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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

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

Who is Celtic Football Club for?

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

Summary

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



RONNY DEILA

Celtic Manager

WE'LL BE LOOKING TO MAINTAIN OUR POSITION AS LEAGUE LEADERS TODAY

GOOD afternoon and welcome to Celtic Park for this afternoon's match against Dundee. We're looking forward to the game and I'm sure that you are too, after the break for international matches.

Of course, Celtic Park still took centre-stage for Scotland's two games against the Republic of Ireland and England, and the fans who came along here would have discovered what we already know - that this is a very special stadium.

We're glad to be back home and playing in front of our fans, and doing so as league leaders. The victory over Aberdeen was a superb result for us. We showed skill, character and determination throughout the game, and to score a last-minute winner when we were down to 10 men was

great credit to the players.

Of course, we're disappointed that we'll be without our captain today. Scott Brown shows, for Celtic and for Scotland, just how important he is for the team, and while he won't be playing against Dundee, he will still be encouraging and supporting the boys who are in the team.

It's important that we keep our unbeaten run going, which started after the previous international break when we went to Ross County and won so well.

However, we face a Dundee side who are in a good run of form too, and we will have to be at our best to get all three points today.

Paul Hartley's side have already shown how difficult they can be when we played them at Dens Park. Our performance that

day wasn't a good one, and we will be looking to do much better this time around.

The team is playing with confidence and winning games, and that's something we want to continue. It's also nice to be back on top of the league table, and that's a position we want to maintain as well.

Thanks, as always, for your magnificent support. I'm sure you all enjoyed the victory at Pittodrie and I hope we can enjoy another good win this afternoon.

Enjoy the game,





'We showed skill, character and determination against Aberdeen, and to score a last-minute winner when we were down to 10 men was great credit to the players'

CLUB HONOURS



SCOTTISH LEAGUE WINNERS (45 Times)

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

SCOTTISH CUP WINNERS (36 Times)

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

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SCOTT BROWN

Celtic Captain



WE'RE CONFIDENT WE CAN KEEP OUR WINNING RUN GOING



WE'RE going into today's game against Dundee as league leaders and while I'm disappointed to be missing out, I know all the boys are looking forward to the match. We're enjoying a good run of form just now and everyone is determined to keep that going.

I'm sure Dundee will come here looking to end our winning run, so we'll have to be at our best. I think Dundee have done really well this season since getting promoted, and Paul Hartley has proved what a good manager he is.

They're a difficult team to play against, as we found out earlier in the season, so we know what we're up against and what we have to do if we want to take all three points and remain at the top of the table.

It was also great to be involved in the two Scotland games at Celtic Park. The victory over the Republic of Ireland was a fantastic result,

and it was a great goal from Shaun Maloney to win the match.

It was a vital three points for us as we look to qualify for the European Championship in France, and it was a victory we thoroughly deserved.

Unfortunately, we weren't able to follow that up with a win against England. That was another tough match, and it was disappointing to lose, although it was another tremendous effort by all the boys.

Now the focus is back on domestic football for everyone, and while I'll have to cheer from the stand today, I'm confident the boys will be able to keep the winning run going.

Enjoy the game,

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RECORD DEFEAT
0-8 v Motherwell, 1937

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

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

UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT AT CELTIC PARK AND AWAY FOOTBALL STADIA

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

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

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 - Using threatening, abusive or insulting words or conduct
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This list is not exhaustive and must be read in conjunction with the Stadium Regulations.

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

- Removal from the stadium
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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 page 3.

