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ROLL OF HONOUR

European Cup Winners' Cup

Winners 1972

Runners-up 1961, 1967

Scottish League Champions

(43)

1891, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1911, 1912,
1913, 1918, 1920, 1921, 1923, 1924,
1925, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931,
1933, 1934, 1935, 1937, 1939, 1947,
1949, 1950, 1953, 1956, 1957, 1959,
1961, 1963, 1964, 1975, 1976, 1978,
1987, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993.

(The Championship was shared with
Dumbarton in 1891)

Scottish Cup Winners (26)

1894, 1897, 1898, 1903, 1928, 1930,
1932, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1948, 1949,
1950, 1953, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1964,
1966, 1973, 1976, 1978, 1979, 1981,
1992, 1993.

Scottish League Cup Winners (19)

1946/47, 1948/49,
1960/61, 1961/62, 1963/64,
1964/65, 1970/71, 1975/76, 1977/78,
1978/79, 1981/82, 1983/84, 1984/85,
1986/87, 1987/88, 1988/89, 1990/91,
1992/93, 1993/94.

The Gaffer

THERE is no such thing as a typical end of season Old Firm encounter — they just don't exist.

So today's match will be no different from any other in that respect.

We go into a very important game with the same sorts of problems that have troubled the team selections since the start of the season.

But these certainly do not come into the reckoning when it comes to predicting the outcome of a Celtic match.

I don't think there is any extra pressure on us though obviously there is a wee bit of edginess which we must have going into this game.

We know we have to go out and keep getting two points in order to win the title and we have overcome the hurdles well in recent weeks — with the exception of Wednesday night.

It was disappointing to lose our first match of 1994 against Motherwell but the match was a great advert for Scottish football.

The result was greeted with a great deal of enthusiasm from other people in the game for obvious reasons.

But as a manager that has worked hard all season to achieve success and trained all season with winning the championship in mind, I don't care where, when or how the title is won.

Recent form or consistency does not make the slightest bit of difference to the outcome of the match today.

Nor do I think that the absence of Celtic supporters will make any difference.

I have no great experience of what it will be like — I don't think any of us have. The only thing we have to go on is last season's European Cup tie with Leeds United here at Ibrox.

I don't reckon that anyone who was at either game in Glasgow or Leeds would say that it affected the



performance of the away side.

So I don't see it having any great bearing on the outcome of the match this afternoon.

The Rangers-Celtic game is one with a lot of passion and that makes it a bit different from the other fixtures.

It will be the team that plays the better who wins the game and the support or lack of it will have nothing to do with it.

Inside Ibrox

RANGERS fans received a Hampden boost this week with the announcement of the club's cup final allocation.

Gers were given 19,000 to ballot among 33,000 season ticket holders and supporters clubs — a figure that still isn't enough according to Campbell Ogilvie.

He wrote to the SFA the morning after the semi-final replay against Kilmarnock to request special consideration for Rangers massive home support.

He said: "The SFA have clearly listened to our pleas as this was better than we had hoped for.

"This is almost as many as we got for last year's final and that was at Parkhead with a capacity of nearer 50,000.

"So in percentage terms we are up, but we are still dissatisfied with the number and will be asking the SFA to consider releasing additional tickets to us.

"That may happen if any of the 7,000 that have been kept back for other clubs become available.

"Their argument is that the Scottish Cup is for all clubs.

"Well, we are not against that as long as other clubs are involved in it but the final is just about two competing teams.

"If tickets must be made available to sponsors and member clubs then they should be kept to a minimum."

Dundee United received 12,000 tickets as their share of the 38,000 capacity.

STADIUM bosses have announced details of how East Enclosure regulars can pick up tickets for the final match of the season.

Today sees the last stand for the enclosure before the diggers move in to seat the famous area.

In order to accommodate season ticket holders from the East Enclosure for the Dundee game on May 14, fans can exchange their season book for a match ticket to give them access to the Broomloan Road stand.

This can be done from Tuesday May 3 to Thursday May 12 at the Stadium Access Administration Office.

They can do so personally, or arrange for someone else to change the tickets for them.

There is no limit to the number of books that can be exchanged at any one time.

All season tickets holders for the East Enclosure will receive a letter from Rangers giving more details.

A high-pitched pronounced horn signal will precede all important messages relating to crowd safety to catch the attention of the supporters. This signal, followed by a police voiceover transmission, is different to and distinct from any other general message signals. This ground is equipped with closed-circuit television installed with the help of a grant from the Football Trust.



★ SUPER Ally dropped in on one of his biggest fans as he recovered from a painful operation.

Young TJ Murray is recuperating in the Southern General Hospital following an operation to remove a tumour.

And the Gers striker had a great tonic for the eight-year-old — a brand new Rangers home top.

TJ, which is short for Tony James, is a Rangers fanatic and McCoist is his hero. TJ, who lives in King's Park, Glasgow, is pictured with Ally sporting his exclusive new top.

RANGERS will stick with their highly successful pre-season workouts in Italy to prepare for what they hope will be a SEVENTH successive title.

