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## pep talk

**O**f course we are pleased with the performance and qualities shown by the players last week in front of our own excellent supporters who are helping the team to display this form with their vociferous backing.

We have had a few high-scoring results in our favour at home this season, but what was particularly pleasing about last Sunday is that St Johnstone are a strong team who have troubled us earlier this term.

I'm also pleased that we have taken advantage of this run of home games, with the players showing good combinations and creative play which is rewarding to the supporters for getting behind the men on the park.

Hopefully we can continue that today, but we know that Hearts come here as a very competitive and experienced team and that it will be no easy game.

So it's important that we maintain the good individual and team unit play today in what will be a tough test for us.

If the players display the same commitment, determination and quality as they have done recently then we can look forward to a good game against very respected opposition.

As I have said, Hearts have some top quality players in their ranks and are the current Scottish Cup holders. They had an excellent season last year but have not done quite so well this term and will be out to prove themselves.

In combating that though we



now have a more balanced squad with players coming back from injury.

We also have new faces adapting to the situation and of course there are the experienced players from the squad of last year's successful season.

I feel that our recent results have shown the worth in having a bigger squad available and we now need to maintain the

## "We must maintain the momentum of last Sunday's win"

momentum of last Sunday's 5-0 victory and the performances of the previous games.

Of course, having more players available ironically makes my job more difficult, but that is obviously the right kind of problem to have and this is what we have been aiming for.

So hopefully with the backing of the supporters the players will perform likewise again and once more repay the people who are spurring them on.



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- 28 Barry ELLIOT
- 30 Vidar RISETH
- 34 Tony WARNER
- 35 Johan MJALLBY
- 36 Mark VIDUKA



- 1. Gilles ROUSSET
- 2. David McPHERSON
- 3. Gary NAYSMITH
- 4. David WEIR
- 5. Stefano SALVATORI
- 6. Paul RITCHIE
- 8. Stephen FULTON
- 9. Stephane ADAM
- 11. Jim HAMILTON
- 12. Gary LOCKE
- 13. Roddy McKENZIE
- 14. Thomas FLOGEL
- 15. Jose QUITONGO
- 16. Lee MAKEL
- 17. Rob McKINNON
- 18. Steven PRESSLEY
- 21. Grant MURRAY
- 22. David MURIE
- 23. Myles HOGARTH
- 25. Robert HORN
- 26. Derek HOLMES
- 39. Vincent GUERIN
- 47. JUANJO
- 48. Gary McSWEGAN



Referee: STUART DOUGAL (Burnside)

Assistant: JOHN LOVE (Airdrie)

Assistant: ERROL HORNSTEIN (Glasgow)





spill the beans...**STEVIE FULTON** gives the lowdown on his Hearts team-mates

# It's a Tyne-hassle to keep keepers happy

**O**ur goalkeeper position has been the cause of a few huffs around Tynecastle recently. The possible return of **GILLES ROUSSET** today after injury is something I'm sure will please the fans a lot. They love the big man.

He's made his mistakes in the past, unfortunately all against Rangers, but he's been more than alright for us.

That doesn't help our other two keepers **RODDY MCKENZIE** or **MYLES HOGARTH** though. They were both in the huff in midweek when they found out

Rousset didn't need an operation and might be back. The pair of them had the voodoo dolls out sticking pins in it in the hope of getting a game against Celtic today. In our



**F**unny old side are Hearts. Win the Scottish Cup (in case you hadn't heard), set themselves up as red-hot title contenders - and then blow it big time.

Even stranger is the fact that they've finally beaten their poor record against the Old Firm at the very time when all the rest have conquered their poor records against Hearts.

Stevie Fulton doesn't know why - he only plays for them.

However, he does know a little about his esteemed team-mates and for that reason we've asked the former Celtic midfielder to come firmly out of the closet in order to Spill The Beans....

defence **GARY NAISMITH** is, I think, one of the best around. The team as a whole has not been playing that well, but Gary has been one of our most consistent performers. When you consider a player like **ROB MCKINNON** was brought in and Gary has kept him out then you can see how good he's been doing.

And what about **DAVIE WEIR**? I travel to training with the big guy and every day there's another story saying he's going here or there, but I honestly don't think any of that stuff bothers him. There's always talk of clubs coming in for him with the latest chat surrounding Liverpool, but he's a laid-back big guy and he'll play today the way he plays any game. He won't do anything until he's ready.

**STEFANO SALVATORI** is the ultimate typical Italian. He was good for us last year, but like everyone else, he's found it harder this term. There was talk of him buying a restaurant and settling here, but even then I bet he wouldn't treat us all to a free meal....

