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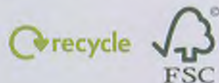
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SOCIAL MISSION STATEMENT

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 within 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

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Who is Celtic Football Club for?

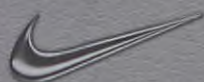
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Summary

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.



THE LIGHTEST TOUCH



Manager's Notes

NEIL LENNON



A REPEAT OF OUR SECOND-HALF KILMARNOCK SHOWING WILL BRING TITLE A STEP CLOSER

GOOD afternoon and welcome to Celtic Park for our game against St Mirren. It's our third game against Danny Lennon's side in as many months and we're hoping for another successful outcome today.

Another three points will take us ever closer to winning the Premiership and we want to secure that title as soon as possible. It would be our third title in a row, which represents a fantastic achievement. It's not been done too many times in the club's history and the players deserve enormous credit for their hard work these past few years.

The level of consistency shown this season has been remarkable and we want to continue that right up until the end of the season.

One of the keys to our success in the league has been in remaining focused solely on the next game. That approach has served us well this season, and that will be the case this afternoon.

We know that St Mirren have some talented and dangerous players who are capable of hurting us if we're not at our best, so we will go into the game full of confidence after a couple of really good wins and determined to take the three points.

Our victory over Kilmarnock last Friday night, and the second-half performance in



particular, was superb, and I really enjoyed watching us play.

Kris Commons scored a hat-trick, underlining his importance to the team. With 26 goals already to his credit this season, that's a fantastic contribution from a great player.

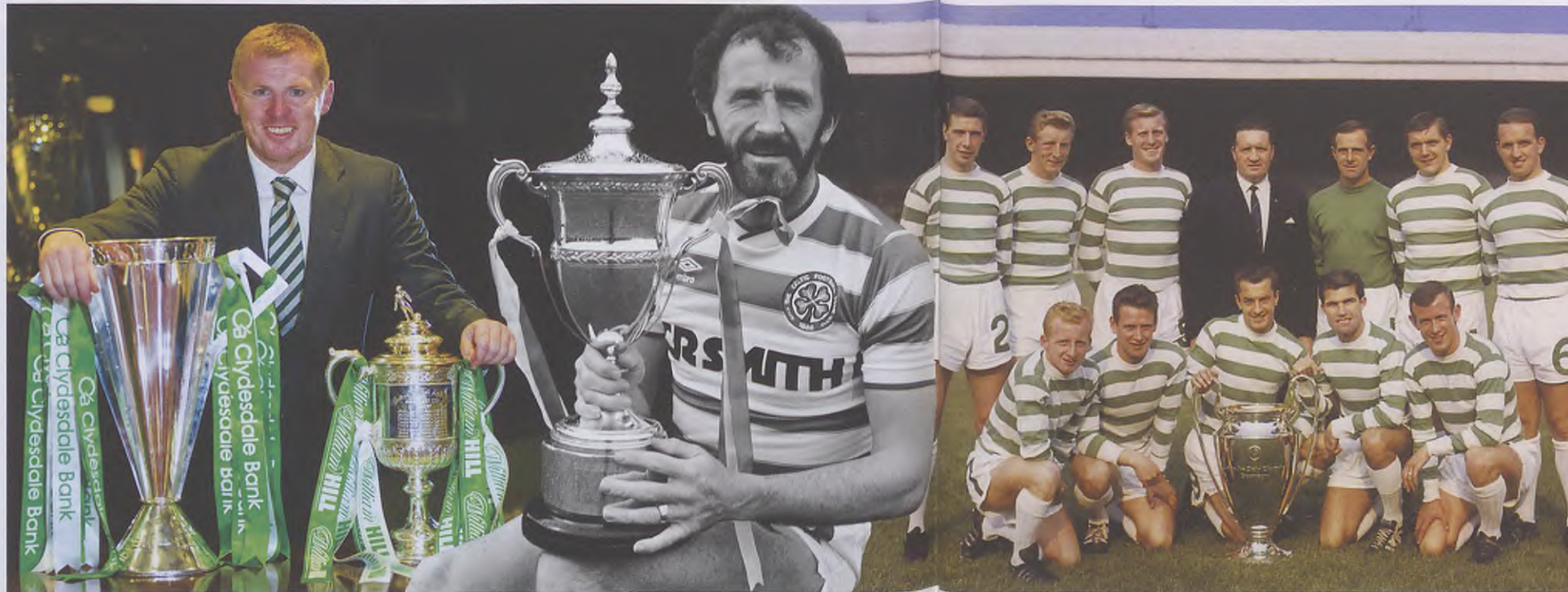
And we were also delighted with the performance of young Liam Henderson. It was his first start for the team and he can be really pleased with his showing.

It helped that he was playing alongside a lot of experienced players who helped him through the game, and I thought Scott

Brown and Stefan Johansen in midfield were brilliant on the night.

We want to take that level of performance into this afternoon's game and with your backing, hopefully we will take another step closer to claiming the title.

Enjoy the game.



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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

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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*.

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

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- 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 www.celticfc.net.

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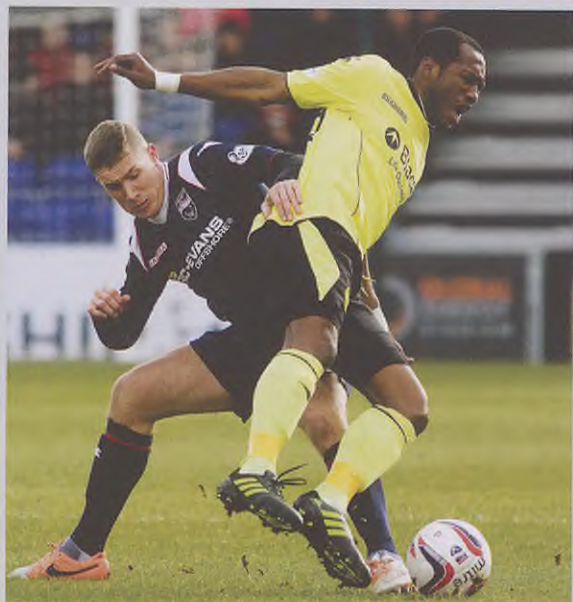
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The story so far...

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SPFL	03 Aug	Inverness CT 3-0 St Mirren
SPFL	17 Aug	St Mirren 1-1 Kilmarnock
SPFL	24 Aug	Ross County 3-0 St Mirren
League Cup	27 Aug	Queen of the South 2-1 St Mirren
SPFL	31 Aug	St Mirren 1-2 Partick Thistle
SPFL	14 Sep	St Mirren 0-1 Motherwell
SPFL	21 Sep	Hibernian 2-0 St Mirren
SPFL	30 Sep	St Mirren 1-1 Aberdeen
SPFL	05 Oct	Hearts 0-2 St Mirren
SPFL	19 Oct	Motherwell 2-1 Hearts
SPFL	27 Oct	St Mirren 4-3 St Johnstone
SPFL	26 Oct	Dundee United 4-0 St Mirren
SPFL	09 Nov	Partick Thistle 0-3 St Mirren
SPFL	17 Nov	St Mirren 2-1 Ross County
SPFL	23 Nov	St Mirren 0-0 Hibernian
Scottish Cup	30 Nov	Queen of the South 2-2 St Mirren
SPFL	07 Dec	St Mirren 0-0 Inverness CT
Scottish Cup	10 Dec	St Mirren 3-0 Queen of the South
SPFL	14 Dec	Aberdeen 2-0 St Mirren
SPFL	21 Dec	Motherwell 3-0 St Mirren
SPFL	26 Dec	St Mirren 4-1 Dundee United
SPFL	29 Dec	St Mirren 1-1 Hearts
SPFL	02 Jan	Kilmarnock 2-1 St Mirren
SPFL	05 Jan	St Mirren 0-4 Celtic
SPFL	11 Jan	St Johnstone 2-0 St Mirren
SPFL	18 Jan	Hibernian 2-3 St Mirren
SPFL	25 Jan	St Mirren 0-0 Partick Thistle
SPFL	29 Jan	Hearts 2-1 St Mirren
SPFL	02 Feb	Celtic 1-0 St Mirren
Scottish Cup	09 Feb	Dundee United 2-1 St Mirren
SPFL	16 Feb	St Mirren 0-1 Aberdeen
SPFL	22 Feb	Ross County 2-1 St Mirren
SPFL	01 Mar	St Mirren 2-0 Kilmarnock
SPFL	15 Mar	Dundee United 3-2 St Mirren





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ONES TO WATCH

REMARKABLY, this will be the third time in three months that Celtic will have faced St Mirren in the Scottish Premiership, and having amassed maximum reward from the previous two games, the Hoops will be hoping for a similar outcome this afternoon as they close in on a third successive title.

The visitors, meanwhile, have struggled for consistency this season and will be aiming for a much-needed three points in Paradise to pull them further away from the relegation play-off position.

Ahead of today's game at Celtic Park, we look at some of the key members of Danny Lennon's side.

Marian Kello

The former Hearts shot-stopper joined St Mirren on a short-term deal in October, but having swiftly established himself as the first-choice goalkeeper at the club, he penned a contract to extend his stay in Paisley until the summer of 2014. Kello is a familiar name for Celtic supporters following his four years at Tynecastle which came to an end in April 2012. The Slovakian stopper, who has been capped by his country, joined Hearts from FBK Kaunas in 2008 and spent four years at Tynecastle. He's subsequently had spells in Romania with Astra Giurgiu, and in England with Wolves before returning to Scotland in October last year to join St Mirren. His debut for the Paisley side came in a 4-0 defeat against Dundee United at Tannadice, while he also conceded four goals when Celtic and St Mirren met for the first time this season, at the beginning of January.

2



Eric Djemba-Djemba

The most unexpected piece of transfer business during the recent January window was undoubtedly the arrival of Eric Djemba-Djemba at St Mirren Park. The Cameroon internationalist moved to Scotland from Serbia, having previously been with Partizan Belgrade, and he's made three appearances so far for Danny Lennon's side. Most football fans will remember him from his time at Manchester United between 2003-05. From there he moved to Aston Villa, and then following a loan spell with Burnley, he moved to Qatar SC. After subsequent spells with Odense in Denmark and Israeli club Hapoel Tel Aviv, Djemba-Djemba joined Partizan in the summer of 2013. From there he joined St Mirren, and with aspirations to play for his country at this summer's World Cup, he's hoping that joining St Mirren will help him achieve that ambition.

3



Conor Newton

The midfielder swapped one set of black and white stripes for another last season as he moved to St Mirren on loan from Newcastle United, and after the success he and the team enjoyed last season, that loan deal has been extended until the end of this season. Newton was one of St Mirren's League Cup heroes last season, scoring what would prove to be the winning goal in the 3-2 victory over Hearts in the final at Hampden. Although primarily a midfielder, Newton's versatility means he can be used in a number of different positions. He's scored four goals for St Mirren this season, including three in the league, and he is another important player for Danny Lennon. His most recent goal came in the 2-0 home win over Kilmarnock at the beginning of March.



4



Kenny McLean

A product of St Mirren's youth system, McLean had a loan spell with Arbroath in season 2009/10 before returning to the Buddies, making his competitive debut in an SPL match against Hamilton in October 2010. The midfielder was voted the club's Young Player of the Year in 2011/12, while he continued to progress with inclusion in Scotland Under-21 squads. Still only 22, McLean is one of a number of young players who've come up through the ranks at St Mirren, and this season he's netted four goals for the Buddies in this campaign, including three in the Premiership. He was part of St Mirren's successful League Cup squad last season, although he was an unused substitute in the final against Hearts. More recently he was out of action for the first few weeks of 2014 but has been a regular since returning at the beginning of February in the 1-0 defeat at Celtic Park.

