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uefa cup 1st round



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CLASS ... Paul Lambert and Lubo Moravcik provided Henrik Larsson's second against Hibs

# WE WANT GLORY

**O**NCE again, the players performed brilliantly last Saturday to defeat Hibs and go top of the league.

It was a very tough match indeed. We lost Alan Stubbs early in the game with a knee injury but managed to take the lead a few moments later when Henrik Larsson scored a penalty.

There was some terrific play from both teams after that and I was naturally pleased to see our second goal scored before half-time, Henrik rising to head in a cross from Lubo Moravcik after great work by Paul Lambert.

And Mark Burchill's goal just before the end made it a very satisfying day for us indeed.

I have no need to tell



you that much has still to be done if we intend to be serious rivals to Rangers.

So far we have managed to jump a few hurdles but absolutely nothing more.

Please don't treat this as defeatist talk – I'm actually a super-optimist in life – but I have to add the occasional piece of realism.

Still, it has been a decent start. We turn our attention to European football this evening, with HJK Helsinki of Finland our opponents.

They play open, attacking football and have some excellent players in their ranks. It goes without saying that

this will be a difficult game.

Nevertheless, Celtic Park has an atmosphere all of its own and can be an inspirational arena. So we will call upon your help once again to pull us along.

And what about European aspirations?

There is no doubt that we all share the same ambition to experience evenings under the floodlights against the cream of Europe – a dream to conjure with.

That may take some time to realise but it doesn't mean that we will give up the ghost in European competition just because we want to improve our standing domestically.

I'm not sure I want to believe that the days of us taking on and beating the heavyweights of Europe are a generation away.

After all, that won't be much good to anyone of the same generation as myself – we'll be dead by then!

**Martin O'Neill**







EDGE OF  
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115







- 1 Jonathan GOULD
- 2 Tom BOYD
- 3 Stephane MAHE
- 4 Jackie McNAMARA
- 5 Joos VALGAEREN
- 6 Alan STUBBS
- 7 Henrik LARSSON
- 8 Alan THOMPSON
- 9 Chris SUTTON
- 10 Eyal BERKOVIC
- 11 Morten WIEGHORST
- 12 Tommy JOHNSON
- 14 Paul LAMBERT
- 15 Bobby PETTA
- 16 Olivier TEBILY
- 17 Didier AGATHE
- 19 Stilian PETROV
- 21 Stewart KERR
- 22 Stephane BONNES
- 23 Dimitre KHARINE
- 24 Colin HEALY
- 25 Lubomir MORAVCIK
- 26 Paul SHIELDS
- 27 Mark BURCHILL
- 30 Vidar RISETH
- 31 Rafael SCHEIDT
- 32 Simon LYNCH
- 33 John CONVERY
- 34 Mark FOTHERINGHAM
- 35 Johan MJALLBY
- 37 Liam KEOGH
- 38 Barry John CORR
- 39 Jamie SMITH
- 40 Stephen CRAINEY
- 41 John KENNEDY



- 1. Jani Viander
- 2. Mika Lehkosuo
- 3. Aarno Turpeinen
- 4. Ville Nylund
- 5. Jarmo Saastamoinen
- 7. Alexei Jeremenko
- 8. Ossi Martikainen
- 10. Vesa-Pekka Vasara
- 11. Toni Kallio
- 12. Ville Wallen
- 13. Jari Ilola
- 14. Luiz Antonio Moraes
- 15. Paulus Roiha
- 16. Marcello de Oliveira
- 17. Janne Saarinen
- 18. Markus Heikkinen
- 19. Rami Hakap
- 20. Toni Kuivasto
- 21. Rafael Pires Vieira
- 23. Hannu Haarala
- 24. Ilpo Verno
- 30. Sami Jussila
- 33. Peter Kopteff



Referee: DIETMAR DRABEK (Austria)  
 Assistants: RAIMUND BUCH (Austria)  
 BERNHARD ZAUNER (Austria)  
 Fourth Official: RICHARD KERN (Austria)



# Finns flying



OUT OF ACTION ... key midfielder Vesa Vasara is ruled out for HJK Helsinki

**H**JK HELSINKI come to Celtic Park this evening as the only remaining Finnish hopes in this season's European competitions.

