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The two games in the week just past have seen the side grow in confidence with two important results which sets us up for the visit of St Johnstone tonight.

The match against Vitoria Guimaraes was played very cleverly by the players and they showed the sort of determination needed in such games and added the continuity in Sunday's game against Rangers.

Again the determination was displayed along with concentration with the players working hard for each other.

Another aspect was their tactical discipline which is highly important, especially in games such as our last two matches.

At the end of the game on Sunday we had a few chances and could have taken all three points which the players would have deserved after a very difficult week.

And by that I mean all of the players in the squad – the men off the park as well as the men on it.

And special mention must also go to the backroom coaching staff here who all pulled together as a unit to prepare for the Rangers game.

We had many injuries but physiotherapist Brian Scott and Dr Jack Mulhearn played important parts in a very busy schedule.

So team spirit was also shown by the backroom squad and I have to thank them all for their input and support.

As I said, the players created many opportunities late in the game and if we start tonight's match the way we ended



Sunday's, I will be very happy.

This is just the start of another difficult week for us with the visit of Hearts at the weekend and the return match against Guimaraes on Tuesday.

But we can make things easier by getting off to a good start tonight although I feel we can

“If we start tonight the way we finished the match on Sunday I will be very happy”

expect difficult opponents in St Johnstone.

They have just changed manager but they have recorded good wins recently and they will be on a high after beating Aberdeen on Saturday.

So again our players will have to work hard and I'm sure that after our results the supporters will add to that work rate by getting right behind them in our stadium tonight.

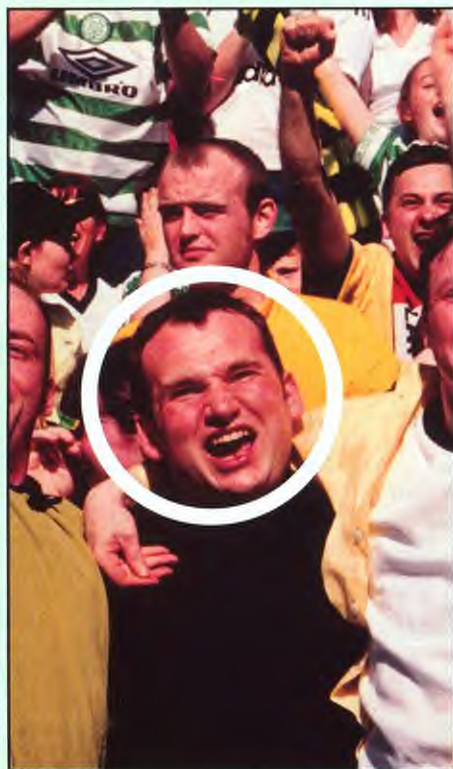
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Despite endless disappointing efforts entering competitions, quizzes and you name it, young Lynsey Morgan had decided she was definitely one of life's unlucky people. Therefore, you can imagine the surprise and excitement Lynsey experienced when she was chosen to be lucky mascot for the game against Kilmarnock.

Lynsey must have broken a lucky mascot record, as she had only joined the Huddle Club three weeks previously, with the thought in mind

MEET THE MASCOT

that she would never, ever be chosen!

Lynsey had a huge following of her own personal fans who made the journey from Stirling to witness her dream come true and to make her day extra special, she managed to get most of them in her mascot video.

If you would like the chance to be chosen as lucky mascot, contact the Huddle Club, c/o the commercial department on 0141-551 4228.

cast list



- 1 Jonathan GOULD
- 2 Tom BOYD
- 3 Stephane MAHE
- 4 Jackie McNAMARA
- 5 Marc RIEPER
- 6 Alan STUBBS
- 7 Henrik LARSSON
- 8 Craig BURLEY
- 9 Harald BRATTBAKK
- 10 Phil O'DONNELL
- 11 Morten WIEGHORST
- 12 Tommy JOHNSON
- 13 Simon DONNELLY
- 14 Paul LAMBERT
- 15 Darren JACKSON
- 16 David HANNAH
- 17 Rico ANNONI
- 18 Tosh McKINLAY
- 19 Malky MACKAY
- 20 Regi BLINKER
- 21 Stewart KERR
- 22 Brian McLAUGHLIN
- 23 Andy McCONDICHIE
- 24 Colin HEALY
- 26 John Paul McBRIDE
- 27 Mark BURCHILL
- 28 Barry ELLIOT



- Alan MAIN 1
- John McQUILLAN 2
- Allan PRESTON 3
- Nick DASOVIC 4
- James WEIR 5
- Alan KERNAGHAN 6
- Philip SCOTT 7
- John O'NEILL 8
- Roddy GRANT 9
- George O'BOYLE 10
- Paul KANE 11
- Gerard McMAHON 12
- Patrick CONNOLLY 14
- Gary BOLLAN 15
- Danny GRIFFIN 16
- Keith O'HALLORAN 17
- Stephen ROBERTSON 18
- Stuart McCLUSKEY 19
- Davide XAUSA 20
- Andrew WHITEFORD 21
- Allan FERGUSON 22
- Kieran McANESPIE 23
- Darren DODS 24
- Charles KING 25
- Stuart MALCOLM 26
- Marc McCULLOCH 27
- Nathan LOWNDES 28



