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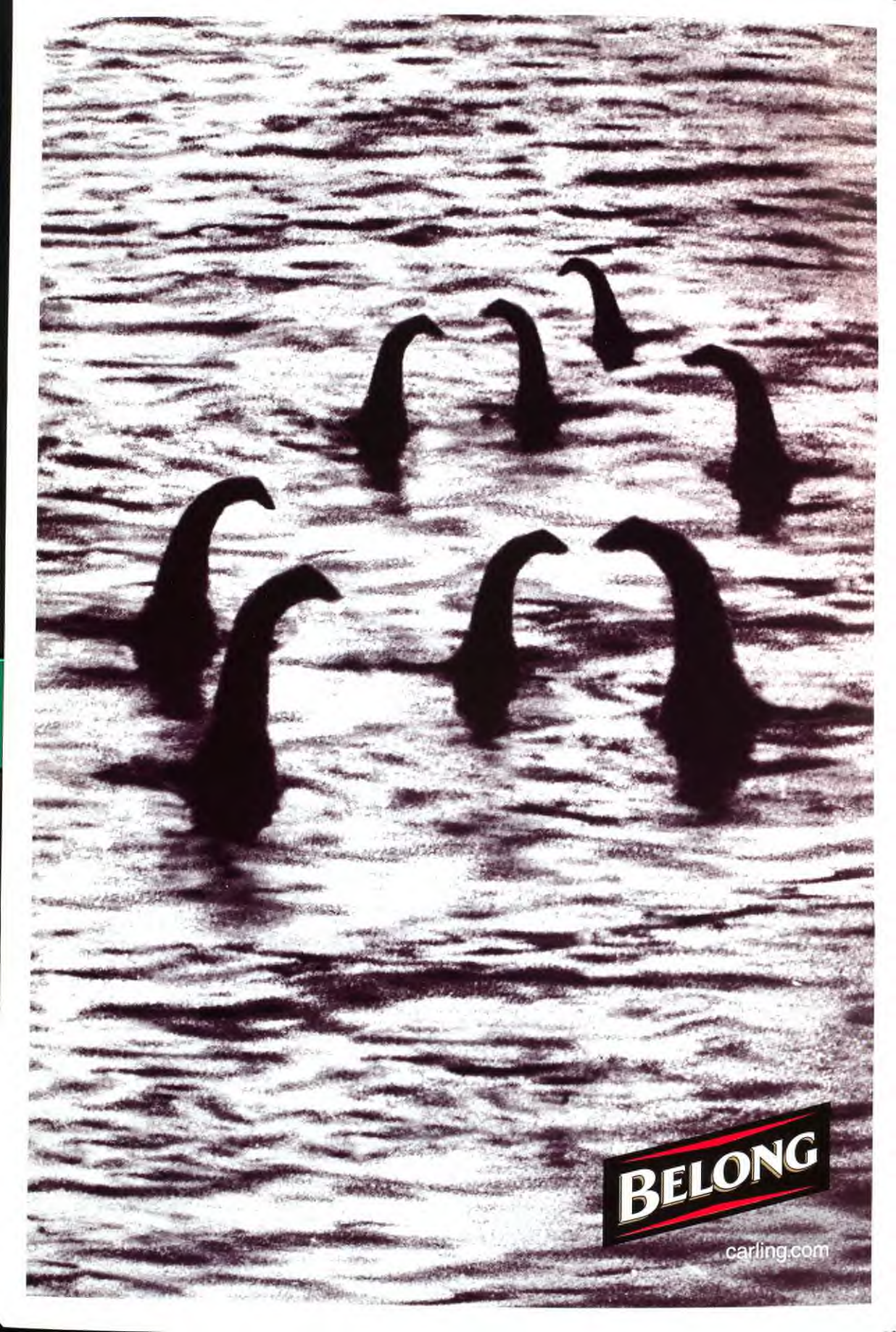
v **ST MIRREN** BANK OF SCOTLAND PREMIERLEAGUE, SAT 20TH JANUARY, KO 3.00PM

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GORDON STRACHAN

A WARM welcome back to Celtic Park today as we greet St Mirren here for the third time this season after their previous visits in the SPL and CIS Cup respectively.

