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v PARMA

Pre-season friendly
Saturday 27th July 2002 k.o. 3.00pm



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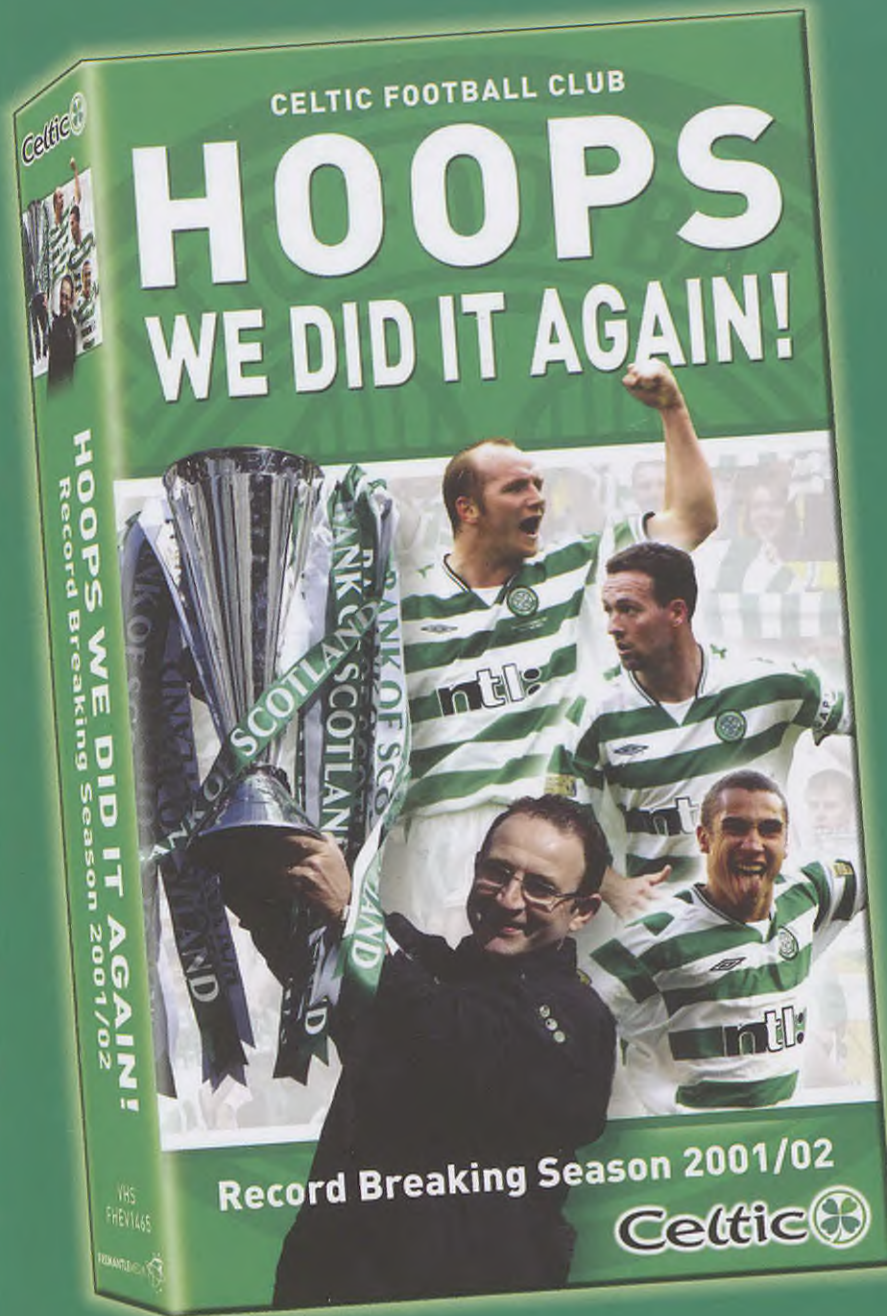
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PRINTING deadlines mean that I write these notes without knowing the outcome of Wednesday's friendly against Ajax.

