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Our home game against Hearts again showed that at no time can we afford to sit on a one goal lead. After working hard to gain an advantage through another good Mark McWalter goal, we allowed Hearts to work their way back into the game, and although it took them until the last kick to equalise, it was still unsatisfactory to take only one point from another home game. With new signing Peter Weir introduced to the side, I expected a better result.

The following week at Dens Park, though, we played well and controlled most of the match. Apart from one or two early chances, Dundee were not given much opportunity to shoot at Campbell Money. While goal scorer Paul Chalmers was man of the match here, I must single out Neil Cooper for special praise. Neil had been injured during the Hearts game, and had to be substituted with severe bruising to the ribs. With Peter Godfrey out injured, though, Neil insisted on playing at Dens, and he per-

formed to his own high standards against a strong opposition attack. This is typical of the spirit we now have at Love Street, and as results have continued to improve, so have the players belief in themselves, and, therefore, performances.

Last week's match at Douglas Park was not the easy fixture that some might have expected. Hamilton may not be getting results, but they still give every side a good game, and play some good football. This was shown when they took the lead after taking advantage of some careless defending. However, with Peter Weir in great form, there was little doubt that we would get back into the game, and it was Weir himself who scored the equaliser after an excellent run on the left. Next, he dropped a precision cross right onto Paul Chalmers' head for number two to give us the lead at the interval. In the second half, Billy Davies came more strongly into the game, and a superb strike from him earned our third. From this point, we again showed a willingness to allow our opponents back into the game, and Hamilton took advantage to pull back a goal. Peter Weir then crossed from the right to give Paul Chalmers his second of the afternoon and a final 4-2 win.

Since we last played Celtic, therefore, we have been unbeaten in seven games, taking a pleasing 11 points from a possible 14, and in doing so we have pulled well up the table. The incentive is there for us to continue our good run, and the players will no doubt feel that they have something to prove this afternoon following that heavy defeat at Parkhead. Nothing but our best will do today!

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Pictures on these pages come from the home game against Hearts. Below, Mark McWalter scores Saints' goal from a great pass by Billy Davies. Henry Smith can only watch the ball cross the line!

On the opposite page, midfielder Billy Davies powers past Hearts Jimmy Sandison as Saints look for that elusive second goal.



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	Prem Lea.	Skol Cup	Scot. Cup	Comp. Total
Money	151			151
Fridge	1	2		3
Wilson	15(1)	2		17(1)
Winnie	14	2		16
D. Hamilton	2			2
B. Hamilton	14	1		15
Godfrey	15	2		17
Cooper	15	2		17
Cameron	13(1)	2		15(1)
Martin	16	2		18
Lambert	3(1)	1(1)		4(2)
McDowall	3(3)	1		3(3)
Chalmers	15	2		17
McGarvey	8(6)	2		10(6)
McWhirter	1(3)	(1)		1(4)
McWalter	10(4)	1		11(4)
Davies	14			14
Fitzpatrick	(1)			(1)
Weir	3			3

*Figures in brackets denote appearances as a substitute.*

# FACTS & FIGURES

## Premier Reserve League to 20th November 1988

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Motherwell	15	10	2	3	34	16	22
Dundee Utd.	14	8	4	2	31	20	20
Dundee	14	7	2	5	34	25	16
Celtic	14	5	4	5	35	32	14
Aberdeen	15	6	2	7	32	32	14
Hearts	14	6	2	6	23	27	14
Rangers	13	5	3	5	22	19	13
Hibs	13	6	1	6	21	21	13
St. Mirren	15	3	2	10	15	31	8
Hamilton	15	3	2	10	17	41	8

## Saints Goalscorers 1988-89 to 20th Nov. '88

	Prem. Lea.	Skol Cup	Scot. Cup	Comp. Total
Chalmers	6	1		7
Davies	4			4
McWalter	3			3
Martin	2			2
B. Hamilton	1	1		2
McGarvey	1	1		2
Godfrey	1			1
Weir	1			1
Cameron		1		1

