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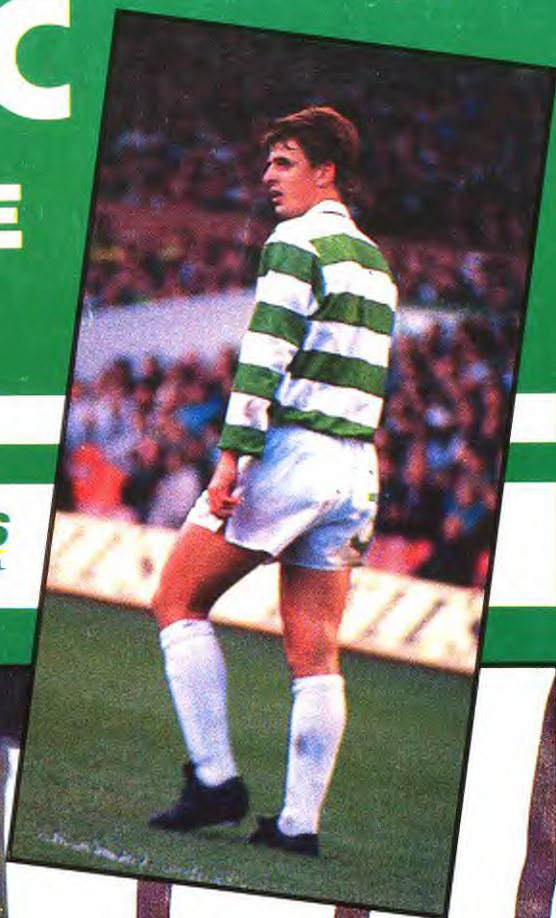
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# WE ARE THE CAUSE OF OUR OWN DOWNFALL

LAST weekend, we suffered a deeply disappointing experience against Dundee United and that one performance encapsulated much of what has been wrong this season.

For all three United goals, I believe, were readily avoidable and caused by our own errors, an ingredient which has, sadly, punctuated our play all season and caused us severe difficulties.

I felt that we started last Saturday's game very positively and, in the first 20 minutes, looked capable of producing an excellent performance.

But at that stage we lost a goal which not only gave United the opportunity to take the initiative but, because of the type of error which caused it, proved a confidence-shattering blow.

Unfortunately, it is a situation which has been repeated throughout this season. All too often we have been self-defeating and denying ourselves the opportunity to make headway.

No amount of planning can legislate for this but we must work to eradicate the flaws in our play which are causing us to deflate ourselves rather than our

opponents inflicting damage on us.

At this particular moment, we are far from the team we are capable of being and until we get our game in order we must accept the criticisms exercised.

However, I must stress that everyone here at Celtic Park is feeling just as hurt by recent results as our supporters who can rest assured that we will

be working as hard as humanly possible to redress our current predicament.

With that in mind, we had a full scale work-out at Ayr on Tuesday night to allow some players to sharpen their match fitness after injury while allowing others the chance to lay claims to first team inclusion.

Today marks our last home game before Christmas and, with that in mind, I would like to wish all our supporters a

happy and enjoyable festive period.

We hope to give them an early Christmas present with a win over Dunfermline this afternoon and a performance which we hope will mark the beginning of a successful run to promote our league challenge.



## THE BOSS SPEAKS OUT

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League Cup Winners (9 times)

1957, 1958, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1975, 1982.

Empire Exhibition Cup: 1938.

St. Mungo Cup: 1951.

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European Cup: 1967.

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**TWENTY**-year-old James Grant from Dunlop Street, Westburn, Cambuslang sent us his poem commemorating the birth and rise of Celtic and is this week's Poet's Corner winner.

*A vision born so long ago inside a brother's mind,  
To seek out men and build a team the finest he could find,  
From one to 11 he numbered them and coached them in the game,  
All that remained for him to do was give his team a name,  
The colours chosen green and white to represent his side,  
Watching them display their skills his heart filled with pride,  
He knew his team was ready to play watching them train one morn',  
The date, 1888, and the Glasgow Celts were born.  
From Empire to Coronation Cup victories they came,  
Never in his wildest thoughts did that brother dream such fame,  
They won leagues, Scottish Cups, flags and pennants too,  
Glasgow Cups and trophies to mention but a few,  
This team became a legend as anyone can tell,  
When in 1967 they conquered Europe as well,  
Over a hundred years have passed since that brother had his dream,  
Up in heaven now he probably sits and talks with Big Jack Stein,  
Of days gone by and to come their voices will fill with pride,  
Knowing they were part of the history of this Glasgow Celtic side.*

by James Grant

Any other scribes wishing to see their Celtic poems in print should write to the address at the bottom of the page.

# 'T I C TALK...

JUST to prove there is no bias towards teenagers in our Gallery slot — most of our recent winners seem to have been from this age bracket — today we feature the work of one of our younger readers.

He is Liam McCabe, aged seven, from Scotstoun Road, Cowie in Stirling.

The unmissable figure of Celtic and Republic of Ireland goalkeeper Pat Bonner is the subject of Liam's coloured pencil drawing and, as is so often the case, Pat is also the artist's favourite Celt.

If you would like your drawing displayed in the programme Gallery we want to hear from you at the address given at the foot of the page.

In particular, drawings or paintings of players left to feature in the slot would be most welcome.

So how about your artistic impressions of Gerry Creaney or Dariusz Wdowczyk? Or maybe Anton Rogan or Joe Miller? Indeed there are still so many as yet unfeatured players to choose from ... so get drawing!



## Are you a lucky winner?

DON'T FORGET to check inside your programme this afternoon for one of the eight special invitations to enjoy a unique Celtic night out.

For eight lucky recipients will receive a meal in The Walfrid Restaurant followed by a tour of the trophy rooms and the opportunity to talk informally with a top club official.

These evenings have proved immensely popular with previous winners who, as well as being treated to an evening of hospitality, have also had their group photograph featured in the Celtic View.

So if you are one of the lucky eight, you know that a memorable time awaits ...

VIDEOS have become very popular presents to give at Christmas and Celtic's two most recent additions to their video catalogue look set to make a double bulge in many supporters' Christmas stockings.

For many people are taking the opportunity to purchase Hail! Hail! Old Firm Classics and The Bryan Robson Testimonial Video almost as a set.


Hail! Hail! Old Firm Classics is sure to be an enduring favourite with Celtic supporters featuring, as it does, some of the best goals and best games against Rangers in the last 25 years.

The Bryan Robson Testimonial Video seems destined also to serve an important part in the annals of Celtic folklore as a reminder of the tremendous following which the club attracts.

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ANTON ROGAN.....	221
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PETER GRANT.....	201
GERRY CREANEY.....	185
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STEVE FULTON.....	152
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LEX BAILLIE.....	85
ANDY WALKER.....	57
PAUL McLAUGHLIN.....	55
JOHN HEWITT.....	43



## CELTIC BOYS' CLUB

### Players of the Month for November

Under-16s Alan Bonar  
Under-15s Michael McDermott  
Under-14s Jim Laughlan  
Under-13s Kevin Markey  
Under-12s Paul Leddie

Judges: *GERRY GALLAGHER, BILLY McNEILL, HARRY HYNDS, TOM GRANT.*

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