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1922, 1926, 1936, 1938, 1954,
1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970,
1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1977,
1979, 1981, 1982, 1986, 1988,
Scottish Cup Winners (30 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, 1995
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1969, 1970, 1975, 1982

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TOMMY BURNS

New Bhoys finds *his home*

I WAS delighted to be able to introduce our new signing Enrico Annoni to the crowd last Wednesday night before our cup game against Hibs, and he was delighted to be here.

His first experience of Celtic Park was very positive even when it was empty but he was overwhelmed by the wonderful reception he received when it was full of supporters.

He's looking forward to playing in front of you the supporters, and I know everyone can't wait to see him out there in the Hoops.

I asked the fans to get right behind the team on Wednesday night and you certainly played a vital part in our 2-0 win which sets us up for Thursday's quarter-final tie here at Celtic Park.

Hopefully today you can be equally as important in what is another crucial game.

I would appeal to our supporters to make sure we all stick together for this game and the remaining matches this season and make sure we get the results we are looking for.

After our win on Wednesday we've still got all to play for in two domestic competitions.

We have one or two

knocks from the Hibs match, so we'll wait until the last minute to see who plays today.

Whoever comes in will do a good job, I am sure of that as the modern game is all about the strength of the squad, not just the 11 men on the park.

The strength of this club is that I know any player I ask to come in will go out and give 110 per cent for Celtic.

We are well aware of Hearts' capabilities and we have had difficult games against them, no less than the last one here which ended in a 2-2 draw.

Having three important home games on the trot keeps the momentum going and we want to make sure we get the right result today to take us into the two big clashes with Rangers.

This is a vital stage in the season and we have to make sure we start off on the right foot today and carry that through to the next few matches.

So I hope everyone enjoys their day and gets behind the team and helps inspire them to another important win.



'We've still got all to play for in two domestic competitions'



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KERR**



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ROUSSET**



**TOM
BOYD**

**GARY
LOCKE**



**TOSH
MCKINLAY**

**GARY
NAYSMITH**



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**DAVE
MCPHERSON**



**MALKY
MACKAY**

**Assistant Ref:
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**DAVID
WEIR**



**PHIL
O'DONNELL**

**PAUL
RITCHIE**



**PAOLO
DI CANIO**

**Assistant Ref:
J.P. GILMOUR
(RENFREW)**

**STEFANO
SALVATORI**



**PAUL
MCSTAY**

**STEVE
FULTON**



**ANDREAS
THOM**

**JOHN
ROBERTSON**



**JORGE
CADETE**

**COLIN
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HOOIJDONK**

**NEIL
McCANN**



**RICO
ANNONI**

**JIM
HAMILTON**



**ALAN
STUBBS**

HEARTS
Roddy McKenzie (GK),
Stephane Paille,
Alan McManus, Grant
Murray, Pasquale
Bruno, Kevin Thomas

**GARY
MACKAY**



PROFILE



THE DREAM TEAM... Chief scout David Hay has teamed up with Tommy Burns and Billy Stark to bring some of Europe's best players to Celtic Park, including Italian pair Enrico Annoni and Paolo Di Canio

BACK in the 1960s, Celtic carved a name for themselves in rearing home-grown talent that went on to topple the best in Europe.

And now the tables have turned as Davie Hay, who joined the club provisionally as a fresh-faced 17-year-old in 1965 and bloomed into a world-class midfielder as part of that ground-breaking policy, is now scouring the continent to bring the best to Celtic from abroad.

In his role as chief scout the Celt has certainly clocked up the air miles since re-joining the club for a second time in July 1994.

So much so that HE doesn't know exactly how far he has travelled in his search for quality players!

He said: "Let's just say that I'm now heading for Gold Membership of British Airways. After starting at Bronze I'm now in Silver and the Gold card isn't all that far away.

"Most of the travel is limited to Europe with the bulk of the countries being covered but we do tend to concentrate on certain nationalities.

"By that I mean that there are key countries where, apart from ability, other aspects come in to consideration.

"Players from particular countries find it easier to settle away from home than others and in this job that can be just as vital to spot as their talents.

"In fact, settling foreign players in Glasgow is probably the most important factors of the job and that can be the final facet of a long-drawn out affair.

"Transfers usually start with a tip-off and we generally follow it on from there when I may travel to assess the player.

"These days of course, most of the recommendations come in video format which is a luxury that wasn't afforded to scouts in the past.

"But if I spot what we are looking for then my report will hopefully be followed up with Tommy Burns or Billy Stark going to see the player in action.

"There are also differences in the

My head's in the clouds!

level of assessment required by various players depending on which team or country they play in.

"For instance, in signing Paolo Di Canlo, the pedigree of AC Milan and Italian football is well known so that was a relatively easy decision to make.