## Premier League to 19th November '88

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rangers	16	11	3	2	28	11	25
Aberdeen	16	7	9	0	22	14	23
Celtic	16	9	1	6	35	22	19
Dundee Utd.	16	6	7	3	19	10	19
St. Mirren	16	7	5	4	19	19	19
Hibs	16	6	6	4	16	11	18
Dundee	16	4	6	6	15	19	14
Hearts	16	2	7	7	15	20	11
Motherwell	16	0	7	9	13	24	7
Hamilton	16	2	1	13	11	43	5

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**ANOTHER LOOK BACK**

In our last issue, we checked back to the same stage in last season's Premier League to compare how Saints were doing this term. We were more than a little surprised to find, after twelve games played, that the Buddies were a point worse off this year!

Results, though, have continued to improve, and so we checked again, this time at the 16-game position, and things are getting better!

The 1987-88 table read as follows:

Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
16	6	5	5	21	20	17

By contrast, Saints' recent fine form has boosted this season's statistics, and the current table shows:

Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
16	7	5	4	19	19	19

Further breakdown of this season's figures into separate home and away details clearly show that Saints are doing better away from Love Street, and if they could only solve the puzzle of their home form, things would be even better!

HOME	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	8	2	4	2	6	5	8

AWAY	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	8	5	1	2	13	14	11

The other interesting thing to note from these figures is that, had it not been for Saints' one really bad result this season (the 7-1 defeat by Celtic), Saints would have had one of the best defensive records in the League to date!

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# 1946-47

On 10th August 1946 St. Mirren played their first Scottish League match since September 1939 fielding this side: Newlands, Smith, Lindsay, Scott, Roy, Drinkwater, Telford, McLaren, Aikman, Gore, Deakin. It was not an auspicious beginning to the new season as Clyde recorded a comfortable 3-1 win.

The twenty-one year old Archie Aikman had been bought from Hearts as a replacement for the prolific Alex Linwood who had been transferred to Middlesbrough for £6000, at the time a record fee for the club. Linwood, scorer of more than 100 Southern League goals later came back north to play for Hibs, Clyde and Morton. He was in the Hibs side which won the league in 1947-48 and in the Clyde team which reached the Scottish Cup Final the following season. While at Shawfield he was capped for

Scotland against Wales.

With only two wins in their first ten league matches, Saints were soon in relegation trouble, the main problem being a lack of cohesion and craft up front. Then came an interlude while the League Cup Sections were played but St. Mirren fared little better with just two points from six matches.

By now, however, Arthur Milne was beginning to play very well. Bought for £2000 from Hibs in September he could play on either wing or at centre-forward and he provided some much needed subtlety in the front ranks. The remainder of the year saw Saints average a point a game. David Cunningham, a recruit from Army football was another useful addition and began to establish himself as a highly promising wing-half. St. Mirren

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF ST. MIRREN PARTS 64 & 65

wore numbers for the first time in an undistinguished 2-0 win over Queens Park in which Johnny Drinkwater scored both goals.

The first Saturday of 1947 brought a sensational victory against Rangers in which the Ibrox side struck the woodwork on seven occasions but the only goal was scored by centre-forward George Wilson signed from Stranraer in October. Unfortunately Saints were at the wrong end of another shock result three weeks later when Dumbarton, lying second from bottom of Division B came to Love Street and beat St. Mirren 3-2 in the Scottish Cup. Wing-half Martin, playing his first game of the season, was injured and took no part in the second half.

The first three months of 1947 were desperate ones for the country at large with another facet of life being disrupted

by dreadful weather and a succession of power cuts. For Saints supporters, the gloom was deepened by four successive league defeats scattered among six blank Saturdays. A Drinkwater hat-trick helped secure a 5-1 win over Kilmarnock in April leaving Saints in need of a point at Falkirk the following week to make sure they stayed up. A Deakin equaliser was enough to earn it, and St. Mirren celebrated by beating Airdrie 7-1 in the Charity Cup in May. Willie Reid, just back from Iran scored a hat-trick in his only game of the season.