We can expect another tough test today from Gus MacPherson's side but we have been used to such games as we now get back to some sort of normality after a really hectic turn-of-the-year period.

I'm delighted to report, though, that we recorded two wins in our first two weekend games after that flood of football and it goes without saying that we are delighted to be through to the next round of the Tennent's Scottish Cup.

These early rounds of the competition are tailor-made for shock wins and we had to be ready for the visit of Dumbarton, and our team selection for the match showed we weren't taking any chances.

We gave Dumbarton the respect they deserved and that went a long way to us winning the match and going through to meet Livingston in the next round.

Two goals by Magic Zurawski with others by Jan Vennegoor of Hesselink and Derek Riordan gave us a 4-0 win and I was more than pleased with that outcome as we fully wanted to be in the right frame of mind for the visit to Tynecastle the following weekend.

We always knew the Hearts game was going to be a tough occasion and the final outcome was a great victory for us and a huge result for the players' confidence as we could have wavered a wee bit after losing a last-minute equaliser to Motherwell in our previous away match.

We had lost in our previous two games at Tynecastle and, with that in mind, we had to pick a team that would stand up to everything that game was going to throw in our way.

As it was, we went a goal down in the first half but the players were determined not to let the match slip away from them by losing any further goals and that translated and grew into, not only equalising but hitting the winner to take all three points.

We had predicted how we thought the game was going to develop from the first whistle and everything more or less went to plan, although we would have preferred it if we had went in 1-0 up at half time instead of the home side.

The players refused to lie down though and everything worked out fine in the end and that helps to set us up for today's game against St Mirren.

As I said, we've already played them three times this season and I know a fair amount about them but that didn't stop me from taking the chance to go and watch them in midweek against Dundee United in the Scottish Cup.

They lost the game by a tight 3-2 scoreline with the winner being struck with almost the last kick of the ball but I don't feel that result will have done us any favours.

St Mirren will want to bounce back right away and we will have to be wary that we don't fall victim to their desire to get back on the tracks – so give the boys on the pitch today all the vocal encouragement you can as we go all out to claim another three SPL points.



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Sunday, January 28

Scottish Premierleague
Inverness CT v **Celtic**

Saturday, February 10

Scottish Premierleague
Celtic v Hibs

Saturday, February 17

Scottish Premierleague
Aberdeen v **Celtic**

Tuesday, February 20

UEFA Champions League
Celtic v AC Milan

Saturday, March 3

Scottish Premierleague
Celtic v Dunfermline Athletic



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Scottish League Winners [40 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

Scottish Cup Winners [33 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

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

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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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Celtic v St Mirren

Where & how scored		When for & against		Where & how scored			
Close range	6			Close range	4		
Inside 18yd box	31			Inside 18yd box	12		
Outside 18yd box	8			Outside 18yd box	5		
Shots	32			Shots	14		
Headers	7			Headers	4		
Volleys	2			Volleys	1		
Penalties	0			Penalties	1		
Free Kicks	1	Free Kicks	0				
Own Goals	3	Own Goals	1				
Last 6 results		Seasonal progress comparison		Last 6 results			
Opponents	H/A	Score			Opponents	H/A	Score
Hearts	A	2-1			Inverness	A	1-2
Kilmarnock	H	2-0			Rangers	A	1-1
Motherwell	A	1-1			Falkirk	H	1-0
Dundee Utd	H	2-2			Hibernian	A	1-5
Falkirk	H	1-0			Dunfermline	H	0-0
Rangers	A	1-1			Kilmarnock	A	1-1
Set pieces & discipline		Celtic's last 10 years		Set pieces & discipline			
Scored from free kick	3			Scored from free kick	1		
Conceded from free kick	2			Conceded from free kick	2		
Scored from corner	4			Scored from corner	3		
Conceded from corner	1			Conceded from corner	4		
Fouls committed	265			Fouls committed	278		
Average per game	11.04			Average per game	12.09		
Yellow cards	24			Yellow cards	31		
Red cards	1			Red cards	0		

Head2Head stats since 1999/00 season

Last meeting at Celtic Park		Previous meetings		Where & how goals scored																																					
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