5



Paul McGowan

The 26-year-old came through the ranks at Celtic and made his debut for the Hoops in September 2007 against Inverness Caley Thistle. He would make a total of eight appearances for the club, scoring one goal - Celtic's third goal in the 3-3 Europa League draw with Rapid Vienna in Austria. McGowan moved to St Mirren for a season-long loan in 2010, and after an impressive campaign with the Paisley side, that move became a permanent one the following summer. His performances continued to shine, and he was the club's Player of the Year for season 2011/12. A skilful player who operates just behind the forward line, McGowan is a handful for any team. He's made well over 100 appearances for St Mirren, and is an important creative outlet for Danny Lennon's side. McGowan has netted three goals for the Buddies this season, the most recent coming at Tannadice last weekend against Dundee United.

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Josh Magennis



The Irishman joined St Mirren on loan from Aberdeen in the recent January transfer window and made his debut for the Buddies against Celtic when the teams met at Celtic Park at the beginning of February, a game that saw the Hoops win 1-0 thanks to a Kris Commons goal after five minutes. Magennis began his career with Cardiff City, and he had a loan spell with Grimsby Town. In July 2010, he moved north, joining Aberdeen, and over the past few seasons he made over 100 appearances for the Dons, scoring 12 goals, the last of which came in a 3-0 victory over Partick Thistle at Firhill back in September 2013. He originally started his career as a goalkeeper before moving to an outfield position, and it was as a goalkeeper that he represented Northern Ireland at Under-17 level. He's subsequently been capped three times at full international level - as an outfield player.

THE OPPOSITION



THE TEAM

GOALKEEPERS

Marian Kello
Kieran Hughes
Christopher Dilo

DEFENDERS

David van Zanten
Darren McGregor
Marc McAusland
Sean Kelly
Jason Naismith
Jack Baird
Mark Williams

MIDFIELDERS

Jim Goodwin
John McGinn
Paul McGowan
Kenny McLean
John Robertson
Gary Teale
David Barron
Conor Newton
Mo Yaqub
Anthony Brady
Stephen Mallan
Barry Cuddihy
Greg Wylde
Declan Hughes
Lewis McLearn
Jordan Stewart
Adam Brown
Eric Djemba-Djemba
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PREVIOUS MEETINGS v ST MIRREN

CELTIC and St Mirren have met on 230 previous occasions in the league, with two of those meetings coming in 2014. And today's clash makes it three-in-a-row this year.

Due to fixture changes, the first

game between the sides wasn't until January 5 at St Mirren Park, while a month later, the teams met at Celtic Park.

They're back in action at Paradise again today, with Celtic looking for the 162nd league win against the Buddies,

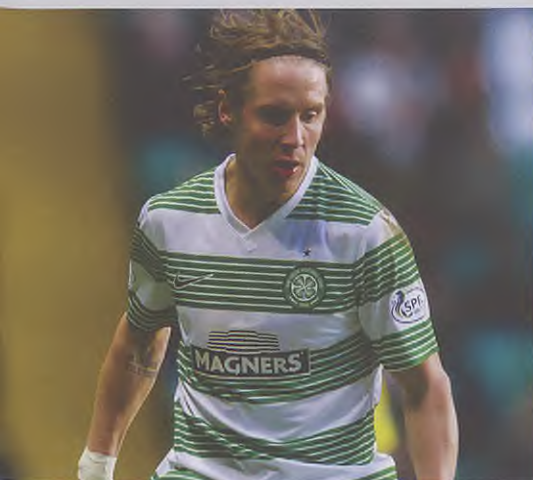
while St Mirren are aiming for victory No.40.

Ahead of today's game, we take a look back at this season's two previous meetings, beginning with the game in Paisley.



JANUARY 5, 2014
ST MIRREN 0-4 CELTIC
(COMMONS 2, MULGREW, STOKES)

NEIL Lennon's side produced an impressive display at St Mirren Park to score four goals without reply and continue an impressive winning run and clean sheet sequence. The biggest surprise was that it took Celtic until the 53rd minute to open the scoring, and the goal came courtesy of Charlie Mulgrew. Adam Matthews drove into the area, dribbling past several defenders before a clever back-heel set up Mulgrew who fired the ball home. Five minutes later it was 2-0, with Anthony Stokes latching on to a Joe Ledley pass to finish. And then Kris Commons took over with a double. His first came on 70 minutes when he headed home an Emilio Izaguirre cross at the back post - which was also his 50th goal for the Hoops - and just two minutes later he scored again, driving the ball home from a James Forrest cutback.



FEBRUARY 2, 2014
CELTIC 1-0 ST MIRREN
(COMMONS)

IT was another three points and another clean sheet for Celtic against St Mirren when the sides met at Paradise at the beginning of February. The margin of victory wasn't as emphatic although the performance was just as dominant as in the previous game. The only goal of the match came after just five minutes, and it was Kris Commons who was again on target. Collecting Emilio Izaguirre's pass, Commons took a touch beyond Jim Goodwin before beating Marian Kello with a low shot from 25 yards, though the St Mirren keeper will be disappointed not to have kept it out. The clean sheet was also Celtic's 11th consecutive league shut-out, with Fraser Forster beating the legendary Charlie Shaw's long-standing club record, and the Celtic goalkeeper received a well-deserved ovation at the end of the game.





CROSS BORDER COMPETITION



St Mirren were Scotland's only success in cup tournament

THE Anglo-Scottish Cup, and its predecessor The Texaco Cup, was a tournament which took place between Scottish, English and sometimes Irish teams between 1970 and 1981.

Scottish teams competed with a varying degree of success over the years but generally found their southern challengers difficult opponents to beat.

Scottish clubs had their moments though and Motherwell fans still fondly recall the glamour nights of the early 1970s when they put Stoke City and the famous Spurs team of the period to the sword with legendary figures like Gordon Banks, Jimmy Greenhoff, Pat Jennings and Martin Peters coming

out second-best at a packed Fir Park in front of an ecstatic home crowd.

However, the overall performance of Scottish clubs was generally mediocre. In 1978 Celtic took part in the Anglo-Scottish Cup for the one and only time after failing to qualify for European competition.

They beat Clyde easily in a qualifying round and then faced English Second Division side Burnley, only to lose 3-1 over two legs.

This obviously wasn't one of Celtic's more distinguished performances and the infamous first leg has since become known as 'The battle of Turf Moor' after Celtic fans clashed with a rogue

element of the Burnley support, with the game having to be temporarily stopped.

In 1980, Rangers suffered an even worse humiliation after they were eliminated by Third Division Chesterfield after being thumped 3-0 in their quaint little Saltergate ground. The irony is that both Burnley and Chesterfield went on to win the tournament after overcoming their far more illustrious Glaswegian opponents.

Of all the Scots clubs who participated in the competition, St Mirren had the most success. In 1977/78 they reached the final against Bristol City and lost narrowly over two legs by 3-2 on aggregate.

Back then Bristol City were a

notable team and were playing in England's top flight at that time. They had established a successful reputation for signing veteran players in the latter stages of their career with Terry Cooper, Norman Hunter, Peter Cormack and Joe Royle being prime examples of their transfer policy.

The Paisley Buddies reached another final in 1979/80 when they faced Bristol City again and on this occasion they gained their revenge over City in another two legged final.

Former Saints captain Tony Fitzpatrick was now a Bristol City player and he could do nothing to prevent his old team-mates running out as comprehensive winners by 5-2 on aggregate. Captain Jimmy Bone lifted the cup in front of an ecstatic Love Street crowd with many more watching the highlights on television.

For the record the Bristol side were captained on the night by ex-Celt Gerry Sweeney who had been part of the early Quality Street Gang Celtic reserve side of the mid 1960s.

This was a notable triumph for St Mirren and they had a fine side at the time which included three current Scottish internationalists, Billy Thomson, Iain Munro and Peter Weir.

In the next few seasons this St Mirren side developed further and they progressed to playing in the UEFA cup which enabled them the privilege of playing glamour games against Saint Etienne and Feyenoord with such luminaries as Johan Cruyff, Ruud Gullit, Jonny Rep and Michel Platini on display against the Paisley side.

Perhaps the Anglo-Scottish Cup didn't have the glamour of the rival European tournaments but St Mirren can look back on their 1980 success with tremendous satisfaction and they were a source of great pride to Scotland in bringing that trophy north of the border for the one and only time. Perhaps Saints' greatest boast is that they were to succeed where both Celtic and Rangers had failed dismally.





SILVER DREAM TEAM

Medals are the main mark of achievement in football and **Leigh Griffiths** is aiming to build a collection with Celtic - starting right away

Exclusive interview: Mark Henderson

LEIGH Griffiths' anticipation is growing as he stands on the cusp of winning his first major honour in the professional game.

The 23-year-old came close to a winner's medal at Hibernian as they reached successive Scottish Cup finals only to experience defeat on each occasion, including to Celtic last season.

Solving this silverware shortage was one of the striker's main motivations for joining the Hoops in January.

And with Neil Lennon's men requiring just seven points to claim a third consecutive title, he is within touching distance of achieving a lifelong ambition.

In an added bonus, former employers Wolves are riding high in League and Griffiths, who bagged 12 goals for the Midlands side in the first half of the season, could end the term with two league winner's medals.

"One of the reasons why I joined was because I wanted to win trophies - it would be massive," he told the matchday programme in an exclusive interview.

"I have been fortunate to have played in the last two Scottish Cup finals but unfortunately we lost

in both games so to end the season with a winner's medal around my neck would be great.

"I probably could have got one if I stayed at Wolves as well as they are flying just now but the reason I came back to Celtic was to win major trophies and hopefully this is the first one of many.

"It would be nice to get two winner's medals as I have been involved with Wolves as well and it would be a bonus to get another one.

"I spoke to big Kevin MacDonald on Sunday night as he was up for the Football League Player of the Year award. Unfortunately he never got it but he's been magnificent all season and he will be a shoe-in for Wolves' Player of the Year.

"When I was at Hibs, the main thing was to win the Scottish Cup as you knew you weren't going to win the league, so your only chance of a medal was in the cups and I lost in two finals.

"But hopefully I can end this one on a high with a winner's medal in the league. It's not been a bad few months. I signed here as I want to win major trophies and play at the highest level I can, an opportunity you get at Celtic.



>> "The manager has stressed to us that he wants the league wrapped up as quickly as possible and we can do that in the next three games, and hopefully we can get off to good start against St Mirren and we take the confidence into the Thistle game on Wednesday night."

An instant success in Paradise, becoming a title winner would round off a memorable few months for Griffiths. After opening his account in stunning style away to Hearts, he has registered four goals in six appearances, including a superb hat-trick against Inverness Caley Thistle.

"You just have to get off to a good start as quickly as possible and thankfully I scored my first goal fairly quickly and then I followed that up with a hat-trick against Inverness," he said. "It's been going well so far and hopefully I can keep it going."

"I wanted to score in my first start against St Johnstone but it never came, but thankfully my chance came against Hearts and I put one away and I carried on for the next few games, and I should have had even more."

The Scottish internationalist has quickly formed an excellent understanding alongside Anthony Stokes up front, with Kris Commons usually operating in a slightly deeper role. The attacking triumvirate have looked a potent combination.

"He's got great movement and great touch and he opens up space for other players," said Griffiths of Stokes. "We compliment each other."

"He scored a hat-trick against St Johnstone, I got one against Inverness and then Kris got one against Killie on Friday night. The three players working up front have been really good."

"You have good players maturing together," he added. "The squad has quality all around it, and whoever the manager puts up front, you are guaranteed goals in the team."

On and off the park, skipper Scott Brown has made considerable efforts to make Griffiths feel at home in his new surroundings. Both travel into training in the morning together from Edinburgh, and the new Bhoys has been struck by the captain's influence on proceedings.

"Brown has been magnificent," he said. "He has been at the top of his game for a long time now. The manager says it in press conferences and you can see it on the park. He has brought me in here every morning and he's been brand new."

