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pep talk

Well this is our first game on returning home from our winter break abroad and hopefully we can continue on the good performance from our last game against Rangers away.

The break is something the boys deserved mainly because they worked extremely hard last year on club commitments and national side duties with many of them performing in the World Cup.

They also had other international qualifying games to take part in and of course there were a few injuries to take care of so the interlude was needed....

Especially at this time of year in Scotland when the winter weather can be very demanding on the players even in training sessions.

So the break in Spain was timely not only for their physical needs but also to psychologically gear them up and give them a rest before the final run-in to the season.

It wasn't all rest though as the players put in training sessions as well as a few games where they showed the same determination and spirit as usual.

We also used the games to give players who have been on the fringes or injured to have a run out.

The players who haven't played recently all had a



chance of a game and that is one of the reasons why we took the opportunity to play over in Spain.

And I am pleased to say that they all coped well and played to their usual high standard.

But we are back home now and today with the visit of Airdrie in the Scottish Cup we

“The break was something the boys deserved”

play one of our most important games of the season so far.

There is always something special about the cup and I hope that our performance today matches the standard of play in our previous three games over the Christmas and New Year period.

If the players show the same spirit, passion and responsibility then I am sure we will be in the next round of the competition



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WALK ON: Why 'Tosh' and not just plain old Tam?

TOSH MCKINLAY: That started when I was a boy, there was this other guy called Tosh and I was supposed to look like him. I was about five at the time and it's just stuck since then.

WO: Where does 'Valley' come into the story?

T McK: It's just an old family middle name. My Dad had the same middle name so it's a bit of a family tradition.

WO: How long did you play for Celtic Boys' Club?

T McK: I was there between the ages of 13 and 16. It was a good time for me as you picked up a lot of professional discipline in a well-organised set-up.

WO: Any well-known names from your team who also made the grade here or elsewhere?

T McK: In my age group there was Paul McStay and Ronnie Coyle as well as Paul Nicholas who was a cousin of Charlie. Paul went off to a soccer scholarship in the States.

WO: Most kids love the glory of being a striker - when did you decide to be a defender?

T McK: I originally played on the wing and then dropped back to defence and I found that it suited me. I was about 13 at the time so I've been playing there all of my career and it's a role I've always enjoyed.

WO: You left CBC to go to Dens Park while you obviously harboured ambitions to play for Celtic - was that hard to take?

T McK: I think Dundee made the decision for me as they invited me up for a week's trial and I knew I would have to have things settled by Christmas.

WO: While there you played in the championship-deciding game of May 3, 1986 when Dundee beat Hearts 2-0 and Celtic defeated St Mirren 5-0 - was that just like winning the title?

T McK: Not really because we were still fighting for a place in Europe at that time. We had to win and although I obviously enjoyed Celtic winning the title, I just went about that game in a professional manner.

WO: Apart from yourself, who else in the Dundee

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 THOMAS VALLEY MCKINLAY.

time out



Just how green is your Valley Tosh?

side celebrated that night?

T McK: I actually came back into Glasgow that night and met up with Maurice Johnson and a few more of the Celtic boys - they were obviously flying that night. But I suppose Albert Kidd who scored both goals and who is a big Celtic man certainly celebrated his part in the club's history.

WO: You eventually joined Hearts - did anyone there bring up your part in the fate of the club?

T McK: Not really, when you go to a new team it's just accepted that you are there to do your best and to be honest I don't think anybody knew I played that day. I think it would have been different though if I had scored both of those goals!

WO: Then the call came from Celtic - no doubt you didn't need to be asked twice?

T McK: Definitely, it might have been different if I had come here when I was younger. But I was reaching my peak when I arrived and I've enjoyed my spell. I've played over 100 games for the club I've supported and there's not many people can say that.

WO: Any pre-match superstitions?

T McK: The only thing is that I like to be the last one out when the team emerges from the tunnel.

WO: Our moles in Lisbon tell us you modelled for a Portuguese advertising campaign - what was that all about then?

T McK: When we were over for the Sporting game there were these adverts for doughnuts or something and the guy in the posters was the

spitting image of me. The rest of the squad had a field day but even I have to admit that the guy looked like me.

WO: Have you any thoughts on a career after you hang up your boots?

T McK: I haven't really thought about it. I still feel I have another couple of years left in me and only then will I decide what I'm going to do.

WO: What is the most expensive item in your wardrobe?

T McK: It's a Versace coat I bought about two years ago but I'm not telling you how much I spent on it.

WO: Who tops your music charts?

T McK: I like all the old 70s stuff like the Bee Gees and Kool and the Gang - all the old Disco stuff so I've quite enjoyed the recent revival.

WO: So what TV programmes do you enjoy the most?

T McK: I used to watch all of the Soaps but when you've got kids you don't really have the time although I did love Brookside.

WO: And which programme would you like to appear in?

T McK: I would really love to appear on Question of Sport. There is a quiz show with Bob Mills on SKY Digital called Taking The Pitch which I took part in recently with some of the rest of the lads. It hasn't been shown yet so I can't tell you how we got on.

WO: What would you do if you won the Lottery?

T McK: I'm quite happy with what I've achieved in life and I've come to realise that money isn't the be all and end all - I still do the Lottery right enough!

WO: Do you have a normal daily routine?

T McK: Basically the routine now revolves around the kids. We get up early and I make sure one gets off to school while my wife takes care of the other.

WO: What is your favourite food?

T McK: It's got to be Italian. My mate has an Italian restaurant and I eat there quite often but I really fancy the whole Italian way of life.

WO: It's now time for the question from yourself and what can you give up for the prize?

T McK: I will hand over one of my old Celtic tops and I will sign it. The question is: I crossed the ball for the 1995 cup-winning goal against Airdrie - but who headed the ball in?

So if you want to win Tosh's personally signed Celtic jersey, just jot the answer down on a postcard and send it to: **Tosh McKinlay Time Out Competition, Walk On, PO Box 2413, Glasgow, G40 3YB.** The sender of the first correct entry drawn out of the hat wins.

"I would love to appear in Question of Sport"





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