However, these games tend to be all about fitness and preparation rather than results and last season we all saw the benefit of playing



FRIENDLY FIRE: Last year's pre-season clash with Man United set Celtic up for a successful season

games against the likes of Manchester United, Fulham and Sunderland.

The Italian league is typical of so many football stories at the moment in that they are in the grip of a severe financial crisis. But there can be no doubting the quality Parma

have within their ranks. They are sure to provide us with a competitive and entertaining match to stand us in good stead for the Champions League qualifier next month.

We do not have much time to prepare for what could in fact be one of the most crucial matches of our entire season, and this game, as well as the trip to White Hart Lane next week will be good preparation.

One of the reasons for playing Tottenham Hotspur is that it will provide us with a testing 90 minutes a week before our Champions League match and will also give us an extra game under our belts.

We faced Manchester United at Old Trafford at roughly the same stage last season and it set us up well for our Champions League campaign.

The season might not have kicked-off yet but already we have had a few injury worries, particularly at the back. Bobo Balde, Joos Valgaeren and Stephen Craigny all picked up knocks but we are hoping they will all be available for next Saturday's opening fixture against Dunfermline.

Shaun Maloney has returned after representing Scotland at under-20 level in the Milk

Cup, and we will have to cast an eye over him before deciding whether or not he'll play any part in today's game.

As I have said already, the hunt for new players to strengthen the squad continues but there is little point in buying players simply for the sake of it.

We want to ensure that any fresh faces whom we introduce to the squad are quality performers who will enhance what we already have at the moment.

Before I finish I would like to thank you in advance for your support this afternoon. We are all looking forward to next Saturday when our defence of the SPL title gets underway against Dunfermline, and no doubt you too will be keen to see a return to competitive action.

I would also like to take this opportunity to give Parma our very best wishes for their forthcoming Serie A campaign.



Celtic FC Factfile

Formed: 1888

Stadium: Celtic Park
(capacity 60,506)

Home strip: Green/white hooped shirts, white shorts, white socks

Away strip: Gold shirts, green shorts, gold socks

Third strip: White shirts, black shorts and socks

Record attendance: 92,000 (v Rangers, 1938)

Record victory: 11-0 (v Dundee, 1895)

Record defeat: 0-8 (v Motherwell, 1937)

Most league goals (1 season): 50, Jimmy McGrory, 1935/36

Most Premier/SPL goals (1 season): 35, Brian McClair 1986/87, Henrik Larsson 2000/01

Website: www.celticfc.net



Honours

Scottish League (38)

1892/93, 1893/94, 1895/96, 1897/98, 1904/05, 1905/06, 1906/07, 1907/08, 1908/09, 1909/10, 1913/14, 1914/15, 1915/16, 1916/17, 1918/19, 1921/22, 1925/26, 1935/36, 1937/38, 1953/54, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68, 1968/69, 1969/70, 1970/71, 1971/72, 1972/73, 1973/74, 1976/77, 1978/79, 1980/81, 1981/82, 1985/86, 1987/88, 1997/98, 2000/2001, 2001/2002

Scottish Cup (31)

1892, 1899, 1900, 1904, 1907, 1908, 1911, 1912, 1914, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1931, 1933, 1937, 1951, 1954, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1971, 1972, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1980, 1985, 1988, 1989, 1995, 2001

League Cup (12)

1956/57, 1957/58, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68, 1968/69, 1969/70, 1974/75, 1982/83, 1997/98, 1999/2000, 2000/2001

European Cup (1)

1967

Coronation Cup (1)

1953

PARMA FACTS

1. The town of Parma is of course world famous for its ham and as the birthplace of the famous composer Guiseppe Verdi. In fact, it was as Verdi Football Club that Parma Football Club began in 1913. Five months later, the composer's name disappeared as the club committee changed the name to Parma Football Club.

2. From the team's beginnings in 1913 until the early 1950s, Parma spent most of their time in the 4th, 3rd and 2nd Divisions of the Italian League. By the middle 1950s, Parma appeared to have established themselves in the 2nd Division but slipped again in the '60s and were eventually relegated in the 1965 season, going back down into the 4th Division. In order to survive, they had to merge with another local team.