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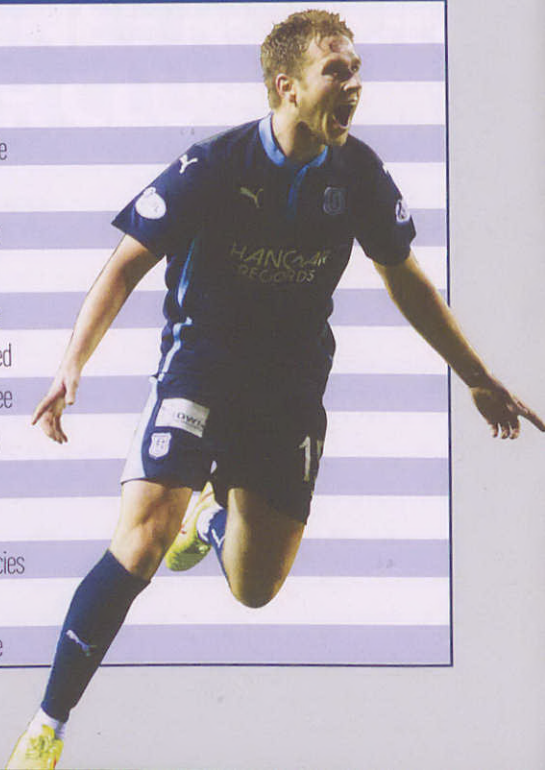
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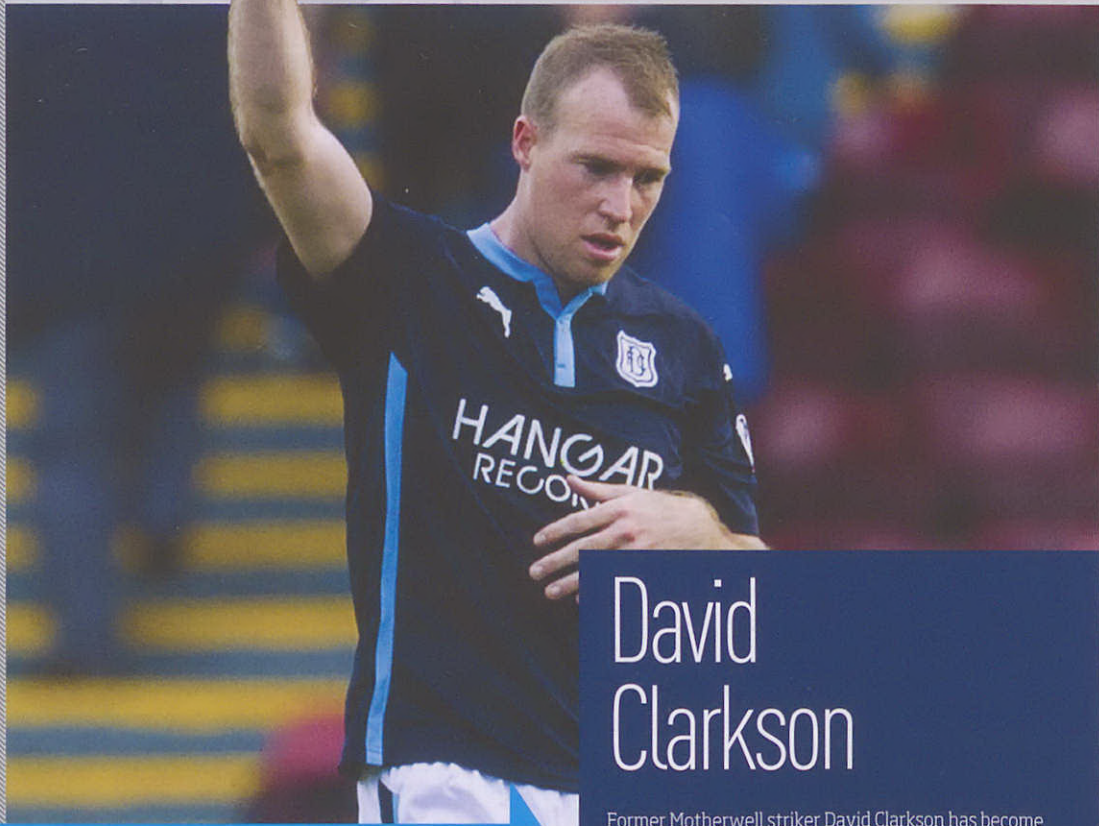
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League Cup	02 Aug	Dundee 4-0 Peterhead
SPFL	09 Aug	Dundee 1-1 Kilmarnock
SPFL	13 Aug	Inverness CT 0-0 Dundee
SPFL	16 Aug	Dundee 1-1 Partick Thistle
SPFL	23 Aug	St Mirren 0-1 Dundee
League Cup	26 Aug	St Johnstone 0-1 Dundee
SPFL	31 Aug	Dundee 1-1 Celtic
SPFL	13 Sep	St Johnstone 0-1 Dundee
SPFL	21 Sep	Dundee 1-4 Dundee United
League Cup	24 Sep	Dundee United 1-0 Dundee
SPFL	27 Sep	Ross County 2-1 Dundee
SPFL	04 Oct	Dundee 2-3 Aberdeen
SPFL	18 Oct	Motherwell 1-3 Dundee
SPFL	25 Oct	Dundee 2-0 Hamilton Accies
SPFL	01 Nov	Kilmarnock 1-2 Dundee
SPFL	08 Nov	Dundee 1-1 St Johnstone