Maybe **PAUL RITCHIE** will treat me though after I say I think he has probably been our best player this season - certainly our most consistent. Last year he played in every game and this season, despite the fact the team has been playing badly, he has defended as consistently as ever.

**STEVEN PRESSLEY** was in and out the team when he first arrived, but he's enjoying a wee run now and that probably coincides with shaving off that crazy beard he

had for a while. He was our best player last week against Motherwell and, even though he still has that mad Stone Roses hairdo, he is settling in now.

We've had a few new players in this season and **LEIGH JENKINSON** is another of them. He came into our side at a difficult time and was immediately compared to Neil McCann, which is a bit unfair. Wee Neil relied on his speed, but Leigh isn't as fast - no one is! But Jenks puts over a good cross and that's always great to have.

If the manager decides to flood the midfield against Celtic to snuff out their threat there's a chance that **LEE MAKEL** will get a game. Kenny Dalglish took him to Blackburn and a lot of people thought a lot of him, so there's no fears over Lee.

Likewise is another late arrival **DEREK LILLEY**. He came to Tynecastle looking for a game first and foremost and played well when he scored against Dundee. Not scared to put himself about and another who has suffered through playing in an off-form team.

Mind you anyone would suffer in comparison with **STEPHANE ADAM**. After scoring in the cup



RITCH PICKINGS: Paul gets the better of Henrik Larsson

final our French maestro could score three own goals today and still be forgiven by the fans - maybe. Another linked with a move away, but I've no idea how the talk affects Stephane. When he's ready he'll decide, but he's a great player and we all hope he stays. **THOMAS FLOGEL** is another who has been doing alright this season despite it all. We had a wee break in Portugal during the shut-down and he was unbelievable, with amazing goals in training and so on.

We couldn't wait to get him off the plane and back playing again. Unfortunately it must have been the hot weather that did it for him. Still, he's a great athlete and can still score spectacular goals.

Could you say the same of **JIM HAMILTON**? Well, big Hammy has been our top scorer this

season. That's good considering the lack of chances we've made for him at times.

**VINCENT GUERIN** would normally be in with the defenders, but he's been injured for a while so it's hard to say if he'll play. He was playing well before we beat Celtic at Tynecastle earlier this season and, after watching him for PSG, everyone knows he's a good player. Shame if he's not fit.

And finally, with apologies to anybody missed out there's me **STEVE FULTON**. So far this season has been pretty poor and I suppose I haven't played that well.

I was out injured earlier this season and that's when everything came crashing back to earth for me after the cup win, but there's no better place than Celtic Park to recover my form. Watch this space.

**"Adam could score three own goals today and still be forgiven by the fans"**







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Will Craig Brown still be smiling when he sees what has happened to the Hampden pitch?



## Red card of the week

Today the Walk On Red Card goes to the tainted individuals who daubed 'Rangers for the Treble' on the brand new Hampden turf.

In a recent Just A Tic article in Walk On we highlighted the dubiety in lavishing millions on the national stadium and it would seem that some signwriters of a Rangers persuasion (allegedly) have invested in a tin of Dulux to show just how much they agree with us.

But was there any reason to go absolutely bloody mental and voice their opinions in such a distasteful manner? I mean, the paint could jam up the blades of the national lawn mower!

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## Que? Que?

Win a mystery Celtic prize by translating the mystery phrase which has been translated into a few different continental languages thanks to the club's foreign legion. Answers please on a postcard to Walk On Mystery Phrase (19), PO Box 2413, Glasgow, G40 3YB.

- 'Manden pa barstolpen.' uttered **Vidar Riseth**.
- 'An fair ar an post deirneach' chipped in **James Gallagher**.
- 'L'Homme au deuxierre poteau' said **Stephane Mahe**.
- 'Uomo allespalle.' thought **Rico Annoni**.
- 'Man by de tweede paal' stated **Regi Blinker**.
- 'Hansom vaktar bortre stolpen' said **Johan Mjallby**.
- 'Mander pi basstolpen' cried **Marc Rieper**.

★ The lucky winner of Tom Boyd's personally autographed gloves was Steven O'Connor from Irvine who correctly answered Tom's question: Which other player was involved in the swap that brought me from Chelsea to Celtic? The answer was of course Tony Cascarino. Steven will have his prize ASAP and if you fancy your chances of winning - you know it couldn't be easier - just try!





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**Walk On:** Most of the foreign players have picked up the lingo pretty quickly - how are you coping?

**Tommy Johnson:** Actually, all of the foreign players here want to speak with a Geordie accent just like me - not Scottish!