Like Celtic, HJK reached the first round proper of the UEFA Cup by overcoming opposition from Luxembourg.

But whereas the Celts enjoyed something of a goalfest against Jeunesse Esch, HJK beat CS Grevenmacher only by the odd goal. Although the Finns were clear 4-1 winners in the first leg at home, they were surprisingly beaten 2-0 in the return.

HJK's most successful European campaign of all came two seasons ago when they achieved a near-miraculous qualification for the Champions League, beating French side FC Metz 2-1 on aggregate in the qualifying round to enter a group containing Kaiserslautern, Benfica and PSV Eindhoven.

Everyone predicted a total whitewash for the Finns but they went into their final home game against PSV still with a chance of making the quarter-finals

But it was then that their dream died with PSV's ace striker Ruud van Nistelrooy scoring a hat-trick as the Dutch side beat them 3-1.

A 5-2 defeat by Kaiserslautern ultimately left HJK bottom of their group but it had been a memorable experience.

HJK's Finnish title hopes have been hit in recent weeks by long-term injuries to some of their key players. Attacking midfielder Vesa Vasara has damaged knee ligaments and will be out for another five weeks.

Before him two other important midfielders, 21-year-old Jari Ilola and 30-year-old Mika Lehtosuo, were also forced onto the sidelines.

But there are plenty of other

# their flag in Europe



FORSSELL MK II ... HJK's Paulus Roiha is touted as the next Mikaell Forssell, right

FINN THE MOOD ... keeper Jani Viander is in excellent form

stars such as keeper Jani Viander.

The 25-year-old has been in excellent form this season and was unlucky not to be selected for the recent Finland squad.

In defence, HJK have Aarno Turpeinen (29), and Toni Kuivasto (24) operating in the full-back roles and internationalists Ville Nylund (28) and Jarmo Saastamoinen (32) in the centre.

Other stoppers are Markus Heikkinen (21) and Rami Hakanpaa (21), who can also operate as a midfield anchorman.

With the midfield so depleted through injuries there is an added responsibility on the shoulders of the 36-year-old

Russian import Aleksei Jeremenko.

He can operate anywhere in middle but tends to do his best work out on the flanks.

Janne Saarinen has been one of the revelations of the current Finnish season. The 23-year-old has finally begun to realise the potential that encouraged IFK Gothenburg to poach him as a teenager four years ago.

In the absence of Ilola, Vasara and Lehtosuo, Sami Yla-Jussila, a new signing from FC Jokerit, will probably in midfield this evening with 19-year-old novice Hannu Haarala likely to join him.

Up front the strikeforce of Brazilian Rafael and Finnish

youngster Paulus Roiha has served the club extremely well.

Rafael, a 22-year-old crop-haired striker, is the player the Celtic defence will have to keep a sharp eye on if their goal is to remain intact.

And Roiha is already being tipped for stardom by the Press. "Paukku", as he is known by his admirers, has been compared to Mikael Forssell, the teenage striker who left HJK to join Chelsea at the start of last season.

HJK know that they are rank outsiders to reach the second round but their mission tonight will be to try to frustrate Celtic.

MIKE HAMMOND



# TOM FOUGHT AT THE BHOYS

## Tar McAdam stuck to his Celts task

**W**HEN Tom McAdam was appointed to the backroom staff in 1993 the supporters and the club were on their knees.

Years of neglect and a blatant inability to face facts in view of the rise of a vibrant organisation on the other side of the city had reduced the club to dire straits.

Worse of course was to come, but at least the appointment of Tom McAdam gave a certain cause of optimism, for Tom has already served Celtic well.

Like so many other great Celts, Tom could not claim to be "Celtic-minded" in his early years. In fact, the opposite was the case and his brother Colin played for Rangers at the same time as Tom played for Celtic.

Several times they opposed each other in Old Firm games, sometimes as direct opponents, but there was little doubt however that Tom was the better player.