3. Plenty has changed since Parma's troubled early and middle years. But thanks to the sponsorship of *Parmalat*, the dairy produce company, the club has become a main player in the transfer market. In the last 12 years, big money has been spent on various players including: Thomas Brodin (Sweden), Faustino Asprilla (Columbia), Italian stars Gianfranco Zola and Enrico Chiesa plus Argentinian striker Hernan Crespo.



KEEP ON BROLIN:

The Swedish ace was just one of Parma's big money signings in the past

CELTIC FACTS

1. In 1915, promising Celtic player Willie Angus, seconded as a Lance/Corporal to the Royal Scots on the French/Belgian border at Givenchy, dragged his wounded officer to safety as bombs rained down on them. In the course of their trip back to safety, Willie sustained over 60 serious injuries, including the loss of an eye and a foot. He later received the Victoria Cross for his valour.

2. On July 27, 1971, Charlie Tully died in his sleep in Belfast, only days after his 47th birthday. Charlie scored 47 goals in 319 matches for Celtic and also received 10 caps for Northern Ireland. Before the international against England, at Windsor Park, in October 1952, he had a conversation with his immediate opponent, the future Sir Alf Ramsay, "Do you like playing for your country?" "I do indeed". "Well, make the most of today's match, then, it could be your last!"

3. In the course of its League history, Celtic has had some poor seasons but in 1946/47 they finished 12th out of 16 teams. The club won only 10 games and lost 15, scoring 41 but losing 56. Jimmy McGrory was manager, Bobby Evans was in his early days, Willie Miller was a fine last line.

TODAY'S SQUADS

TODAY'S VISITORS
PARMA



SEASON 2001/02
FINAL ITALIAN LEAGUE POSITION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1. JUVENTUS	34	20	11	3	64	23	71
2. ROMA	34	19	13	2	58	24	70
3. INTER	34	20	9	5	62	35	69
10. PARMA	34	12	8	14	43	47	44
11. TORINO	34	10	13	11	37	39	43

TEAM SPONSOR: JOY (PARMALAT)

PARMA A.C.
MANAGER **PIETRO CARMIGNANI**
STADIUM **STADIO ENNIO TARDINI**
CAPACITY **28,783**
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 MOMO SYLLA 3
 JACKIE McNAMARA 4
 JOOS VALGAEREN 5
 DIANBOBO BALDE 6
 HENRIK LARSSON 7
 ALAN THOMPSON 8
 CHRIS SUTTON 9
 JOHN HARTSON 10
 DAVID FERNANDEZ 12
 PAUL LAMBERT 14
 BOBBY PETTA 15
 DIDIER AGATHE 17
 NEIL LENNON 18
 STILIAN PETROV 19
 ROBERT DOUGLAS 20
 COLIN HEALY 24
 SHAUN MALONEY 29
 STEVE GUPPY 30
 SIMON LYNCH 32
 MARK FOTHERINGHAM 34
 JOHAN MJALLBY 35
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 STEPHEN CRAINEY 40
 LIAM MILLER 43

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PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY SAT 6 JULY 2002
SHELBOURNE 1 v 4 CELTIC (Hartson 2, Agathe, Sutton)
 PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY SUN 7 JULY 2002
SHAMROCK ROVERS 1 v 1 CELTIC (Balde)
 PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY SAT 6 JULY 2002
PORTSMOUTH 2 v 3 CELTIC (Sylla, Petta, Healy)
 PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY SUN 7 JULY 2002
QPR 3 v 7 CELTIC (Healy, Sutton, Hartson, Maloney, Fernandez 2, Sylla)
 PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY WED 17 JULY 2002
FLAVIA SOLVA 1 v 3 CELTIC (Fernandez 2, Maloney)
 PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY FRI 19 JULY 2002
WERDER BREMEN 6 v 2 CELTIC (Hartson, Fernandez)

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE
CELTIC v DUNFERMLINE SAT 3 AUGUST 2002 k.o. 3pm
 PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY
SPURS v CELTIC WED 7 AUGUST 2002 k.o. 8pm
 SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE
ABERDEEN v CELTIC SAT 10 AUGUST 2002 k.o. 3pm

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