**WO:** Do you think you'll ever lose your Geordie accent?

**TJ:** No never, but when I go home my family say I have lost it but it soon picks up when I have been down there for a couple of hours.

**WO:** Did you meet up with any old mates or family at the Peter Beardsley testimonial?

**TJ:** Aye, all of my family were there as well as some friends and I also managed to meet Chris Waddle, Kevin Keegan and Paul Gascoigne. What was really nice though was to bump into Arthur Cox who signed me for Derby County so I was able to catch up on a bit of gossip.

**WO:** Are there any similarities between Newcastle and Glasgow?

**TJ:** Definitely, both lots of people are mental and they drink like fish. But seriously, they are really similar and all Geordies think like Jocks so it might have been harder for me up here if I had come from further south but both sets of folk are exactly the same.

**WO:** But what are the big differences between the two cities?

**TJ:** Glasgow is a lot bigger, more spread out. There are better shops in Glasgow what with Armani and the Italian Centre, it's more cosmopolitan here with a much bigger variety.

**WO:** Have you tried haggis yet?

**TJ:** Aye but it was years ago and it was down south. It was when I was in Nottingham and one of my best mate's wife came from Stirling so I had some then. The funny thing is, I've never had any since I came up here.

**WO:** What were your initial thoughts when the move to Celtic and Scotland was first talked about?

**TJ:** I couldn't wait and I didn't want to hang around. I had been up here before on holiday when we went to



Ever wondered what it would be like to have a gab with one of the Celtic players - not necessarily about football? Well, we've done it for you, so read on and find out what WALK ON discovered when we chewed the fat with TOMMY JOHNSON.

# time out



# Tommy's grub is talk of the Toon

Dalmahoy and drove about to places like Edinburgh and of course did some shopping in Glasgow.

**WO:** Who were your football heroes when you were a kid?

**TJ:** Chris Waddle was my ultimate hero and I managed to get his shirt after the Peter Beardsley game.

**WO:** Any heroes outside of the football world?

**TJ:** No not really, but like any Geordie I'm proud of anyone from Newcastle who makes it big in any sphere.

**WO:** What was the first record you bought?

**TJ:** I don't really know, I'm a bit vague about that. It might have been Baby Jane by Rod Stewart but then again maybe my sister bought it. I do know that the first album I bought was Now II but my tastes have changed since then.

**WO:** Do you cook?

**TJ:** Aye, I cook when I have to but it is a bit too easy with Marks and Spencer's being just around the corner and Spaghetti Bolognese is my speciality.

**WO:** If you to play a part in a film - which movie would it be, who would you play and who else

would be in the film?

**TJ:** It would definitely have to be a comedy with constant laughing and my leading lady would be the delectable, delightful and debonair Angie Thomson - the best kit lady in football!

**WO:** When was the last time you paid into a football match?

**TJ:** I can't remember and to be honest I don't go to an awful lot of football games. Normally I will go down to watch Newcastle or Villa but I'm normally sorted out with tickets.

**WO:** Who would you pay to see nowadays?

**TJ:** Newcastle.

**WO:** When do you expect to be in with a shout of team selection?

**TJ:** I honestly don't know. I'm taking each day as it comes and I've started training but I'm not setting any mad deadlines. Even my training just now is not full as it is non-contact but I'm definitely not going to try and come back too early.

**WO:** Just how tough has it been sitting out all this time?

**TJ:** It hasn't been too bad but there was one period about three months ago when I did have to get away for a spell. I had to get away from the club and Scotty gave me a couple of weeks off which was something I really needed.

**WO:** Now it's time for the prize question so what is the poser and what is the prize?

**TJ:** I'll put up two VIP tickets for one of our home matches and invite you down to the Players' Lounge if you can name the other clubs that I have played for.

So that's it, put down the names of Tommy's three English clubs on a postcard and send it along your name and address and daytime telephone number to:

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takin' the mick

# Scottish fans in the pink after latest strip show

**W**hat a fantastic idea it is to have someone that loves football design the Scottish Cup.

Unbelievably, that is what is going to happen! There is a competition for punters like you and me to design the new trophy.

When I turned up at SFA HQ to pick up an entry form, the secretary dealing with me told me my design had better be really good because they had received entries already and she reckoned Durranty would be the winner.

I have a very suspicious mind so I wanted to speak to Ian myself about this. By phoning a number the Killie lads gave me and using some basic Greek I'd picked up on holiday, the Kebab shop owner eventually put me on to the wee man.

Imagine my surprise when I learned he hadn't entered the competition.

