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A FIRM BASE ON WHICH TO BUILD

A QUICK glance at the Premier Division table is enough to explain to anyone just how important today's match is.

Our visitors from Perth are four points ahead of us, having played one game more, and presently occupy the fourth spot in the table which should earn a spot in next season's UEFA Cup competition.

So we go into today's encounter in the knowledge that a victory would move us to within a couple of points of Alex Totten's side and with a game in hand.

We received a boost from our midweek Scottish Cup performance against St Mirren which came after a three-and-a-half week spell without a competitive first team game.

It was always going to be a tricky tie for us but all the more so because of the length of our lay-off before it.

I was a little worried over the prospects beforehand and would certainly not deny that fortune shone on us in the early stages.

We were presented with a quick own goal opener then St Mirren missed a couple of chances before we took advantage of some good play to move into a commanding lead inside the first quarter.

We went on to play some sparkling stuff and, by half-time, I felt that we were not flattered by the scoreline.

The second half was an anticlimax but the match will have done as much for our match fitness as for our confidence and, at the end of the day, we progressed comfortably to the quarter-finals.

Everybody knew the importance of a win

against St Mirren and the same is the case today.

I have tremendous admiration for what Alex Totten and his side have achieved in their first term back in the Premier Division.

They signalled their arrival with that incredible 5-0 defeat of Aberdeen and have maintained a consistently high level of performance since then.

They too have been affected by the recent bad weather which disrupted the league programme and a couple of narrow midweek defeats

for them have enabled us to move back into a challenging position.

Our meetings with the Perth side so far this season have resulted in a 0-0 draw at Celtic Park and a 3-2 defeat for us at McDiarmid Park.

The latter result came in December at a time when we were cutting our own throats with the loss of avoidable early goals.

On that occasion, we were 2-0 behind inside six minutes and, though we fought back in some style, it proved just too great an obstacle to overcome.

However, with just one goal conceded in

our last five games, we seem to have sorted out the worst of our defensive problems and this gives us a firm base on which to build good results.

I will be looking for a similar achievement today though I am sure that the fans will enjoy an entertaining spectacle between two sides committed to attractive, attacking football.



THE BOSS SPEAKS OUT

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Scottish Cup Winners (29 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, 1985, 1988, 1989.

League Cup Winners (9 times)

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

Empire Exhibition Cup: 1938.

St. Mungo Cup: 1951.

Coronation Cup: 1953.

European Cup: 1967.

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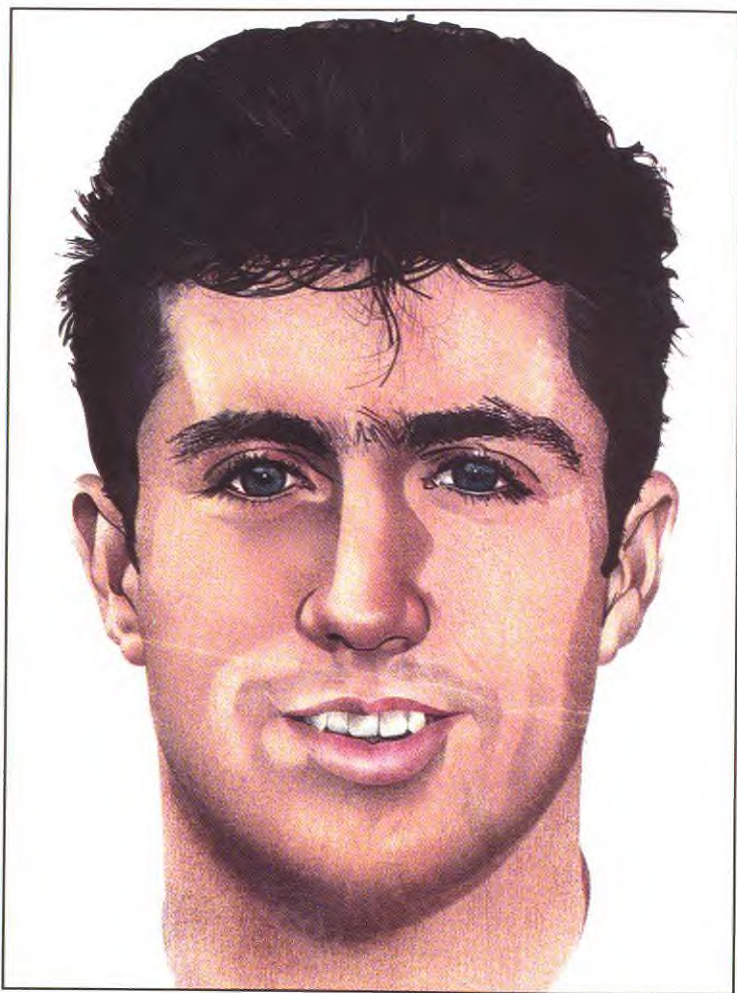
WE make no apologies for increasing the space given over to the Gallery offering for today because the quality of the drawing fully merits a larger reproduction.