Scottish League Division A

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
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Leading Scorer: J. Deakin (9)  
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# 1947-48

This season saw a change to the previous Scottish pattern with the League Cup now coming right at the start of the season. This did not lead to any improvement as far as St. Mirren were concerned. Indeed, at Palmerston Park they were given a real thrashing when Queen of the South, unable to score in their two previous matches, ran up an 8-1 score with left-winger Baker scoring three of them. In the return match St. Mirren almost reversed this scoreline with a 7-1 victory in which their diminutive forward line baffled the Dumfries defence with the accuracy and timing of their passes. Centre-forward Jack had a hat-trick and was ably assisted by Irishman Gerry Burrell and Pole Alfie Lesz, both playing their third game for the club. Gerry Burrell had been signed from Dundela and Lesz had been with the Polish Re-Settlement Corps in Johnstone. He had also played for Forres Mechanics in the Highland League.

As this was Saints only victory in the competition they were able to turn their attention to the more serious business of winning league points, and they did well enough without mounting any serious challenge to the leading clubs. Among their better displays was a 2-1 win over a star-studded Rangers side in October in spite of losing the opening goal. Prompted by the skills of Burrell whose pace troubled 'Tiger' Shaw, St. Mirren scored once in each half with Jack getting both. There was a run of three successive wins in December (4-2 against Motherwell, 4-1 against Third Lanark, and 1-0 against Hearts). In the second of these games Burrell scored three times. Unfortunately they followed this up by losing 5-0 to Aberdeen and 4-0 to Morton.

The Scottish Cup got under way at Love Street with an easy enough 8-0 win over Shawfield Amateurs in which Lesz scored

# JOHN BYRNE

three and Willie Reid missed two penalties. Another home draw followed and East Stirlingshire were beaten 2-0 through first goal goals from Milne and Crowe, although the team's play left much to be desired.

The third round brought Clyde to Paisley for a match watched by more than 20,000 spectators and Saints fielded: Kirk, Smith, Lindsay, Drinkwater, Telfer, Martin, Burrell, Crowe, Milne, Deakin, Lesz. St. Mirren were a goal down after fourteen minutes but took only two minutes to equalise when Milne dispossessed Milligan to score from what seemed an impossible angle. Near half-time a brilliant Crowe pass allowed Milne in again to score what proved to be the winning goal. The quarter-finals, however, marked the end of the cup run. A very powerful Hibs side won 3-1 at Easter Road with former Love Street favourite, Alex Linwood, scoring twice.

The last weeks of the season brought two interesting matches. Around 14000 spectators saw Leicester City beaten 3-0 in a match in aid of YMCA War and National Service Fund with Burrell (2) and Lesz scoring the goals. Burrell again had a double in the Paisley Charity Cup when East Fife, who had already won promotion and the League Cup, were beaten 2-1. Back at the start of the season Telford had claimed a hat-trick as Saints beat Morton 3-1 in a delayed Renfrewshire Cup Final.

Scottish League - Division A

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
30	13	5	12	54	58	31	5

Leading Scorer: W. Jack (11)

Scottish Cup:

R1 H v Shawfield Amateurs 8-0

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This season, by contrast, has not been one for the Celtic purists. Reference to the history books shows that Celtic are traditionally a team which is fast off the mark at the start of any new season, but such has not been the case in 1988-89. An early injury to Pat Bonner saw McNeill acquire the services of Ian An-

draws and the ageless Alan Rough for cover in the goalkeeping positions. A first Saturday 1-0 win at home to Hearts put the first points on the board, but a defeat at Tannadice a week later, followed by the humiliation of losing 5-1 to Rangers, saw the smiles wiped off the faces of the Celtic Management. A hard-won 2-1 victory against Accies at home was followed by further defeats from Aberdeen and Dundee, putting Celtic at one stage BELOW Hamilton Accies in the table! The Celts then beat Motherwell and lost to Hibs in their next two fixtures before lining up against St. Mirren at Parkhead on 8th October. By this stage, with the defence fighting something of a losing battle with the dissatisfied radio phone-in "fans", Andrews' place between the posts had been lost to Rough.

For some reason best known to themselves, Celtic chose this, of all afternoons, to show that their previous in-

consistency of form was largely behind them, and they proceeded to crush Saints by 7-1 for a very impressive victory, the rejuvenated Mark McGhee doing much of the damage single-handed. It was not so much that St. Mirren didn't play well. It was more that they were not allowed to play at all. If the ball broke, it went to Celtic. It was one of those days!

