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THE OFFICIAL MATCHDAY MAGAZINE OF CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB 2007/08



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## SOCIAL MISSION STATEMENT

### Introduction

Celtic Football Club is legendary and as with most legends as much myth as fact surrounds its history and what the Club stands for today. The Social Mission Statement aims to simply define what the Club stands for and seeks to promote within society.

### History

Celtic Football Club was founded in 1888. Its principal founder was a Marist Brother named Walfrid. The Club had two principal aims: The first aim was to raise funds to provide food for the poor of the East End of Glasgow, an area of the City that was greatly impoverished and had a high rate of infant mortality. Within the East End was a large Irish community and friction was growing between the native Glaswegians and the new influx of Irish. Brother Walfrid saw the need for social integration and his vision was a football club that Scottish and Irish, Protestants and Catholics alike could support. A new football club would be a vehicle to bring the communities together and this was the second aim. The Marist brother sought for the Club to have both a Scottish and Irish identity and hence, the Club's name "Celtic" came about, representing a bridge of cultures across the Irish Sea.

### Current Positioning of Celtic Football Club

Celtic Football Club is a Scottish football club with proud Irish links. The primary business of Celtic is as a football club. It is run on a professional business basis with no political agenda. However, the Club has a wider role and the responsibility of being a major Scottish social institution promoting health, well-being and social integration.

### Who is Celtic Football Club for?

Celtic Football Club is for people who want to support a football club that strives for excellence in Scotland and in Europe, is proud of its history, supportive of its local community and seeks to support the following aims: "To maximise all opportunities to disassociate the Club from sectarianism and bigotry of any kind. To promote Celtic as a Club for all people, regardless of gender, age, religion, race or ability."

### Summary

Celtic is a club for everyone who believes in football as a medium for healthy pleasure, entertainment and social integration. The Club always has been and always will simply aim to be the team of the people.

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# >> GORDON STRACHAN



**T**ODAY marks our final home league game of this season and we're hoping that we can sign off at Celtic Park with a win. There is still one more fixture for us to fulfil after this afternoon's match - against Dundee United at Tannadice on May 22 - and we want to go into that game on the back of another victory.

That won't be easy as today's opponents, Hibernian, will be going all-out for victory themselves. The race for the title is obviously the one that occupies all our thoughts, but there is certainly plenty of interest in the battle for third place which is being fought out by Hibs, Motherwell, Dundee United and Aberdeen.

It has certainly ensured that every post-split fixture is a meaningful one and that will continue right up until the end of the season.

Hibernian have proved to be tough opponents this season as our previous results show. We've both enjoyed

a victory, with the other game ending in a draw. It means that we are well aware of the dangers Mixu Paatelainen's team will pose for us today.

However, we are enjoying a decent run of form, with five league victories behind us in recent weeks. Every one of those games have been difficult tests for us and we've passed them all.

Most recently, we beat Motherwell at Fir Park last weekend. That was a tough game for a whole number of reasons but the players showed tremendous determination and we got the right result in the end.

Today, we will need your backing from first minute 'til last. We know that we need to keep winning our games and see where that leaves us come the end of the season and you can rest assured that the players will be doing everything they can to achieve the right result this afternoon.





# >> CELTIC FACTFILE



## CELTIC PLC DIRECTORS

### Celtic plc Directors:

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Peter Lawwell  
Eric Riley  
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Tom Allison  
Brian McBride  
Brian Wilson  
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Peter Lawwell  
Eric Riley  
John Keane  
Michael McDonald  
Kevin Sweeney

### Manager:

Gordon Strachan

### Assistant Manager:

Garry Pendrey

### Coach:

Tommy Burns

### Head of Youth:

Tommy Burns

### Football Development Manager:

John Park

### Reserve Coach:

Willie McStay

### Youth team Coach:

John McLaughlan

### Club Doctor:

Derek McCormack

### Kit Controller:

John Clark

## CLUB HONOURS

### Scottish League Winners [ 41 times ]

1892-93, 1893-94, 1895-96, 1897-98,  
1904-05, 1905-06, 1906-07, 1907-08,  
1908-09, 1909-10, 1913-14, 1914-15,  
1915-16, 1916-17, 1918-19, 1921-22,  
1925-26, 1935-36, 1937-38, 1953-54,  
1965-66, 1966-67, 1967-68, 1968-69,  
1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73,  
1973-74, 1976-77, 1978-79, 1980-81,  
1981-82, 1985-86, 1987-88, 1997-98,  
2000-01, 2001-02, 2003-04, 2005-06,  
2006-07

### Scottish Cup Winners [ 34 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,  
2001, 2004, 2005, 2007

### League Cup Winners [ 13 times ]

1956-57, 1957-58, 1965-66, 1966-67,  
1967-68, 1968-69, 1969-70, 1974-75,  
1982-83, 1997-98, 1999-00, 2000-01,  
2005-06

European Cup Winners 1967

Coronation Cup Winners 1953

## CLUB DIRECTORY & HONOURS

Celtic Football Club

Celtic Park Glasgow G40 3RE

Telephone: 0871 226 1888

Website: www.celticfc.net

Formed: 1888

Stadium: Celtic Park

Capacity: 60,506

Home strip colours: Green/white hooped shirts, white shorts, white socks

Away strip colours:

Green/black striped shirts, green shorts, green socks

Record attendance:

