



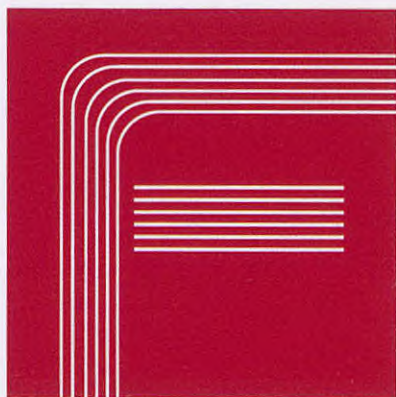
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80th Anniversary 1928-2008

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HISTORY & HONOURS

FORMED 1928

Ground Brandywell Stadium

Members of Irish League

1929 - 1972

Elected to League of Ireland

1985

Club Colours Red & White

Striped Shirts / Black Shorts

Manager Stephen Kenny

Asst. Manager Alan Reynolds

First Team Coach

Declan Devine

Physio Colm O'Neill

Club Doctor Joe McElroy

IRISH LEAGUE HONOURS

League Champions: 1964-65

IFA Cup Winners:

1949, 1954, 1964

City Cup Winners: 1935, 1937

Gold Cup Winners: 1964

Top Four Winners: 1966

LEAGUE OF IRELAND HONOURS

League Champions:

1988-89, 1996-97

1st Division Champions:

1986-87

FAI Cup Winners:

1989, 1995, 2002, 2006

League Cup Winners:

1988, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1999,

2005, 2006, 2007, 2008

Shield Winners: 1986

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A hearty welcome to the mighty "Hoops"

TONIGHT it is with great pleasure that we welcome SPL champions, Glasgow Celtic, back to Brandywell to play their part in celebrating Derry City's 80th anniversary celebrations.

And everyone associated with Derry City Football Club takes great pride in the fact that two members of tonight's Celtic panel are local men who, we hope, will continue their progress at Celtic Park and, hopefully, become fully fledged members of the first team squad.

Paddy McCourt joined the 'Bhoys' from the "Candy Stripes" earlier this year and having served his home town club well during his short career at Brandywell, local supporters will, no doubt, give him a very special welcome home.

And while many of you will be aware of the Paddy's talents, it's also important that we acknowledge a youngster from the Carnhill area of Shantallow who has been contracted to Celtic for three years as a full-time professional.

Daniel Lafferty has been performing regularly at left-back in the Celtic Reserves team and the former Oxford United Stars defender joined the 'Hoops' as a 16-year-old to further his career in Scotland. The teenager appears

to be making steady progress.

We also extend a warm welcome two former members of the Celtic squad who will tonight lead the team in the absence of Gordon Strachan - Neil Lennon and Willie McStay.

Lennon, of course, is no stranger to this neck of the woods having visited the area on countless occasions while Willie McStay, having already managed a Celtic team when playing at the Brandywell, is a former Sligo Rovers boss before returning to Paradise to take up full-time duties at Celtic Park.

May we also take this opportunity to extend our thanks to all those who have supported this evening's game as this fixture ends what has been a chaotic series of matches at the Brandywell in the F.A.I. Cup, eircom League and Setanta Sports Cup games.

Hopefully, we will witness an attractive game between two great clubs and we wish Celtic every success in both their campaigns at home and abroad during the remainder of the 2008/09 season.

As usual, we would ask all supporters to be guided by our match stewards and that everyone in attendances returns home safely after the final whistle.

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Welcome to the game

GOOD evening and welcome to this evening's game which is in celebration of Derry City's 80th anniversary and I believe it's fitting that the mighty Glasgow Celtic are here at Brandywell to mark the occasion.

