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UEFA Champions League

Celtic v Shakhtar Donetsk

2nd Nov 2004, Celtic Park, ko: 7.45pm



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Celtic 

“IT WILL TAKE A TRULY MONUMENTAL EFFORT FROM EVERYONE INVOLVED TO WIN THIS GAME TONIGHT”

TONIGHT we have a vitally important UEFA Champions League tie against Shakhtar Donetsk

After a disappointing night against this club from the Ukraine almost a fortnight ago, we know that in all probability this is a game we must win if we are to give ourselves a chance of European football after Christmas.

We have had our fair share of injury problems since the start of the season and there are number of players who, under normal circumstances, would not be considered for selection if there had been a greater choice.

But injuries are an occupational hazard in this game and never given much credence come the end of the season.

So regardless of whatever personnel takes to the field this evening, I am hoping you will, for the whole of the game, give them the sort of backing on European evenings that only **YOU** can muster and the backing that I believe the players fully deserve.

It will take a monumental effort from everyone involved, both players and supporters, to win this game.

Ever an optimist, I do not believe that this UEFA Champions League situation is irretrievable but we can only think of this evening's game and what goes on here at Celtic Park first and foremost.

Back on the home front, we have played two games, against Aberdeen and Motherwell respectively, in the seven days prior to tonight's game.

Both games produced a rollercoaster of emotions and tight 3-2 scorelines but sadly, the first of these was not in our favour.

It was a bitter blow to lose to an Aberdeen goal right at the end of injury time but especially so as this was the first meaningful SPL game we have lost home



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or away in some 18 months - not to mention the first meaningful home SPL defeat in over four years.

Defensive lapses allowed the visitors to score two early goals but we were never out of the game and that was highlighted by a double from John Hartson to get us back on level pegging before Aberdeen hit us right at the death.

We followed that up with a trip to Fir Park for what could have been a very tricky tie indeed against Terry Butcher's Motherwell.

As far as the scoring went, it was almost a mirror image of the Aberdeen match but we were the team who came out on top this time.

Aiden McGeady and Alan Thompson celebrated their return to the side by scoring a goal each to put us 2-0 ahead.

The home side levelled though and a wonderful strike from Craig Beattie put us back in the driving seat and ensured another three vital SPL points.

Those points maintained our lead at the top of the league and although we were massively disappointed at dropping points to Aberdeen, if you had told me at the start of the term we would be in this position at this stage in the season, I would have taken it.

However, our SPL fortunes and preparing for the visit of Kilmarnock this weekend will not concern me until around 10pm tonight when this vital game with Shakhtar Donetsk is done and dusted.

A magnificent effort will be required by both the players and the supporters tonight and once again we can utilise the tremendous backing from the stands here at Celtic Park.

Formed: 1888
 Stadium: Celtic Park (capacity 60,506)
Home strip: Green/white hooped shirts, white shorts, white socks
Away strip: Green shirts, white shorts and green socks
Third strip: Black shirts, black shorts and socks with gold trim
Record attendance: 92,000 (v Rangers, 1938)
Record victory: 11-0 (v Dundee, 1895)
Record defeat: 0-8 (v Motherwell, 1937)
Most league goals (1 season): 50, Jimmy McGrory, 1935/36
Most Premier/SPL goals (1 season): 35, Brian McClair 1986/87, Henrik Larsson 2000/01
Website: www.celticfc.net

HONOURS

Scottish League (39)
 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, 2000/2001, 2001/2002, 2003/2004

Scottish Cup (32)
 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

League Cup (12)
 1956/57, 1957/58, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68 1968/69, 1969/70, 1974/75, 1982/83, 1997/98, 1999/2000, 2000/2001

European Cup (1) 1967 Coronation Cup (1) 1953



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CELTIC FC

- Momo Sylla 3
- Jackie McNamara 4
- Joos Valgaeren 5
- Bobo Balde 6
- Juninho 7
- Alan Thompson 8
- Chris Sutton 9
- John Hartson 10
- Stephen Pearson 11
- David Fernandez 12
- Paul Lambert 14
- Bobby Petta 15
- Ulrik Laursen 16
- Didier Agathe 17
- Neil Lennon 18
- Stilian Petrov 19
- Robert Douglas 20
- Magnus Hedman 21
- David Marshall 22
- Stanislav Varga 23
- Henri Camara 27
- Shaun Maloney 29
- Ross Wallace 33
- Craig Beattie 37
- Rocco Quinn 38
- John Kennedy 41
- Stephen McManus 44
- Kevin McBride 45
- Aiden McGeady 46
- Michael McGovern 47
- Scott Cuthbert 49

SHAKHTAR

- Jan Lastuvka
- Flavius Stoican
- Cosmin Barcauan
- Mariusz Lewandowski
- Razvan Rat
- Anatoliy Tymoshchuk
- Andriy Vorobyev
- Brandao
- Francelino Matuzalem
- Zvonimir Vukic
- Julius Aghahowa
- Darijo Srna
- Ciprian Marica
- Igor Duljaj
- Dmytro Shutkov
- Tomas Hubschman
- Oleksiy Byelik
- Nenad Lalatovic

Coach: Mircea Lucescu



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RECENT FORM	FORTHCOMING FIXTURES
Scottish Premierleague, Oct 27, 2004 CELTIC 2 v 3 ABERDEEN (Hartson 2)	Scottish Premierleague, CELTIC v KILMARNOCK SATURDAY 6 NOVEMBER 3.00pm
Scottish Premierleague, Oct 24, 2004 LIVINGSTON 2 v 4 CELTIC (Petrov, Camara, Sutton, Hartson)	CIS Cup, 4th Round RANGERS v CELTIC WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 7.45pm
UEFA Champions League, Oct 20, 2004 SHAKHTAR 3 v 0 CELTIC	Scottish Premierleague, CELTIC v INVERNESS CALEY THISTLE SATURDAY 13 NOVEMBER 3.00pm
Scottish Premierleague, Oct 16, 2004 CELTIC 3 v 0 HEARTS (Camara, Juninho, Hartson)	Scottish Premierleague, RANGERS v CELTIC SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER 12.30pm
Scottish Premierleague, Oct 3, 2004 DUNDEE UTD 0 v 3 CELTIC (Sutton 2, Petrov)	