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CLYDEBANK F.C.

PLAYER POOL 1986/87

JIM GALLACHER (Goalkeeper):

Now Clydebank's oldest and longest-serving player following the move to coaching roles of both Jim Fallon and Mike Larnach last season. Jim is 32 and has been at Kilbowie since signing from Arbroath in 1972. Jim has played over 600 games for the Bankies keeping more than 100 clean sheets. Played several times for Scottish semi-pro side, and has been viewed by some to be worth full international honours. Height 6'0", Weight 12.0.

JOE DICKSON (Right Back):

Surely, one of the finest attacking full-backs in Scotland. Unlike some he has the ability to look where he's going on right-wing forays, and dispelled any doubts about his defensive side with many fine displays last season, his first in the Premier Division. Just one goal to his credit — the winner against Aberdeen last December. Height 5'10". Weight 10.7.

JIM GIVEN (Left Back):

One of the Bankies most experienced men with eight years service. Has had spells in the left of midfield, but has operated as left back for the last couple of seasons. Jim is a great favourite with the fans, not least because his powerful shot gives rise to many spectacular goals. Indeed Jim hit Bankies' first goal this season from 20 yards. Height 5'9", Weight 10.7.

MARK TRENOR (Central Defender or Midfield):

Newly-appointed captain, succeeding Jim Fallon, Mark is never lacking in strength or effort. His role in the central defence is giving extra assistance as required to the sweeper and centre-back, and it is the perfection with which Mark plays this role which allows the Bankies defensive system to work so well. Height 6'0", Weight 11.0.

STEWART AULD (Centre-Back):

A member of Pollok's Scottish Junior Cup winning side of 1985. Stewart picked up injuries in each of his first two Bankies matches, including a severe leg gash. Once the injuries cleared up, Stewart's performances earned him the honour of Player of the Year. The only disappointment was that Stewart got on the score-sheet just once last season. His aerial prowess should prove dangerous at set pieces.

JOHN MAHER (Sweeper):

Just 18 months ago, John was playing Under 18 soccer with Anniesland United, supplemented with reserve team outings. Now after being drilled as successor to Jim Fallon as the main sweeper, John's unflappable style belies the importance of some of the Premier Division matches he now plays. Height 5'11", Weight 11.7.

DAVID SHANKS (Midfield):

David is a midfield powerhouse with letters after his name. He possesses a degree in Technology and Business Studies, as well as great footballing strength and a real enthusiasm for the game. On the score-sheet three times last season, but each time at Kilbowie. Height 6'0", Weight 11.7.

MARTY HUGHES (Midfield):

An unspectacular midfielder who just gets on with the job, creating many openings for both himself and those around him. Marty can operate just as well on the right or left side of midfield. A regular member of the promotion winning side of 84/85, but struggled to retain his place towards the end of the season. Height 5'9", Weight 10.0.

GERRY McCABE (Central Midfield):

Honoured many times at semi-pro level, and also as Players' Player of the Year, four years running in the First Division. Also known as Archie McPherson's perfect "tanner-ba' player", after the B.B.C. man was mesmerised with Gerry's display at Tynecastle last season. Gerry is also Clydebank's record signing after they paid £50,000 to Clyde six years ago. His skills are a delight to watch even for many opposing fans. Height 5'10". Weight 10.7.

STUART GORDON (Centre Forward):

Another ex-Pollok player, experiencing the last two Junior Cup Finals with the Newlandsfield club. Played in three matches for the Bankies last season without scoring, but now his junior commitments fulfilled, Stuart has settled into the side and promises to add plenty to his four goals in pre-season matches.

CHARLIE GIBSON (Inside Forward):

Now in his third season at Kilbowie since signing from East Stirling. Charlie has had a couple of lengthy spells in the first team, but still hasn't quite booked a permanent place in the side. Scored a spectacular long-range goal last season against Hibs. Height 5'10". Weight 10.10.

