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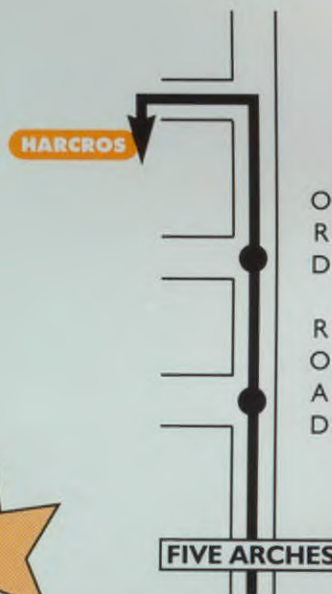
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Shielfield Gazette

Welcome to today's Coca-Cola Cup tie against Celtic, and to everyone who has travelled here. While we would have loved to be playing at Shielfield, it is still a pleasure to be playing at Tynecastle Tynecastle with the pitch and the stadium looking really good. I have already commented on the Brechin game and these notes were written before our vital home league match with Alloa on Tuesday. Tommy Cunningham was due to miss that game Due to a knee injury and we shall have to wait and see on his fitness for today. Mark Laidler returns to our pool for today after serving a 2 game early season ban, so this means that only Martin Neil remains on the sidelines at this time. So, welcome to the Directors, staff, players and fans of Celtic F.C. for what should be a highly entertaining day for us all. I really don't need to introduce Celtic to you as they do that for themselves. Cup action rears its' head again on Tuesday of next week, back at Shielfield with Montrose visiting in the first round of the Challenge Cup (KO 7.30 pm) then it's on to Albion Rovers next Saturday for our first away league game of 1997/98.

Footnote: Things did not go as planned on Tuesday as Alloa beat us 2-0 at Shielfield. Keeper Darren Collier also collected an injury and could be doubtful for today's game.

Jimmy Thomson

Message from Berwick's Chairman, Tom Davidson

It is a pleasure to host and welcome Celtic to Tynecastle Park today. I would like to thank Heart of Midlothian for all their assistance, in particular Chief Executive Chris Robinson and marketing manager Susan Bonner. It is not often we get the chance to face a club of the stature of Celtic so we must make the most of the occasion and look for a result too! Our aim, of course is to win promotion back to Division 2 and considerable work has taken place to strengthen the squad during the past few weeks and we shall continue to strive to bring quality players to the Club.

Shielfield Park - Celtic Park Connections

JOHN HUGHES: Started his senior career when Jim Jeffries plucked 'Yogi' from junior club Newtongrange Star in October 1988. In his Shielfield days John was a robust striker who scored 14 goals in 41 league appearances in two seasons at Berwick before joining Swansea City for £70,000 in early 1990. John subsequently linked up with Jeffries at Falkirk and enjoyed cult worship status at Brockville for some five seasons as a no-nonsense central defender which forced the then Celtic Manager Tommy Burns to pay £350,000 for Hughes in August 1995. After almost 50 appearances for the Parkhead club, 'Yogi' linked up with Hibernian last January for a fee of £200,000 and skippered the Easter Road club to a 2-1 win over the Bhoys last Sunday.

MIKE GALLOWAY: Signed by Frank Connor in 1980 on youth forms, Mike was quickly snapped up by Mansfield Town without making a first team appearance in a Black & Gold shirt. Mike's next stop was Halifax Town who sold the tough tackling midfielder to Hearts for £300,000 in 1987. Celtic manager Billy McNeil paid the Tynecastle club £500,000 in the summer of 1989 to take Galloway to Parkhead who made over 170 appearances in a hooped jersey in five seasons, prior to being involved in a serious car accident which tragically ended Mike's career. Mike enjoyed a well deserved benefit match in 1996 and recently managed junior outfit Tranent before quitting his post in the summer.

WILLIE GARNER: A big central defender who made his name with Aberdeen prior to a move to Celtic in 1981. After a handful of appearances for the Parkhead club, Willie was appointed Player/Manager at Alloa Athletic and after two successful seasons linked up with Alex Ferguson as his number two at Pittodrie.

