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B&Q PREMIER  
LEAGUE

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Kick-off 3.00pm



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Mark McWalter is pictured during Saints' recent game against Middlesbrough. *Photo by Sporting Pictures (UK).*



# SATURDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER 1990

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- 1 Campbell MONEY
- 2 Fraser WISHART
- 3 Tom BLACK
- 4 Paul LAMBERT
- 5 Robert DAWSON
- 6 Roddy MANLEY
- 7 George SHAW
- 8 Brian MARTIN
- 9 Tomas STICKROTH
- 10 Gudmundur TORFASON
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- 14 Danny MCGILL

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- 1 Pat BONNER
- 2 Peter GRANT
- 3 Anton ROGAN
- 4 Mark FULTON
- 5 Paul ELLIOTT
- 6 Derek WHYTE
- 7 Joe MILLER
- 8 Paul McSTAY
- 9 Dariusz DZIEKANOWSKI
- 10 Andy WALKER
- 11 John COLLINS
- 12 Mike GALLOWAY
- 14 Andy CREANEY

## WELCOME TO ST MIRREN PARK

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### TODAY'S MATCHES

#### B&Q LEAGUE

##### Premier Division

Dunfermline v Hibs  
Hearts v Dundee United  
Rangers v Motherwell  
St Johnstone v Aberdeen  
St Mirren v Celtic

##### First Division

Ayr United v Raith Rovers  
Clyde v Airdrie  
Clydebank v Meadowbank  
Dundee v Kilmarnock  
Falkirk v Forfar  
Hamilton v Brechin City  
Morton v Partick Thistle

##### Second Division

Albion Rov v Stranraer  
Alloa v Stirling Albion  
Berwick v Stenhousemuir  
Cowdenbeath v Queen o'South  
Dumbarton v Queen's Park  
East Fife v Arbroath  
Montrose v East Stirlingshire

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v DUNFERMLINE  
B&Q Premier League  
Saturday,  
20th October '90,  
Kick-off 3.00pm

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## MATCH MASCOT



Today's Mascot is eight-year-old Emma Jane McMillan, who is from Barrhead. Emma attends Springhill Primary School in Barrhead, and her favourite Saints are international keeper Campbell Money and striker Kenny McDowall.

## ROAD TO RANGERS

Saturday, 13th October '90.  
Rangers v St Mirren  
Ibrox Stadium, Glasgow.  
Kick-off 3.00pm.

Leave Paisley by A741 (signs Renfrew).  
In 1.3 miles cross road bridge & follow  
signs Glasgow to join motorway M8 to  
junction 24.

Leave motorway (signs Govan).  
At crossroads turn left into West Helen  
Street (unclassified).  
In 0.2 miles at roundabout, take 3rd exit  
into Edmiston Drive, A8.

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Total mileage 6.2 miles.

Hear Tony Fitzpatrick's comments on Saints progress  
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### GRANDSTAND QUIZ No. 7:

1. Name the former top Scottish Referee nick-named "Tiny".
2. With which Junior side does former Saint Fraser Campbell now play, Cumnock or Craigmark?
3. With which Swiss club did Gordon Smith previously play?
4. In which year did Celtic win the European Cup?
5. Who was the first First Division goalkeeper sent off this season?
6. From which club did St Mirren sign Mark McWalter?

Entries to be received by:  
6th October 1990.

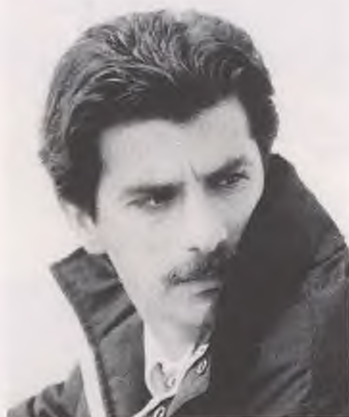


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# TONY FITZPATRICK SETS THE SCENE



Tony Fitzpatrick.

## ROUTE TO EASTER ROAD

To assist you in following Saints away from home, we publish here the recommended AA route to St Mirren's next away match...  
... and with two away games in succession, you'll find the route to Ibrox on the opposite page too!



Routes to away games are kindly supplied by the AA's Home Routes Dept, Bristol.

