

# Celtic

v LIVINGSTON

Scottish Premier League  
Sunday 1st September 2002 k.o. 3.00pm



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UNDER 16s



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**Celtic**



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**ONCE again, printing deadlines dictate that I am penning these notes ahead of a vital midweek match.**

Though all too familiar to me by now, this is nevertheless a difficult situation to find myself in, simply because Wednesday’s game held such massive importance for everyone here at Celtic football club.

There is no use in speculating on what the outcome might have been; I only hope that the players gave a performance which was sufficient to see us through to the Champions League group stages. Certainly, no-one here has ever been under any illusions as to the significance of that particular competition for this club.

This afternoon, however, we return to the even more important business of attempting to retain the league title. Livingston are our visitors today, and they arrive at Celtic Park on the back of a European encounter of their own on Thursday evening. Again, the outcome of their tie is unknown to me, but the very fact that Livingston are competing in European football is

a huge tribute to the work done by everyone at Almondvale.

Livingston’s emergence over the last few years has been nothing short of phenomenal, and we always know to expect a competitive, high quality game against them. Every one of our four league meetings last season was memorable in its own way, from our opening draw at Almondvale to the game here at Celtic Park which saw us clinch the Championship.

Perhaps the pick of the bunch, thought, was the match which took place here on Boxing Day last year. That afternoon, it required a late goal from Henrik Larsson to settle a thrilling game and, while it might be asking too much to expect an equally exciting encounter today, I’m sure both sides will go out on to the field intent on playing good football.

Admittedly, that was something which was distinctly lacking last week at Firhill when we were disappointing against a hard-working Partick Thistle team. As always,

the result was the most important thing, and another goal from Henrik Larsson ensured we maintained our unblemished league record this season. However, the players know that their performance fell short of the high standards they themselves have set over the past couple of seasons, and we will be looking for improvement this afternoon.

On the subject of last week’s game, I was delighted to witness the reception afforded to Neil Lennon by our travelling support. I’m sure Neil would also like to thank those of you who were there at Firhill to give him such tremendous encouragement, and I would ask that you give the same backing to every one of our players this afternoon.



# Celtic FC Factfile

**Formed:** 1888  
**Stadium:** Celtic Park  
 (capacity 60,506)  
**Home strip:** Green/white hooped shirts,  
 white shorts, white socks  
**Away strip:** Gold shirts, green  
 shorts, gold socks  
**Third strip:** White shirts, black shorts and 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 (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 (38)

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

### Scottish Cup (31)

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

### 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

## CELTIC FACTS

1. On August 28, 1899, Celtic drew 2-2 with Rangers in a benefit match for the striker Sandy MacMahon. 'Duke' became the first in the club's long list of star strikers. After joining from Hibs in December 1890 and making his debut against Vale of Leven a month later, Sandy went on to score 171 goals in 217 matches, a ratio only surpassed by Jimmy McGrory and Joe McBride. Truly a Celtic great.
2. Talking of McGrory, on August 28, 1935, Jimmy scored his 50th hat-trick for Celtic in the 6-0 demolition of Third Lanark at Parkhead. His first one came against Motherwell in September 1924. He also scored three or more in seven Scottish Cup matches. Following the hat-trick against the 'Hi Hi', Jimmy repeated the feat six more times that season.
3. Celtic fans were not happy with the team's start in season 1939/40. Victories over Clyde (1-0), Cowdenbeath (2-1) and Hearts (2-0), all at Parkhead, were rather overshadowed by home and away defeats to Aberdeen (1-3, 1-3). Just as the gloom was setting in, more serious news tended to put sport into perspective. On September 3, 1939, war was declared. One day later, an edict was issued stating that professional football, along with all other forms of mass entertainment, was to be abandoned.