Willie subsequently joined Berwick in 1990/91 season having previously served Highland League Keith as Player/Manager. Under the guidance of messrs Ralph Callachan and Jackie McNamara, Willie spent two seasons at Shielfield making 46 appearances. After leaving Berwick, Willie managed East of Scotland League club Craigroyston and is currently manager of Newtongrange Star.

FRANK CONNOR: Played in goal for Celtic in the early 1960's and eventually joined the Parkhead coaching staff. In two seasons as Manager at Shielfield Park Frank worked tirelessly until subsequently joining Motherwell as Coach in 1982. Further spells back at Celtic Park as Coach, manager at Raith Rovers and a stint as number two to Joe Jordan at Hearts before linking up with Celtic once more as Coach to Liam Brady in 1991, remaining at the club to the present.

JACKIE McNAMARA: Started his career with the Bhoys as central defender making 43 appearances until moving to Hibernian in a swap deal for Pat Stanton. Jackie had an illustrious career with the Easter Road club over a number of years and subsequently joined Morton as Player/Coach and then Hamilton Accies in a coaching position until coming to Shielfield Park in 1990 as assistant to Ralph Callachan for two seasons. Jackie whose Son (Jackie Jnr) could well be facing us today, recently returned to the game as Number two to Jim Duffy at Hibernian last March after concentrating on his business interests as a Publican in Musselburgh.

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The Coca-Cola Man of the Match Award will be presented at the end of

the game today. At the Brechin City game, at Shielfield on 2nd August, a panel of journalists voted Berwick Rangers' midfielder KEVIN WALTON (pictured in our pre-season friendly against Hearts) as the award winner - and few disputed it! Kevin received a special C.D. player, shaped as a Coca-Cola Football.

REMEMBER - Today's game is played to a finish, with extra time and penalty kicks (if necessary) used to decide who goes into the 3rd Round on Tuesday 19th or Wednesday 20th August. NOTE - The 2nd Round of the League Challenge Cup will be played on Tues 26th or Wed 27th August.

Berwick Rangers Juniors U14's

The Under 14's will represent the Club in the "NIKE PREMIER CUP" at Grangemouth on Sunday 10th August. They will play Dundee Utd., Motherwell & Hearts. The boys appreciate the invitation extended to them by Berwick Rangers F.C. and hope to be fine ambassadors for the Club.

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GORDON MARSHALL (GOALKEEPER)

Born 19.4.64 in Edinburgh. Height 6ft 3ins. Weight 14st

SIGNED from Falkirk for £270,000 in August 1991.

OTHER LEAGUE CLUBS - Rangers, East Stirling, East Fife.

CELTIC APPEARANCES up to end of season 1996/97 - 133.

Played the whole of season 1995/96 but lost his place to Stewart Kerr last term after a sending off in October meant a suspension that cost him dear. Did come back in however for the last three games of last season and under new boss Wim Jansen could be in with a chance of reclaiming the No. 1 jersey.

JACKIE McNAMARA (DEFENDER)

Born 24.10.73 in Glasgow. Height 5ft 9.5ins. Weight 10st 4lbs

SIGNED from Dunfermline for £600,000 in October 1995

CELTIC RECORD up to the end of season 1996/97 - 72 APPS, 2 GOALS

A bargain buy of former boss Tommy Burns is one of the most exciting full-backs in the game and has easily moved up a level since joining Celtic and confidently slipped in to the full Scotland squad. Scored a rare goal against Kilmarnock last season, which most of his fellow team-mates believed was the best strike of the season.

TOSH McKINLAY (DEFENDER)

Born 3.12.69 in Glasgow. Height 5ft 8ins. Weight 11st 6lbs

SIGNED from Heart of Midlothian in November 1994 for £350,000.

OTHER LEAGUE CLUBS - Dundee.

CELTIC RECORD up to the end of season 1996/97 - 103 APPS

Recently signed a new two-year deal with the club, and like McNamara, was a real bargain buy.

Came into his own when he joined his boyhood heroes, and his fantastic form has made him a regular in the Scotland set-up.

TOM BOYD (DEFENDER)

Born 24.11.65 in Glasgow. Height 6ft 11ins. Weight 12st 10lbs

SIGNED from Chelsea in a swap deal for Tony Cascarino in February 1992.

