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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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Manager's Notes

NEIL LENNON



THANKS FOR PLAYING YOUR PART IN A WONDERFUL OCCASION

GOOD afternoon and welcome to Celtic Park for our SPL match against Hibernian. I'm sure everyone will still be on a high after Wednesday night and there's sure to be a great atmosphere here again today.

It was a tremendous European night at Celtic Park and a brilliant achievement by the players to reach the group stages of the UEFA Champions League. I'm sure that you are all as proud of them as I am, and, speaking on a personal level, it is one of my greatest achievements in football.

For us to reach this level is fantastic, particularly when you consider that our qualifying matches come so early in the season for us when our own league has barely begun. So to get past two difficult opponents and reach the group stages of this prestigious competition speaks volumes for the group of players we've got here at the football club, and I am delighted that their efforts have been rewarded.

I'm writing these programme notes ahead of the draw, but regardless of who we will face in the UEFA Champions League, we will enjoy it, we will compete to the best of our abilities, and I know that we'll be guaranteed three unforgettable European nights here at Celtic Park, where teams have always found it difficult.

That's due in no small part to the atmosphere that our supporters generate, and I thought Wednesday night was another wonderful occasion. They are memorable nights for all of us, but also for our opponents who, although they left disappointed at having been knocked



out, will also have appreciated the opportunity to play at such a stadium.

Now it's back to league business today and it's a top of the table clash with Hibernian. Pat Fenlon's side have done well in recent games after their opening day disappointment, and that's credit to Pat and his players.

It's important for us to maintain our place at the top of the table. We got a great result at Inverness last weekend and we will be looking for more of the same today. It was by being successful in the league last season that we've been given

the chance to play in the UEFA Champions League this year, and so it's vital for us to achieve success in the SPL again this time around.

Thanks as always for your magnificent support and enjoy today's game.



CLUB DIRECTORY AND RECORDS

CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB
Celtic Park, Glasgow, G40 3RE

CELTIC CALL CENTRE
Tel: 0871 226 1888
(calls cost up to 10p per minute, telecoms provider dependent. Mobile and other provider charges may vary)

WEBSITE: www.celticfc.net
FORMED: 1888
STADIUM: Celtic Park
CAPACITY: 60,506

HOME STRIP COLOUR
Green/white hooped shirts, white shorts, black socks

AWAY STRIP COLOUR
Black/dark grey Hooped shirts, black shorts, black/grey hooped socks

RECORD ATTENDANCE
92,000 v Rangers, 1938

RECORD VICTORY
11-0 v Dundee, 1895

RECORD DEFEAT
0-8 v Mothelwell, 1937

MOST LEAGUE GOALS IN ONE SEASON
50 – Jimmy McGrory, 1935/36

MOST PREMIER/SPL GOALS IN ONE SEASON
35 – Brian McClair, 1986/87
35 – Henrik Larsson, 2000/01

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Club Honours

SCOTTISH LEAGUE WINNERS (43 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, 2007/08, 2011/12

SCOTTISH CUP WINNERS (35 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, 2011

LEAGUE CUP WINNERS (14 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, 2008/09

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STADIUM REGULATIONS

ALL supporters are reminded that the Ground Regulations insist that spectators remain seated during the match.

Please remain seated throughout the match in the interests of your own safety and that of your fellow supporters.

Superintendent George Clelland of Strathclyde Police 'B' Division, said: "Strathclyde Police do not wish to in any way prevent spectators from fully enjoying football matches.

"However, the safety of those attending must be paramount at all times. We fully support Celtic FC in this matter and we fully endorse their message to supporters."



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

- 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
 - Using threatening, abusive or insulting words or conduct
 - Displaying writing or any other thing which is threatening, abusive or insulting

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

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.

Further information on the Club's origins and Celtic's Social Mission Statement can be found on www.celticfc.net.

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