"He's not really a natural goalscorer but if you give him the chance in front of goal he will put it away," he added. "You saw that with his last two performances with Scotland. He scored a double away at Tynecastle earlier in the season as well. He's not one of those players who regularly pops up with a goal but if a chance comes his way he will put it away."

For his part, Griffiths is aiming to take his goal tally into double figures before the campaign concludes. With the amount of creative talents in the Celtic side, he knows that opportunities will come his way. >>

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HOME BHOY

LEIGH Griffiths won't have far to travel for Celtic's first two rounds of the UEFA Champions League qualifiers if the Hoops claim a third successive title.

With Celtic Park out of commission due to the Commonwealth Games, the Hoops have arranged for their early-season fixtures to be held at Edinburgh's Murrayfield stadium.

Griffiths, who hails from the capital, admits it will be a surreal experience but he believes the Hoops travelling support will make it feel like a home game.

"It's a strange one playing football there," he said. "People don't associate Murrayfield with football, although there have been football games there before, and the travelling support we will bring from Glasgow will hopefully fill the stadium and they will give us backing all the way through."

>> "I just want to get as many good performances under my belt, get this season over and done with and when next season comes we can take it in our stride," he said.

"It would be nice to get to double figures. There are still a lot of games to go and I know I'm going to get chances. At a club like Celtic, you are always going to get scoring opportunities as we always create space and dominate teams, so it's just about putting them in the back of the net if I can."

The lofty expectations borne by Celtic players have been embraced by Griffiths and he's determined to help the Hoops finish the season with a flourish.

"It was different last year with Hibs because you weren't expected to win every game, but here the manager demands so much of you, and at a club like Celtic, you are expected to win every game," said the striker. "It's hard but we have the players in the squad to cope with that and you have seen that over the course of the season."

"We have only been beaten once since I have been here and we want to go on another unbeaten run. You want pressure and you have to be able to handle it at a big club."

"The manager has brought me in to score goals as he saw I could handle the pressure of playing up front on my own with Hibs, and that's why I'm here."

But the most pressing objective for Griffiths and all his team-mates is picking up another three points against St Mirren this afternoon to get one hand on the Scottish Premiership trophy.

However, with the Saints still smarting from being on the end of a smash-and-grab raid at Tannadice last weekend, he's expecting them to be fired up and desperate to seek redemption.

"It's going to be a hard game," said the Hoops hitman. "They will come to Celtic Park and make it difficult for us. We have to start on the front foot better than we did away to Kilmarnock on Friday night, and hopefully we will be okay."

"St Mirren were unlucky not to take something from Tannadice last weekend as they started really well and after being 2-0 up they will feel that they should have at least got a point out of that."

"They will come to Celtic Park and make it difficult for us but it's all about what we do. They will like to play it through the back as we do but we are the home team and we need to make that count and start better than we did last week."

"We want to wrap the league up as quickly as possible and we need to focus on getting three points," he continued. "If Aberdeen drop points it will be a bonus for us but we are looking to wrap the title up in the next three games."

"I don't care where we win it so long as we do it quickly but it would be nice to do it front of the home fans at Celtic Park against Ross County."



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MARATHON TRIBUTE TO GRAMPA JOE McBRIDE

Grandson of Lisbon Lion takes up charity running challenge in Paris

WORDS: GERRY MCDADE

NO less an authority than the great Jimmy McGroarty once rated Joe McBride as the best Celtic centre-forward he had ever seen play, high praise indeed from Celtic's all-time top goalscorer.

The Lisbon Lion, who netted an impressive 86 goals in just 94 appearances, sadly passed away in 2012, and now his grandson, also called Joe, is in training to run the Paris Marathon in memory of his grandfather and also to raise funds for the Stroke Association charity.

Speaking to the official Celtic website, young Joe McBride explained: "About seven months ago I was looking for a way to get fit and I thought I could perhaps try a half-marathon.

"I happened to be on the Stroke Association website and they were looking for volunteers to take on a full marathon. They had various choices but I really fancied the Paris one as I thought it could be a good way to see the city.

"I knew a lot about my Grampa's goalscoring record, of course, and the fact that he missed out on Celtic's biggest ever game through injury, but

when he died in 2012, the outpouring of grief and the messages of condolence through letters, cards, social media and Twitter etc was quite unbelievable."

And it was this that inspired Joe to take on the challenge. However, he's under no illusions as to how difficult it will be, even if he has had some experience of distance running.

"I ran the Glasgow 10K for Men's Health a few years ago in memory of my Gran and to raise money for the Marie Curie charity," he said. "In fact, I did it with my Grandfather and my Dad, also Joe, although Grampa Joe walked it, but we still did it as a family.

"The Marathon is a lot harder than I thought it was going to be. I like to think I'm in good shape but the long runs are really all about your mental strength. You're out for two or three hours at a time and you have to keep your mind occupied.

"That last mile as you head for home is really difficult. Hopefully, once I get to Paris, the adrenaline will kick in and see me through it.

"I have a donations page and there's

also my Twitter address which has been brilliant with the encouragement and messages of support that I've been getting.

"The fondest memories I have of my Grampa are of him taking me to football every Saturday from the age of six right up until I played Under-19s for Queen's Park. He always had a quiet word of encouragement for me and my brother or anyone else who would want to listen."



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TODAY'S match programme comes from season 2000/01 when Martin O'Neill took up the reins at Celtic Park for what would turn out to be a memorable season.

For the princely sum of £2 there were 32 pages of all things Celtic, but, strangely no actual interviews with any of the players in the matchday magazine that was known as

Walk On at the time. This particular one was from a home game on August 13, 2000 against Kilmarnock who featured ex Celts, Tosh McKinlay, Gordon Marshall and Gary Holt in their squad as well as former Rangers players Gus MacPherson, Iran Durrant and Ally McCoist.

The Celts carried on their 100 per cent start to the season with Henrik Larsson and Tommy Johnson scoring in a 2-1 win.

Sounds so easy but it wasn't



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WAS absolutely delighted with the result against Motherwell last Saturday afternoon, however, it was certainly a long day for us all.

It started brightly enough with Slihan Petrov scoring a magnificent goal to give us the lead.

Life seemed even more comfortable when Motherwell were then reduced to 10 players when John Davies was sent off.

Our opponents were a goal behind, a man short and facing 60,000 partisan fans. Sounds easy doesn't it? Unfortunately, life doesn't always work out the way you hope it might, we couldn't get

that elusive goal which might have allowed us to settle into the type of rhythm we had shown against Dundee United the previous week and perhaps we became somewhat edgy in the second-half.

We were soon down to 10 men after Jackie McNamara received a second yellow card in quick time, however, I must admit to being astonished at Chris Sutton's dismissal.

TV evidence shows clearly that the referee's decision was

very harsh indeed - in fact, Chris was even fouled himself. Thankfully, both the players and fans were aware of the danger and we were, with hard work, able to see the game through to the end.

This is a very big match for us today. Kilmarnock were excellent against Rangers last week and consider themselves harshly treated during the afternoon. They eventually succumbed to late goals, having played much of the game with 10 players.

We will have to be at our very best to win the game. Finally I was delighted to see Ally McCost signed for another year at Kilmarnock. Ally is almost as old as myself and I worked alongside him for the BBC during the World Cup two years ago.

He is everything you think he is - a really lively character, and I wish him good luck.

Martin O'Neill

Celtic v Kilmarnock

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LAST term Celtic equalled their best season against Kilmarnock in the last 16 years, with 3 wins and a draw (1-0, 5-1, 1-1, 4-2).

IN Celtic's 4-2 win over Killie here in April Tommy Johnson and Eyal Berkovic became the 38th and 39th players to score for Celtic

against the Rugby Park side in the Premier Division.

IN the same game defender Jim Leuchlan became the 22nd player to score for Kilmarnock against Celtic in the Premier Division.

LAST season Celtic scored in all four league meetings with Kilmarnock for the first time since 1982/83 when they scored a record 15 goals.

ALSO last season, Bobby Williamson's side scored four against Celtic in the league equalling their 1993/94 tally.

UNTIL last season it was rare for both Celtic and Killie to score in the same match against each other

on Premier League duty. When Killie returned to the top flight in 1993/94 only eight out of the next 24 clashes produced goals by both teams.

Net last season it happened in three of the four games. Celtic's top Premier scorers against Kilmarnock are: Frank McGarvey - NINE, Charlie Nicholas - SEVEN, Jorge Cadete - FOUR, Harald Brautbak - FOUR, Mark Viduka - FOUR.

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Why every was so hot

SINCE the day that the flaming redhead made his debut for Hoops in 1975, Tommy Burns has been looked upon as a Celt.

He has been with other clubs, notably Kilmarnock and Reading, but it is Celtic that he will be permanently be associated with.

Like the rest of us Celts, he has more than his fair share of heartbreak and disappointment. It was obvious from the early days of his playing career that talent was there in abundance.

He could control a ball, pass, shoot and his ability to weave through a defence soon earned him the slogan seen on supporters banners - 'Tommy twists, Tommy turns, Tommy Burns'.

Occasionally in his early days, he did over-use the ball, running into difficulty when he had men new him waiting for a pass.

By the early 1980s however this fault had been ironed out and Tommy was a part of the very fine Celtic line of that era which won the league in 1979, 1981, and 1982.

But boss Billy McNeill had gone by the time of what was Tommy's best performance in the Hoops.

This was a UEFA Cup game at Celtic Park against Sporting Lisbon in November 1983 when Celtic, two down from the first leg, turned the tables on the Portuguese in an awe-inspiring



CUP FOR IT ... Tommy Burns and Co scoop the Double in 1980

BACKROOM

By David W Potter

display of football. Tommy scored the first goal and led the side to a 5-0 rout.

He then played under manager Davie Hay and won the 1985 Scottish Cup and the 1986 league title.

Tommy was still around when McNeill returned and was a vital part of the Centenary Double.

At international level Tommy suffered from never getting a run in the team and tended to be

named as a Scotland substitute. His eight caps are scant return for a player of his ability and one cannot help feeling the various managers of Scotland might have benefited from persevering with Tommy.

In December 1989 when McNeill's fine side of 1988 was beginning to break up, Tommy moved on to Kilmarnock and then manager was able to get them out of the

Celtic fan for Burns



PARADISE ... Burns' career took him to Kilmarnock (right) but he was soon back at Celtic as boss

Second Division in 1990 and the First Division in 1993.

He thus had a season in the Premier League before the inevitable call came from the new regime of Fergus McCann to take over at Parkhead.

Kilmarnock were far from happy about this - a clear sign of how highly he was rated - but Tommy did not have to think twice about returning to the team that he adored.

Tommy had no easy task, given how far the team had slipped since 1989 but he applied himself with enthusiasm.

Not least of his problems was the fact that the team were

playing their home games at Hampden Park as Parkhead was being redeveloped.

Burns had a near miss with the League Cup but landed the Scottish Cup in a poor 1-0 victory over Airdrie.

Next season 1995/96 was a great Celtic season with fine play and good attacking football.

But Tommy was never quite able to establish the Rangers complex which hung around in those days, and the team seemed to under-perform in Old Firm games.

When the next season 1996/97 also proved fruitless in

terms of trophies, Tommy was removed.

Stories of a poor relationship between himself and Fergus McCann had been circulating for some time, so it was no real surprise when this happened.

Tommy then went to Reading, but the supporters were delighted when he was brought back to Parkhead to work behind the scenes.

Tommy played his part in the League Cup success of 2000 and is still at the club.

His popularity among the fans is unimpaired, for they can recognize Tommy for what he is - a blue Celt.