OTHER CLUBS - Motherwell

CELTIC RECORD up to the end of season 1996/97 - 247 APPS, 2 GOALS

Tipped as the future club captain now that Paul McStay has retired, is the model professional, assured and confident and able to play in the central defensive or full-back roles. A regular fixture for both club and country, he is nearing 50 Scotland caps and has clocked up close on 450 Scottish league appearances.

ALAN STUBBS (DEFENDER)

Born 6.10.71 in Kirkby, England. Height 6ft 2ins. Weight 12st 12lbs

SIGNED from Bolton Wanderers in a £5.5million deal in May 1996

CELTIC RECORD up to the end of season 1996/97 - 26 APPS

First season was marred by injury problems, and the young defender was given a rough time by the media and some of the fans. Under new boss Wim Jansen he has been played in a midfield role that suited him more at Bolton and may suit him for Celtic too. Won an England B cap while playing down south and is expected to make the step-up to the full national side.

MALKY MACKAY (DEFENDER)

Born 19.2.72 in Bellshill. Height 6ft. Weight 13st 6lbs

SIGNED from Queen's Park on a free in August 1994.

CELTIC RECORD up to the end of season 1996/97 - 40 APPS, 4 GOALS

A determined player, who pushed his way into the first team set-up, knocking back moves to other clubs to fight for his place. Scored a great goal last term that helped Celtic knock Rangers out of the Scottish Cup and has been involved in the senior squad for almost three years.

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Cup-ties against Celtic

A cup match against one of the bigger clubs is always a bonus, for players and supporters. To have the tie at home is great for the fans, although financially, the smaller clubs would gain more from an away game. However, because of the limited crowd capacity at Shielfield, today's game goes ahead at Tynecastle, so let's hope we all have a good day out. Although the two clubs have never previously met in the Coca Cola League Cup, they have met three times in the last 20 years, all in the Scottish Cup. All three games have been lost, so maybe today Rangers can spring a surprise.

SCOTTISH CUP Round 4: 26.2.79 CELTIC. 3 v BERWICK R. 0.

C. Frame, K. Rutherford (D. McLean), I. McLeod, D. Smith, R. McDowell, J. Jobson, P. Davidson, D. Moyes, G. Smith, E. Tait, S. Wheatley.

This match was postponed twice, first on 17th Feb then again on Wednesday the 21st Feb, this time too late to stop the Berwick fans who made their way to Glasgow in vain. Heavy rain had made Parkhead completely water-logged. The game was eventually played on Monday 26th, when Celtic won through by three goals, although Rangers did put up a spirited performance.

SCOTTISH CUP Round 3: 24.1.81 BERWICK R. 0 v CELTIC 2. Crowd. 9,600

M. McDonald, D. Moyes, H. McCann, G. Hamilton, B. Marshall, L. Muir, P. Davidson (D. Brown), J. McGlynn, S. Romaines, E. Tait (I. McLeod), I. Black,

This game will be remembered for the "goal" that wasn't! Charlie Nicholas put Celtic 1-0 up after 19 minutes. However, most people in the ground thought Peter Davidson had equalised for Berwick, with an excellent diving header after 29 minutes. Sadly, referee Andrew Waddell decided not to allow the "goal" and Celtic had to battle hard for their win, Tommy Burns scoring near the end. Had Berwick's goal stood, things may have been very different. Rangers' manager at that time was ex-Celtic man Frank Connor.

SCOTTISH CUP Round 3: 28.1.84. BERWICK R. 0 v CELTIC 4. Crowd. 5,510

J. Watson, H. McCann, G. Morgan, R. Flavell, D. Steadman, L. Muir, P. Davidson, S. Romaines, E. Tait, D. Rodier, C. Tomassi.

Controversy again against Celtic, and again it was referee Andrew Waddell at the centre of it all. Derek Rodier "scored" for Berwick in the second minute, only for Mr Waddell to deny Rangers once more. I doubt if anyone other than Mr Waddell knows any reason for the decision. Celtic scored almost immediately afterwards, and were 2-0 up at half-time. Berwick actually had more clear-cut chances than Celtic, but were definitely lacking in finishing ability. Celtic's goals came from a set-piece, and three break-aways. Brian McClair's two first-half goals showed how it should be done.

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