"But in the case of Pierre van Hooijdonk, he arrived from NAC Breda in the Netherlands so much more contact and scouting work was involved.

"We basically tend to make a move on a player after studying all the reports and we have an in-depth talks to discuss all the pros and cons.

"That is where Eric Riley and then Fergus McCann come in and everything seems to have worked very well with a lot of care and thought going into each signing."

Hay is currently in his third position at Celtic Park – player, manager and now chief scout – and has all the right credentials for knowing exactly what, and who, is required on the playing staff.

He said: "That certainly helps, not too many people can claim to have been a Celtic player, Celtic manager and then chief scout!

"So basically I know what Tommy is looking for in quality performers for the team and the type of player that will be good for Celtic.

"But the bottom line is that Tommy

always has the final say, there is no way I can take credit for any of the signings.

"It is very much a team effort but Tommy and Billy get their heads together to make the decisions."

So it would seem that the air miles are no flights of fancy as Celtic cover the globe in search of the championship-winning team.

And Hay's farthest flung travels have seen him visit Hong Kong and South Africa where he represented the club on official business.

The scout said: "I was over in Hong Kong as guest of the South China Seas CSC, although it wasn't a scouting trip.

"The same could be said of the flying to visit the Johannesburg CSC, but while there I was able to take in the South Africa/Argentina match although I wasn't specifically there to watch a game – but you never miss out on the opportunity to spot some quality talent."

And the Quiet Assassin proved that his humour can be just as cutting as his famous tackles when he laughed:

"One thing is for sure though, all the good signings will be down to Tommy and the bad ones will be my fault!"



HAY'S FIRSTS

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FIRST SENIOR CLUB: Celtic

2

FIRST DAY AS A CELT: March 20, 1966

3

FIRST GAME FOR CELTIC: Came on a sub in a 4-1 home league win over Aberdeen on March 6, 1968.

4

FIRST CELTIC GOAL: A 35-yarder at Celtic Park as Celtic beat Rangers 3-1 in the Scottish Cup on February 21, 1970.

5

FIRST DAY AS CELTIC MANAGER: July 4, 1983

Jim's Jambos aim to tart up season

HEARTS will be desperate to bounce back today from Tuesday night's disappointing cup exit at the hands of Dundee United and continue the progress they have made under Jim Jefferies.

The Hearts boss (pictured below) is a firm believer in keeping his squad fresh, a fact confirmed by his constant dealings in the transfer market, searching



both the continental and domestic markets for affordable talent.

His efforts have not been in vain as in less than two years he has transformed Hearts from relegation candidates to European hopefuls, taking them to two Cup finals on the way.

The first of the foreign legion to arrive at Tynecastle was French international keeper **GILLES ROUSSET**.

The Frenchman quickly became a hero with the Jambos' fans and his form this season has been even better than last term.

Italian **PASQUALE BRUNO** arrived from Fiorentina one week after Rousset and has played an important part in the development of young defenders **PAUL RITCHIE** and **ALAN MCMANUS**.

Unfortunately for Bruno he appears to have been rather too successful in his teaching as his proteges are now keeping him out of the team.

As well as buying wisely from abroad

By **DAVID McCAIG**

Jefferies has also bought superbly at home – especially with the capture of **DAVID WEIR**.

The big defender has been sensational since his bargain move from Falkirk in the summer and inevitably this has led to him being linked with a big money move south.

In recent years Hearts would probably have had to consider selling such an asset, but with their upcoming share issue, the Tynecastle side are now turning the corner off the field as well as on it.

One player who

epitomises Hearts' progress is fit-again skipper **GARY LOCKE**.

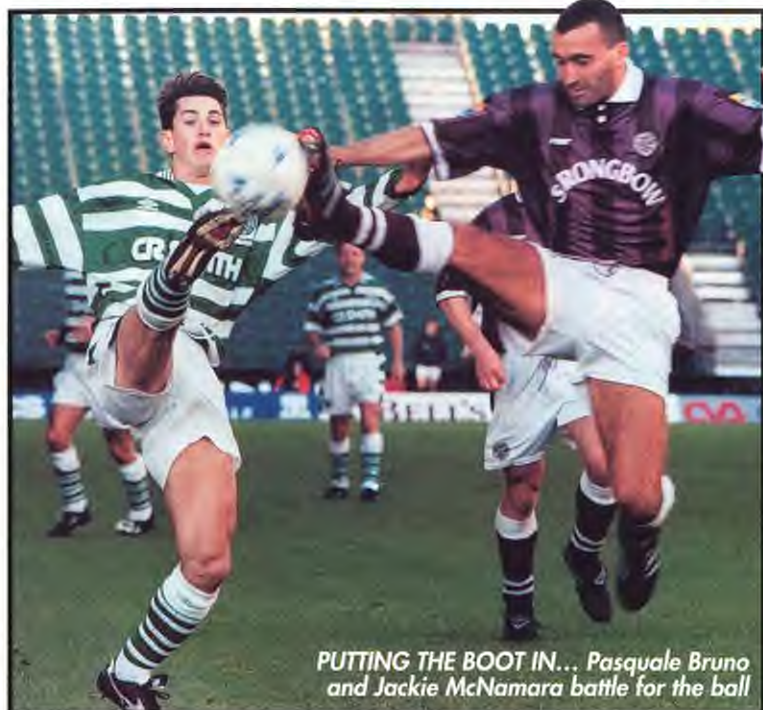
The Hearts daft 21-year-old can play anywhere in the defence, as well as in midfield and is rated as one of the most promising youngsters in Scotland.