Walter Smith this week revealed a hectic summer schedule for his first team squad including a return to Il Ciocco, a tour of Sweden and closed door matches.

The reserve and youth teams arrive back at Ibrox on Monday July 4 with the first team squad starting on Saturday 9th.

Then it's off to the Tuscan mountains once more to their training camp between July 13 and 20.

Before the next trek abroad, Smith's men will play two low-key friendlies in Glasgow.

Then the Gers travel to Sweden for three matches: Varberg on July 27, Örgryte on the 29th and Helsingborg on August 1st.

Four days later, it starts to get serious with the glamour pre-season tournament

against Manchester United, Sampdoria and Newcastle United.

A SPECIAL charity match is taking place next week to raise funds for the YMCA.

A Celebrity XI is taking on a team from Brookside at Newlandsfield, home of Pollok Juniors.

Captaining the team will be Gers boss Walter Smith and it will also include Archie Knox and Scott Nisbet, who is making a special appearance in goals.

A host of former stars and current managers are taking part, including such as Alex Miller, Alex MacDonald, Tommy Burns and Jimmy Bone.

The Brookside squad of 16 will include at least seven current regulars on the thrice-weekly soap.

The game has been organised as part of the celebrations for the YMCA's 150th anniversary.

Tickets are available from Pollok Juniors or any YMCA branch and cost £4 for adults and £2 for children and pensioners.

Fans can also pay at the gate and the game kicks off at 2pm on Sunday May 8.

Inside Ibrox

FANS travelling to the new Broadwood Stadium in Cumbernauld for the Glasgow Cup Final tomorrow have been advised to note the following points:

1. The kick-off is at 2pm.
2. The match is all-ticket and tickets cost £3 (same price for adult as for child).

3. Rangers supporters will be accommodated in the Main (OKI) Stand.

4. Although there is limited parking space for cars in the car parks, admission is free.

5. a) Routes for coaches/cars from the west — travel via A80, take cut-off before Auchenkilns roundabout and follow AA (yellow) signs to Broadwood Stadium — Main Stand.

b) Route from the east — travel via A80 and leave at Auchenkilns roundabout and follow AA signs to stadium — Main Stand.

6. Turnstiles in the Main Stand will be clearly signed 'Rangers support' as will those in the West Stand opposite for Celtic fans.

7. It is understood that Craig Brown, the Scotland manager, will present the trophy and medals on the pitch at the end of the game, which will go to extra time and penalty kicks if necessary.

SUPER striker Mark Hateley this week made his debut as a video star.

He has joined fellow marksman Ally McCoist as the latest Light Blue to be captured on camera for the small screen.

Hateley is seen in all his glory for a 85 minute special on his illustrious career.

The video, entitled 'Mark Hateley — The Lion Roars On!', was officially launched at Ibrox on Thursday.

And fans will be delighted to know it is in the shops now.

In fact it has the biggest advance orders of any footballer's video ever produced in this country — somewhere in the region of 25,000 copies.

The big man's career is traced from his early days at Coventry and Portsmouth right up to his glory days with Glasgow Rangers.

It is expected to match the phenomenal success of the Rangers Gold video, which sold 36,000 copies in the run-up to Christmas. The video is produced by Cameron Williams and features fantastic big-match action plus all-star interviews.

It is a video no Gers fan will want to be without and is now available, priced £13.99.



★ OLD Firm sharpshooters made it a day to remember for handicapped youngsters in Glasgow this week.

They teamed up with kids from Eastpark Home for lunch at the new Western Theme Steakhouse in the Stakis Ingram Hotel.

And young Gillian Ramsay found herself surrounded by a posse of players from the two clubs!

Pictured getting in some shooting practice before today's crunch clash are (left to right): John Collins, Willie Falconer, Neil Murray, Gary Stevens and Ian Ferguson.

KILMARNOCK are producing a special souvenir programme for the visit of Rangers next weekend.

Not only is the match the final home game of the season for Killie, it is the last at Rugby Park before re-development begins.

And the programme will also commemorate the club's 125th anniversary this year so it is a real double celebration.

The souvenir programme is bound to become a real collector's item and the bumper issue will be on sale for £2.

RANGERS are pleased to inform all season ticket holders that for the second season in succession finance facilities have been arranged through Clydesdale Financial Services Ltd for those supporters wishing to spread the cost of their season ticket purchase.

Although there have been recent changes to the overall Clydesdale operation, the Chargecard facility is unaffected. The Chargecard allows you, the supporter, to settle the amount borrowed at your own personal convenience.

You decide how much you repay each month, and, subject to the required minimum amount, you can alter this sum to

suit your own personal budget.

Your Clydesdale Chargecard will be accepted at the following retail outlets: Sports Division, Landmark, Smileys, Queensway, Textstyle World, Jupiter, American Golf, Focus DIY, Sterling and National Tyres and many other outlets.

You will receive special cardholder discounts at certain times during the year.

For the 2,000 plus supporters who utilised the service last year, all that is required this year is to charge the cost of their season ticket to their existing account — it couldn't be simpler.