DUNDEE



David Clarkson

Former Motherwell striker David Clarkson has become one of the most prolific front men in the league after signing for the Dark Blues in September. Clarkson has bagged six goals in six games for the Taysiders and his strikes have helped them cement a mid-table position as we edge towards the close of the year. The 29-year-old started his playing career at Motherwell, his local club, and scored on his first start in a match against Partick Thistle in 2003 after debuting in 2002. Nephew of former Celtic and Motherwell legend, Phil O'Donnell, Clarkson was well-liked at the Lanarkshire side and went on to score 13 goals in the 2007/08 season. His uncle tragically died during that campaign and Clarkson went on to proudly wear O'Donnell's No. 10 shirt during the 08/09 season. He moved to Bristol City later that year and scored on his debut before joining Brentford on loan in 2011. Clarkson then switched to Bristol Rovers in 2012 to link up with former Motherwell manager Mark McGhee before being released in May 2014 along with 12 other players. He signed for Paul Hartley at Dundee at the start of this season and will be Dundee's main target man today.

ONES TO WATCH

PAUL Hartley brings his Dundee team to Celtic Park today in a rich vein of form. The Dark Blues gave the Hoops one of their toughest tests of the early part of the season with a 1-1 draw in August and their good form has continued in recent weeks.

Wins over Motherwell, Hamilton and Kilmarnock, coupled with a draw with St Johnstone, mean Hartley's team are unbeaten in four and find themselves in sixth position in the league and only six points behind the champions.

There are a few familiar faces in the line-up for the Taysiders that will be well-known to Celtic fans, including midfielder Paul McGowan and here, we examine a few of the players the Hoops may face today.

THE OPPOSITION



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Greg Stewart

Scoring on your debut is one way to endear yourself to a new club's support and that's exactly what Greg Stewart did at Dundee. The striker signed in June this year and has gone on to bag seven goals following his first, which came against Peterhead in the first round of the League Cup in August. As a youth, Stewart was on the books at Rangers but was released as a teenager and moved to Hearts. He had training spells with Falkirk and Stirling Albion before he joined Syngenta Amateurs FC in 2007. After three years at junior level, Stewart signed with Cowdenbeath in 2010 and finished his first pro season as the club's top scorer with nine goals. The 24-year-old then signed with Dundee this summer and has since become a mainstay in Paul Hartley's side.

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Gary Harkins

Initially a Celtic player at school level, Gary Harkins has come to Dundee for the second time by way of a catalogue of teams throughout England and Scotland. He moved from Celtic to Blackburn Rovers aged 16 where he worked his way up through the reserves before moving on loan to Huddersfield for a short spell. Harkins also featured for Huddersfield Town, Bury and Blackpool on loan before leaving Rovers to join Grimsby Town. From there he moved to Partick Thistle in 2007 where he racked up more games and goals along with a nomination for First Division Player of the Year. He first signed for Dundee in 2009 and was made captain. Two years later he joined Kilmarnock and played in the Ayrshire side's 1-0 victory over Celtic in the 2012 Scottish League Cup final. In January 2013 Harkins moved to Dundee again but joined St Mirren after the Dark Blues were relegated at the end of the season. From there he was loaned to Oldham Athletic where he became a popular figure before returning to Dens Park for the third time on a two year contract. He has scored three goals so far this term and will hope to add to that today.