So back on the phone to the SFA and this time using some over complicated words and phraseology I'd picked up at a hyper advanced vocabulary course (run by Graham Spiers) I eventually made myself understood to Jim Farry

By MICK O'BVIOUS

who put me through to the same secretary from earlier. It all was made clear when she explained that "Durranty" referred to the traditional shape rather than the creator!!

**I** don't really imagine the way forward is to have two referees on the park as was recently suggested.

The only advancement would be players getting decisions in stereo! What happens if the referees don't agree? Take the recent, much debated, Mahe/Kanchelskis incident at Ibrox, where we were controversially awarded a corner. Suppose there were two men in black on hand that day and the other official told Mr McCluskey he was wrong. Would they toss a coin to decide? Heads it's a corner to Celtic or Tails it's a goal kick (apologies for the double paranoia).

**F**air to say everyone is sick of the Viduka saga and it's only getting more boring as it rumbles on.

Last week the Zagrebians sent a letter of complaint to Celtic via the



RUMBLE BEES... this Celtic strip came to stir - but that's nothing compared to the new Scotland one!

SFA. It's going to take some sorting out.

We have had many instances where the SFA have acted as middle men between Celtic and some football authority e.g. the transfers of Collins and Cadete. Fergus has promised to bring in a team of experts this time to deal with the document as soon as it lands on the doorstep.

These archaeologists specialising in handling ancient fragile crumbling parchment will then pass the information contained within for the lawyer to deal with.

**I'm getting fed up listening to the rantings of some of the managers in the game these days.**

The most recent rant was the Gers' gaffer claiming Aberdeen only try against his lads. Utter nonsense Dick! To claim one team reserves a different level of commitment for one specific club is rubbish.

However, you could be excused for thinking along those lines if you witnessed the last Old Firm encounter at Celtic Park where the Bears

really looked to be playing in a different gear from normal.

Dick didn't hear us complain that they'd so obviously stepped up a couple of notches against us which kept the score down to five!

**T**here have been several strips produced by our fine club that I've disliked.

Remember the QPR style bands instead of Hoops and the mainly green away number with the black over the shoulder?

The yellow and black was not an instant hit with me either but surprisingly I came round to its charms.

It's sometimes surprising what you grow to like and I have a funny feeling a lot of people will amaze themselves by slowly liking the new unusually pink shirt that the national squad will soon be wearing.

Although the press have been very negative about it there have been several celebrities down south who phoned in giving it the thumbs up requesting the top before they hit the shops.

These guys are some of the trendiest people on the planet so who are we to

argue with them.

Who would have thought Dale Winton, George Michael and Julian Clary were all big Scotland fans? Well done lads!

**W**hen I die I want to come back as a six foot four, multimillionaire, bronzed Adonis superstar with magic patter even although Matt McGlone insists it's not all it's cracked up to be.

The subject of reincarnation has been in the news recently with those heart-warming utterances from Great Glenn, allegedly saying that disabled people must have been sinners in a previous life. Yeah, right! There was some good to come out of the England manager's mince believe it or not! The cockroaches that invade my kitchen have all been behaving themselves because they're terrified if they're killed they'll come back as a Hoddle! Cheers Glenn!

**O**nce again British Athletics has to face up to the fact that some athletes are using so called performance-enhancing drugs.



This time Dougie Walker is the man at the centre of the controversy. I'm not convinced that the Creatine that he took has any effect on his performance what so ever and that this is bureaucracy and officialdom gone mad. Half an hour ago I took

this same drug as Dougie to prove my point.

This is the time it's supposed to take to kick in.

Apart from a little light-headedness there appears to be no performance enhancing effects at all!





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# facts facility

with David McDonald

★ Celtic are unbeaten against Hearts at Celtic Park in the last 11 League meetings. The last time Hearts won here on league duty was on 4th January 1992 when goals from Scott Crabbe and John Millar helped them to a 2-1 success. John Collins netted for Celtic, who also had Mike Galloway sent off.

★ The above win is one of just two league victories the Tynecastle side have enjoyed at Celtic Park since 1969. The other was on 12th October 1985 when John Robertson scored the only goal in the 32nd minute.

★ Hearts' only other away win over Celtic in the Premier Division came during the Bhoys' Hampden year. On 19th April 1995 David Hagen scored an 86th minute winner.

★ Hearts' last victory at Celtic Park was of course in the Scottish Cup Final last season. Goals from Colin Cameron (penalty) and Stephane Adam gave Hearts a 2-1 win over Rangers and their first major success since 1962/63 when they lifted the League Cup beating Kilmarnock 1-0.

