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I was left devastated after European match misery

WHEN asked to preview the Champions League from a Celtic perspective, I often repeated the phrase "Let's enjoy the experience". Well, Tuesday night in Turin turned the tables on me in a way I could not have expected.

I certainly did not enjoy the experience of the referee inexplicably pointing to the penalty spot with less than two minutes to go to throw mighty Juventus a lifeline on their own pitch. I don't believe anyone watching the game, either in the Stadio Delle Alpi or on television, needed a replay to prove the referee had made a serious error of judgement which cost us dearly. And suffice to say, that was not the type of experience I was thinking about when I made my pre-match comments.

However, our players' displays were extraordinary and, despite the result, they'll take enormous confidence and pride from their efforts against one of Europe's finest and most costly teams.

To lose a goal just before half time was bad enough, especially when the Juventus keeper Gianluigi Buffon had made the save of the evening from Chris Sutton's header a little earlier. But to lose another goal just after half-time would have buried most

sides, particularly one making its debut in such an elite competition.

However, the team responded in such a fearless fashion that wave upon wave of attacks rained down on the Juventus goal. Stilian Petrov, who was magnificent throughout, pulled a goal back for us with a free kick and Henrik Larsson gave us a deserved equaliser from the penalty spot after Sutton and Petrov were both fouled in a goalmouth scramble.

But just as it looked as if we may go on to win the match, the referee appeared from nowhere – well at least 40 yards away – to ensure the Italian giants got off to a winning start.

Now, I'm well aware that dubious penalty awards often decide matches and I am realistic enough to accept we will occasionally suffer, and benefit, in this respect. However, when a referee makes a decision as significant as Hellmut Krug's undoubtedly was, he has to be absolutely certain that he is making the right call.

If ever a picture told a story, it was the close-up of the reaction on Nicola Amoroso's face when he realised that his tumble had provoked Krug to point to the spot. Had he looked, the referee would have seen his

linesman – who was in a far better position to judge the incident – made no movement whatsoever, and the pity is that such decisions are unlikely to balance themselves out over the course of such an important six-game campaign.

But regardless of the events in Turin, we must galvanise ourselves for the challenges ahead. I do not know what lies in store for us over the next five Champions League matches, but I can guarantee the Celtic players will give absolutely everything they have to attempt to progress to the second group stages. Furthermore, they will also always attempt to play the type of football that had Juventus reeling and neutrals inside the Stadio Delle Alpi applauding in admiration, and there are still five massive tests ahead in this competition.

Today, Aberdeen will undoubtedly present us with serious problems. They have made a very good start to this season's SPL campaign and have a number of talented young players who, under the direction of Ebbe Skovdahl, are improving month by month. Our European exertions will have taken their toll but we must think only of the game ahead. The retention of the league is the vital element of our season.

Decisions like that are unlikely to even out over the course of a vital six matches

Martin O'Neill

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On their last three visits to Celtic Park, Aberdeen have conceded 18 goals including 4 hat-tricks from Henrik Larsson (2), Mark Viduka and Tommy Johnson.

HEROES of Turin

CEL TIC left Turin with a lot of pride but no points after their first UEFA Champions League game.

The sense of injustice was palpable among players and fans alike at the late penalty award which gave Juventus a 3-2 victory against an impressive Celtic side that had fought back from two goals down to level the match.

When Henrik Larsson equalised, also from the penalty spot with just five minutes remaining, it did look as though Celtic would get at least a point from the game, if not all three against a 10-man Juventus side that looked to be on the ropes.

The decision by the German referee remains as inexplicable now, four days later, as it did at the time in the Stadio Delle Alpi.

And it would be easy to dwell on the injustice of it all, but with another Champions League game looming, against Porto at Celtic Park on Tuesday, it's better to concentrate on the many positive aspects of the game in Turin. The penalty decision, after all, is now set in stone and cannot be reversed.

If the Celtic players left Turin with a lot of pride, then the Celtic fans were equally proud of their team's performance. We had gone to the Italy to play one of the giants in world football and showed we are more than capable of competing at this level with the likes of Juventus.

And even given the massive disappointment of the result and the

manner of our defeat, Celtic fans were still in good humour as the queued at Turin Airport for the return flights to Glasgow.

Spying TV commentator Archie MacPherson in the check-in queue, fans broke into a chorus of "Archie! Archie! Give us a Whoosh!"

Sadly, I have to report that Archie was not forthcoming with a "Whoosh".

If Juventus were the stronger team on paper, the game only served to emphasise the point that football is not played on paper.

Even after going 2-0 behind early in the second half, confidence remained high in the Celtic side and they dominated the rest of the game.

It's difficult to single out any player for particular praise, given that the collective will of the side was what pushed them forward in search of a result.

But perhaps a special mention should be given to Chris Sutton, whose own will to win was evident throughout the match, and who was instrumental in everything Celtic did, and Stilian Petrov, whose strength, power and skill were a joy to behold.

Expectations are now even higher as the team look forward to facing Porto, but Celtic fans can be confident in their team.

We are the Champions and proved that we are worthy of being in the Champions League.

PAUL CUDDIHY



SEVEN FROM HEAVEN Henrik Larsson celebrates his penalty which levelled the match for Celtic (above), Chris Sutton's at the heart of the action (above right) and Stilian Petrov cracks a free kick home for the Bhoys' opener



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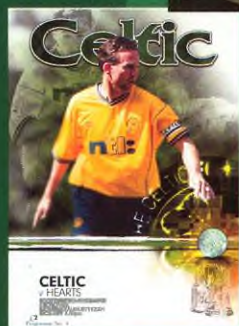
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