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CELTIC F.C., 1966-67

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

SATURDAY, 24th DECEMBER, 1966, kick-off 3 p.m.

**Aberdeen v. Celtic**

**OFFICIAL PROGRAMME**



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## THE INSIDE PAGE

No team within recent years has created the impact of the present Celtic side, and deservedly so. Their progressive and attacking football with its simplicity and directness has been answered by the attendance response, not only at Parkhead, but wherever they have played. Celtic are the present league leaders, winners of this season's Scottish League Cup, and appearing in the last eight of the European Cup. These successes are all the more creditable when we remember that the personnel of the present side have been brought up from the junior ranks, and the quality of the end product could, if put on the transfer market, fetch astronomical figures. But the winning of the league last season was the first time since 1953-54, and those lean years were a reminder to the officials that the green and white followers would not be satisfied to play second fiddle; and, having been starved of those league honours, success now tastes very sweet. Every club is now striving to have the honour of inflicting the season's first defeat—which prompts us to ask if headline news could be made this afternoon when they meet the Dons, undefeated at Pittodrie this season. Predictions are made but very often never fulfilled, so let us leave them for the present and hope that entertainment value will be very much in evidence in a game that has created so much interest during the past weeks. We hope that those who have been strangers to Merkland Road in recent years will find the spells and thrills stimulating and if so, then this great national game of ours can still offer something in the way of digression from our everyday duties.

We, the directors of the Aberdeen Football Club, extend to you, Celtic Football Club and to the followers of both clubs, our sincere good wishes for a Merry Xmas and to the blind followers who are less fortunate than ourselves, good listening throughout the year to commentator Mr. Joe Moir.

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## PITTODRIE PLAYING STAFF

PLAYER	WHERE BORN	LAST CLUB	WHEN SIGNED	POSITION
Bodys, B.	Paisley	Benburb Jun.	1966	O.L.
Buchan, M.	Aberdeen	Banks o' Dee A	1966	L.H.
Buchanan, E.	Banknock	Shettleston Jun.	1965	R.H.
Carroll, B.	Aberdeen	Banks o' Dee A	1966	I.L.
Clark, R. B.	Glasgow	Queen's Park	1965	G.
Cumming, I.	Aberdeen	Banks o' Dee A	1963	I.R.
Hermiston, J.	Edinburgh	Edina	1965	F.B.
Johnston, D.	Nairn	Nairn C.	1966	C.F.
Kirkland, J. W.	Bedford	Birkenshaw Am.	1963	L.H.
Little, W.	Dumfries	Dumfries Academy	1957	I.F.
M'Cabe, B. J.	East Whitburn	Bathgate Thistle	1965	C.H.
McGarr, E.	Glasgow	Kilbirnie Ladeside	1965	G.
M'Millan, T.	Paisley	Neilston Juniors	1965	C.H.
Melrose, H.	Edinburgh	Dunfermline	1965	I.F.
Millar, D. A.	Gourock	Queen's Park	1965	I.F.
Munro, F.	Dundee	Dundee United	1966	R.H.
Noble, J.	Fraserburgh	Parkvale	1963	O.R.
Petersen, J.	Esbjerg	Esbjerg	1965	L.H.
Robb, D.	Bro'tyferry	Newburgh	1965	I.F.
Sandison, A.	Aberdeen	Lads Club	1966	C.F.
Shewan, A. J.	Turriff	Formartine United	1960	F.B.
Smith, J.	Glasgow	Benburb Jun.	1965	I.F.
Taylor, I. W.	Aberdeen	Banks o' Dee A	1965	C.F.
Watt, W.	Aberdeen	Preston N.E.	1966	O.L.
Whyte, J. B.	Kilsyth	Kilsyth, R.	1963	F.B.
Wilson, J.	Newmains	Morton	1965	O.L.
Wilson, P.	H. Valley Field	Dunfermline Ath.	1966	O.R.
Winchester, E. T.	Aberdeen	Torry F.P.s	1959	I.F.

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## ABERDEEN F.C. FIXTURES, 1966-67

### LEAGUE CUP

Goals—For Agst Pts

Aug. 13—St. Johnstone .....	<i>h</i>	3	0	2	Smith 2, Little
„ 17—Dundee .....	<i>a</i>	4	3	2	Wilson 2, Winchester 2
„ 20—Dundee United .....	<i>h</i>	4	1	2	Winchester, Melrose, Smith, o.g.
„ 27—St. Johnstone .....	<i>a</i>	3	0	2	Little, Winchester, Wilson
„ 31—Dundee .....	<i>h</i>	2	0	2	Smith J., Melrose
Sept. 3—Dundee United .....	<i>a</i>	4	3	2	Wilson J., Little, Whyte J. 2

### SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Sept. 10—Dundee .....	<i>a</i>	1	2	0	Wilson J.
„ 17—St. Johnstone .....	<i>h</i>	3	2	2	Winchester 2, Smith J.
„ 24—Rangers .....	<i>a</i>	0	3	0	
Oct. 1—Clyde .....	<i>h</i>	1	1	1	Winchester
„ 8—Dunfermline .....	<i>a</i>	1	1	1	Shewan
„ 15—Ayr United .....	<i>h</i>	2	0	2	Smith J., Winchester
„ 22—Airdrie .....	<i>a</i>	2	1	2	Taylor, Wilson J.
„ 29—Hibs .....	<i>h</i>	2	1	2	Winchester, Watt
Nov. 5—Hearts .....	<i>h</i>	3	1	2	Taylor, Watt 2
„ 12—St. Mirren .....	<i>a</i>	3	1	2	Watt 2, Winchester
„ 19—Partick Thistle .....	<i>h</i>	5	2	2	Wilson J. 2, Whyte J., Petersen, Winchester.
„ 26—Dundee United .....	<i>a</i>	3	1	2	Winchester, o.g., Wilson J.
Dec. 3—Motherwell .....	<i>h</i>	2	1	2	Wilson J. 2
„ 10—Falkirk .....	<i>a</i>	0	1	0	[Taylor
„ 17—Stirling Albion .....	<i>a</i>	6	2	2	Wilson J. 3, Whyte, Johnston
„ 24—Celtic .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 31—Kilmarnock .....	<i>h</i>				
Jan. 2—Dundee .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 3—St. Johnstone .....	<i>a</i>				
„ 7—Rangers .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 14—Clyde .....	<i>a</i>				
„ 21—Dunfermline .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 28—Scottish Cup (1st round)					
Feb. 4—Ayr United .....	<i>a</i>				
„ 11—Airdrie .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 18—Scottish Cup (2nd round)					
„ 25—Hibs .....	<i>a</i>				
Mar. 4—Hearts .....	<i>a</i>				
„ 11—St. Mirren .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 18—Partick Thistle .....	<i>a</i>				
„ 25—Dundee United .....	<i>h</i>				
April 1—Motherwell .....	<i>a</i>				
„ 8—Falkirk .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 15—Stirling Albion .....	<i>h</i>				
„ 22—Celtic .....	<i>a</i>				
„ 29—Kilmarnock .....	<i>a</i>				









Steve Chalmers



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## PEN PICTURES — CELTIC F.C.

**Ronnie Simpson**, goalkeeper.—Has played no small part in Celtic's cup victories, particularly when Celtic beat the then holders, Rangers, 2-1. He is a son of a former Rangers centre-half. Served with Newcastle United before returning to Scotland to play for Hibs and then, of course, Celtic.

**Tommy Gemmell**, right back.—In international matches has made it obvious that further honours must come his way. Equally at home on the right or left side of the field. Deadly in taking the ball far upfield and mixing with his own forwards. From Coltness Juniors in 1961.

**William O'Neil**, left back.—Has now been recognised as a first team man after seven years at Parkhead, and his patience has been well rewarded. Signed from St. Anthony's in 1959 as a wing half, but on taking a step to the rear, found his true position. An energetic, decisive tackler with accuracy in his kick.

**Bobby Murdoch**, right half.—Resolute and skilful, he has shown his genius as a defensive as well as an attacking half back. He had a protracted spell as an inside forward before being drafted into the half back line, and it is significant that he was signed as a wing half seven years ago from Our Lady's High School.

**William M'Neill**, centre half.—Joined Celtic from Blantyre Victoria in 1957 as a centre half, but also played at right back and right half. Has a long list of international honours, with more to come. Is ever a menace to the opposition when he moves up at a corner kick and gets his trusted head to the ball.

**John Clark**, left half.—Gave a five-starred exhibition against Wales at Cardiff. Is in his eighth season at Parkhead, having signed from Larkhall Thistle in 1959. Once having taken over the left half position, he has retained it by his concentration, resiliency and skill.

**Jimmy Johnstone**, outside right.—Gained another cap against Wales and it is obvious many more will go to his credit. From Blantyre Celtic in 1961, he is having his brightest season. His slickness, elusive running and change of pace make him among the most difficult wingers to counter. Can also go in and take a goal of his own manufacture, but will sacrifice the chance if he sees a colleague better positioned to finish the manoeuvre.

**Joe M'Bride**, inside right.—Was transferred from Motherwell last year. He is certainly doing the job Manager Stein set out for him. He can operate at inside forward as well as at centre forward. It is all the same to Joe. Give him the ball with a goal in his sights and he will do the rest.

**Steve Chalmers**, centre forward.—You will find several versatile youngsters at Parkhead, Chalmers most of all—in attack. He can occupy any berth up front and be relied upon excelling, no matter the task set him. He has been at Celtic Park since 1959, joining Celtic from Ashfield.

**Robert Lennox**, inside left.—This quick-silver forward has been a match-winner time and again, his astonishing speed off his mark, precision in the pass and shot, and gift of finding the open space making him one of Celtic's stars in their rich first team pool. Graduated from Ardeer Recreation in 1961.

**Bertie Auld**, inside left.—Has generalised Celtic to many of their major successes. Went from Parkhead to Birmingham, but it was a happy thought in bringing him back. He has adopted the new role set him by Manager Jock Stein, and is now a more vital link at inside forward than when on the extreme left wing.

**John Hughes**, outside left.—Scored both Celtic goals in last season's final against Rangers—both from the spot. He was signed from Shotts Bon-Accord in 1959. He first gained representative honours when he led the Scottish League attack against the League of Ireland at Dalymount and scored Scotland's only goal. Has been fielded on the wing as well as at centre.