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(CELTIC v KILMARNOCK SEASON 1999/2000)

CELTIC		KILMARNOCK	
Time on Pitch	3960	3922	Time on Pitch
GOALS			
Goals	15	4	Goals
Shot on Target	10	11	Shot on Target
Shot off Target	19	12	Shot off Target
Blocked Shots	14	6	Blocked Shots
Hit the Woodwork	4	1	Hit the Woodwork
PASSES			
Pass to Own Player	1661	1443	Pass to Own Player
Pass to Opposition	445	466	Pass to Opposition
Pass Completion	79%	71%	Pass Completion
TACKLES & CLEARANCES			
Tackles Attempted	59	108	Tackles Attempted
Clearances, Blocks and Interceptions	235	214	Clearances, Blocks and Interceptions
DRIBBLES & RUNS			
Possession Retained	175	137	Possession Retained
Dribble Success	80%	78%	Dribble Success
FOULS & FREE KICKS			
Free Kick - Foul	60	59	Free Kick - Foul
Penalties Conceded	0	1	Penalties Conceded
Free Kick - Offside	34	3	Free Kick - Offside
Yellow Cards	12	8	Yellow Cards
Red Cards	1	2	Red Cards
Total Touches	2750	2278	Total Touches

AFTER winning their opening two games of the SPL season Martin O'Neill's Celtic will be keen to make it three out of three against Kilmarnock.

Kilfie - who ran Rangers so close last weekend - will be looking to improve on their Celtic Park record of last season that yielded them no points.

Although Celtic only dropped two points to the Ayrshire side last season the games were a lot closer than some of the scorelines suggest. Celtic's 5-1 win in November masked the fact that for long periods of the match the Bhoys were struggling to overcome a well-organised Kilmarnock side.

Many people point to the sending off of Martin Baker as the turning point in that match but the performance of the now departed Mark Viduka was also immense.

Missing from this clash will be Viduka's megabucks replacement Chris Sutton.

The powerful forward - red carded in last week's win over Motherwell - has been as much as a victim of the rule book than



NINE OF THE TIMES...Celts put nine goals past Kilie in their games last term.

he has been a victim of poor refereeing.

Sutton will be sorely missed in attack but Celtic have enough firepower in the boots of Henrik Larsson, Tommy Johnson and the recently transfer-baited Mark Burdill.

Celtic have already fired in more shots than any other side in the SPL this season with 28 efforts on goal while Kilmarnock's 11 efforts are the joint worst in the league.

However, as is common knowledge, both sides have scored three goals edging in favour of Kilie having the more lethal finishers. We'll see if that theory holds water after today.

At the other end of the park, Kilmarnock were brutally exposed by Rangers after Kevin McGrowne was ordered from the park. If Kilmarnock commit the same folly today then Celtic might well cut loose. As for the hoops rearguard, things have been nowhere near as bad as people feared.

Joss Valgaeren looks a composed enough defender and he has fitted in well to the Celtic system. The Belgian has made eight clearances in his two appearances and his ability in the air makes him a danger at set pieces.

Valgaeren has ventured forward on three occasions and

has troubled both the Dundee United and Motherwell defences with his power.

Kilmarnock will have to recapture their passing form of last season if they are to pose a threat to Celtic. Kilie have the worst passing accuracy in the league with only 61 per cent of their passes finding a team-mate. Last season they were above 70 per cent and it shows they have a lot to work on.

Celtic will look to dominate from the outset and, if they can reproduce the form that saw them stick nine passed Kilie in two matches at Celtic Park, then the Bhoys should be on their way to another win.

2000... THAT WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS

The Marshall Mathers LP by Eminem was the top-selling album of 2000 with nearly 10 million copies sold that year but it would soon be eclipsed by a CD that was released in November of that year.

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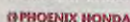
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THE front cover has Martin O'Neill calling for 'more of the same' and following Celtic's next home game he would have been repeating that mantra even more loudly - the Hoops' next Paradise match was against Rangers and that was the 6-2 win on August 27.

The league was clinched with a 1-0 win over St Mirren on April 7 to add to the League Cup that had been won with a 3-0 win over Kilmarnock on March 18.

Then, on May 26, the treble was complete when Hibernian were defeated 3-0 in the Scottish Cup final at Hampden.

Now's the time to sort out this mess

TALENTED ... referees like Alan Rowland need to be given some help

AUTHORITIES NEED TO HELP REFEREES

By TONY HAMPTON
REFERES are topical around these parts, at the moment - but there is little news in that scary Celtic fan, or Kilmarnock for that matter, will tell you.

Our reasons of submission will claim that Mark Bennett's goal at Rugby Park last season should never have stood because the player was allegedly offside.

Celtic fans will claim that Dick Spittal was the victim after his sending off last season and others, who don't have any real opinion, will say that they start off things balance themselves out.

Referees have now been empowered to issue the ball forward by up to 10 yards at their discretion in some circumstances yet the rule will be used in judgement.

In all of the Scottish Cup first round they played in Celtic, the rule was only applied in two occasions.

Quite simply the rules aren't clear enough and discussion is a waste of time which has led to a 100% admission.

The easiest thing to find

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world is to outline the referee especially when he is clearly blame for an isolated incident but really you should be looking at the bigger picture.

It's been said before but it's worth repeating - if we had full-time professional officials then perhaps the number of anomalies during a particular match would be reduced.

Match officials are under constant scrutiny and while many in England have been known to be the focus of attention the referees here are automatically accused of bias when they call it wrong.

Perhaps that has been the case in the past with regards to certain instances but by and large it's probably more common to argue that many of them have bitten off more than they can chew.

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A referee who by day is only going to come under fire from his workmates when he makes a point in his past time job. But officiating at a senior game should be more than a hobby.

It's not easy for referees to become a profession but for games to be corrected retroactively by the use of modern technology.

Celtic may be losing the way in football but there are careers at stake in the present at most top flight grounds and decisions called in front of the referee here are automatically accused of bias when they call it wrong.

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SEAN FALLON – FROM THE TURF TO THE BACKROOM

IT was on this day in 1958 that Celtic legend Sean Fallon played his last game for the Hoops when Airdrie visited on league duty.

The 15,000 crowd saw that season's League Cup winners defeat the Broomfield Park side 4-2 with Alec Byrne opening the scoring and Bobby Collins adding a hat-trick for the Celts.

Luckily for us all, that wouldn't be Sean Fallon's last act for the club he loved and the true Celtic great, having served the club faithfully as a player went on to do the same as an integral part of the management team.

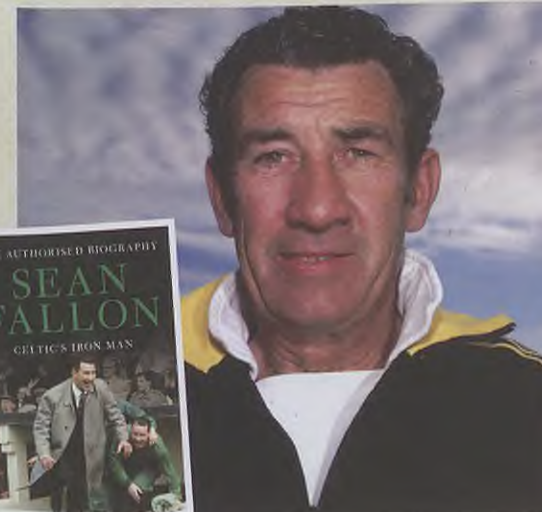
As assistant manager to the legendary Jock Stein, the Irishman played an instrumental role in the extraordinary success Celtic enjoyed in the 1960s and '70s, winning nine league championships in a row and, of course, lifting the European Cup on May 25, 1967.

Sean also, to paraphrase a famous Celtic song, brought some great names to the game, and we have him to thank for seeing the likes of Tommy Gemmell, Davie Hay, Danny McGrain, Kenny Dalglish, Lou Macari and Packy Bonner, amongst many others, play for Celtic.

Yet, this giant of a man has always remained humble and, indeed, grateful for having been able to play a part in the unique history of his beloved Celtic Football Club.

Sean Fallon was born in Sligo on July 31, 1922. As a player, he wore the Hoops between 1950 and 1958, making 256 appearances and scoring 13 goals. He was also capped eight times by the Republic of Ireland.

Sean's footballing career started with St Mary's Juniors, Sligo, and he also played Gaelic football for Craobh Ruadh. He went on to play for McArthur's,



Sligo Distillery and Longford Town before he arrived at the Showgrounds in 1947 to play for Sligo Rovers.

He then joined Glenavon in the north before impressing Celtic with his performance for the Irish League against the League of Ireland.

Sean Fallon's Celtic connection started when Joe McMenemy, son of Jimmy McMenemy, saved Fallon's sister from drowning. McMenemy was invited back to the Fallons' house, and Joe sent Sean a Celtic shirt and a copy of Willie Maley's book, *The Story of the Celtic*.

The Irishman went on to realise his ambition of playing for Celtic when he made his league debut for the Hoops, away to Clyde, in the last game of the 1949/50 season. At the end of season 1950/51, he earned his first piece of silverware by helping Celtic beat Motherwell in the Scottish Cup final.

By October 1953, Sean had been made club captain but broke a collarbone against Hearts which sidelined him for part of the season. In his absence, the captaincy was passed on to Jock Stein - at Sean's request.

At the end of season 1953/54, Celtic had secured the league and cup double, with Sean scoring in the 2-1 victory over Aberdeen at Hampden to clinch the Scottish Cup.

And he was also part of the famous team which retained the League Cup in 1957, in which Celtic beat Rangers 7-1. The club had won it for the first time in the previous season against Partick Thistle.

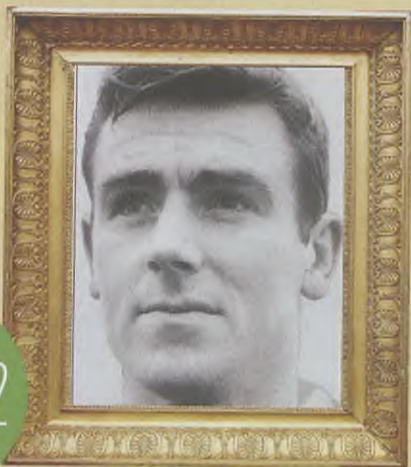
In 1958, he was forced to retire through injury but he remained an influential part of the club. When Jock Stein was appointed manager in 1965, Sean became his assistant, and he was responsible for bringing a whole host of players to the club.

While Jock Stein was recovering from a car crash in 1975, Sean took control of the first-team as caretaker manager, and from 1976 he took over the position of Youth Development Officer.

He left Celtic in 1978 and became assistant manager of Dumbarton before becoming manager in 1980. In December that year, he even tried to tempt Johan Cruyff to Boghead, but the Dutchman turned him down to play for New York Cosmos.

Sean Fallon said of his time with Celtic: "I was just an ordinary player with only a big heart and a fighting spirit to recommend men... I can never find words to express my feelings at becoming a member of the Celtic Football Club."

Sean Fallon will always be a true Celtic legend...



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On This Day

1902

Celtic's first game on this day was in 1902 when they played St Mirren in the Scottish Cup semi-final down in Paisley. Geordie Livingstone, Johnny Campbell and Tommy McDermott got the goals in the 3-2 win. However, there was to be no cup joy as Hibernian won 1-0 in what was billed as the 'Irish Cup' final on April 26 with John Divers, as the first player to move from Celtic to Hibs, winning a medal.

1933

The Hoops played another Scottish Cup semi-final on this day in 1933, although on this occasion it was a replay with the opposition being Hearts, after disposing of Dunfermline, Falkirk, Partick Thistle and Albion Rovers (after a replay) before meeting the Edinburgh side. A crowd of 87,000 took in a 0-0 draw on March 18 and four days later another 63,756 turned up to see goals from Jimmy McGrory and Alec Thomson give Celtic a 2-1 win. On April 15, a crowd of 102,339 saw another goal from McGrory give Celtic a 1-0 final win over Motherwell.