Referee: MICHAEL McCURRY (Glasgow)
Assistant: JOE McDOWALL (Fenwick)
Assistant: PETER PEACE (West Calder)
Fourth Official: MARTIN CLARK (Edinburgh)

George O'Boyle



There was an air of shock surrounding today's visitors St Johnstone, earlier this month when boss Paul Sturrock upped and left to take up the vacant manager's position at Dundee United.

With Tommy McLean leaving, Sturrock had the chance to join up with Jim McLean who had nurtured him as a player and he jumped at it. It wasn't a popular decision in the Perth club's boardroom with Chairman Geoff Brown publicly slating Sturrock, and telling the world that he believed new boss Sandy Clark to be a better man for the job anyway.

It certainly looked that way when Clark led his side to a 4-0 hammering of Hibernian in their League Cup clash, his first match in charge.

Clark will send a pretty different side out at Celtic Park to that of the one that visited here on the last day of the season.

And they will be looking to be a wee bit more involved than they were that day in May as the 2-0 win by Celtic saw the hosts win the league title, something no team appreciates happening against them.

Harald Brattbakk scored Celtic's winner that afternoon past **ALAN MAIN** in the visitor's goal, and he is likely to be between the sticks this afternoon. Main has been at Saints for over three years now and last summer agreed a contract that will keep him there until the year 2000.

ALLAN FERGUSON arrived as back-up to Main in the summer, leaving Hamilton Accies under freedom of contract.

Out of action in the defence at the moment is **JIM WEIR** still recovering from a ruptured Achilles tendon that he picked up at the end of last term. He will probably be out until Christmas.

Joining him on the treatment table in Perth was Irish defender **ALAN KERNAGHAN** who had a hernia operation in July after signing a two-year deal in May, having initially been at the club on a three-month loan deal.

A composed and solid defender, Kernaghan made his comeback in the 4-0

Perth side set to keep on the Boyle

League Cup win over Hibs and played extremely well.

In Weir's vacant position though is new signing **DARREN DODS**. The former Hibs player has teamed up with **DANNY GRIFFIN** at the back, Griffin a young player is equally at home in the centre of defence, at full-back or in midfield.

Griffin actually captained Saints in 1995 at the tender age of 18 - their youngest captain ever. Already capped at senior level for his native Northern Ireland, Griffin looks like going a long way in the game.

In at the back recently has been former Ranger **GARY BOLLAN** who had a rotten time of it at Ibrox before Sturrock brought him to Perth. Unfortunately he didn't have the best starts in this part of the world either - after arriving in February this year, he appeared in a reserve fixture with Aberdeen and promptly broke his foot! However, he's back in action now and has kept his place in the side under Clark.

Arguably the most assured full-back St Johnstone have had for years is **JOHN McQUILLAN** who came from Dundee in 1995.

Out of the midfield area at the end of last year went two players, **ATTILA SEKERLIOGLU** and **LEIGH JENKINSON**.

So at the heart of the team now is fit-again Canadian **NICK DASOVIC**. Dasovic's parents come from Croatia, Zagreb to be precise, so that will probably make this man instantly unpopular with the Celtic support - apologies Nick. He will try to alienate the Celtic fans more this evening we are sure, with his forceful style, good running, and his eagerness to always

have a shot at goal.

With him in the midfield is **PHILLIP SCOTT** - or Fizzy, as he is peculiarly known - a local lad made good, Scott scored the first ever goal of the new SPL. So whatever happens from now on in, he'll be forever remembered for that. Nice one Fizzy.

JOHN O'NEIL (bottom left) must hate playing Celtic, simply because memories of the most ridiculous sending-off must come back to him. At Perth in the Coca-Cola Cup - as it was then - O'Neil came on for Saints against Celts and three minutes later was off again, shown the red-card for, well, nothing really!

A favourite of the Saints fans, he always gives the proverbial 100 per cent - when he stays on the park for long enough spells of course!

Out on the wing you'll find 24-year-old Northern Ireland international number two, **GERRY McMAHON**. Signed earlier this year from Stoke City. Can play through the middle as well as out wide.

No need for an introduction really to Northern Ireland internationalist number three, **GEORGE O'BOYLE**.

O'Boyle was signed at the start of the 1994/95 season to replace Billy Dodds who had headed to Aberdeen. He was voted First Division Player of the Year the following term and was top scorer in that division.

Alongside Danny Griffin and Gerry McMahon he has starred for his country and in 1996 he pledged himself to the Saints until the year 1999 - and is certainly one you would like to take with you into the millennium.... if you're a Saints fan of

course.