During Locke's absence Hearts were skippered by ex-Ranger **DAVE McPHERSON** and he will be keen to put one over his former Old Firm rivals today.

With **NEIL POINTON** doubtful with a hand injury, Hearts are likely to field 18-year-old left-back **GARY NAYSMITH**,



IN THE BOOK... Rousset in trouble earlier this season



PUTTING THE BOOT IN... Pasquale Bruno and Jackie McNamara battle for the ball

who has starred for Scotland at both under-18 and under-21 level this season.

When the two sides met in October the standout for Hearts was ex-Milan and Atalanta midfielder **STEFANO SALVATORI**.

Unfortunately the Italian star has been plagued by injury since that match but he has now regained full fitness.

His partner in central midfield will be ex-Celt **STEVE FULTON**, once described by Billy McNeil as the "new Baggio".

Hearts midfield trio is likely to be completed by red-hot winger **NEIL McCANN**.

"Terry" is currently displaying the most

consistent form of his life and if he continues to score quality goals like last week's double against Raith, a Scotland cap surely can't be too far away.

The ex-Dundee winger isn't the only product of the Dens Park youth side currently plying his trade at Tynecastle, in December he was joined by **JIM HAMILTON**.

The big Aberdonian has been a resounding success since signing for just £200,000, in fact Hamilton's partnership with **JOHN ROBERTSON** (pictured middle left) is rated by many fans to be the best at Tynecastle since the days of Robbo and Sandy Clark.

Robertson's form this season has been such that many feel he is due an international recall with his vast experience more than compensating for any loss of pace.

Football is very much a squad game these days and Hearts strength in depth is better than most sides outside the Old Firm.

The Jamba's second string are currently romping to the Premier reserve title and it says much for their squad when experienced internationals such as **STEPHANE PAILLE**, **JEREMY GOSS**, **GARY MACKAY** (pictured bottom left) and Pasquale Bruno can't make the side.

GILLES ROUSSET (Goalkeeper), Age 33, born in Hyeres, France, signed from Rennes in November 1995

GARY LOCKE (Defender) Age 21, born in Edinburgh, signed from Whitehill Welfare in July 1992

PASQUALE BRUNO (Defender), Age 34, born in Lecce, Italy, signed from Fiorentina in November 1995

DAVE MCPHERSON (Defender) Age 33, born in Paisley, signed from Rangers in October 1994

ALAN McMANUS (Defender) Age 22, born in Paisley, signed from Links United in August 1992

PAUL RITCHIE (Defender) Age 21, born in Kirkcaldy, signed from Links United in July 1992

DAVID WEIR (Defender) Age 26, born in Falkirk, signed from Falkirk in July 1996

GARY NAYSMITH (Defender) Age 18, born in Edinburgh, signed from Whitehill Welfare Colts in June 1996

NEIL POINTON (Defender) Age 32, born in Church Warsop, England, signed from Oldham Athletic in October 1995

STEFANO SALVATORI (Midfielder), Age 29, born in Rome, Italy, signed from Atlanta in September 1996

GARY MACKAY (Midfielder) Age 33, born in Edinburgh, signed from Salvesen BC in June 1980

STEVE FULTON (Midfielder) Age 26, born in Greenock, signed from Falkirk in October 1995

NEIL McCANN (Midfielder) Age 22, born in Greenock, signed from Dundee in July 1996

COLIN CAMERON (Midfielder), Age 24, born in Kirkcaldy, signed from Raith Rovers in March 1996

JOHN ROBERTSON (Forward) Age 32, born in Edinburgh, signed from Newcastle United in December 1988

STEPHANE PAILLE (Forward) Age 31, born in France, signed as a free agent from Mullyhouses in 1996

KEVIN THOMAS (Forward) Age 21, born in Edinburgh Signed from Links United in July 1992

JIM HAMILTON (Forward), Age 21, born in Aberdeen, signed from Dundee in December 1996

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