1958

On this day in 1958, Sean Fallon played his final game for Celtic when Airdrie visited the East End of Glasgow on league duty. A 15,000 crowd took in the action and Alec Byrne (above) opened the scoring in the 28th minute and Bobby Collins added another just three minutes later. The visitors pulled one back before the break but inside a two-minute spell soon after the turnaround, Collins added another two, the first of those from the spot, to claim a hat-trick. Airdrie netted another goal but the game finished 4-2 to the Celts.

1969



Billy McNeill

There was yet more Scottish Cup semi-final action on this day in 1969 when Celtic and Morton faced up at Hampden. The Celts kicked-off that cup campaign with a 3-3 draw with Partick Thistle but followed that up with an 8-1 win in the replay. It also took a replay to see off Clyde before St Johnstone were beaten 3-2. In the semi-final, a 48,349 crowd saw Morton take the lead after only two minutes but Willie Wallace equalised 10 minutes later. Billy McNeill added another just before the break before Stevie Chalmers and Jimmy Johnstone made the final score 4-1. In the final, a crowd of 132,870 saw Celtic beat Rangers 4-0 with McNeill, Bobby Lennox and George Connelly netting in the first half and Chalmers hitting the fourth in the second period.

1972

On this day in 1972, Celtic played Ujpest Dozsa in the quarter-final of the European Cup and the new breed of Danny McGrain, George Connelly, Davie Hay, Kenny Dalglish and Lou Macari were now holding their own in the side and outnumbering the Lisbon Lions' contingent of Billy McNeill, Bobby Murdoch and Bobby Lennox. The Celts had won 2-1 in Budapest with Jozsef Horvath scoring for both sides before Macari netted in the 85th minute. At Celtic Park, a 75,000 crowd saw the visitors take the lead after only five minutes but Macari struck again in the 64th minute to give Celtic a 3-2 aggregate win. In the semi-final, Celtic lost to Inter Milan on penalties.

1986

Celtic travelled to Ibrox on this day in 1986 and a ding-doing of a game produced a 4-4 draw with Rangers. Celtic were 2-0 up after half-an-hour with goals from Maurice Johnston and Brian McClair. However, with Celtic down to 10 men after just 33 minutes, the home side pulled one back before half-time. Just two minutes after the break, Tommy Burns made it 3-1 to Celtic but by the 63rd minute the score was 4-3 to Rangers. The best was left until the 70th minute when Murdo MacLeod sent a 30-yard screamer into the net to make it 4-4. The point proved to be vital as on May 3 of that year, Celtic beat St Mirren 5-0 at Love Street while Dundee beat title-challengers Hearts 2-0 at Dens Park on a final dramatic day.

1989

Frank McAvennie had two spells with both of today's sides as well as a double stint with West Ham into the bargain. The striker's first spell with Celtic ended and his second with the Hammers started on this day in 1989. He moved from St Mirren to Upton Park in 1985 before beginning his first stint with Celtic on October 2, 1987 with the centenary season in full swing. McAvennie helped win the double that season and scored two late goals in the 2-1 Scottish Cup final win over Dundee United. After moving back to West Ham, he also had spells with Aston Villa, Cliftonville and South China in Hong Kong before a move to Partick Thistle was scuppered by a last-minute move back to Celtic. He rejoined on the last day of 1992 and was with the club until May 1994. It was back at St Mirren that he ended his playing career and he scored 50 goals in 106 appearances for the Hoops.

2006

On their way to winning the title in season 2005/06, the Celts welcomed Inverness Caley Thistle for a Wednesday night match on this date. Stephen McManus and Shaun Maloney scored in each half before Richard Hart pulled one back in the 90th minute to make the final score 3-2 to the Hoops.



Lee Naylor

2009

Celtic's most recent meeting on this date was in 2009 when they travelled to Tannadice to take on Dundee United. Scott McDonald and Lee Naylor got the Hoops' goals in the 2-2 draw.

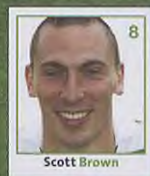


AND ANOTHER THING...

VOCALIST, William Shatner, rightly lauded for his ground-breaking takes on classics such as *Lucy In The Sky With Diamonds* by The Beatles and *Rocket Man* by Elton John was born on this day in 1931 in Montreal, Canada. He also tried his hand at acting and appeared in *Star Trek*.



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SPFL Under-20 League
Cappielow, Greenock
Tuesday, March 18, 2014

CELTIC 3

(P Twardzik 37, Fridjonsson 44, Herron 89)

ST MIRREN 2

(Baird 36, Barrowman 72)

TEN-MAN Celtic Under-20s produced a brilliant battling display to come from behind and edge a five-goal thriller at Cappielow, preserving their place at the league summit.

The young Hoops were forced to play nearly all the game with a man disadvantage after Eoghan O'Connell's early sending off.

And it looked like the odds were stacked against them when they found themselves trailing to Jack Baird's deflected shot. However, they rallied superbly to take the lead before half-time through goals from Patrik Twardzik and Holmber Fridjonsson.

Although the Saints restored parity with a Mark Barrowman header, John Herron secured a memorable win for the Bhoys as the clock ticked down.

Stevie Frail and John Kennedy's side made an encouraging start but found themselves facing up an uphill task after just four minutes when they were reduced to 10 men.

Anton Brady attempted to spin past O'Connell around 40 yards from goal and went down under the Irishman's challenge. Marcus Fraser looked in a position to cover but the referee deemed it to be a last-man challenge and gave Cork youngster his marching orders. It looked a harsh decision.

Recovering quickly from this early setback, the Bhoys regrouped and worked tirelessly to make up for their deficiency in numbers. Indeed, they were still carrying the greater threat. John Herron's corner was only partially cleared and Jamie Lindsay's thumping drive was deflected into Chris Dilo's arms.

Holmber Fridjonsson, now playing a lone furrow up front, then showed super strength to hold off his marker before testing Dilo with a low shot.

As the half-hour mark approached, Patrik Twardzik ghosted past one defender but was denied by a last-gasp



tackle as he prepared to pull the trigger.

However, in the 36th minute they fell behind from the visitors' first shot on target. Gary Teale's corner dropped at the feet of Jack Baird and the defender's deflected shot crept inside the far post.

But the Hoops produced an instant response to draw level almost straight from the restart. Fisher's raking pass over the top was controlled brilliantly by Patrik Twardzik, and with his next touch the Czech youngster drilled under Dilo.

And, remarkably, just before the break, they completed the turnaround. Lindsay sprayed a wonderful pass out to Fisher on the right and his searching pass fell for Fridjonsson, who coolly dummied one defender before finding the back of the net.

Frail and Kennedy's young guns were determined to preserve their hard-won lead and they showed terrific tenacity after the interval to deny the Saints space on the ball.

And when presented with the chance to attack, they did so with so with poise and purpose. A thrusting run through the middle from Lindsay saw him advance

into the box but Baird's tackle denied him, before Herron fired wide from 20 yards.

But they were undone once again from a corner as the Saints equalised, with former Celt Mark Barrowman guiding a header beyond Fasan. And the young Italian made a superb one-handed stop two minutes later from Thomas Reilly to maintain parity.

The Bhoys had to withstand some pressure from the Paisley side but they recovered and resumed the offensive in the closing stages.

Twardzik thought he had scored a late winner but the linesman's flag cut short his celebrations, but the youths weren't to be denied a deserved victory as Herron fastened on to Denny Johnstone's lofted pass and calmly picked his spot, sparking wild celebrations.

CELTIC (4-3-3): Fasan; Fisher, O'Connell, Fraser, Waters; Lindsay, McManus, F Twardzik; Herron, Fridjonsson (Johnstone 79) P Twardzik.
Not Used: Breslin, Hart, Thomson, McMullan, Donnelly, Tierney.



THE LATE LATE SHOW

John Herron scored a vital winner for Celtic's Under-20s this week as the young Hoops go in search of a fifth league title in a row

Exclusive Interview: Paul Cuddihy

FOR the second game in a row, Celtic's Under-20 side found themselves down to 10 men, but despite playing for 86 minutes of Tuesday night's game against St Mirren with a one-man disadvantage following Eoghan O'Connell's dismissal, the young Hoops still managed to come away with all three points thanks to a dramatic late winner from John Herron.

Not surprisingly, there was a sense of elation within the Celtic camp after the final whistle, with the victory restoring the Hoops' place at the top of the table.

And having lost the previous week when reduced to 10 men against Hibernian, there was a sense of satisfaction that, under similar difficult circumstances, the team produced a winning performance.

Celtic went a goal behind midway through the

first-half but then almost immediately scored an equaliser through Patrik Twardzik.

And things got better just before the break when Holmbert Fridjonsson put them in front. St Mirren restored parity on 72 minutes before Herron fired home his dramatic winner in the last minute.

Speaking after the game, Herron admitted that it had been a tough match but an important three points on the quest for a fifth consecutive league title at this level.

"It was great to score in the last minute," he said. "We dug in hard for the 90 minutes, particularly since we went a man down so early in the game, so it was hard but the victory was one that we really deserved.

"It was disappointing to lose a man after just four minutes. Eoghan's seen the pass and, like most defenders, he's tried to step in but Anton Brady of St Mirren took a good touch to get past him. Eoghan

had to make the decision and sometimes it works for you. Unfortunately, that time it didn't, but he's defended well for us all year.

"With our formation we had three in midfield, and Conor McManus is good enough to play at centre-half and he filled in there easily and didn't look out of place at all. And we ended up playing 4-4-1.

"Last week against Hibs, in the first-half, we were very disappointing. We knew that we had to put a run together after Christmas to push on and win the league. And we did that.

"Prior to last week we had six wins in a row and while the first-half against Hibs was disappointing, we played well in the second half.

"And we just wanted to get back out playing again as quickly as possible, and going a man down so early on in the game didn't faze us at all."

Losing a man so early in the game at Cappielow was a setback for Stevie Frail and John Kennedy's side, and when Baird gave St Mirren the lead on 36 minutes, it looked to be a tough task for the Hoops. However, they responded within 60 seconds with an equaliser.

"That goal set us on our way," Herron said. "We'd gone a goal down so we thought, we've got nothing to lose - we're down to 10 men and losing 1-0 so had to just go for it and play our normal game.

"It was a great ball from Darnell to find Patrik and it was a great touch and finish. It was a good goal.

"When you go a man down, and then also go behind, you've just got to get on with it and give it your all and we knew it was important after last week's disappointment to get the three points."

Fridjonsson's goal just before the break was a timely one for Celtic, and although they conceded a goal in the second-half, the Hoops still pressed forward in search of a winner. That came from Herron as time was running out.

"It was good play down the left-hand side and when Denny Johnstone cut inside, I looked up and saw that he'd spotted me, so I just peeled off the left-back's shoulder.

"It was actually a poor first touch, and I thought I had more time than I did, and the keeper came rushing out and I just slid it past him.

"There's great character and spirit in this team and you could see that against St Mirren, and hopefully that togetherness will see us through this season. The three points was huge, and I was lucky enough to score the winning goal.

"We played well and on this surface, and you've got to give the groundsmen at Morton great credit, particularly when you consider the amount of games being played at Cappielow."

It's tight at the top of the SPFL Under-20 league, with Celtic currently top of the table on goal difference from Rangers, with the sides due to meet at the end of the month.

Before then, however, the Hoops have a game against Dunfermline, and they're targeting another three points.

"Everyone's thriving on the pressure," said Herron. "The next game is Dunfermline and we're all looking forward to it. We've just got to go out and get the three points against them.

"We just need to take it game by game and see what happens. If we can perform the way we know we can then no-one can stop us. It's in our own hands and we just need to keep performing well."



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THE A TO Z OF BIRTHDAY BHOY BERTIE

THIS Sunday, March 23, Lisbon Lion Bertie Auld celebrates his 76th birthday, and as we wish him a very happy birthday, we take a look back at his long and illustrious career in an interview he previously gave to the match programme.

A is for Abuse. Which ground did you get the most stick at?