From here, both sides set off on runs of better results, with Saints unbeaten since then. For Celtic, though, there has still been the odd embarrassment. Successive wins against Dundee United and Hearts then saw Celtic 2-0 up on Dundee after fifteen minutes' play at Celtic Park, but remarkably defeat was snatched from the jaws of victory before the Ref had found his half-time whistle, and Dave Smith's side went in 3-2 up. Supporters in green and white were not impressed... This type of performance, though, is becoming less frequent as the

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# CELTIC



Billy Stark



Frank McAvennie



### CELTIC'S LEAGUE FORM

v	F-A					
Hearts (h)	1 - 0					
Dundee Utd (a)	0 - 1					
Rangers (a)	1 - 5					
Hamilton (h)	2 - 1					
Aberdeen (h)	1 - 3					
Dundee (a)	0 - 1					
Motherwell (h)	3 - 1					
Hibs (a)	1 - 3					
St. Mirren (h)	7 - 1					
Dundee Utd (h)	1 - 0					
Hearts (a)	2 - 0					
Dundee (h)	2 - 3					
Aberdeen (a)	2 - 2					
Hamilton (a)	8 - 0					
Rangers (h)	3 - 1					
Hibs (h)	1 - 0					
Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
16	9	1	6	35	22	19

### LOOKING BACK!

Last season, in winning the Championship, Celtic lost only 3 League games, and conceded 23 goals in 44 games, this time around, they already have 6 defeats, and have conceded 22 goals with 20 games still to play!