★ Hearts' 2-1 win over Celtic in December ended the Bhoys' 13 match unbeaten run against the Tynecastle club. This was just one short of their best ever run in the Premier Division which occurred between 1978 and 1985.

★ When Stephane Adam scored twice in the last meeting against Celtic he became the first Hearts player to do so since John Robertson. Robbo netted two at Celtic Park on 31st December 1988 but unfortunately for him so did Billy Stark and Mark McGhee as Celtic ended their Centenary Year with



FOREIGN BODY... Paul Lambert gets the better of Hearts' Austrian forward Thomas Flogel at Tynecastle earlier in the season



a 4-2 win.

★ The smallest crowd ever to see a Celtic v Hearts Premier Division match at Celtic Park probably saw one of the best. Only 11,522 turned up to see John Robertson (4) and Andy Wilson (29) give the visitors an early two-goal advantage. However, goals from Maurice Johnston (37), Murdo MacLeod (78) and Brian McClair (90) sealed a memorable comeback.

★ In 1976/77 Celtic scored a record 14 goals in the four league meetings with Hearts. In fact nine different players scored the goals with midfielder Ronnie Glavin scoring in all four games.





# potter's playback



with David W. Potter

In the years between the Wars, Celtic had some fine wingers. Adam McLean, who joined the club in 1917, was a grossly under-rated and under-capped player.

He played on the left wing and managed only four caps for Scotland, and this was for no other reason than that he was unfortunate to be around at the same time as Alec Troup of Dundee and Everton and Alan Morton of Rangers, both of whom were outstanding players.

Adam was small in stature and reserved in nature, soft-spoken rather than extrovert, and possibly for this reason tended to attract less attention than others in the Celtic team of that era.

Yet Jimmy McGrory, of a similarly gentle disposition, rates Adam even higher than Alan Morton, for the reason that Adam had more courage and determination.

Like Jimmy Johnstone of later years, Adam could take a rough tackle then run directly at the same defender five minutes later, knowing that the same thing would happen.

In addition to that he possessed all the other attributes demanded of a left winger - he was fast, had tremendous ball control, could "skin" defenders and deliver a telling cross.

Yet Adam's strength lay also in his adaptability. In 1923, for example, he was played at



Adam McLean (left) and Frank Murphy (right)

## Winger wins just four caps

inside left, where he won a cup winners' medal.

In the Scottish Cup semi-final of 1925, Adam, though normally on the left wing, in fact played almost as a double centre forward, scoring a goal from a Connolly corner when the Rangers defence

automatically rushed to mark McGrory.

He won four Scottish League medals with Celtic and three Scottish Cups - the defeat in the 1926 final to St Mirren was one in which, significantly, Adam was injured - and was a great Celtic servant, much beloved of the faithful.

In 1928 Maley, still smarting over the 4-0 Scottish Cup Final defeat to Old Firm rivals Rangers, in a moment of crass stupidity, as he was looking for scapegoats, lumped the innocent Adam along with the tetchy McNally and sold his left winger to Sunderland - a decision which delayed any chance of Celtic

# McLean's left out in the cold

regaining the league until 1936.

The pretext was a contract dispute about a projected tour of the U.S.A., and it was a decision which would rebound on Maley. Adam played for the Wearsiders for a couple of seasons, but then returned to play for Aberdeen (helping them to beat Celtic more than once) and Partick Thistle.

On the right wing in the mid 20s could be found Paddy Connolly. Paddy was a wizard of the dribble, and could cross to perfection, laying on so many of McGrory's glorious headed goals, and it is a mystery why he never played for Scotland.

His fall from favour allowed Bertie Thomson, a talented but flawed individual who died of heart trouble shortly after his 30th birthday.

Bertie had the talent to play, but lacked the will to train and work, and frequently fell foul of manager Maley for his dissipation and the company he kept. He won two Scottish Cup winners' medals in 1931 and 1933.

In the mid 1930s there appeared a great right winger by the name of Jimmy Delaney from

Cleland. This player had everything, and but for the War would have been the greatest Celt of all time.

Even allowing for the War (after he was foolishly sold by Celtic) his lengthy career lasted until 1957, winning cup medals in three countries with Celtic, Manchester United and Derry City, and scoring the goal in the 1946 Victory International which set a nation ablaze.

But, as he himself would say, no matter where he went - Aberdeen, Falkirk or even Elgin City among others, he was Jimmy Delaney of Celtic.

Left wing was always a problem for Celtic after the premature departure of Adam McLean. Charlie Napier was tried there, but was a better inside player.

Hugh O'Donnell then had a spell there, but there was no permanent solution until the arrival of Frank Murphy.