If you wish to apply for the facility for the first time this year, an envelope addressed to Clydesdale Financial Services Ltd is included with your season ticket renewal letter.

Simply complete your renewal slip, send it to Clydesdale in the envelope and they will deal directly with you in processing your application. For further information on the facilities available, write to: Clydesdale Financial Services Ltd, 58 Southcroft Road, Rutherglen, Glasgow G73 1UX or telephone 041-647-7181.

Written quotation available on request.

Today's visitors



LOU Macari has not had his troubles to seek this season — his first in charge at Celtic Park.

Not only has the club been plagued with behind the scenes problems, performances on the park have done little to ease the tension.

So he will be hoping for a confidence booster today from his side as they try to delay the Ibrox men's march towards the title.

The team has been chopped and changed recently as Macari attempts to find the right formula for the future.

But they will be bolstered by their 2-0 win at Dundee last week and motivation is never a problem for the Old Firm clash.

The Celts are sure to be even more fired up today with their fans missing from Ibrox for the first time ever.

The sight of 45,000 Rangers fans enveloping the ground is sure to make the adrenalin flow for every Celtic player on the pitch.

One success story at Parkhead in recent months has been the phenomenal progress made by 19-year-old **SIMON DONNELLY**.

He has burst onto the scene to provide a breath of fresh air during troubled times for the club.

His goalscoring exploits have brought him a regular place in the forward line at the expense of some big names.

Simon's dad Tom was a Rangers reserve during his playing days and it would be ironic if he was to grab the headlines in today's match.

A pleasing aspect of the season for Celtic fans has been the continued good form shown by **JOHN COLLINS** and **TOM BOYD**.

They have cemented their place in the Scotland set-up with performances of consistent quality.

Collins, in particular, has proved himself to be one of the best midfield players in the country.

His importance to Celtic has been immense with his shrewd and skilful play on the left hand side.

He has been great value since his big money transfer from Hibs almost four years ago.

Boyd, also naturally left-sided, has a confident playing style and attacks well from the back as well as having all the necessary defensive attributes.

His fitness is in doubt for today's encounter and Celts will be disappointed if he doesn't make it.

PAT McGINLAY is also beginning to hit a rich vein of form now he has fully settled in at Parkhead.

He is the club's top scorer this season, with 11 goals, no mean feat for a midfielder.

His strength and powerful running are a feature of his game and the 26-year-old is surely approaching his peak.

Lou Macari has brought in fresh blood during the season as he attempts to make his mark on Scottish



PAT BONNER

football.

Arriving from England have been players like **LEE MARTIN**, **CARL MUGGLETON** and **WILLIE FALCONER**.

Martin is best remembered for his winning goal for Manchester United in the 1992 FA Cup Final against Oldham. He found it difficult to hold down a first team squad place with the depth of talent available to Alex Ferguson.

So he has relished the chance to make a name for himself north of the border and is becoming a firm favourite with the Celtic fans.

The same can certainly be said for Muggleton, who has ousted **PAT BONNER** from the first team this year.

Carl who? may have been the shout from the Parkhead faithful when he arrived from Stoke City but he has helped make sure Celtic have one of the best defensive records in the league, although **Eire Number One Bonner** has recently reclaimed his first team place.

It has been the lack of goals which has surprisingly hindered Celtic's quest for trophies during this season.

Falconer has been bought as a midfielder who can

Today's visitors



PAT MCGINLAY



TOMMY BOYD

get his share of goals.

This versatile ex-Aberdeen player has a wealth of experience in England, including spells at Watford, Middlesbrough and Sheffield United, and is a useful addition to Macari's squad.

Another former Middlesbrough player is the inspirational **TONY MOWBRAY**, who has played through personal tragedy this year.

Wife Bernadette has been stricken with cancer and the couple's story has touched the hearts of the nation.

Big Mogga has not played in recent games but would relish the opportunity of pulling on that green and white jersey today.

He is the kind of player who rises to the big occasion and has made his mark in previous Old Firm games since his arrival in 1991.

CHARLIE NICHOLAS, meanwhile, has been making his mark on Old Firm games for many years longer than that.

The one-time Cannonball Kid has had a chequered

career with Celtic, Aberdeen and Arsenal, but there is no doubting his prodigious talent.

At 33, he is approaching the veteran stage, but he is renowned for pulling out something special when up against the old enemy.

Defensively, Celtic have been a revelation this season, with fewer than usual goals conceded.

This has been partly through the efforts of men such as **MARK McNALLY**, **MIKE GALLOWAY**, **DARIUSZ WDOWCZYK** and **GARY GILLESPIE**.

Motherwell-born McNally can play virtually anywhere at the back while the tough-tackling Galloway never gives less than 100 per cent.

The Polish international has not enjoyed the best of luck with injuries but is a classy performer, as is Gillespie, though at 33 his best years are probably behind him now.

Other possibilities for Celtic this afternoon are a fit again **PETER GRANT**, Irishman **PAUL BYRNE**, **BRIAN O'NEIL** and youngsters **BARRY SMITH** and **BRIAN McLAUGHLIN**.