Mark McGhee

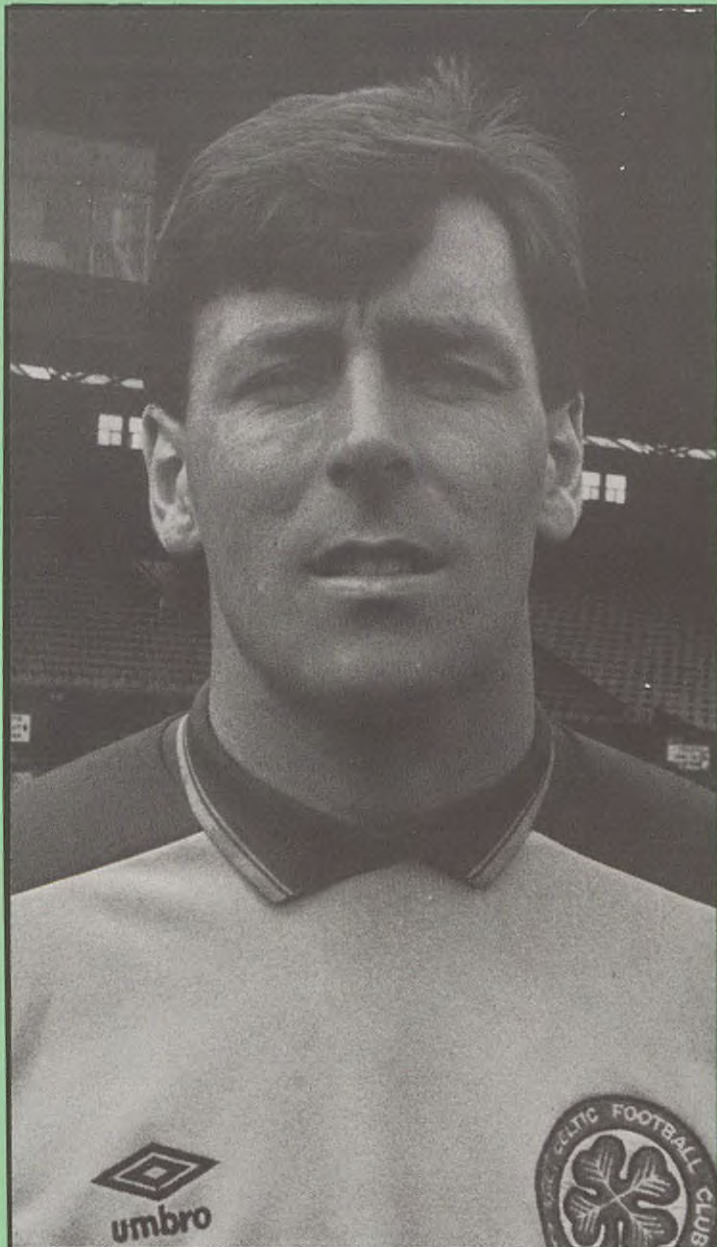
## CELTIC PHOTOFILE



Anton Rogan

season goes on, and Celtic are beginning to look more regularly like their old selves. Their most impressive performance to date set a new record for an away win in the Premier League as they wiped the floor with Hamilton Accies at Douglas Park. Their eight goals included a hat-trick for McGhee, another for ex-Saint McAvennie, a Joe Miller header, and one from another Love Street export, Billy Stark.

Two weeks ago, a number of Celts hit the bottle the night before turning out to beat Rangers 3-1. This was not a case for disciplinary action, but Billy McNeill's way of ensuring that those players hit by a virus during that week would be able to play without risk of failing a drugs test! Hot toddies saw the Celts "nip" past the Ibrox defence with ease on that occasion but Saints fans will be looking for the Buddies to sober them up today!



Pat Bonner



# MATCH ACTION



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Two matches are featured here. The first is the Hearts game, which saw Peter Weir (above left) make his second "debut" for St. Mirren.

In the same match, opposite Billy Davies shields the ball from Jimmy Sandison as Paul Chalmers moves in behind.

Above: Paul Chalmers scores the winner at Dens Park despite the close attentions of Dundee's Jim Smith.

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# THE B&Q LEAGUE

DIVISION  
ONE

Falkirk are looking brilliant at the top of the First Division. A superb win over Morton last weekend gave them a two point lead at the top of the league. Airdrie moved into second place and Clydebank kept up their championship hopes with a good point away from home.

The big game was undoubtedly at Capielow last week, when top of the table Morton met top of their form Falkirk. After 15 minutes McGivern made it 1-0 for Falkirk. Paul Rutherford made it 2-0 before the interval. After the break Rutherford scored a beauty, he turned and twisted before curling a 20-yard shot past Wylie. Dougie Robertson then put some of his considerable weight behind a shot from 25 yards to put Morton back into the game. It didn't take Falkirk long to reply to this though and Houston restored the three goal margin. Burgess made it 5-1 from the penalty spot after Wylie had brought down McGivern. The Falkirk fans were obviously pretty chuffed with the boys and Jim Duffy was being interviewed at every opportunity. He's naturally quite happy to chat about how well his team are playing, if they are promoted however, which seems likely, I shouldn't think it would be such a cheery Duffy that's being interviewed after the matches next season. There has only ever been one exception to the what goes up to the Premier League, must go down to the First Division rule. Duffy himself believes, I think, that if the Bairns are promoted they will very likely be relegated.

Big Gordon McQueen has been spending loads of money to help his Airdrie side. £100,000 for Gordon McLeod was quite a purchase, and the youngster had a very promising debut for Airdrie last week in



*Jim Duffy's Falkirk go top!*

their match with Raith Rovers. Calum Campbell scored to give Airdrie the lead in 40 minutes. Derek Grant made it 2-0 after John Butler - another good buy - had set him up with clever football. Campbell scored his second to make it 3-0 just before Derek Murray pulled a goal back for Rovers.

John Lambie is, as we all know, the new manager of Partick Thistle. Thistle were away at Ayr last week and actually won. 3-1 was the scoreline and Lambie has started on the road that may bring Partick Thistle back into the Premier League.

Anyone who saw Billy Davies score at Douglas Park last week saw a superb goal. John Davies is Billy's brother and he scored for Dunfermline last week. John though, plays for Clydebank, so his own goal didn't do the Bankies any favours. Clydebank fought back for a 2-2 draw which is a fair enough result in Dunfermline.

