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SOCIAL MISSION STATEMENT

Introduction

Celtic Football Club is legendary and as with most legends as much myth as fact surrounds its history and what the Club stands for today. The Social Mission Statement aims to simply define what the Club stands for and seeks to promote with/irf society.

History

Celtic Football Club was founded in 1888. Its principal founder was a Marist Brother named Walfrid. The Club had two principal aims: The first aim was to raise funds to provide food for the poor of the East End of Glasgow, an area of the City that was greatly impoverished and had a high rate of infant mortality. Within the East End was a large Irish community and friction was growing between the native Glaswegians and the new influx of Irish. Brother Walfrid saw the need for social integration and his vision was a football club that Scottish and Irish, Protestants and Catholics alike could support. A new football club would be a vehicle to bring the communities together and this was the second aim. The Marist brother sought for the Club to have both a Scottish and Irish identity and hence, the Club's name "Celtic" came about, representing a bridge of cultures across the Irish Sea.

Current Positioning of Celtic Football Club

Celtic Football Club is a Scottish football club with proud Irish links. The primary business of Celtic is as a football club. It is run on a professional business basis with no political agenda. However, the Club has a wider role and the responsibility of being a major Scottish social institution promoting health, well-being and social integration.

Who is Celtic Football Club for?

Celtic Football Club is for people who want to support a football club that strives for excellence in Scotland and in Europe, is proud of its history, supportive of its local community and seeks to support the following aims: "To maximise all opportunities to disassociate the Club from sectarianism and bigotry of any kind. To promote Celtic as a Club for all people, regardless of gender, age, religion, race or ability."

Summary

Celtic is a club for everyone who believes in football as a medium for healthy pleasure, entertainment and social integration. The Club always has been and always will simply aim to be the team of the people.

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RONNY DEILA
Celtic Manager



EVERYONE MUST PLAY THEIR PART AS WE LOOK TO RETURN TO WINNING WAYS

GOOD afternoon and welcome to Celtic Park for today's match against Aberdeen. It's a return to domestic action after the international games, and it's a match we're all looking forward to.

Our previous home league game here was a great result and performance, beating Dundee United 6-1, and we'd clearly like another good display and victory.

However, Aberdeen will be very difficult opponents. I know that they were the only team to beat us in the league last season, and they also had a very good result here in the Scottish Cup, so

everyone is aware of the danger they pose. Our aim, of course, is to win every game that we play in, and at home our supporters will be looking for us to take the game to our opponents. That's what we intend to do, while remaining resolute defensively.

Our squad has been boosted by some new faces who arrived at the club during the recent transfer window. Stefan Scepovic and John Guidetti will provide further competition in the team and I'm sure they'll both play their parts in what will be a long but, hopefully, very successful campaign.

We're also looking forward to

having the likes of Scott Brown, James Forrest and Aleksandar Tonev available over the coming weeks and months, which will give us more options and variation in our play.

After the international break, we've got a lot of fixtures on the horizon, with our first Europa League tie this Thursday against FC Salzburg in Austria, followed by another league game next weekend against Motherwell and then a League Cup tie at home to Hearts.

And every member of the squad will be expected to play their part, both in these fixtures and throughout the season as we look to bring more success to the club.

We're also determined to get back to winning in the league after a couple of disappointing results, and what better way to start that than with a victory this afternoon against Aberdeen. We know that won't be easy, but we're determined to do just that and, with your support, hopefully we can enjoy another good day here at Celtic Park.

Enjoy the game



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CLUB HONOURS



SCOTTISH LEAGUE WINNERS (45 Times)

1892/93, 1893/94, 1895/96, 1897/98, 1904/05, 1905/06, 1906/07, 1907/08, 1908/09, 1909/10, 1913/14, 1914/15, 1915/16, 1916/17, 1918/19, 1921/22, 1925/26, 1935/36, 1937/38, 1953/54, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68, 1968/69, 1969/70, 1970/71, 1971/72, 1972/73, 1973/74, 1976/77, 1978/79, 1980/81, 1981/82, 1985/86, 1987/88, 1997/98, 2000/01, 2001/02, 2003/04, 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14

SCOTTISH CUP WINNERS (36 Times)

1892, 1899, 1900, 1904, 1907, 1908, 1911, 1912, 1914, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1931, 1933, 1937, 1951, 1954, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1971, 1972, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1980, 1985, 1988, 1989, 1995, 2001, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2011, 2013

LEAGUE CUP WINNERS (14 Times)

1956/57, 1957/58, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68, 1968/69, 1969/70, 1974/75, 1982/83, 1997/98, 1999/00, 2000/01, 2005/06, 2008/09

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS 1967

CORONATION CUP WINNERS 1953



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SCOTT BROWN

Celtic Captain



I'D LOVE TO BE INVOLVED TODAY - THE BOYS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO IT

CELTIC versus Aberdeen games are always ones that everyone looks forward to. They're always a difficult team to beat, and we know from last season that we have to be at our best if we want to take all three points. There's also a big travelling support that follows Aberdeen which I'm sure will only add to the atmosphere today.