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Saturday, 6th October '90.  
Hibernian v St Mirren  
Easter Road Stadium,  
Edinburgh. Kick-off 3.00pm

**ROUTE TO HIBERNIAN:**  
Leave Paisley by A741 (signs Renfrew) In 1.3 miles cross road bridge & follow signs Glasgow to join motorway M8 to junction 8. Follow signs Edinburgh. Forward leaving motorway to join A8.  
In 5.9 miles ahead to join motorway M8 to junction 2. Leave motorway M8 and at roundabout take 4th exit to join A8. EDINBURGH.  
Follow signs Berwick, Haddington A1.  
In 0.8 miles at crossroads turn left into Easter Road (unclassified). In 0.1 miles at crossroads forward. 0.3 miles further turn right into Albion Road.  
In 0.2 miles turn left into Albion Place.  
HIBERNIAN F.C. (on right). Total mileage 56.8 miles.

Our last two games have shown that we have gained a little in fighting spirit, even although the results could still have been better.

Against Motherwell, we started poorly, allowing our opponents too much of the ball, but we gradually forced our way into the game, and having reached the break without giving ground, we took charge right from the kick-off in the second period. We scored straight away, and this helped us to settle to a more composed game, although Motherwell did their best to fight back. In this later period of the game, Campbell Money was outstanding, and the defence stood firm.

At Pittodrie, Robert Dawson was introduced to the defence, and he played well against a strong Aberdeen side which gave little away. After conceding an early goal, we again showed some character in fighting back to equalise, and I was delighted that the scorer was Paul Kinnaird. Having waited years to net his first Premier League goal, the player tucked away his second last week with some style. It was rather disappointing in the circumstances to see him booked for celebrating his goal! Hopefully, though, this goal will encourage Paul to be even more adventurous. All he has lacked in this department was a little courage to have a go. Until now, any deflection has seen his shots go past, or over the target. Now that he's finally had a shot deflected into the net, there should be no stopping him!

Today, we look forward to playing Celtic, and will be aiming to be at least as successful against Billy McNeill's side as we were last term. Our last meeting, of course, saw us win 3-0 at Parkhead, and it would certainly be great if we could repeat that performance - and final score - this afternoon. While the pundits may say otherwise, there is no reason why we shouldn't!



# CASUAL OBSERVATIONS ON TROUBLE AT FOOTBALL GROUNDS

Just back from a mid-season break, **Mark Scott** reports on aggro and football.

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Around five years or so ago, trouble was often to be found in Scotland's football grounds, and St Mirren park was no exception. In fact for a while there was more trouble at Love Street than at most grounds. For a fairly long period, there was hardly a Saturday would pass without trouble of some description on the terraces. Not surprisingly, attendances suffered, with the more intelligent fans staying away, not prepared to put up with the mindless aggression at the match. They sat at home instead. Really, no-one could argue with them. Many Buddies fans will remember being stoned as they walked down Love Street to go to games, or being charged by one or other group of visiting louts supposedly there to support the day's opposition. There was even one match where half-bricks rained down on the terracings - not the sort of thing you can forget in a hurry!

All that bother was only a few years ago, and much of it seemed to take place when Hibs were the visitors, although the clubs cannot reasonably be blamed. Groups of "casuals" were everywhere, and would associate themselves with just about every

club, none of whom wanted them. Those who latched onto St Mirren themselves had a dire reputation, but thankfully the problem appeared to have receded in more recent times, and with the real fans returning to the terracings once more, the match was again becoming the place for a family outing.

Sadly, the recent Hearts v Hibs match saw a group of casuals cause much of the trouble, and even more unfortunately, gain the publicity they adore. This group of hooligans, most of whom wouldn't recognise a football even if the word was printed on it, have been causing bother for some months now, and seem to be into all sorts of unsavoury activities which we won't go into here. Without wanting to scare anyone, these idiots can make life a touch edgy for fans visiting the Capital, as Saints' followers do next week.

Gangs have always existed, but it's only in the last few years that they have associated themselves with football. Of course there are gangs all over the country, and many have no connection with football. Yobs from "rival" housing estates fight constantly, and young

offenders' institutions are full of idiots who have over-stepped the mark. This is, it would appear, something this country will always have to some degree. There are arguments on both sides as to whether the re-introduction of National Service would be of assistance, but it appears to be the case that youth violence is minimal in countries where National Service exists. Perhaps it is worth a try, although maybe a more realistic solution would be if parents took a little more responsibility for the discipline of their own youngsters. These days, many parents just don't seem to think this is their problem!