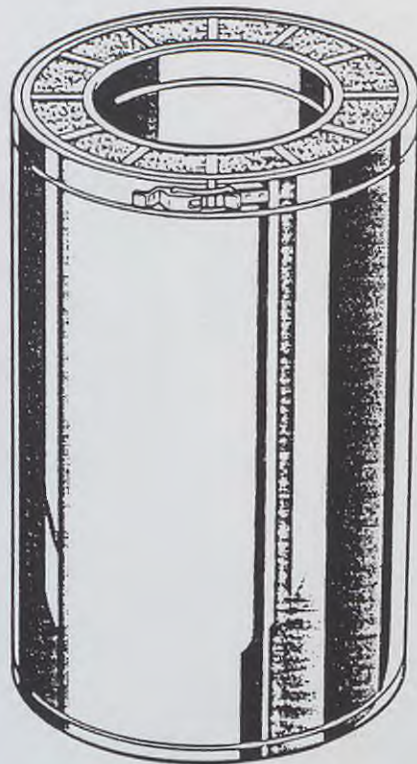
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# BP Scottish Youth Cup

As has almost invariably been the case in previous seasons, the 1988-89 BP SCOTTISH YOUTH CUP has again been the tournament for goals galore. Open to players who are Under-18, the competition has been a winner since its inception, and continues to improve and impress with each successive season.

This season's Youth Cup saw a record 37 Clubs enter, although sadly East Stirlingshire had to withdraw before playing a match. Four PRELIMINARY ROUND matches produced no less than eighteen goals, and results were as follows:

Ayr Utd. 3 Queen of South 0  
Partick Th. 7 Annan Ath. 0  
Stranraer 4 Gala F'dean. 1 (aet)  
Threave R. 1 Whitehill Wel. 2 (aet)

In the FIRST ROUND (EAST & NORTH), two Highland League sides won, but long-distance tie of the round was without doubt Berwick's visit to Highland League Brora, and with the competition split geographically, Berwick must surely be entitled to wonder why they had to travel this sort of distance! Results were:

Brora Ran. 2 Berwick Ran. 2 (aet)  
*Brora won 4-3 on penalties*  
Caledonian 2 F. William 1  
Cove Ran. 0 Dunfermline 2  
Dundee 3 Aberdeen 4  
Dundee Utd. 10 Forres Mech. 0  
Elgin C. 1 Arbroath 4 (aet)  
Hibs 7 St. Johnstone 0  
Ross County 0 Hearts 1

The FIRST ROUND (SOUTH & WEST) provided St. Mirren with another early-season highlight, the Buddies youngsters knocking in no less than EIGHT goals against Stranraer! Played on 31st October at Love Street, this match was one of the first our Youth team had played under new Youth Team Manager Alistair MacColl who has recently been

brought to the Club by Tony Fitzpatrick. Alistair has had good experience in Coaching youngsters, previously having been in charge of the Clydebank Youth Team, and in addition he was greatly involved with the Scotland U-16 Amateur Youth side last year.

The St. Mirren team was: John Hillcoat, Jim Connelly, Tom Huchison, Andy Irvine, Jim Kelly, Danny McGreish, Martin McIntosh, Craig Burns (Graeme Barr), Danny McGill, Ross Hunter (Kevin Lee), Alan Hendry. It took the side twenty minutes or so to first find the net, but from there on, the goals flowed, and the Buddies led 3-0 at half-time. All the same, Alistair MacColl reckons that the Stranraer side were no lambs to the slaughter, and he makes the point that the opposition played some good football themselves without ever looking like scoring. This is confirmed by the fact that Saints led 8-0 with ten minutes to play before Stranraer eventually got two penalties to reduce the leeway. Saints' scorers were the impressive Danny McGill (4), Danny McGreish (2), Martin McIntosh, and substitute Graeme Barr.