Paul McGowan

A familiar face to all Celtic fans, Paul McGowan will be looked to today by Dundee fans as one of their main creative outlets. The Scottish midfielder made his name at Celtic as a youngster and went on to have appearances in domestic competitions and the Champions League for the club before featuring in 2010 under Tony Mowbray. He scored his best goal for Celtic in a thrilling 3-3 draw with Rapid Vienna in the Europa League, with his stoppage time strike stealing a point after the Hoops were trailing 3-0. Prior to that McGowan had loan spells at Morton and Hamilton Accies and eventually left Celtic to sign a two-year deal with St Mirren following a successful loan period there. He became a mainstay of the team during his four years before being snapped up by newly-promoted Dundee this summer following his release.



Paul McGinn

A standout season for Dumbarton in the Championship saw Paul McGinn join his fellow former St Mirren team-mate Paul McGowan at Dundee. The midfielder started his career as a youth player at Queen's Park where his performances attracted the attention of the top flight and he soon won a move to Paisley. After signing in 2012 McGinn failed to make an appearance and was loaned back to Queen's Park until January before finishing the season at Dumbarton on loan. He left St Mirren to join The Sons full-time where he cemented a first-team place and helped the side secure a fifth-place finish in the Championship. Paul Hartley saw the potential in the 24-year-old and recruited him on a two-year deal alongside McGowan. He made his debut for the Dark Blues in the 4-0 win over Peterhead in the League Cup and has 16 appearances and one goal to his name this season.



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Thomas Konrad

A rock at the back of the Dundee line-up, Thomas Konrad joined Paul Hartley's side in July 2014. The German defender won his move to Tayside after impressing in a pre-season fixture against Manchester City and signed a two-year deal with the Dark Blues. He started his career at Karlsruher SC II in 2008 where he made 55 appearances in German football across the Bundesliga, Liga 2 and Liga 3. Konrad moved to Eintracht Trier, who play in the German regional leagues, before securing his move to Dundee. He has played 15 times for Dundee this season so far and scored the solitary goal for the Dark Blues in their 1-0 away win over St Johnstone in September.

THE TEAM

GOALKEEPERS

Kyle Letheren
Arvid Schenk
Scott Bain
Grant Adam
Kyle Gourlay

DEFENDERS

Gary Irvine
Willie Dyer
Thomas Konrad
James McPake
Iain Davidson

MIDFIELDERS

Kevin McBride
Kevin Thomson
Simon Ferry
Paul McGowan
Paul McGinn
Jim McAlister
Dylan Carreiro
Gary Harkins

