, of course, take a rather different view.

Either way it is likely that foreigners will have something to say about the destination of the Cup this season. If it happens to be in Polish it will come as no surprise to fans from the east end of Glasgow.

Right: Jacki Dziekanowski...a striker of impressive skills, he has been capped more than fifty times for his country.





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