Elsewhere, Whitehill Welfare, semi-finalists for the past two years, were knocked out in another high-scoring game by Hamilton Accies, neighbours Morton lost to Clyde, and today's visitors Celtic beat Airdrie. Here are all the results:

Airdrie 0 Celtic 2  
Ayr Utd. 2 Kilmarnock 3  
Clyde 2 Morton 0  
Motherwell 1 Rangers 2  
Queens P. 0 Partick Th. 0 (aet)  
*Partick won 4-2 on penalties*



Danny McGill - Top scorer against Stranraer

Stenhousemuir 0 Clydebank 2  
St. Mirren 8 Stranraer 2  
Whitehill Wel. 3 Hamilton 4

The draw for the Second Round has now been made, and ties are as follows:

SECOND ROUND (EAST & NORTH)  
Arbroath v Hibs

Dunfermline v Aberdeen  
Dundee Utd. v Brora Ran.  
Hearts v Caledonian

SECOND ROUND (SOUTH & WEST)  
Hamilton v Partick Th.  
ST. MIRREN v Rangers  
Kilmarnock v Clydebank  
CELTIC v Clyde

# RESERVE REVIEW

## FIXTURES

1988		F	A
Aug	13 Dundee Utd.....	1	- 6
	27 Dundee.....	2	- 3
Sept	3 Hearts.....	1	- 1
	8 Hibs.....	2	- 1
	15 Aberdeen.....	0	- 4
	20 Motherwell.....	0	- 1
	24 Rangers.....	2	- 0
Oct	1 Hamilton.....	0	- 1
	8 Celtic.....	2	- 3
	15 Aberdeen.....	0	- 2
	22 Dundee Utd.....	1	- 1
	29 Rangers.....	0	- 2
Nov	5 Hearts.....	1	- 3
	12 Dundee 2pm.....	1	- 2
	19 Hamilton 2pm.....	2	- 1
	26 Celtic.....		
Dec	3 Hibs 2pm.....		
	10 Motherwell.....		
	17 Aberdeen 2pm.....		
1989			
Jan	7 Hearts 2pm.....		
	14 Celtic 2pm.....		
	21 Hamilton.....		
	28 Motherwell 2pm.....		
Feb	4 Dundee Utd.....		
	11 Hibs.....		
	18 Dundee.....		
	25 Rangers 2pm.....		
Mar	4 Hamilton 2pm.....		
	11 Dundee Utd 2pm.....		
	18 Celtic.....		
	25 Aberdeen.....		
Apr	1 Dundee.....		
	8 Hearts.....		
	15 Hibs.....		
	22 Rangers.....		
	29 Motherwell.....		

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## SAINTS' SCORERS

Shaw  
Conroy, Lambert  
McDowall  
Paul Lambert (2)  
  
Callaghan, Gallagher  
  
Shaw, Speirs (pen)  
  
Hunter  
  
McGill  
Speirs (pen.)  
Lambert, Shaw



Since my last column, the Reserve side has played three matches, so we have a little catching up to do today.

The first report concerns the Hearts game, played at Tynecastle on Thursday 10th November. We fielded: Fridge, Callaghan, Trialist, Fitzpatrick, Peebles, Dawson, Shaw, Lambert, McGarvey (McGill), Gallagher, Abercromby (Hendry). We got off to a bad start in this one, losing an early goal from a corner, and Hearts made it 2-0 before half-time. Into the second half, we again lost an early goal before pulling one back ourselves midway through the half. Substitute Danny McGill was our scorer, with a header after good work on the right by George Shaw. The final result, though, was a 3-1 defeat. One performance worth special mention is that of Paul Lambert, who played well throughout.

Our home game with Dundee was played on 12th November, and our line-up was: Fridge, Dawson, Callaghan, Peebles, Trialist (Kerr), Abercromby, Trialist, Lambert, Gallagher, Trialist (McGill), Speirs. This game saw us perform reasonably well early on, and after going ahead with a Gardner Speirs penalty after a hand-ball on the line, we looked to have this game well in control. With twenty minutes to go however, Dundee had a man sent off, and despite our one man advantage, it was Dundee who gained the upper hand, and they snatched a win with two late goals, and we lost 2-1. Our best here was Gardner Speirs.