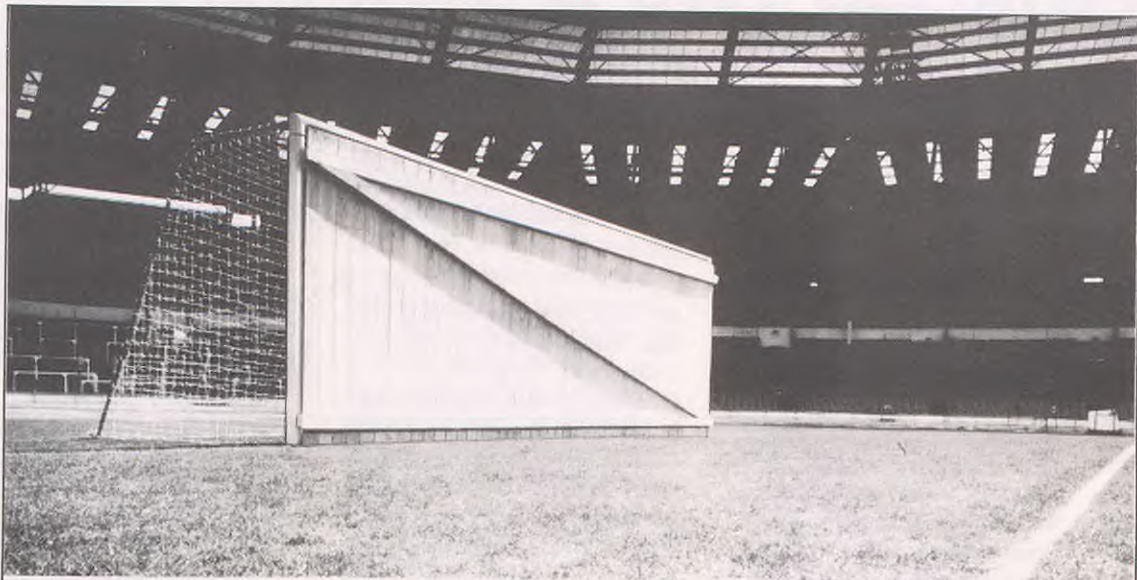
Let's hope, meantime, that violence does not flare up once again at matches, especially now that the football at Love Street is improving. There should be no distractions! Scottish fans have for years been living up to the high reputation they have earned themselves at home and abroad, and this is one area where the Scots are light years ahead of their English counterparts, who remain unwelcome in many parts of the world. That makes up in part for the fact that their team did son much better than ours in Italy during the summer!

## SITUATIONS VACANT

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# SAINTS TAKE 7 POINTS OUT OF 8 FROM CELTS!

John Byrne looks through the history books, and reports on a season when meeting Celtic offered not just entertaining football, but points galore as well!

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It is a well-established fact that any side promoted to the Premier League is likely to find its first season something of a struggle for survival. Finishing eighth is regarded as success, and that was exactly where St Mirren finished in their first Premier League season, 1977-78. Given that they finished six points ahead of ninth-placed Ayr United, it could be argued that the seven points they took from Celtic in the course of that season ultimately ensured their survival. 29,000 spectators turned up

on 15th October for St Mirren's first Premier League match at Celtic Park. Using a 4-4-2 formation, Saints held their own in the first half, and were unlucky not to score when a Jack Copland effort hit the bar. With almost an hour played, Frank Munro spoiled his Celtic debut by heading the ball into his own net, but within four minutes, Tom McAdam had equalised for the home side. In another six minutes, though, Billy Stark scored the decisive goal for Saints when he set off on a typical run and beat three defenders

before scoring. The teams were: Celtic: Latchford, Kay, Burns, Edvaldsson, McDonald, Munro, Wilson, McAdam, Glavin, Aitken, Conn. St Mirren: D. Hunter, Young, Beckett, Fitzpatrick, Reid, Copland, Abercromby, Stark, McGarvey, Richardson, Docherty (Sharp).

It was just before Christmas that the teams met again, in front of 17,800 spectators at Love Street. Celtic opened the scoring when a mistake by Abercromby

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