That one's easy. It was at a wee place on the road out to Glasgow Airport. Everybody over there seemed to think that my mother and father weren't married! From start to finish I got stick there, but I enjoyed it. It was a game of football and we must have doing something right to get abuse in the first place.

B is for Birmingham City. How did you enjoy your spell south of the border?

I could have gone to Everton and I could have gone to Blackpool, but I couldn't have picked a better place than Birmingham. I was getting pushed to leave Celtic at that time, but the timing was just perfect to go to Birmingham. The club was run by two families, Wiseman and Morris, and the support was so warm to their own players and club, they gave

us tremendous encouragement. It was a great time, I was open to learning from new experiences and I couldn't have asked for a better education than that. I learned about tactics, I improved my own ability and it brought me a new horizon. I was immediately made feel welcome, so it was a tremendous time for me.

C is for Celtic. What does the club and the supporters mean to you today?

To try and put it simply, Celtic means that I get up in the morning with something to look forward to, 24 hours-a-day.

D is for Different Class. Who was the best player you played with?

I would have to say Bobby Murdoch. He had a presence, both on and off the park. Everything about him was impressive, his stature, his football ability, which was second to none and he was a leader as well. A great player.

E is for Eccentric. Who was the most 'peculiar' player that you worked with?

That might have been George Connelly. He was just a young boy when I was there and both he and Davie Hay were quite different. They were quiet men off

the park, but on the park they were respected. But you would be trying to get yourself hyped up before the game and George would be sitting in the corner, reading the paper or a comic. That was strange to me. I had never seen anything like it before.

F is for Friends. Was your friendship on and off the park one of the secrets of the Lisbon Lions' success?

We could go through every member of that team and say that they are all great friends. What I think made a difference, though, was that they were all Celtic supporters. Had they not been on the park they would have been on the terraces. Joe McBride's a good example, although he had played and scored great goals elsewhere, his passion was to be a Celtic player. Big Cesar couldn't have been a better captain either. The whole dressing room was full of Celtic supporters. Sometimes I feel that the board played on that, though, and took advantage of their love for the club.

G is for Goal. What was your favourite?

I keep going back to this one match, because it was so important. In the 1965 Scottish Cup final I scored two and that was the win that really got the ball rolling for us. Joe McBride actually says that my most important goal was in the semi-final, when Motherwell were beating us 2-1 and I scored a penalty. I was in the back of the net celebrating for 10 minutes after that, according to Joe, pointing up to the supporters. He said I was a 'big-headed so and so'! But those goals in the final were so important.

H is for Hampden in the Sun. You played every game in the League Cup run in 1957, but missed out on the final. How do you look back on that 7-1 victory?

There were times in the past when I questioned the chairman, Robert Kelly's way of thinking, because he picked the team at the time. I played in a reserve game in Dumfries on the day of the final and that proved to me that I wasn't ready for it. He played Neilly Mochan instead in the cup final. Neilly was at the top of his game then and was a great friend and team-mate and he deserved to play that day. Disappointed? Naturally I was disappointed, but when I heard the result that day it took all the disappointment away.

I is for International. You got just three caps for Scotland, what happened there?

We'll never know what happened there. But I must admit, after getting the three caps that I got, they couldn't have covered my head with brown paper, I was that big-headed. Maybe they couldn't afford the material to stitch me another cap!

J is for Jock. Was Jock Stein the biggest influence on your career?

Jock was one of the biggest influences. But the most important influence I had was my Dad. He picked the club I was going to when I was ready to go into senior football. It was such an important decision for a young man to make and he guided me the right way. It was him who said Celtic. When Jock was there as a coach, he became a very important





part of me and then I went to Birmingham and the influence there was incredible. I couldn't believe my ears when I heard the team talks before games and couldn't believe my eyes when we went out to play and were given positions, options and instructions. That never happened before Jock took over at Celtic.

K is for Karaoke. The Lions have been known to belt out a song or two in the past, but who has the best voice?

Well, I can tell you who's not the best, that would be simpler. Big Billy used to sing and the punters would make their excuses and head for the toilets. Big Tam Gemmell used to sing and when he'd sing people would be looking for the other room. Bobby Lennox was a good singer, but the only thing about Bobby was that his singing was like his pace, he'd just keep going! It was always medleys with Bobby, by the end of it you were asking for one of his LPs.

L is for Lisbon. Can you tell us one prominent memory from that night?

I can remember the atmosphere in the dressing room afterwards and to be honest, the whole occasion in Lisbon just felt like we had won another cup. It wasn't actually until we came home that we saw what it meant and we couldn't grasp how big it was for the supporters. It wasn't until a few years later when I sat down in the house and watched the

game and saw how we played, how we controlled the match, that I began to realise. My wife actually walked in while I was watching it and I never even saw her! When it finished she came back through and said, 'Oh, so you're with us now!'

M is for Maryhill. As a Maryhill boy, born and bred, do you still retain a special affection for the area?

Naturally, I applaud a lot of my neighbours from when I was growing up on Panmure Street. Families at that time didn't have a lot, but they were very close-knit and it was actually something similar to that which we enjoyed at Celtic Park in the 1960s. You were a part of everybody's family, if someone was giving their son a piece, you got one. If there was soup being put out, you were offered a plate. That was my education and when people ask me what school I went to, I say: 'The University of Adversity'.

N is for Nightmare. What was your worst game?

I had so many bad games it's difficult to cut it down to just one. But the worst game I had was probably when we won 4-0 at Ibrox, where Bobby (Lennox) got a hat-trick. Nothing went right for me that day and I went in at time up, expecting to get a bit of a ribbing from Jock, but he walked over and ruffled my hair and said, 'what a magnificent run off the ball you



made for Bobby's third goal.' Now it was the only thing I did right that day, but in other games, where I had been on the ball, playing passes and creating chances for 87 minutes, he would talk about my bad three minutes. This time, when I deserved criticism, he gave me the lift that I needed.

O is for Olympian. In the Lions side, who was the best all-round sportsman?

That's difficult to say. Gemmell had a tremendous engine and worked so hard in training, he could easily have been a runner. Billy McNeill had this majestic leap and would have been great at the high jump. But with Lennox's pace, he was exhilarating over short and long distances. So I think with that pace, Bobby would have been the one.

P is for Partick Thistle. How did you enjoy your time as manager of the Jags?

When you stop playing, the most important thing is staying in the game, because you still have that passion and enthusiasm, but you also have a knowledge of how you feel the game should be played. You also want to help people in their careers and pass on your knowledge. Partick Thistle gave me that opportunity to give young players a chance to become men and also nice people. We won the First Division and such like, but what I am proudest of winning there was the support of the fans. Now you can't be everybody's cup of tea, but what we did was get consistency, in the dressing room and in three quarters of the terraces.

Q is for Questionable. Before Jock arrived, did you get frustrated by some of the peculiar team selections that were put forward by the board?

Now when somebody approaches you and asks you to be a player for a particular club, all you are looking for

is to know that you are good enough to be picked. In the early part of my Celtic career that wasn't the case. It wasn't the best who were played, it was somebody's favourite and that deprived the most important people of success, and that is the supporters. The supporters should have and would have seen more success in that era, had the best man been picked for the job.

R is for Regrets. Do you have any from your playing days?

No. I must say that looking back, I really loved my time as a player. Aside from the Lions, I played with great players, Charlie Tully, Bobby Collins, Willie Fernie, the McPhail brothers, and to be in a position to speak about their passion and ability is a great honour. They didn't achieve what they should have. They were that far ahead of everybody else in the Scottish game, but they were deprived by some weird team selections from the board at that time.

S is for Superstition. Did you have any?

I had an awful lot. I had to come out the tunnel fifth or sixth - I actually can't remember which now! We were all the same, though, and we had a lot of laughs, with people jockeying around and nipping in ahead of each other in the tunnel. We all knew that Jimmy and Lennox liked to be at the back, so you'd be hiding people's shorts and trying to make them late. You can picture it now, but that was our superstition. Another one I had was that if we won I wouldn't change my suit, I'd wear the same one to the next game.

T is for Tough-Guy. Who was your toughest opponent?

I could tell you a few things about the dirty players I played against, but the toughest were Davie Mackay and John Cummings, who both played for Hearts. They were midfielders who went in to win the ball and never went over the top, they went in to win the ball and if they went through you, fair enough. They >





were on a par with each other and were great players. In fact, they were so good, they should have played for Celtic.

U is for Ugly. What one thing would you like to see change in the beautiful game?

I would love to see the referee allow the game to flow, rather than stopping and starting. To me, that frustrates the fans and spoils their enjoyment of the game. They pull players up for the slightest thing. Now have the rules changed? If they have then please tell us, otherwise it's a contact sport and people should be allowed to tackle. Now I am not talking about people going in six or seven foot in the air, but if the ball is there to be won, then let the game flow.

V is for Victory. How did you enjoy the derby meetings with Rangers?

In my first spell at Celtic we had days when we would be ashamed to go and walk the streets of Glasgow because we were that humiliated and disappointed. But from 1965 onwards we won consistently and to be honest, I still get excited when we beat the team from across the road.

W is for War. You were involved in a few rough and tumble matches over the years. Which was the worst?

That's difficult, but my Dad said to me when I was younger 'always get your retaliation in first'. Years later, after I had signed for Celtic and we were going home in John McNellis's car, back to Maryhill, he elaborated on that. He was in the front with John, the secretary of Maryhill Harp and he said to me, 'you are in a game where people will kick you, if you allow them to kick you. They'll kick you all day, so you get in your tackle first.'

X is for X-Ray. You used to double up as trainer in your early days as a coach, what was the worst injury you saw?

At Easter Road, Eddie Turnbull the manager, a great man, asked if I would like to join the coaching staff. In my first game with Hibs reserves there was a laddie called Kenny Davidson playing, who was a flying machine. He had the pace of Bobby Lennox. He went into a tackle, now I didn't know about bad injuries and I knew that I needed a sponge for a cut and that if it was a knock, I'd rub it with algipan. But the laddie had broken his leg and when I ran on and saw this hideous injury, it was the worst ever.

Y is for Yawn. Who was your room-mate and who was most likely to put you to sleep?

Joe McBride and I were great room-mates. When he joined Celtic he had a sweetie shop and I had just bought a pub on London Road, so he asked me if I could go into partnership with him. We became very friendly and he was my room-mate, but he kept talking and talking away. I'll tell you now, I slept through 90 per cent of it! You didn't need any sleeping pills when Joe was in the room!

Z is for Zenith. What is your proudest achievement?

My proudest achievements have been when my daughter, Susan, was born in Birmingham and my son, Robert, was born in Glasgow when I came back to Celtic.