STRIKERS

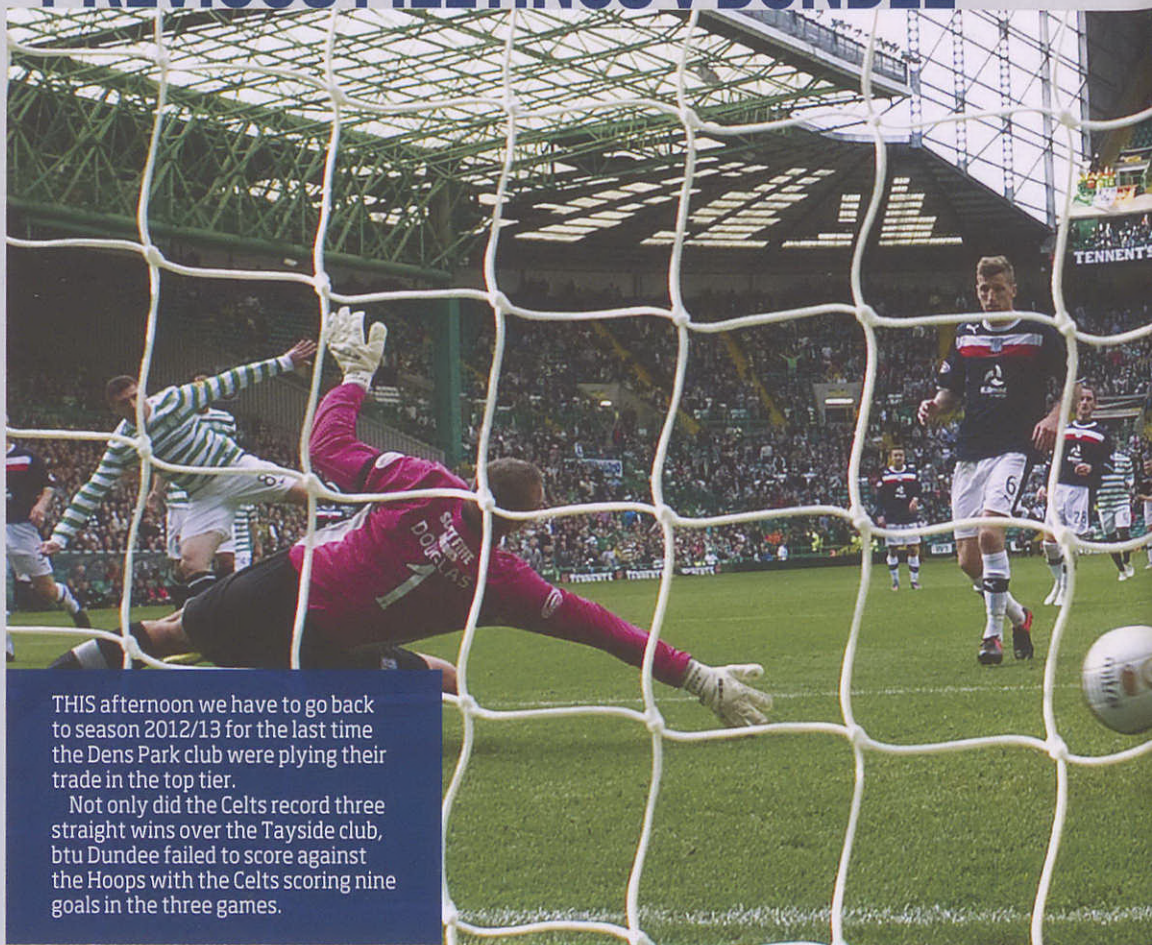
David Clarkson
Peter MacDonald
Philip Roberts
Greg Stewart
Luka Tankulic
Martin Boyle
Craig Wighton

THE MANAGER

Paul Hartley



PREVIOUS MEETINGS v DUNDEE



THIS afternoon we have to go back to season 2012/13 for the last time the Dens Park club were plying their trade in the top tier.

Not only did the Celts record three straight wins over the Tayside club, but Dundee failed to score against the Hoops with the Celts scoring nine goals in the three games.

SPL

CELTIC PARK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2012

CELTIC 2-0 DUNDEE

(HOOPER 43, WANYAMA 49)

CELTIC returned to winning ways in the SPL with a dominant 2-0 victory over Dundee in Paradise. Goals either side of half-time from Gary Hooper and Victor Wanyama were enough to secure a well-deserved three points for the champions. Only the heroics of former Celtic keeper, Rab Douglas, kept the scoreline respectable for the visitors, with the veteran shot-stopper saving a Scott Brown penalty in the first-half and making a string of superb stops throughout the match. Efe Ambrose made his Hoops debut in the closing stages, replacing the excellent Brown.



**SPL****DENS PARK**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2012

DUNDEE 0-2 CELTIC

(SAMARAS 17, HOOPER 71)

CELTIC delivered a Boxing Day blow to their title rivals as they moved seven points clear at the SPL summit with a dominant 2-0 victory over Dundee at Dens Park. Georgios Samaras' spectacular overhead kick put the Hoops in command as they enjoyed overwhelming superiority in the first half. Although the hosts showed greater spirit and enterprise after the break, Neil Lennon's men always looked menacing in attack and Gary Hooper sealed the points with a classy finish. And the champions, wearing the 125th anniversary strip, made a confident start, bossing possession and patiently probing for an opening, whilst the hosts appeared content to adopt a deep defensive line and hit on the counter-attack.