## LIVINGSTON FACTS

1. Livingston FC is the third variation of the club's name in its short history. Originally called Ferranti Thistle (founded 1943), it entered the Scottish League as Meadowbank Thistle in 1974. Until half-an-hour before kick-off, it was quite common to find athletes using the trackside for training or see javelins plunging into the turf. Meadowbank won the 2nd Division Championship in 1986/87.
2. One year later, Meadowbank should have won promotion to the Premier Division. They finished the season in second place, four points behind the leaders Hamilton, having lost the chance to win the Championship outright by only taking three points from a possible 10 in the run-in. Unfortunately, with Premier League re-organisation due the following year, only one team went up to replace the three relegated.
3. The name Livingston was adopted in season 1995/96, when the club moved to Almondvale Stadium. By the end of the campaign, Livvy had won the Third Division Championship. During the following five years, Livingston moved up another two divisions to the Premier, where last season they finished third.

# TODAY'S SQUADS

TODAY'S VISITORS  
**LIVINGSTON**

SEASON 2002/03  
CURRENT LEAGUE POSITIONS



	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
6. Motherwell	4	1	2	1	7	5	5
7. <b>LIVINGSTON</b>	4	1	1	2	6	7	4
8. Dundee	4	1	1	2	5	9	4
9. <b>Aberdeen</b>	4	1	1	2	3	4	3
10. Partick Th	4	0	3	1	3	4	3

TEAM SPONSOR: INTELLIGENT FINANCE

MANAGER **JIM LEISHMAN** STADIUM **ALMONDVALE** CAPACITY **10,016** PREVIOUS RESULT **CELTIC 5 v LIVINGSTON 1**

**CELTIC**



**LIVINGSTON**

CLUB SPONSORS

JONATHAN GOULD	1
TOM BOYD	2
MOMO SYLLA	3
JACKIE McNAMARA	4
JOOS VALGAEREN	5
BOBO BALDE	6
HENRIK LARSSON	7
ALAN THOMPSON	8
CHRIS SUTTON	9
JOHN HARTSON	10
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
COLIN HEALY	24
PAUL SHIELDS	26
JON PAUL McGOVERN	27
SHAUN MALONEY	29
STEVE GUPPY	30
SIMON LYNCH	32
MARK FOTHERINGHAM	34
JOHAN MJALLBY	35
JAMIE SMITH	39
STEPHEN CRAINEY	40
JOHN KENNEDY	41
LIAM MILLER	43

JAVIER SANCHEZ BROTO	1
PHILIPPE BRINQUIN	2
GARY BOLLAN	3
OSCAR RAMOS RUBIO	4
MARVIN ANDREWS	5
EMMANUEL DORADO	6
BARRY WILSON	7
JAUN JOSE CAMACHO	8
ROLANDO ZARATE	9
DAVID BINGHAM	10
FRANCISCO QUINO	12
DAVIDE XAUSA	13
LEE MAKEL	14
STUART LOVELL	17
FERNANDO LOPEZ	18
DAVID MCEWAN	19
GUSTAVE BAHOKEN	20
EUGENE DADI	21
MICHAEL HART	22
WILLIAM SNOWDON	23
EAMON FULLERTON	24
RICHARD BRITAIN	25
CHERIF TOURE-MAMAN	91



RECENT FORM

UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE QUALIFIER 1st LEG WED 14 AUGUST, 2002  
**CELTIC 3 v FC BASEL 1** (Larsson, Sutton, Sylla)

SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE 17 AUGUST, 2002  
**CELTIC 5 v DUNDEE UTD 0** (McNamara, Sutton, Petrov, Hartson, Larsson)

SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE 24 AUGUST, 2002  
**PARTICK THISTLE 0 v CELTIC 1** (Larsson)

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE  
**MOTHERWELL v CELTIC** TUE 10 SEPTEMBER 2002

SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE  
**CELTIC v HIBS** SAT 14 SEPTEMBER 2002

TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE: ALAN FREELAND  
ASSISTANT REFEREES: ALAN CUNNINGHAM  
FRANCIS ANDREWS  
FOURTH OFFICIAL: IAIN BRINES

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