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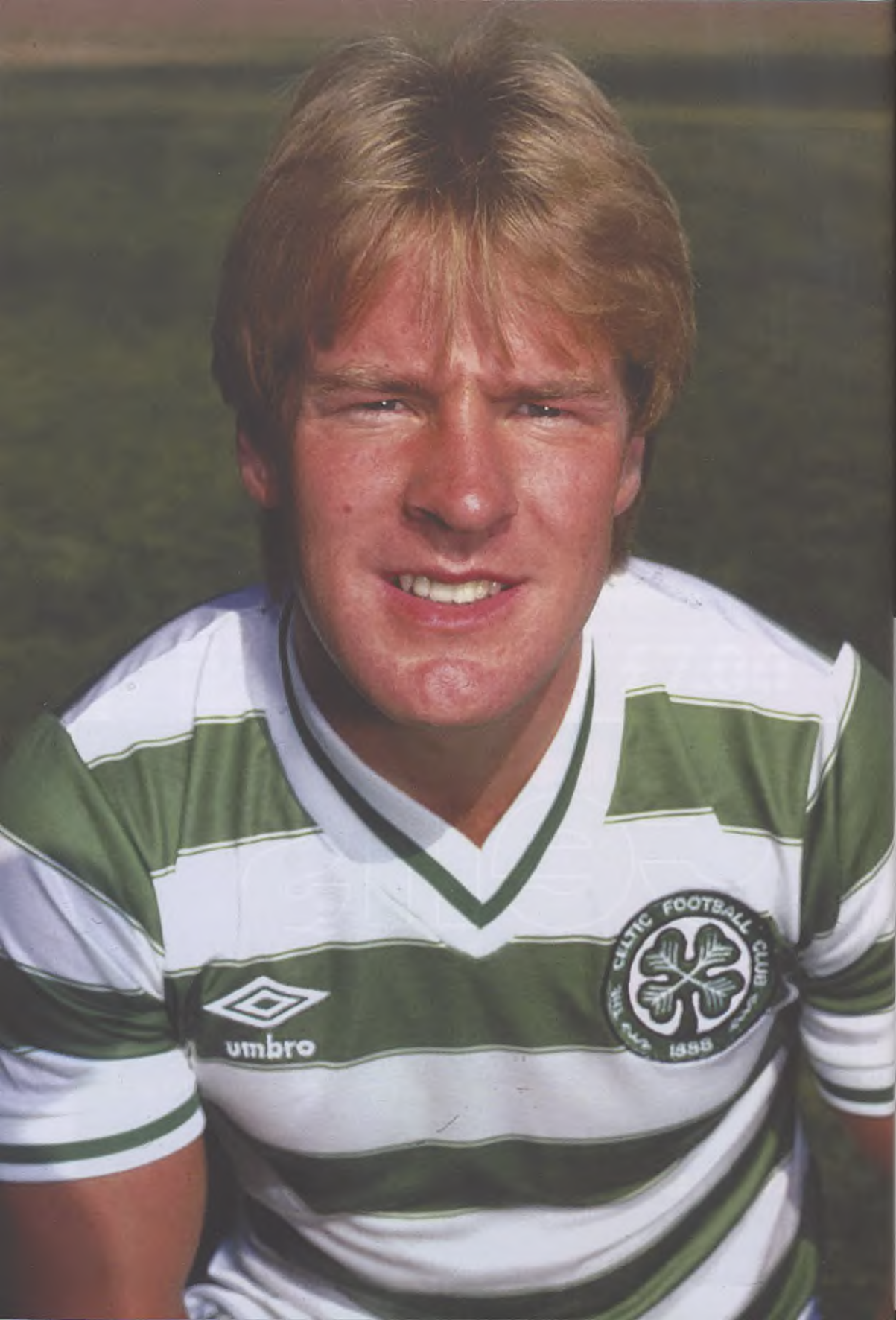
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GETTING HIS KICKS IN '86

Murdo MacLeod knows a thing or two about winning championships with Celtic but a game against today's visitors always brings back magic memories

Exclusive interview: Mark Henderson



VICTORY over St Mirren this afternoon would see Celtic move within a few points of their third successive title with a considerable part of the season remaining.

The destination of the trophy has never looked in doubt for Neil Lennon's men, whose remarkable consistency has left their rivals trailing in their wake.

But when the sides met at Love Street, on May 3, 1986, with a championship on the line, it would prove to be one of the most dramatic and glorious days in the club's illustrious history.

Celtic required a thumping win over the Buddies combined with an unlikely Hearts defeat at Dundee to seal a 34th league crown. It looked a futile cause.

But with the Hoops running riot, scoring five without reply, a hero emerged at Dens Park in the form of Dundee substitute Albert Kidd, who scored a late double to stun the Edinburgh side and spark wild celebrations down in Paisley.

Murdo MacLeod has experienced many memorable title triumphs as Celtic player during a long and distinguished career but this one will always be different. It's unlikely there will ever be anything like it again.

Speaking to the matchday programme in an exclusive interview, the 55-year-old, who made 395 appearances for the Hoops, scoring 82 goals, reflected on that momentous day in May as the Bhoys won the league at Love Street.

What are your memories of May 3, 1986?

It was the whole build-up before it as we were all thinking Hearts were going to lose or drop points and

they just kept on going. When it came to the last game of the season, we knew what we had to do. I think they were three or four ahead on goal difference so we had to score goals and win and hope that Dundee could beat Hearts. That was all that was in my mind. It wasn't in our own hands so we had to hope that someone would do something for us.

Did you still have genuine belief ahead of the game, despite the odds being stacked against you?

It's a daft thing to say but we all felt that we were going to win the league that day. We were so up for the game and so up for doing our job. Week-in, week-out, you are expecting Hearts to drop some points and they didn't. Coming to the last game of the season, you felt it was a fantastic chance for them to win the title but they were under a bit pressure. Dundee had something to play for as they could still get a European spot and that was a big bonus - they had to go and play and it wasn't just a matter of them turning up. We could only do our job and hope that Dundee did theirs.

Were there any special instructions before the game, or was everyone's mindset just focused on attack?

The type of players we had in the team, they were all winners and they just wanted to get out on the park and score goals. Our target on the day wasn't just beating St Mirren - we had to score goals. That was what the talk was all week - about getting forward and scoring, along with not losing any. We couldn't do anything else, >



> and by half-time it was 4-0 and we were playing really well. Then we were coming up the tunnel and someone said it was 1-0 to Dundee. So we went in and sat down and were saying we are halfway there and have a great chance. But then as we were going out the dressing room, someone said it was actually 0-0. It was a strange one, going back out for the second half and being told it wasn't 1-0 for Dundee but it wasn't a blow as we were doing our job but we still knew something still had to happen.

But you must have known that you were exerting extra pressure on Hearts by racing into such a lead by the break?

The important thing was Hearts hadn't scored in the first half. So they had 45 minutes left to win a title, knowing fine well that their rivals were 4-0 up and were ahead on goal difference. So the pressure was heaped on them, while Dundee would be looking at it, thinking they had 45 minutes to clinch a European spot. I remember Jim Stewart caught the ball and the roar that went up from the Celtic fans was incredible. He was looking about and thinking, 'what's happening here!' All the players knew it was a goal and as the game went on, there was another cheer. It was Kidd again, and we weren't sure what Kidd it was, as there were two Kidds on the Park - Walter for Hearts and Albert for Dundee. But when we knew it was 2-0, even on the park, we were saying to each other, 'just keep it going, there's five minutes to go and it's 2-0 to Dundee and we are going to win the title. You were half celebrating before the end of the match as you just felt there was no way back from Hearts.

There is a famous picture of Davie Provan in the dugout signalling that score at Dens Park with his fingers - was there someone regularly communicating the score to you all?

I honestly don't know, as the information we got at half-time when we came off was wrong. We were always a bit wary when things were happening, and even some of the St Mirren players were saying that Dundee were winning 1-0. Every time a player went to the side of the pitch for a throw-in, the punters were shouting what the score was. It was a bit surreal towards the end as we were 5-0 up and were coasting along and just waiting for the other game to finish. It was just absolutely incredible at the end. With a minute to go, we knew we were going to win the title but you were still worried in case Hearts came back. You had to get it confirmed before you could really celebrate.

So what were your emotions when the final went and you knew you were champions?

Wonderful. It's the same as every time you become champions. It never changes. You can never get any higher than you are at that time. The Celtic fans never gave up the whole way. A lot of people thought Celtic had no chance of winning the title that year, but we had a great run at the end to keep up with Hearts the whole way in. When you watched the Celtic fans celebrating after every goal, it was just incredible. They knew we were closing in on the target. There were wonderful celebrations after the game, with the punters on the

pitch and there are all those pictures on the pitch with the punters all around you. Just wonderful memories. My wife Mhairi was at the game and she was saying that she was confident that Dundee were going to beat Hearts. It was the last game of the season, we were going for the title and the family were there as well - what a way to end a season.

Did you head back to Celtic Park to get the celebrations in full swing?

We went back to Celtic Park but it's a bit of a blur what happened after the game. It was a strange one as you look at Love Street and the Celtic fans were everywhere in the park, they were jammed in everywhere. It was a sell-out and when saw the fans celebrating there was no space for them to move. There were so many of them in the ground at the one time. It was one of those celebrations that lasted for a long time. Initially we went into the dressing room and then went back out as all the Celtic fans started invading the pitch at the end. So we went in, celebrated and then went back out where all the photos were taken.

You had a number of memorable moments as a player, including scoring the final goal in 4-2 victory over Rangers in which 'ten-men won the league' in 1979, but where does Love Street in 1986 rank?

You can't get any higher emotion-wise, whether you have just beaten Rangers in the 4-2 game or you have beaten St Mirren and are waiting for someone else. I think the St Mirren one was the more difficult one, not football-wise but just because it wasn't in your own hands. It was different that we had to wait for someone else. Of all the titles, I had won at Celtic, I never had to wait for someone else to do us a turn on the day. Before, we had always done it ourselves such as the game at Tannadice, beating St Mirren at home - but Love Street was so different. It was a strange kind of emotion and all the players were so up for it and determined to score a lot of goals and not lose out on goal difference. The celebrations after the game were the same as every title. It was as good as it gets. You have worked so hard the whole year, had your ups and downs, had good games and goals and then when it comes down to the final task. I just have memories of waiting for the other result to come through. It was as special day. To be 4-0 up against a really good St Mirren at half-time was a special performance.

Where did the confidence to win the title come from?

People always say if you are at Celtic then you have a really good chance of winning the title but it's still difficult, particularly when you had a team like Hearts who were on a fantastic run. It was tough to catch them and we just had to keep in touch and wait for a slip up. Not many people were giving us a chance and many people thought that Hearts were unbeatable, but we felt differently. It was a really strange scenario and I think the mindset made us stronger as our target was to score goals.

When Celtic face St Mirren, as they do today, does it rekindle memories of this momentous day in your football career?

For any football player, it always comes back when they have played in a big occasion, such as a cup final or winning a game to lift the championship - you always remember the team of that day and the team you played against. Although you generally look back at the successful games you had! Even reading the Celtic matchday programme when I go to Celtic Park is good as it brings back a lot of memories. You look back at all the memories from the different eras, not just from your own playing days but from some of the older boys who you are still friendly with and played in some of these games. And you know they will be looking at the programme and thinking the exact same thing.