There have been many excellent works sent to the Celtic View office but the John Collins portrait in today's issue has surely not been bettered.

Lorraine Petro from Helensburgh was encouraged to reproduce the popular midfielder's likeness by her husband Steven, a keen supporter with the Lomond CSC.

Remember, if you know someone with artistic talents and an interest in Celtic, prompt them to send in a sample of their work for the Gallery slot to the address printed at the foot of the page.

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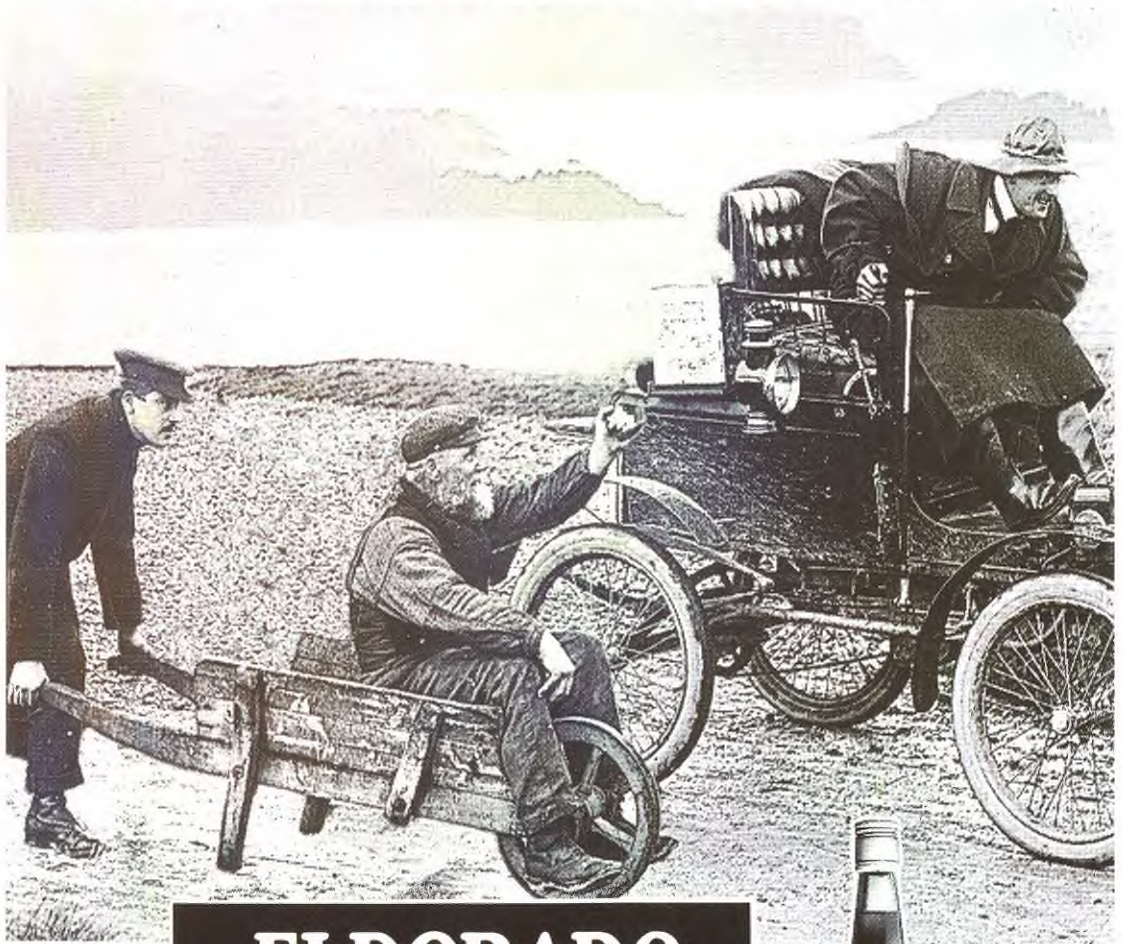
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Lord Justice Taylor in his Final Report into the Hillsborough Stadium Disaster.

Fourteen Scottish Football League clubs have built family areas with help from The Football Trust and a number have made special provision for supporters with disabilities. Three have launched comprehensive community programmes using a Trust funded full sized artificial pitch for local use. In addition, the Trust has developed a further eleven similar community projects in partnership with Scottish local authorities.

The Football Trust is helping the game implement the Taylor Report and investing in projects which benefit football throughout the United Kingdom.



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