92,000 v Rangers, 1938

Record victory:

11-0 v Dundee, 1895

Record defeat:

0-8 v Motherwell, 1937

Most league goals in 1 season:

50 - Jimmy McGrory, 1935-36

Most Premier/SPL goals in 1 season:

35 - Brian McClair, 1986-87

35 - Henrik Larsson, 2000-01

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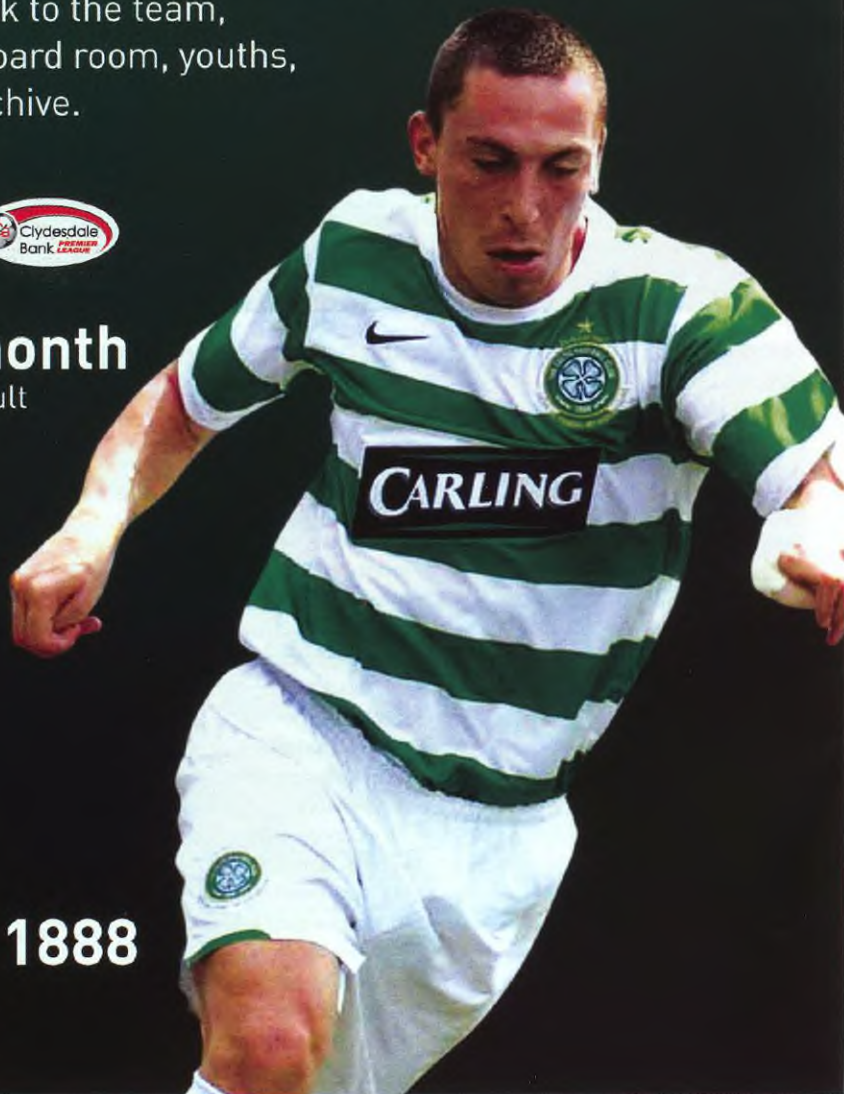
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# UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT AT CELTIC PARK AND AWAY FOOTBALL STADIA

New rules have been introduced by the SFA and SPL in connection with "Unacceptable Conduct" at football stadia. The new rules form part of our Stadium Regulations. It is a condition of entry to stadia that the Stadium Regulations, including these new rules, are followed.

A summary of the new rules is set out below. Full details are available on the Celtic website at [www.celticfc.net](http://www.celticfc.net) or by contacting the Customer Service Manager on 0871 226 1888.

## CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB WILL NOT TOLERATE UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT AT CELTIC PARK OR AT AWAY FOOTBALL STADIA

- Unacceptable Conduct is conduct which is violent or disorderly
- Displaying writing or any other thing which is threatening, abusive or insulting

- Violent conduct includes any actual, attempted or threatened physical violence against any person, or intentional damage to property

This list is not exhaustive and must be read in conjunction with the Stadium Regulations.

Disorderly conduct includes:

- Conduct which stirs up or sustains, or is likely or is designed to stir up or sustain, hatred or ill will against or towards individuals or groups of people because of:
  - Gender
  - Colour, race, nationality (including citizenship) or ethnic or national origin
  - Membership or presumed membership, of a religious group or of a social or cultural group with perceived religious affiliation
  - Sexual orientation
  - Transgender identity
  - Disability

### **ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT MAY BE SUBJECT TO ANY, OR A COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- Removal from the Stadium
- Suspension from attending Official Matches involving Celtic Football Club
- Indefinite ban from attending Official Matches involving Celtic Football Club
- Report to the police and possible criminal proceedings

Celtic Football Club was established in 1888 as a Club open to all.

- Using threatening, abusive or insulting words or conduct

Further information on the Club's origins and Celtic's Social Mission Statement can be found on [www.celticfc.net](http://www.celticfc.net).