May I take this early opportunity to extend a warm welcome to the players, management and officials from Celtic Park and thank them for agreeing to provide the opposition for this special occasion in our club's history

Of course, this isn't the first occasion our two clubs have met and it certainly brings back fantastic memories of one particular game in July, 1997, when we famously beat the 'Hoops' in a five goal thriller at Lansdowne Road. Goals from Gary Beckett, an own goal by Celtic's Tommy Boyd and the winner netted by Ryan Coyle in latter stages saw the 'Candy Stripes' reach the final against Newcastle United.

That game also saw Paolo Di Canio, who scored that afternoon, play his last game for Celtic and it will live long in the memory for those who were in Dublin or watching on television. Let's hope tonight's game proves equally as memorable for those in attendance.

Excepting injury, we will also witness the return home of one of Derry City's favourite sons and one of the most exciting players ever to have graced the Brandywell, our own Paddy Mc Court.

He of the silky skills, penetrating runs and killer pass was a fantastic player for our club and an icon amongst our fans - young and not so young - and we all hope he can go on to become a big star with Celtic and fulfil his enormous potential. Some of the performances Paddy put in at this venue will be long remembered and I'm sure he'll receive a tremendous



Mr. Pat McDaid
Chairman, Derry City F.C.

reception when he runs out onto the pitch tonight.

Interestingly, this game falls in the middle of an incredible run of fixtures for Derry City which sees us competing in four different competitions and all at an advanced stage. We have secured our fourth consecutive League Cup following a top notch display away to Wexford Youths. We've also triumphed in what was a tense yet exciting penalty shoot-out against Cork City to reach the FAI Cup semi-final, competed in a series of league games and, regardless of last night's result at home to Linfield, will now for the first time, take our place in the Setanta Sports Cup semi finals which actually take place next week!

It has been a hectic experience for all concerned and to cap it all, we are set to stage a glamour friendly game against one of the worlds biggest clubs - not bad by anyone's expectations and certainly an exciting time to be following the "Candy Stripes."

The recent run of games brings me

onto something special about Derry City and just one example of the many things which go on behind the scenes to ensure the club survives - our Programme Committee.

In fact, tonight's game brings to five the number of issues which had to be produced within a period of 10 days and I must commend the efforts of the individuals concerned who have managed to produce a fantastic "Cityview" matchday programme for each game under what have been extraordinary circumstances.

Everyone of these men have their own responsibilities away from Derry City, including their family lives and their occupations, but the Programme Committee has still managed to produce the goods - this the last of four publications over a 10 day time frame. I think that must be acknowledged, so well done lads your outstanding commitment is very much appreciated by all those associated with the club.

Let's remember also that every "Cityview" programme sold goes straight to the club as the production costs are already covered via sponsorship. And to those of you reading this - thank you sincerely for supporting your local club.

We also are staging a special celebration dinner in the City Hotel after tonight's game to mark our 80th anniversary and that should prove a great night's entertainment. Those attending are very much looking forward to the occasion.

May I also take this opportunity to express the sincere thanks of the Board of Directors to all those who offer their precious time to assist Derry City on a weekly basis; to our loyal sponsors and, of course, to you, our supporters who continue to keep the club to the fore in the eircom League of Ireland.

Enjoy the game.

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A brief history of Derry City Football Club

DERRY CITY is a member of a very select band of football clubs located throughout the Continent of Europe in that the club, while resident in one jurisdiction, actually plays its football in another!

Located in Northern Ireland since its foundation 80 years ago, Derry City FC terminated its relationship with the Irish League in 1972 when the "north" had been embroiled in political unrest.

The burning of a Ballymena United supporters' bus outside Brandywell Stadium at the height of the "Troubles" in 1971 saw the club forced to play its home games 30 miles away at the Coleraine Showgrounds.

And that decision, which saw the "Candy Stripes" complete just one more campaign in the Irish League, signalled the end of senior soccer on Foyle side for a period of 13 years.

However, Derry City experienced a renaissance on September 8th, 1985 when the "Candy Stripes" officially entered the League of Ireland First Division - with the Irish League's blessing - to entertain Home Farm in a League Cup fixture.