It's important that we get back to winning ways after a couple of disappointing results in the league against Inverness Caley Thistle and Dundee, and it's also good to be back home after being on the road for those fixtures.

Our own support is always so important to us, and that will be the case today against Derek McInnes' side.

I was also disappointed to see Scotland lost to Germany last weekend. Obviously I would have loved to have been out there on the pitch in Dortmund, but I thought the boys were magnificent, and I felt we deserved at least a point from the game.

It's a sign of their quality that they've got players who can punish you, but the confidence remains really high in the squad for the European Championship campaign, and after running the world champions so close, we're looking forward to the rest of the fixtures. Our target is to qualify for Euro 2016 in France, and I believe that we are capable of achieving that.

Before the next round of international games, however, there are a lot of important games coming up for Celtic, both here in Scotland and in Europe, starting with this



afternoon's game against Aberdeen.

I know the boys are looking forward to the game and are determined to do everything they can to get the victory.

Enjoy the game

CLUB DIRECTORY AND RECORDS

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WEBSITE: www.celticfc.net
FORMED: 1888
STADIUM: Celtic Park
CAPACITY: 60,506

HOME STRIP COLOUR
Green/white hooped shirts, white shorts and socks

AWAY STRIP COLOUR
Dark green shirts with green/gold trim, dark green shorts and socks

RECORD ATTENDANCE
92,000 v Rangers, 1938

RECORD VICTORY
11-0 v Dundee, 1895

RECORD DEFEAT
0-8 v Motherwell, 1937

MOST LEAGUE GOALS IN ONE SEASON
50 - Jimmy McGrory, 1935/36

MOST PREMIER/SPL GOALS IN ONE SEASON
35 - Brian McClair, 1986/87
35 - Henrik Larsson, 2000/01

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STADIUM REGULATIONS



In the event of a stadium evacuation please follow the directions of the Police and stewards

ALL supporters are reminded that the Ground Regulations insist that spectators remain seated during the match.

Please remain seated throughout the match in the interests of your own safety and that of your fellow supporters.

Superintendent George Clelland of Strathclyde Police 'B' Division, said: "Strathclyde Police do not wish to in any way prevent spectators from fully enjoying football matches.

"However, the safety of those attending must be paramount at all times. We fully support Celtic FC in this matter and we fully endorse their message to supporters."

UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT AT CELTIC PARK AND AWAY FOOTBALL STADIA

NEW rules have been introduced by the SFA and SPFL in connection with "Unacceptable Conduct" at football stadia. The new rules form part of our Stadium Regulations. It is a condition of entry to stadia that the Stadium Regulations, including these new rules, are followed.

A summary of the new rules is set out below. Full details are available on the Celtic website at www.celticfc.net or by contacting the Customer Service Manager on 0871 226 1888*.

CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB WILL NOT TOLERATE UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT AT CELTIC PARK OR AT AWAY FOOTBALL STADIA

- Unacceptable conduct is conduct which is violent or disorderly
- Violent conduct includes any actual, attempted or threatened physical violence against any person, or intentional damage to property

- Disorderly conduct includes conduct which stirs up or sustains, or is likely or is designed to stir up or sustain, hatred or ill will against or towards individuals or groups of people because of:

- Gender
- Colour, race, nationality (including citizenship) or ethnic or national origin
- Membership or presumed membership, of a religious group or of a social or cultural group with perceived religious affiliation
- Sexual orientation
- Transgender identity
- Disability
- Using threatening, abusive or insulting words or conduct
- Displaying writing or any other thing which is threatening, abusive or insulting

This list is not exhaustive and must be read in conjunction with the Stadium Regulations.

ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT MAY BE SUBJECT TO ANY, OR A COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Removal from the stadium
- Suspension from attending official matches involving Celtic Football Club
- Indefinite ban from attending official matches involving Celtic Football Club
- Report to the police and possible criminal proceedings

Celtic Football Club was established in 1888 as a Club open to all.

Further information on the Club's origins and Celtic's Social Mission Statement can be found on page 3.

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