SPL**CELTIC PARK**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2013

CELTIC 5-0 DUNDEE

(LEDLEY 12, 73 FORREST 49, MCGEOUCH 57, HOOPER 83)

JOE Ledley bagged a brace as Celtic turned on the style in Paradise, thumping Dundee 5-0 to move 21 points clear at the SPL summit. The Welshman opened the scoring for the Hoops in the 12th minute and was one of four goalscorers after half-time as the champions upped the ante. James Forrest converted from the spot just after the break after Gary Hooper had been fouled by substitute Matt Lockwood. The defender saw red for the incident. Dylan McGeouch increased the Hoops' advantage with a powerful header before Ledley plundered his second with a rising effort. In the closing stages, Gary Hooper rubbed salt in Dundee's wounds with a typically clinical finish as Neil Lennon's men moved another step nearer to retaining their title.





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AN unbeaten run of two wins and two draws in Group D of this season's UEFA Europa League has put Celtic on the brink of qualification for the last 32 of the competition, and a win in either of our last two games will guarantee our place in the next stage.

Up next is a home clash with top of the table FC Salzburg at Celtic Park, before a final-day match with Dinamo Zagreb on December 11 - a game which Celtic FC Travel are providing an official fans' charter for.

The match could be vital in determining if the Bhoys progress, and perhaps even top the group, which in theory would provide a more favourable draw in the knock out stages, with a number of Champions League teams also dropping into the tournament at that stage.

It's all very much to play for as the group draws to a close, and the support of as many fans as possible could

prove vital against Dinamo Zagreb in the Stadion Maksimir.

The one-day trip is available to Season Ticket holders from £309, with interested parties advised to book as soon as possible, with limited places now available.

Visit <http://thomsonsport.com/event/celtic-fc> for more information, or to book your place for the all important final matchday fixture.

Back the Bhoys in Europe as they target a place in the last 32 of this season's UEFA Europa League.

*Full payment will be taken at the time of booking and all bookings are subject to qualifying criteria as set by the club (see www.celticfc.net for details). Confirmation of the charter proceeding will be announced no later than 21 days in advance of the trip. Should an insufficient number of fans choose to travel a full refund will be given to those that booked.

MEETING A HAZARD HEAD-ON

Jason Denayer has returned from Belgian international duty raring to get back to action this afternoon against Dundee

Exclusive interview: Mark Henderson

JASON Denayer is content to play the waiting game for his full international bow. He knows time is on his side.

The talented teenager was rewarded for his impressive form at Celtic with a successive call-up to the Belgium squad for the recent round of international fixtures, having been selected for the national side for the first time in October.

He didn't feature in the Red Devils' 3-1 friendly victory over Iceland or their goal-less draw against Wales in the UEFA European Championship qualifier, watching both games from the bench.

Naturally, he would have treasured the opportunity of representing his country in either of these two fixtures but the Hoops defender returned to Glasgow upbeat by his latest taste of international football.

While match action wasn't forthcoming in this instance, he did get further training time alongside an immensely gifted group of players, including Chelsea star Eden Hazard. This exposure can only accelerate his development into a top-class defender.

And aware his progress in Paradise is being carefully monitored by manager Marc Wilmots, he's confident that further opportunities will follow for his country should he continue to shine for the Scottish champions.

Belgium don't have a fixture to



fulfil until March next year but Denayer will still be 19 and better equipped to handle the occasion if handed his chance.

"The most important thing when you play football is to play for the national team so to be called up for the first time was very good," he told the matchday programme in an exclusive interview.

"It would be a great moment in my career to play my first game for Belgium, but I would only be very happy if I played well and I would be disappointed if I didn't.

"But I'm young so I want to take my time, and if I can go into the squad and train with the team, I'm not impatient about playing.

"When you play against Hazard and players like that, it's very good for your development. He's the hardest to play against in training as he's fast, agile and has a very good technique.

"He can be one of the best players in the world as he's so good. He's the most difficult player I have played against.

"The coach is very good as well. He can be a laugh or serious, so he makes you relaxed and comfortable. He spoke to me when I came in and told me that he had looked at me in a couple of games and I had done well, so he had picked me but he said I needed to keep doing well."