An attendance of 8,000 watched that game and that sensational re-entry into the senior arena proved to be an amazing period in the history of the club.

The Irish League

But no history of Derry City would be complete without acknowledging the club's lengthy association with the Irish League.

Founded in 1928, Derry City played its first competitive game on 23rd August, 1929 when Glentoran

arrived in the North-West to record a 2-1 victory.

And the 44 years affiliation with the Irish Football Association also brought success with an Irish League Championship win (1964/5) plus three Irish Cup victories (1949, 1954 and 1965).

The club's first victory in European football (over two legs) was recorded by the Willie Ross managed 1964/65 team.

Never before had an Irish League team progressed in European competition but Derry City caused a major shock when defeating Norwegian champions, FK. Lyn in the European Cup on an 8-5 aggregate scoreline.

But since that dramatic rebirth in 1985, Derry have been crowned Premier Division champions twice (1988/89 and 1996/97) and have also secured the FAI Cup on four occasions (1989, 1995, 2002 and 2006).

And the local club's interesting love affair with the less prestigious League Cup competition saw them win it on no less than nine occasions - 1988, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1999, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008.

Having secured its first Premier Division Championship under the guidance of manager, Jim McLaughlin, the club made a clean sweep of the major trophies in the 1988/89 season - League, FAI Cup and League Cup - a 'treble' which has not been repeated to date.

However, the "Candy Stripes" meteoric rise to prominence was to take a turn for the worst in the years which followed.

Indeed, financial difficulties - as experienced by the vast majority of

Irish clubs - had an almost terminal effect and Derry City's future was cast into serious doubt.

Liquidation

Having been forced into voluntary liquidation during the close season before the 1994/95 campaign, a consortium of Derry businessmen, under the leadership of Mr. Paul Diamond, formed a new company and following negotiations with the Inland Revenue and Customs and Excise authorities, the club negotiated its way into a position to continue in existence.

A new share issue was floated by the new limited company and following an intake of capital - understood to be in the region of £100,000 - Derry City had been given the go-ahead to continue to operate as a senior football club.

The club enjoyed its second FAI Cup success when defeating Shelbourne 2-1 at Lansdowne Road before capturing the Premier Division title - also for the second time in its history - the following season.

However, while commerce has obviously played a significant role in the club's survival in 1995, Derry again found its way into an even deeper financial crisis when, in July, 2000, it was announced that the club faced debts of almost £200,000 and many local fans feared the worst.

But the local community responded immediately and while the assistance of teams of the calibre of Glasgow Celtic - who return to the Brandywell tonight - Manchester United, Real Madrid and Barcelona, played significant roles, the local community remained loyal and



The Derry City squad which played Home Farm in 1985 as the 'Candy Stripes' were welcomed into the League of Ireland. They are pictured with manager Jimbo Crossan and goalkeeping coach Eddie Mahon.

helped raise the necessary finance required to keep the club afloat.

Success, however, proved minimal with the club failing to compete for the major honours until the arrival of new manager, Stephen Kenny, in August 2004.

Having struggled against relegation for the three previous seasons, Kenny's first six months saw Derry not only move into the safety of mid-table but, just for good measure, the Dubliner led the club to another League Cup success. But it was his first full season in charge which fashioned major changes.

The Dubliner guided Derry City into the final game of the 2005 season against Cork at Turner's Cross requiring just a draw required to win the title but his youngsters froze in front of the 10,000 attendance when losing 2-0.

However, the following season, the 2006 campaign, saw the local club achieve great prominence in European football. Having qualified for the U.E.F.A. Cup, Derry were drawn against two times U.E.F.A. Cup winners I.F.K. Gothenburg and many

fans feared the worst.

But Sean Hargan netted a sensational late goal to give the Foyle-side club a remarkable 1-0 victory in the 'away' leg to shock European football and, at the same time, make history for Derry City as it was the club's first victory on away soil in any European competition.