With his hair in a centre parting, and turn of speed, Frank was an instantly recognisable figure as he laid on many crosses for McGrory and Crum.

He was an integral part of the fine 1938 Celtic side.



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**W**hen Walk On asked last Sunday's mascot eight-year-old Louise Leonard, what she thought the score would be she confidently predicted a 5-0 whitewash.

She was also sure that Henrik Larsson, her favourite player, would get his name on the scoresheet.

Louise from Hamilton, a big fan of Boyzone and Steps, was also delighted when referee John Rowbotham presented her with red and yellow cards plus a club badge of

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# just a tic

By The Bhoys In The Know

**H**ow interesting to see the resumption of hostilities between Celtic's great rivals Rangers and Aberdeen before another of their tempestuous league tussles last weekend.

Ibrox boss Dick Advocaat was credited with being a tactical wind-up merchant supreme after coming out in the press and heightening the war of words between the two clubs on the day of the match.

Of course, had it been anyone else the individual concerned might simply have been accused of causing trouble and bringing the game into disrepute.

But then that's delving into quite a different discussion altogether.

The entire spat centred around the belief on the part of all people of a Rangers mind that Aberdeen only ever raise their game against the current league leaders.

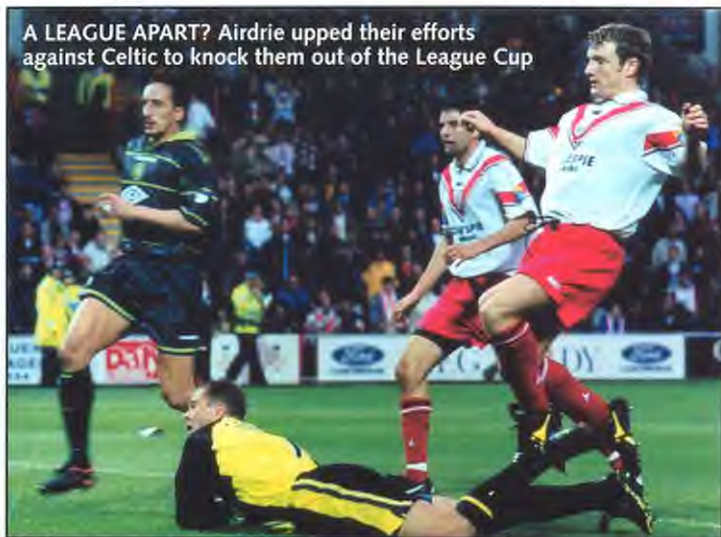
Of course, the frustration of Ibrox fans at such a state of affairs is understandable. Celtic fans must have taken one look at Airdrie's league position after the League Cup exit in August and wondered what on earth was going on.

Where the former example is concerned, however, the issue centres around whether or not the highly-paid professionals of Pittodrie should give their all against everyone in equal amounts or not. Well of course they should.

But what was implicit in some of the criticism of the fallen giants of the north was the hidden belief that they simply have no right to challenge the mighty Glasgow Rangers. And that's where the stick they've received goes off the rails.

It's not merely a Rangers thing either. Old Firm fans, whatever their hue, have a tendency to point to their mere birthright as evidence of the fact that they have a right to ready-made success.

**A LEAGUE APART? Airdrie upped their efforts against Celtic to knock them out of the League Cup**



The fact is that, in front of a huge support, with the TV cameras on full-beam and with a testosterone-filled atmosphere infecting everyone for miles around, any team worth their salt should be motivated to give their very best. Aberdeen are no exception.

Of course what really rankles with many Rangers fans is the fact that the not so Dandy Dons have often succumbed all too politely to Celtic (with the obvious exception of the 3-2 game earlier this season).

And Hoops fans thought they were supposed to be the paranoid ones.....

However, rather than being castigated for their battling qualities in opposition to Rangers, Aberdeen really ought to be applauded wholeheartedly.

The fact is that there are teams in the Scottish Premier League so utterly inept against the bigger clubs that you half expect them to carry their conquerors off the pitch shoulder high after receiving another thrashing.

And that, dear readers, cannot be good for the Scottish game.

You can argue all you like that it was always thus. However, when Celtic and Rangers were scaling the Euro heights, they at least had a modicum of competition to deal with.

None of them could hope to relish a trip to East End Park in the 60s. Ditto Easter Road, Tynecastle or Pittodrie.

Naturally there is still the odd upset at these grounds. But could Dunfermline or Dundee ever dream of pulling off the likes of their European exploits of 1962/63 ever again? Well, yes, they can dream alright....

You can of course point to financial factors with some justification, but the fact is that standards have dropped in the Scottish game and that may well be attributable to a lack of competitive action week-in and week-out.

