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## From the Manager's Desk



The weather over the past day or so has given me hope that the days of freeze, frost, flood and squelching mud are now behind us. Let's hope so, and that we can get back to playing uninterrupted football.

And what a game we should have this afternoon. The build-up has been almost perfect and, weather permitting, we should have a real packed house.

We slithered and slipped to an exciting 1—1 goal draw at Love Street last Saturday in a game that did not suit the skills of the players but certainly got the adrenalin flowing in the spectators' veins.

On Sunday we followed with a real nerve-tingler with our equalising goal coming in injury time. Cowdenbeath must have been bitterly disappointed at the lateness of the counter.

Meanwhile Celtic turned on top form against Ayr United in a friendly and then had the critics enthusing wildly at their 7—1 defeat of the promising Dundee side. Their large travelling support must be in raptures at their return to form and will flock to Firhill today.

On their last visit we gained a narrow 1—0 win. Doug Somner was our scorer. That game was a turning point in the season for both clubs. We went on to a ten-game undefeated run, and Celtic slumped disastrously to a mid-table position. Then in December weather postponed our game against St. Mirren and after the break we were beaten 3—0 at Parkhead. Both sides will hope to impress this afternoon.

The upsurge in striking power should make today's match a spectators' dream game. We have had big Sandy Frame in exciting form recently, and his charging runs and bustling tactics could upset the rhythm of the Celtic defenders. And, of course, we must watch the exploits of young George McCluskey. He has been grabbing goals in clusters.

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# Partick Thistle Football Club

## Season 1977-78



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# Celtic F.C.



## Premier League Champions 1976 - 1977

It would appear that, at this latter part of the season, Celtic's grasp of the league championship is slipping. An uncharacteristic spate of results, just before the turn of the year, has left them well adrift in the championship chase. In fact their overwhelming of Dundee in the Scottish Cup on Monday by 7-1 brought to an end a run of four league defeats. But such is the character of the club, and its players, that a revival could well be on the cards. They really have a remarkable history.

Our visitors' club was founded in Glasgow back in 1888, twelve years after our own club. The club have always played at their ground at Parkhead although many major improvements have been made since those early days. The present ground capacity is 80,000 with seating for 9,000. The ground record was set on New Year's Day, 1938 when 92,000 spectators crowded the stadium to see the annual clash with Rangers. When talking about scoring records of the club then the name Jimmy McGrory immediately springs to mind. He set a club record for most goals scored by an individual in any season when he netted 50 times in 1935-36. He started his scoring feats as a youngster in 1922 and by 1939 he had scored no

less than 397 goals—a remarkable record. Up to the end of last season the club record for Scottish caps was held by Bobby Evans, their red headed captain of the forties and fifties, who played for Scotland 48 times.

The club suffered its highest defeat in season 1937 when they lost 8-0 to Motherwell. Their highest victory was recorded back in October, 1895 when they trounced Dundee 11-0.

The club have won almost every honour in the game with the high spots being winning the European Champions Cup in Lisbon in 1967 and the nine successive league titles they collected between 1966 and 1974.

They also contested the European Cup for eight consecutive years until 1975 and were beaten finalists in 1970. Prior to this they contested the Cup Winners Cup in 1964 and 1966 and the Fairs Cities Cup in 1963 and 1965. They were also winners of special invitation trophies: the Coronation Cup in 1953 and the Empire Exhibition Cup back in 1938.

On the home scene they won the Scottish First Division in 1893, 95, 96, 98; 1905, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 22, 26, 36, 38, 54 and 1966 to 74 inclusive. They were runners up 16 times. They also won the Premier League last season.

They won the Scottish Cup in 1892, 99; 1900, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12, 14, 23, 25, 27, 31, 33, 37, 54, 65, 67, 69, 71, 72, 74, 75, 77, and were beaten finalists 14 times.

The League Cup came to Parkhead after the 1957, 58, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, and 75, finals. They were beaten in 6 finals.

The transfer of club captain, Kenny Dalglish, to Liverpool for £440,000 obviously set a new club and Scottish record fee.

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# Schools Competition

This week's competition posed a problem or two for our young competitors and, in fact, we received only six correct entries naming SANDY FRAME as our mystery personality.

A quick draw, made by Sandy, pulled out the name of young twelve-year-old Grant Clark of 53 Thomson Drive, Bearsden as our lucky contestant. Grant is a pupil at Bearsden Academy and so he and twenty of his school mates will be the recipients of our free enclosure tickets for today's game.

It was hard luck on Brian Lawrie of Prestwick Academy; Stuart Mason of Bearsden Academy; Gillian MacKinnon, Kilsyth Academy; M. Cunningham, St. Andrew's Primary, Linwood and Robert Henderson of Kirktonholme Primary, East Kilbride who also named Sandy.

Perhaps one of them will qualify for the twenty free enclosure tickets for our game against Dundee United on 25th February. But YOU could be the lucky entrant, all you have to do is unscramble the letters contained in

## CLEM BLACK JAP

and re-arrange them into the name of a Partick Thistle player. Send your entry to The Programme Editor, Firhill Stadium, Glasgow G20 to arrive not later than Friday, 17th. Give your name, address, age and school.

### PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Rangers	23	16	4	3	50	25	36
Aberdeen	24	13	6	5	38	21	32
Dundee Utd.	22	9	6	7	25	17	24
Partick Thistle	22	10	4	8	31	33	24
Motherwell	24	9	5	10	30	29	23
Hibernian	21	8	4	9	20	20	20
Celtic	21	8	3	10	31	31	19
St. Mirren	23	7	5	11	33	37	19
Ayr United	23	7	4	12	24	42	18
Clydebank	21	3	3	15	12	39	9

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ROUGH .....	4	—	22	1	—
HANSEN .....	2	—	3	—	—
WHITTAKER .....	4	3	22	1	—
CAMPBELL .....	4	3	14 (8)	1	—
MARR .....	3	—	20	—	—
GIBSON .....	4	3	22	1	4
HOUSTON .....	4	2 (1)	18 (4)	1	5
MELROSE .....	3 (1)	3	17 (5)	1	6
LOVE .....	4	2 (1)	10 (10)	1	2
SOMNER .....	4	2 (1)	18	—	10
CRAIG .....	4	1 (1)	21	1	2
ANDERSON .....	2	3	17 (2)	1	1
MACKIE .....	2 (2)	3	20 (3)	1	—
McQUADE .....	— (2)	3	1 (7)	— (1)	1
STEVENSON .....	—	—	— (1)	—	—
JOHNSTON .....	— (1)	1	1	—	—
SHEED .....	—	—	1	—	—
THOMSON .....	— (2)	3	—	—	—
BROGAN .....	—	— (1)	—	—	—
WEIR .....	—	— (1)	— (1)	—	—
KELLACHAN .....	—	—	— (2)	—	—
KELLY .....	—	—	— (1)	— (1)	—
O'HARA .....	—	1	13 (1)	1	6
FRAME .....	—	—	3	—	1
HALL (Clydebank) ...	—	—	—	—	1
BREMNER (Hibs) .....	—	—	—	—	1

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**Donald McCall**, Tripoli; **Len Hitchenson**, Tripoli; **Lorna McColl**, Grangemouth; **Duncan Ferns**, Carbrain, Cumbernauld; **Walter Cook**, Bishopbriggs; **Martin Cook**, Bishopbriggs; **Andrew Waddel**, Bearsden; **David Williamson**, Knightswood; **Ian Glen**, Kirkintilloch; **David Adams**, Bearsden; **William Chaters**, Tollcross Rd.; **George McKinstry**, Bournemouth; **Sharon McCullen**, Co. Durham; **Stephen Irving**, Sighthill; **Walter Pollock**, Milngavie; **Kenneth Pieper**, Greenhills, E.K.; **Hector Mclean**, Crookston; **Gillian McKinnon**, Torrance; **Mark Hoden**, Plymouth; **Alan McIntosh**, Paisley; **Morag**

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So come along join the registered list of Partick Thistle fans.

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## New Supporters Branch in East Kilbride

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1977		F	A
Aug.	8 Clydebank	3	0 H
"	10 Clydebank	1	1 A
Sept.	13 Bristol City	2	0 H
"	27 Bristol City	0	3 A

### PREMIER LEAGUE

Aug.	13 Ayr United	2	2 H
"	20 Motherwell	0	3 A
"	27 Rangers	0	4 H

### LEAGUE CUP

Aug.	31 Dundee Utd.	0	0 H
Sept.	3 Dundee Utd.	0	1 A

### PREMIER LEAGUE

Sept.	10 Clydebank	4	0 A
"	17 Hibernian	1	0 H
"	24 Aberdeen	1	2 A
Oct.	1 St. Mirren	1	2 A
"	8 Celtic	1	0 H
"	15 Dundee Utd.	2	1 H
"	18 Rangers	2	2 A
"	22 Ayr United	2	1 A
"	29 Motherwell	1	0 H
Nov.	5 Rangers	3	3 A
"	12 Clydebank	1	0 H
"	19 Hibernian	3	2 A
"	26 Aberdeen	1	0 H

		F	A
Dec.	3 St. Mirren	—	P —
"	10 Celtic	0	3 A
"	17 Dundee Utd.	2	2 A
"	24 Ayr United	4	1 H
"	31 Motherwell	0	2 A

### 1978

Jan.	2 Rangers	1	2 H
"	7 Clydebank	0	2 A
"	14 Hibernian	—	P —
"	21 Aberdeen	—	P —
Feb.	4 St. Mirren	1	1 A
* "	5 Cowdenbeath	1	1 H
"	11 Celtic	—	— H
"	18 SCOTTISH CUP—4th Rd.	—	—
"	25 Dundee Utd.	—	— H
Mar.	4 Ayr United	—	— A
"	11 Motherwell	—	— H
"	18 Rangers	—	— A
"	25 Clydebank	—	— H
Apr.	1 Hibernian	—	— A
"	8 Aberdeen	—	— H
"	15 St. Mirren	—	— H
"	22 Celtic	—	— A
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