He started his career with Dumbarton as a teenager in 1970 then played a couple of seasons for Dundee United before joining Celtic in September 1977.

Tom was signed by Jock Stein who was clearly reeling in the wake of the Dalglish transfer the previous month. In playing terms Dalglish probably could not be replaced by anyone, and Stein's attempts to do so in the transfer market were hardly a success.

In McAdam's case however it



CELTIC TRIO ... Tom McAdam, Murdo MacLeod and Danny McGrain in Paradise

## BACKROOM **bhoys**

By David W Potter

would prove a long-term investment for the club.

McAdam in these days was a centre-forward and if he was being asked to replace Dalglish it was perhaps not surprising that his first season was no great success.

But 1977-78 was an unhappy one for both McAdam and Celtic.

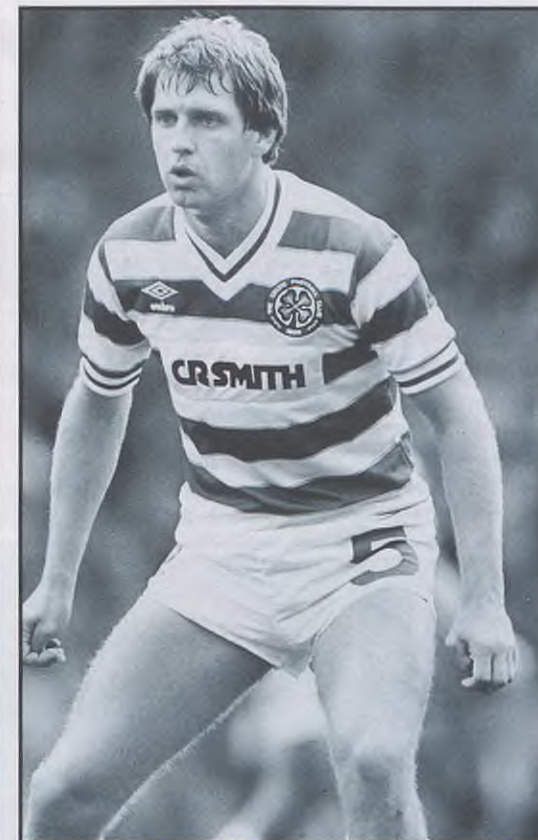
It was late in the following

season that newly-appointed manager Billy McNeill made the decision to try Tom in the defence.

Injuries had forced this on McNeill, but McAdam rose to the task, impressing immediately with his tenacious tackling, heading ability, positional sense and most of all his attitude to the game.

He won his spurs as a defender

# TO CONQUER



HARD TASK ... Tom McAdam struggled to gain popularity at first but he ended his time with a Scottish Cup medal

in that epic night at Celtic Park when the 1979 League title was won by a ten-man Celtic team who beat Rangers 4-2.

By the following season it was apparent that McAdam was no stop-gap defender and that the middle of the defence was to be his position.

A tendency to get booked too often meant that he missed the 1980 Scottish Cup Final win over Rangers but he played a full part in the League Championship wins of 1981 and 1982.

His popularity grew with the Celtic fans who had serious reservations about him at first, and

then in 1984 he received a bad blow when an injury sustained in a meaningless League game at Tynecastle two weeks before the Scottish Cup Final meant that he had to miss that game.

It was a pity for that particular Final, so resolute of injustice and bad refereeing decisions, might have been a different matter had the fair hair of McAdam been in the Celtic back four.

Tom made up for it the following year however when he at last won his Scottish Cup medal. It was against his old

friends at Dundee United, and although much has (quite rightly) been made of the great goals of Provan and Aitken in that epic Cup Final, historians tend to minimise the work of McAdam particularly in those last desperate five minutes when United were pressing hard.

It was Tom's last big moment for Celtic and the following year Tom, at the age of 32, was freed to try his luck as a player/coach.

On his way back to Celtic Park some seven years later the talented Tom tried Stockport County, Hamilton, Motherwell and Airdrie.