Mark Burchill can either bang in a hat-trick every week against the Dundees of this world or he can notch the odd winner in a close and tough Old Firm encounter. From which match does he stand to learn more?

Aberdeen should be credited for their performances against Rangers, not condemned.

They may have lost last week, but for 80 minutes they showed more bottle than half the Scottish league show in an entire season against the Old Firm.

To the rest, with the honourable exceptions of Motherwell and Kilmarnock, a memo: you must do better. For all our sakes.

**Stephen McGowan**

## "Aberdeen ought to be applauded for their whole hearted efforts"



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IF SHE SAID  
"IT'S CELTIC OR  
ME", WOULD YOU  
MISS HER?





# fixture list

**KEY** ● Player used ● Sub used ● Sub not used ● Sub not used ● Player loaned ● Player sent off

DATE	OPPONENT	COMP	SCORE	CROWD	TS	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
18 July	Kilmarnock	CL 1	0-0	56,860																
22 July	St Patrick's Ath	FR	2-1	53,872																
25 July	Tottenham	CL 2	2-0	9,700																
29 July	St Patrick's Ath	CL 2	2-0	9,700																
1 Aug	Dunfermline Ath	SP	5-0	59,220																
4 Aug	Bolton Woods	TS	1-1	17,479																
8 Aug	Liverpool	FR	0-1	59,727																
12 Aug	Croatia Zagreb	CL	1-0	51,782																
16 Aug	Aberdeen	SP	2-3	16,640																
19 Aug	Andrie	LC	0-1	9,500																
22 Aug	Dundee United	SP	2-1	59,738																
26 Aug	Croatia Zagreb	CL	0-3	21,000																
29 Aug	Dundee	SP	1-1	9,853																
12 Sept	Kilmarnock	SP	1-1	58,361																
15 Sept	Victoria Guimarães	UEFA	2-1	9,000																
20 Sept	Rangers	SP	0-0	50,026																
23 Sept	St Johnstone	SP	0-1	55,889																
26 Sept	Hearts	SP	1-1	60,027																
29 Sept	Victoria Guimarães	UEFA	2-1	38,076																
3 Oct	Motherwell	SP	2-1	12,103																
17 Oct	Dunfermline	SP	2-2	10,968																
20 Oct	Zurich	UEFA	1-1	44,121																
24 Oct	Aberdeen	SP	2-0	60,081																
31 Oct	Kilmarnock	SP	0-2	16,895																
3 Nov	Zurich	UEFA	2-4	19,000																
7 Nov	Dundee	SP	6-1	58,093																
14 Nov	St Johnstone	SP	1-2	9,762																
21 Nov	Rangers	SP	5-1	59,783																
28 Nov	Motherwell	SP	2-0	59,227																
6 Dec	Hearts	SP	1-2	17,354																
12 Dec	Dundee United	SP	1-1	11,612																
19 Dec	Dunfermline	SP	5-0	59,024																
26 Dec	Dundee	SP	3-0	10,043																
3 Jan	Rangers	SP	2-2	50,059																
31 Jan	Airdrie	SC:3	3-1	43,642																
31 Jan	St Johnstone	SP	5-0	60,092																
6 Feb	Hearts	SP	5-0	60,092																
13 Feb	Fourth round	SC	-	-																
17 Feb	Kilmarnock	SP	5-0	60,092																
20 Feb	Motherwell	SP	5-0	60,092																
27 Feb	Dundee United	SP	5-0	60,092																
5 March	Fifth round	SC	-	-																
14 March	Aberdeen	SP	5-0	60,092																
21 March	Kilmarnock	SP	5-0	60,092																
3 Apr	Dundee	SP	5-0	60,092																
10 Apr	Hearts	SP	5-0	60,092																
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8 May	Dunfermline	SP	5-0	60,092																
15 May	Aberdeen	SP	5-0	60,092																
22 May	Dundee United	SP	5-0	60,092																
29 May	Final	SC	-	-																



### Scottish Premier League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
RANGERS	23	15	5	3	47	21	50
KILMARNOCK	22	11	8	3	30	12	41
CELTIC	22	10	7	5	49	22	37
ST JOHNSTONE	23	8	9	6	28	33	33
MOTHERWELL	23	7	8	8	23	29	29
HEARTS	23	6	11	22	31	24	24
ABERDEEN	23	6	6	11	25	39	24
DUNDEE	23	6	6	11	20	36	24
DUNDEE UTD	23	5	8	10	23	28	23
DUNFERMLINE	23	2	13	8	18	34	19