And confirming that that experience wasn't a fluke, the 'Candy Stripes' did it again at the Brandywell two weeks later when striker, Stephen O'Flynn, lashed the ball home from the penalty spot for another 1-0 verdict against the Swedes.

Having been drawn against Gretna in the second preliminary round, Derry again rose to the challenge. In a highly charged atmosphere in Motherwell and accompanied by 2,000 travelling supporters, Derry produced the performance of the year. The club overcoming an early 1-0 deficit to record a sensational 5-1 victory and end the tie as a contest.

A 2-2 result in the second leg saw Derry then paired with Paris St Germain in the first round proper and

having held the French side to a 0-0 result at Brandywell, Derry lost 2-0 in the Parc Des Princes - the end of what had been one of the greatest seasons in the club's history.

On the local front, the League Cup had been retained and Derry again finished runners-up in the league campaign for the second successive season - this time on goal difference to Shelbourne. But an end of season treat also lay in store when the 'Candy Stripes' reached the F.A.I. Cup final against St. Patrick's Athletic winning 5-4 after extra-time at Lansdowne Road.

That game saw Kenny move to Scotland and Dunfermline Athletic but he returned to serve a second term at the start of the current campaign.

And his return brought success. The club has already won the League Cup and, just for good measure, has qualified for both the semi-finals of the Setanta Cup and the FAI Cup. The club also sits in third place in the Premier Division with six league matches remaining.

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Celts playing catch-up in City head-to-heads!

WELCOME to the final leg of what has been an enthralling ten days in the history of Derry City Football Club and whilst there is still an awful lot of work ahead, I'm sure everyone will be glad of the opportunity to draw breath and take stock.

Well, maybe the taking stock can wait 'til next time as we have the small matter of one of the biggest football clubs in the world on our doorstep this evening with the visit of Glasgow Celtic.

The 'Hoops,' of course, enjoy support from every corner of the globe but there is little doubt that Scotland apart, Irish backing for the Parkhead team is second to none.

The Celts, like ourselves, are a community club, albeit on a much bigger scale and you only need to take a walk around the City to see the affinity that they enjoy in these parts. Thankfully for us, the red and white stripes have gradually replaced the Liverpool, United and Chelsea tops on our local parks and playing fields but the lure of the green and white has never diminished.

Celtic's visit, as we know, is directly linked to the transfer of former City player Paddy McCourt and it does us no harm at all that the agreement involves another game next season. To a man, every Derry City supporter was delighted with their intervention in Paddy's transfer saga as the majority of us felt that one or two English clubs who had



The Celtic side which played Derry City at Brandywell in 2001. Derry lost the game 2-1 with Sean Hargan scoring for the home side.

been competing for the winger's signature had been less than courteous during the negotiations.

The final deal suited all parties infinitely better - City earning much needed revenue to keep the wolves from the door, Gordon Strachan acquiring the services of the most talented footballer on these shores and the player himself fulfilling the dream of every youngster who ever kicked a ball.

Form wise, the Scottish champions go into this evening's game very much the underdogs but they will take heart from the fact that our home form has been less inspiring than on the road, whilst Stephen Kenny may also avail of the opportunity to rest some weary legs and give some of his fringe players a run out.

Recent meetings between the two also favour City, Ryan Coyle's wonder goal giving the Candy Stripes a 3-2 win in Dublin just ten short years ago after Paolo Di Canio had thought he had given the 'Hoops' a share of the spoils when he beat 14 Derry players, plus two ball boys, the manager and Dr. Raymond McClean to fire his team level.

Score Irrelevant

The score tonight is almost irrelevant of course, games like this are an opportunity to see some world famous names on our own street and, more importantly, for the club, the chance to make new acquaintances.

Once again the spotlight of Irish sport will be shining brightly on the Brandywell and the more we can do that the better. In a