Match number three was last week's game against Hamilton, which was played on Friday 17th November. Our team was: Fridge, Dawson, Burns, Winnie, Irvine (McGreish), Callaghan, Shaw, Lambert, McGill, Fitzpatrick (Kerr), Speirs. Our young side played well in this one, although it was Hamilton who scored first, just before the interval. In the second half, though, we came back strongly, and a great piece of play by Paul Lambert, beating a couple of players in the box, saw him score with his left foot to equalise. George Shaw then gave us the lead with a fine run and shot, although the final shot was deflected. They all count, though, and we won this encounter 2-1. All the younger players - Craig Burns, Danny McGill, Andy Irvine, and George Shaw - did well as did Gardner Speirs.

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2. Recreation Ground
3. Sealand Road
4. Layer Road
5. Selhurst Park
6. Highfield Road
7. Abbey Stadium
8. Gresty Road
9. Brunton Park
10. Ninian Park

Answers on page 22.

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## THE B&Q LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Stirling Albion remain top of the Second Division even after dropping a point at lowly Stenhousemuir last week. Albion Rovers moved to the same points total as Stirling with an exciting victory at East Stirling while Arbroath ended a poor recent run with a home win.

Stirling had an early scare last week when Stenhousemuir were awarded a penalty after 19 minutes. Beaton took the kick but unlike McAvennie he hit it straight at the goalie. Stirling went ahead in 59 minutes. Charlie Gibson received a pass from Wilson to shoot home. Walker made it 1-1 though after 71 minutes and the game finished with this scoreline, the Stenhousemuir fans were probably fairly happy.

Albion Rovers, like St. Mirren scored four goals away from home last weekend. Rovers defeated East Stirling 4-3. It was Rovers substitute Ewan Watson who scored their winner in the 88th minute. The away side were two goals up when Cougan and Chapman scored. Arthur Grant brought East Stirling back in to the game and Gary Wilcox equalised after 35 minutes. At this stage the fans were getting quite excited. Albion went back in front when Chapman scored with a penalty. Billy McNeill then equalised – the Celtic fans have it all wrong – there is not only one Billy M. The fans at this stage were so excited it's a wonder the ambulance men didn't have to go into the crowd to carry some supporters away for treatment. When Watson scored the winner, the Albion fans must have been counting down the seconds left to go. This win puts Albion second to Stirling only on goal difference.



Stirling Albion's  
Andy Graham

Arbroath have in the last few weeks, had a severe lack of victories. They won last week though and are still nicely positioned in third place. The boys from Angus were a bit fortunate though, and Stranraer will probably feel they were worth a point. Brad Kerr scored the only goal of the game when he cracked the home a 25 yard blockbuster.

Cowdenbeath kept up their challenge with a pleasing win over Montrose. McGovern scored Cowden's first goal and Gus Malone strolled into town to rifle home the second to give the Blues a 2-0 victory. Gus Malone then left the ground and headed for Fat Sam's Speakeasy. Malone and his boys today face Stenhousemuir. Stirling are at Hampden today and Arbroath are hosts to Montrose.

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### PREMIER LEAGUE

Dundee Utd v Hamilton

Hibs v Dundee

Motherwell v Hearts

Rangers v Aberdeen

St. Mirren v Celtic

### FIRST DIVISION

Clydebank v Meadowbank

Falkirk v Clyde

Kilmarnock v Dunfermline

Partick v Airdrie

Q.O.S. v Morton

Raith v Forfar

St. Johnstone v Ayr Utd.

### SECOND DIVISION

Alloa v East Fife

Arbroath v Montrose

Berwick v East Stirlingshire

Brechin v Albion Rovers

Cowdenbeath v Stenhousemuir

Queen's Park v Stirling Albion

Stranraer v Dumbarton

## FOOTBALL QUIZ ANSWERS

1. John Lambie
2. Dundee United
3. Motherwell
4. France
5. Meadowbank Th.
6. Norwich
7. Queen of the South
8. Fourteen
9. Mark McGhee
10. Hearts, Dunfermline, Dundee Utd.
11. Andy Walker
12. Kenny McDowall
13. Ralph Milne
14. Paul Chalmers
15. Leicester City
16. Yes
17. None
18. Mark McWalter
19. 3-3 after extra time
20. Airdrie

## TRAVEL QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Chelsea
2. Chesterfield
3. Chester City
4. Colchester Utd
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