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UCL	17 Jul	Cliftonville	3-0	Forster Lustig 1 Wilson Ambrose Izaguirre
UCL	23 Jul	Cliftonville	2-0	Forster Lustig Wilson Ambrose 1 Izaguirre
UCL	31 Jul	IF Elfsborg	1-0	Forster Lustig Wilson Ambrose Izaguirre
August				
SPFL	03 Aug	Ross County	2-1	Forster Lustig Ambrose Mulgrew Izaguirre
UCL	07 Aug	IF Elfsborg	0-0	Forster Lustig Wilson Ambrose Izaguirre
SPFL	17 Aug	Aberdeen	2-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose Mouyokolo
UCL	20 Aug	Shakhtar Karagandy	0-2	Forster Lustig van Dijk Mouyokolo Izaguirre
SPFL	24 Aug	Inverness CT	2-2	Forster Matthews 1 Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
UCL	28 Aug	Shakhtar Karagandy	3-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose Lustig Mulgrew
SPFL	31 Aug	Dundee United	1-0	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
September				
SPFL	14 Sep	Hearts	3-1	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
UCL	18 Sep	AC Milan	0-2	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	21 Sep	St Johnstone	2-1	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SLC	24 Sep	Morton	0-1	Zaluska Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Mulgrew
SPFL	28 Sep	Kilmarnock	5-2	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
October				
UCL	01 Oct	Barcelona	0-1	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	05 Oct	Motherwell	2-0	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	19 Oct	Hibernian	1-1	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk Mulgrew
UCL	22 Oct	Ajax	2-1	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	27 Oct	Partick Thistle	2-1	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
November				
SPFL	02 Nov	Dundee United	1-1	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
UCL	06 Nov	Ajax	0-1	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	09 Nov	Ross County	4-1	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk 2 Mulgrew
SPFL	23 Nov	Aberdeen	3-1	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
UCL	26 Nov	AC Milan	0-3	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
December				
SFA	01 Dec	Hearts	7-0	Forster Lustig 1 Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	06 Dec	Motherwell	5-0	Forster Lustig Ambrose 1 van Dijk Izaguirre
UCL	11 Dec	Barcelona	1-6	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Matthews
SPFL	14 Dec	Hibernian	1-0	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	21 Dec	Hearts	2-0	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	26 Dec	St Johnstone	1-0	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk 1 Izaguirre
SPFL	29 Dec	Inverness CT	1-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
January				
SPFL	01 Jan	Partick Thistle	1-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	05 Jan	St Mirren	4-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	18 Jan	Motherwell	3-0*	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	26 Jan	Hibernian	4-0	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk 1 Izaguirre
SPFL	29 Jan	Kilmarnock	4-0*	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
February				
SPFL	02 Feb	St Mirren	1-0	Forster Fisher Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SFA	08 Feb	Aberdeen	1-2	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	16 Feb	St Johnstone	3-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	22 Feb	Hearts	2-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Mulgrew
SPFL	25 Feb	Aberdeen	1-2	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
March				
SPFL	01 Mar	Inverness CT	5-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	14 Mar	Kilmarnock	3-0	Forster Matthews Ambrose Mulgrew Izaguirre
SPFL	22 Mar	St Mirren		
SPFL	26 Mar	Partick Thistle (7.45pm)		
SPFL	29 Mar	Ross County		
April				
SPFL	05 Apr	Dundee United (12.45pm)		
SPFL	19 Apr	TBC		
SPFL	26 Apr	TBC		
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Forrest	Brown	Ledley	Mulgrew	Commons	Samaras	Zaluska	Matthews	Ambrose	Rogic	Kayal	Amido	Stokes
Kayal	Brown	Rogic	Mulgrew 1	Amido	Watt	Zaluska	Lustig	Mouyokolo	McGeouch	Henderson	Ledley	Atajic
Forrest 1	Brown	Ledley	Commons 1	Samaras 1	Stokes	Zaluska	van Dijk	Izaguirre	McGeouch	Boerriqter	Amido	Watt
Matthews	Brown	Ledley	Boerriqter	Commons	Stokes 1	Zaluska	Mouyokolo	Rogic	Herron	McGeouch	Amido	Atajic
Matthews	Brown	Ledley	Boerriqter	Commons 1	Stokes 1	Zaluska	Mulgrew	Rogic	Samaras	Amido	Pukki 1	Atajic
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Commons	Brown	Mulgrew 1	Boerriqter	Pukki 1	Stokes	Zaluska	Biton	Rogic	McGeouch	Samaras	Amido	Atajic
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Commons 1	Brown	Mulgrew	Samaras 1	Pukki	Stokes	Zaluska	Lustig	Biton	Rogic	Henderson	Amido 1	Atajic
Matthews	Brown	Mulgrew	Samaras	Commons	Stokes	Zaluska	Biton	Rogic	Kayal	Forrest	Pukki	Amido
Matthews	Brown	Mulgrew	Commons 1	Pukki	Stokes 1	Zaluska	Biton	Kayal	Henderson	Forrest	Amido	Atajic
Kayal	Brown	Commons	Samaras	Pukki	Stokes	Zaluska	Biton	Rogic	Henderson	Ledley	Forrest 1	Amido
Forrest 1	Kayal 1	Mulgrew	Samaras	Pukki	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Biton	Rogic	Ledley	Atajic	Amido
Kayal	Brown	Ledley	Samaras 1	Pukki	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Biton	Rogic	McGeouch	Atajic	Amido 1
Forrest	Brown	Ledley	Mulgrew 1	Amido	Stokes	Zaluska	Lustig	Biton	Rogic	Kayal	Boerriqter	Pukki
Forrest	Kayal	Mulgrew	Samaras	Commons	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Rogic	Ledley	Boerriqter	Stokes	Pukki
Biton	Brown	Mulgrew 2	Mulgrew	Forrest	Pukki	Zaluska	Rogic	McGeouch	Commons	Boerriqter	Stokes	Amido
Commons 2	Brown	Ledley	Mulgrew	Samaras	Pukki	Zaluska	Lustig	Rogic	Biton	Kayal	Boerriqter 1	Amido
Forrest	Kayal	Mulgrew	Boerriqter	Commons	Samaras	Zaluska	Fisher	Rogic	Ledley	Stokes	Pukki	Amido
Biton	Brown 2	Ledley 1	Mulgrew	Commons 3	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Rogic	Boerriqter	Samaras	Pukki	Amido
Commons 2	Brown	Ledley	Mulgrew	Stokes 1	Pukki	Zaluska	Fisher	Henderson	Johnstone	Boerriqter	Amido	Atajic 1
Biton	Brown	Ledley	Boerriqter	Samaras 1	Pukki	Zaluska	Fisher	Mulgrew	Commons	Stokes	Amido	Atajic
Biton	Brown	Ledley	Commons	Stokes	Pukki 1	Zaluska	Matthews	Fisher	Henderson	Samaras	Amido	Atajic
Biton	Brown	Ledley	Commons 1	Stokes	Pukki	Zaluska	O'Connell	Henderson	Forrest 1	Samaras	Amido	Atajic
Matthews	Brown	Ledley	Commons	Stokes	Samaras	Zaluska	Biton	Henderson	Forrest	Pukki	Amido	Atajic
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Forrest	Brown	Ledley 1	Mulgrew	Commons	Pukki	Zaluska	Fisher	Biton	Boerriqter	Samaras	Stokes	Amido
Forrest	Brown	Ledley	Mulgrew 1	Commons 2	Stokes 1	Zaluska	Fisher	Biton	Rogic	Boerriqter	Pukki	Amido
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Biton	Brown	Ledley	Mulgrew	Commons 2	Samaras	Zaluska	O'Connell	Henderson	Boerriqter	Pukki 1	Amido	Johansen
Forrest	Brown	Ledley 1	Mulgrew 1	Commons	Pukki	Zaluska	O'Connell	Biton	Boerriqter	Johansen	Samaras	Amido 1
Forrest	Brown	Johansen	Mulgrew	Commons 1	Stokes	Zaluska	O'Connell	Biton	Boerriqter	Samaras	Pukki	Amido
Forrest	Brown	Johansen	Samaras	Commons	Stokes 1	Zaluska	Fisher	Biton	Boerriqter	Pukki	Amido	Griffiths
Biton	Brown	Johansen	Commons	Griffiths	Stokes 3	Zaluska	Fisher	O'Connell	Boerriqter	Samaras	Pukki	Amido
Biton	Brown	Johansen	Commons	Griffiths 1	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Herron	Boerriqter	Samaras	Pukki 1	Amido
Biton	Brown	Mulgrew	Commons	Griffiths	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Forrest 1	Boerriqter	Samaras	Pukki	Amido
Biton	Brown	Forrest	Mulgrew 1	Griffiths 3	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Kayal	Johansen	Boerriqter	Commons 1	Samaras
Henderson	Brown	Johansen	Commons 3	Stokes	Griffiths	Zaluska	O'Connell	Kayal	Boerriqter	Samaras	Pukki	Amido

Quiz

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Who have been Celtic's hat-trick heroes in competitive games this season, and who were the opponents?

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2 Which Moroccan player with 45 international caps has appeared for Celtic under the management of Neil Lennon?

3 Which club did Danny Lennon manage before becoming boss of St Mirren in 2010?

4 Who will Scotland play in their attempt to qualify for Euro 2016 in France?

5 Which two members of the Lisbon Lions also played against Celtic in domestic finals in their careers?

6 Who is the only player since the war to score for Celtic in domestic finals 12 years apart?

7 Which two current St Mirren players have, in their careers, appeared for Scotland?

8 Against which country in 2012 did Efe Ambrose earn a winner's medal with Nigeria in the Africa Cup of Nations?

9 In the last five years which two Celtic players have netted hat-tricks against St Mirren?

10 Who captained St Mirren when they defeated Dundee United to win the Scottish Cup in 1987?

11 Which goalkeeper's Scottish league record of successive shut-outs did Fraser Forster surpass this season?

12 Who is the only man to have netted in a UEFA Champions League final and a World Cup final?

13 Which two men since 1945 have won Scottish Cup winner's medals with Celtic and St Mirren?

14 Which three English clubs did Kris Commons play for before signing for Celtic in 2011?

15 Who was the last Celtic player to score in a Scottish and League Cup final?

ANSWERS

1. Georgios Samaras v Kilmarnock;
2. Anthony Stokes v St Johnstone;
3. Leigh Griffiths v Inverness Caledonian Thistle;
4. Bader El Khadouri (2011/12);
5. Cowdenbeath;
6. Germany, Poland, Republic of Ireland, Georgia and Gibraltar;
7. Bertie Auld (Hibernian) Scottish Cup: 1971/72;
8. Charlie Nicholas (Dundee) League Cup: 1973/74;
9. Tommy Gemmel (Dundee) League Cup: 1973/74;
10. 1994/95 League Cup v Raith Rovers;
11. Steven Thompson and Gary Teale;
12. Burkina Faso;
13. Shunsuke Nakamura (2008/09); Gary Hooper (2011/12);
14. Bobby Clark (Aberdeen);
15. Zinedine Zidane (Real Madrid/France);
16. Frank McGarvey & Paul Lambert;
17. Stoke City, Nottingham Forest & Derby County;
18. Joe Ledley; LC (2010/11); SC (2012/13).

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Manager: Neil Lennon

Manager: Danny Lennon

Fraser Forster	1 ●	● 2	David van Zanten
Adam Matthews	2 ●	● 4	Darren McGregor
Emilio Izaguirre	3 ●	● 6	Jim Goodwin
Efe Ambrose	4 ●	● 7	John McGinn
Virgil van Dijk	5 ●	● 9	Steven Thompson
Nir Biton	6 ●	● 10	Paul McGowan
Anthony Groden*	7 ●	● 11	Kenny McLean
Scott Brown	8 ●	● 12	Adam Campbell
Georgios Samaras	9 ●	● 14	Marc McAusland
Anthony Stokes	10 ●	● 15	John Robertson
Derk Boerrigter	11 ●	● 16	Josh Magennis
Kris Commons	15 ●	● 17	Thomas Reilly
Amido Balde	17 ●	● 18	Sean Kelly
Holmbert Fridjonsson	19 ●	● 19	Stephane Bahoken
Teemu Pukki	20 ●	● 20	Kealan Dillon
Charlie Mulgrew	21 ●	● 21	Gary Teale
Steven Mouyokolo	22 ●	● 22	Jason Naismith
Mikael Lustig	23 ●	● 24	Conor Newton
Lukasz Zaluska	24 ●	● 25	Mo Yaqub
Stefan Johansen	25 ●	● 26	Anthony Brady
Leigh Griffiths	28 ●	● 28	Marian Kello
John Herron	31 ●	● 29	Kieran Hughes
Beram Kayal	33 ●	● 30	Christopher Dilo
Denny Johnstone	39 ●	● 34	Mark Williams
Darnell Fisher	41 ●	● 36	Barry Cuddihy
Marcus Fraser	44 ●	● 39	Greg Wylde
Dylan McGeouch	46 ●	● 43	Declan Hughes
James Forrest	49 ●	● 49	Lewis Morgan
Liam Henderson	53 ●	● 99	Eric Djemba-Djemba



*Magners Number 7 winner

22.03.2014

Result: H/T F/T Scorers:
 Celtic
 St Mirren

NEXT GAME:

v Partick Thistle
 Wednesday, March 26th, 2014
 Scottish Premiership
 Firhill, kick-off: 7.45pm

MATCH OFFICIALS:

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 Assistant 1: Alastair Mather
 Assistant 2: David Watt
 Fourth Official: Crawford Allan