# celtic stats

## Celtic first team player stats

PLAYER	PD			LC			SC			EURO			TOTAL		
	A	S	G	A	S	G	A	S	G	A	S	G	A	S	G
Paul LAMBERT	21	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	8	-	-	31	-	1
Henrik LARSSON	22	-	16	-	-	-	1	-	1	8	-	4	31	-	21
Tom BOYD	21	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	6	-	-	29	-	-
Jonathan GOULD	18	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	8	-	-	28	-	-
Simon DONNELLY	19	1	5	1	-	-	1	-	-	5	3	1	26	4	6
Stephane MAHE	17	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	6	-	-	25	-	-
Alan STUBBS	16	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	-	1	24	-	2
Craig BURLEY	12	-	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	20	-	5
Harald BRATTBAKK	10	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	2	16	6	7
Phil O'DONNELL	10	2	3	1	-	-	1	-	1	3	-	1	16	2	5
Vidar RISETH	14	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	15	1	1
Jackie McNAMARA	7	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	14	1	-
Marc RIEPER	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	12	-	-
Lubomir MORAVCIK	10	-	6	-	-	-	1	-	-	4	-	-	11	-	6
Darren JACKSON	4	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	1	9	6	1
Regi BLINKER	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	9	2	1
Johann MJALLBY	8	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	1
Tosh McKINLAY	4	5	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	7	7	-
David HANNAH	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	7	5	-
Mark BURCHILL	4	8	4	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	4	10	4
Rico ANNONI	3	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	7	-
Malky MACKAY	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	1
Tony WARNER	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
Andy McCONDICHIE	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Stewart KERR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-



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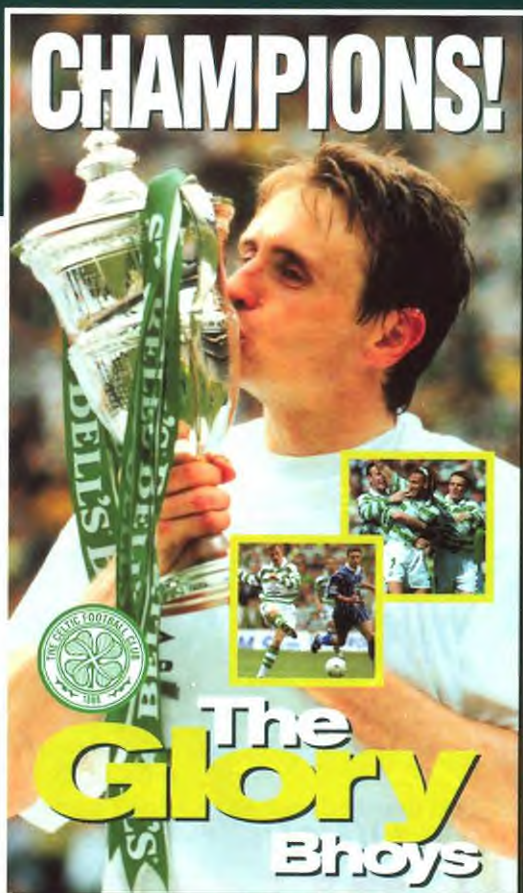
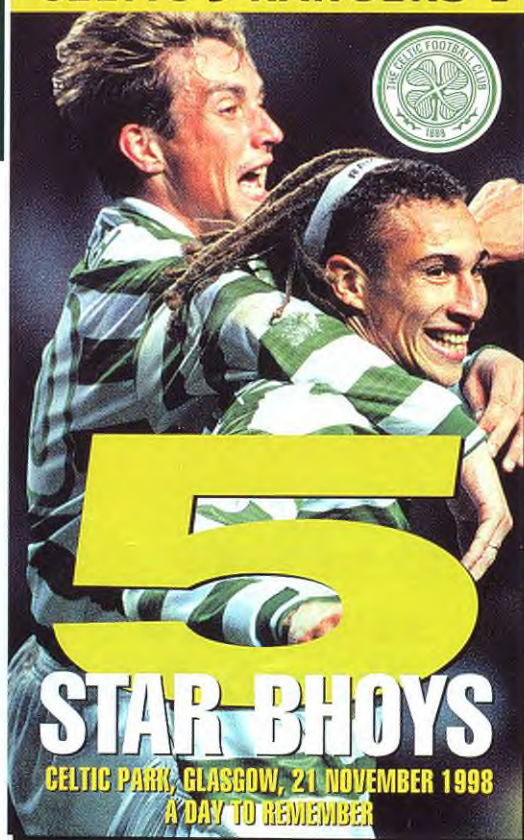


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