MICHAEL CONROY (Inside Forward):

Signed towards the end of 83/4 season and got onto the score-sheet in one of his three outings that season. 84/5 saw Michael as the Bankies top scorer, and he was joint top league scorer last season. Currently Clydebank's all-time top Premier Division scorer, and a great favourite with the fans. Height 6'0". Weight 11.0

VINNIE MOORE (Midfield):

One of the number of players signed from Campsie Black Watch by the Bankies. Vinnie was top scorer in the reserve side in his first season, earning promotion to the first team squad. Always looks dangerous going forward and he got a couple of strikes last season. Height 5'11". Weight 12.0.

IAN COYLE (Outside Left):

Had a number of trials for Clydebank in recent seasons, but it was his fine displays last season with Campsie which convinced the Bankies of his ability. An extremely skilful left-sided player, Ian will be anxious to prove his skills at the highest level.

ALAN BAIN (Inside Forward):

Arrived from Campsie Black Watch at the end of 1983/84 season after scoring 50 times that season for the juvenile side. Made a good start to 84/5 season, scoring four times inside the first month. Unfortunately, a series of injuries kept him off the score-sheet until April 1986, when he hit the winner against Rangers. Height 5'9". Weight 10.8.

BILLY "BUDGIE" McGHIE (Centre Back):

Regular choice in Clydebank's promotion winning season, but a bad injury early last season, saw him lose his place to Stewart Auld. Still a good defender capable of credit-worthy performances when selected. Strong in the air. Height 5'10". Weight 10.7.

COLIN BRODIE (Goalkeeper):

22-year-old understudy to Jim Gallacher. Colin has made four first team appearances in three seasons conceding just one goal! His sole first team outing last season resulted in a shut-out against Rangers at Ibrox. A joiner to trade, working with B.R.E.L. in Springburn. Height 6'1". Weight 13.0.

MARTIN MCGOWAN (Left Back):

Former Campsie Black Watch player, but one who took six years to reach Kilbowie, being with Dumbarton since 1980. Clydebank made enquiries about Martin during last season, and were quick to sign him up when he was released from Boghead. Martin experienced Premier Division football with the Sons during 84/85. Pre-season injury has led to him missing the start of the season. Height 5'9". Weight 11.0.

KILBOWIE

COMMENT



Wednesday night proved again how hard it is to get anything from Premier League matches. Despite comments from some parts of the media about a disappointing game, the 0-0 draw with Dundee United was our best display this season, and with many goalmouth incidents it was, we felt, a good match to watch. Inevitably our team didn't get the praise it deserved from some quarters who if the favourite doesn't win seem to look upon it as a failure on their part and don't look further to see how the other side coped. Defenders such as Auld, Maher and Treanor contained United well with our midfield beginning to obtain the fitness required to compete at this level. Up front, chances were made against probably the best defence in the League with Stuart Gordon and Charlie Gibson working extremely hard, both going forward and in helping out in defence.

With a little luck and perhaps a trifle more composure in front of goal, we could have doubled last year's tally of points from United — not just equal it. With five of Scotland's current international squad from Mexico playing, i.e. Gough, Malpas, Narey, Sturrock and Bannon, we felt it was a good start to our home matches. (With programme comments being closely monitored, we will not mention the "penalty" incident).

Probably the most important factor this season in determining our League position will be injuries and suspensions. A strong pool is essential but again to be realistic it is very difficult for the Bankies to have proven Premier League players standing by. We must rely on younger players lifting themselves to add to the experienced players we have waiting to play. At the moment people like Martin McGowan (out through injury), Lex Grant (out through suspension), "Budgie" McChie, Michael Conroy, Allan Rennie and Alan Bain must fight to make the first team. Surely we will have better luck this year after last season's horrendous injury problems.

Today is one of the extra special days of the season. The main thing Dundee United lacked on Wednesday was a support equal to a team of their talents. The same will not be true today. The Celtic support is world famous and in a ground our size it is a great experience to see and hear. It is impossible to quantify how much the crowd helped Celtic to the title last season, but it was obviously considerable.

With a full stadium, playing the current champions, let us hope the Bankies do ourselves justice, and remedy last year's record when Celtic were the only side to take maximum points off our team.

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Dave Narey "tackles" Charlie Gibson during one of last season's clashes with Dundee United.



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