Unknown to Celtic fans - and most other fans in Scotland I would imagine - is **NATHAN LOWNDES** (And is that Lowndes, or Lown-des, if you catch my drift). This English (never!) striker signed on for three years from Watford. God knows how he found his way to Perth then, anywhere north of the Watford gap and all that.

Anyway, he made his home debut against Hibs and scored two goals, brilliantly taken, in the League Cup. Remember the name.

On the bench are a few of the, how can we put it, well, old timers really. However, that means nothing in footballing terms and **RODDY GRANT** could still pop off the bench and do some damage if needed. Grant is a genuine cult hero with the fans, in his second stint at the club, a skilful player with power in the air and a genuine talent with the ball at his feet. Not the paciest of players but at least he knows where the goal is. Which is more than can be said for knowing how to get to the grounds he's playing at. On a recent pre-season tour of the Highlands, Grant was responsible for getting the team mini-bus lost. Well Celtic supporters, hold up a few sings saying 'Sutherland turn right' and 'Inverness this way' tonight and Grant may be put off track.

Left-back **ALLAN PRESTON** is another player who seems to have been around forever.

Only kidding Allan, but he has done the circuit as they say in working man's club land, anyway, I digress. So, from Dundee United to Hearts to Dunfermline to St Johnstone, Preston was signed up for another two years in April this year.



Allan Preston

"Clark will send out a different side at Celtic park"

brief notes



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INVESTOR CLUB BUSINESS CLASS CELTIC v VITORIA GUIMARAES, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, KO 7.45

Tickets for the above match are currently available to members priced £25. Guest tickets are £30 and can be purchased by contacting Maureen Hardie on 0141-551 4314 for Investors and Lisa Corbin on 0141-551 4254 for Business Class. Both Investor and Business Class Season Passes are not valid for this match.

CELTIC v HEARTS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, KO 3 PM

This match is a sell out as far as regular tickets are concerned. However, there are premium padded seat tickets available priced £25. There will be no sale of regular tickets on the day of the match and we would request that if you do not have a ticket please do not make your way to the Stadium.

AWAY MATCH DETAILS

The number of applications currently received for Away Matches is as follows:

ABERDEEN	15909	CLOSED
DUNDEE	15154	CLOSED
RANGERS	28426	CLOSED
M'WELL	15554	CLOSED £13
D'LINE	10364	CLOSES 2 OCT
K'NOCK	10367	CLOSES 16 OCT
ST J'STNE	10261	CLOSES 30 OCT
HEARTS	10358	CLOSES 20 NOV £18
D UTD	10281	CLOSES 27 NOV

We will continue to update you on the numbers at regular intervals. Next week we will have

hopefully had confirmation from all clubs as to the allocation for Celtic and the ticket prices.

NON ARRIVAL OF TICKETS

Under no circumstances will we ask opposing clubs to provide duplicate tickets for tickets that have been lost or stolen.

Unfortunately the procedure was abused in the past and consequently genuine supporters were inconvenienced, some to the extent that they left the match to avoid confrontation. We would therefore suggest that if you wish to have your tickets posted, that you request to have them sent Registered and we will add the additional cost on to your cheque or card.

We would like to point out that we cannot be held responsible for non arrival of tickets and will not pay refunds on tickets which don't arrive.

We have had several discussions with the Royal Mail to examine the possibilities of providing an interim service which covers delivery of tickets.

However these are considered by the Royal Mail as cash and as such to ensure compensation for non receipt they must be sent Registered Post. Celtic Ticket Services will continue to post tickets to supporters in the envelopes provided.

But we must stress, we will not pay refunds to anyone whose tickets do not arrive, nor will we provide replacement tickets unless we receive payment for them.

We would also like to remind supporters when they are applying for tickets to consider the quality of envelope they supply as in many cases the envelopes are transparent and make it obvious what is contained. This is a potential cause for non receipt of tickets.

SEPTEMBER WEEKEND

The Ticket Office will be open between 10am and 1pm on Sunday and will be open as normal on Monday.

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CELTIC v VITORIA GUIMARAES Celtic Park, Tuesday, September 29, kick-off 7.45pm

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E F	£16	£22
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Opponent	Dates	Vouchers	Closing Date
DUNFERMLINE	17 Oct, 8 May	50 & 51	2 October
KILMARNOCK	1 Nov, 20 Mar	52 & 53	16 October
ST JOHNSTONE	14 Nov, 24 Apr	54 & 55	30 October
HEARTS	5 Dec, 10 Apr	56 & 57	20 November
DUNDEE UTD	12 Dec, 22 May	58 & 59	27 November

Tennents Scottish Cup

Round	Date	Voucher	Closing Date
THREE	23 January	32	8 January
FOUR	13 February	33	29 January

Voucher details for season book holders

FIVE	6 March	34	19 February
SEMI FINAL	17 April	35	2 April
FINAL	29 May	36	7 May

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