Despite his tender years,





Denayer wasn't fazed when he first joined up with his international colleagues. While there is a smattering of experience in Wilmots' squad, many of them aren't much older than the teenager, and indeed, have started alongside him at youth level.

Although he was surprised when Virgil van Dijk announced the news to him on the team bus to the Dinamo Zagreb game.

"I didn't think I would get called up for a qualification game and felt it would be a friendly game so it was a little bit surprising," he said.

"Virgil told me on the bus. I was listening to music and he told me you are going away with the national team. At first, I thought he was speaking about himself and then he said, 'No, I'm talking about you'.

"I knew some of the players already, like Januzaj, Origi, Kompany and Lukaku, and everyone spoke to me so it was a good experience. It's good as when you come into a squad and know someone as it means you aren't alone and have people to speak to."

Manchester City skipper Vincent Kompany, a natural born leader for club and country, continues to be an inspiration for the young Celtic defender, who is on a season-long loan from the English champions.

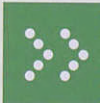
"Vincent is a very good captain," he said. "He's someone with a big personality and everyone respects him, so he's a good person to play alongside. On and off the pitch, he's a very good person and he has spoken to me and helped me and he is someone I look up to a lot."

In a country divided almost equally between the Flemish and French-speaking communities, the national side is one of the few unifying forces in the country.

Their victories on their run to the World Cup quarter-finals was celebrated across the nation and there are high hopes of making an impact at the Euros in 2016, when a star-studded squad is expected to reach its peak.

The most important thing when you play football is to play for the national team... but I would only be very happy if I played well'

INTERVIEW



“Sometimes we speak Flemish and sometimes we speak French so there is no problem,” said Denayer. “The Flemish and French people all support the team and everyone is together so it’s very good.”

“We want to go far in the competition. We saw at the World Cup that we got to the quarter finals so we feel we could go far in the European Championships.”

However, Denayer has more pressing club concerns to consider. Having reported back for duty at Lennoxton in the latter part of the week, he and his Celtic team-mates are now focusing on continuing their consistent form that preceded the international break.

Ronny Deila’s men go into today’s showdown with Dundee on the back of a seven-game unbeaten run in all competitions, which included four successive wins in the Scottish Premiership.

Sitting top of the table, in contention in both domestic cup competitions and well-placed for qualifying for the Europa League knockout stages, the Bhoys are determined to maintain their momentum over the busy festive period.

Denayer is convinced they are ready to meet this challenge now that they have become more accustomed to the manager’s methods and style.

“We have played very well for a number of games now and we need to keep that going and I believe that’s not going to change following the international break,” he said.

“At the start, the coach asked us to do things and now we had to get used to it and now we have done it a few times it’s okay and we are able to do what he has asked us to do.”

“We have been doing what the gaffer wants and we have done it well, so we will be determined to keep that going.”

An increasingly watertight rearguard has helped the Hoops’ resurgence, with Denayer and his fellow defenders only conceding two goals in that run of seven matches without defeat.

“The most important thing for a defender is a clean sheet,” he explained. “If you manage to have a clean sheet, you don’t lose games and it gives confidence to the strikers to score goals, along with the rest of the team.”

The Belgian youngster has certainly played his part in this success, forming a formidable partnership with Virgil van Dijk in the heart of the backline.

For a player who hadn’t made a senior competitive appearance before joining Celtic on loan in the summer, his maturity and composure have been remarkable. Yet, he recognises there are still parts of his game that require attention.

“I have improved as what I needed was experience and now I have played some games,” added Denayer. “There are still some things I still need to work on at the training ground and hopefully I can keep going on like this and get better in every game I play.”



MAKE SOME NOISE BHOYS

JASON Denayer has urged the Hoops faithful to turn out in their numbers and back the Bhoys in their crucial UEFA Europa League clash against FC Salzburg next Thursday.

A victory against the free-scoring Austrians, who have hammered in 13 goals in four games, will confirm Celtic’s spot in the knockout stages of the competition and guarantee European football after Christmas.

The defender knows how tough a test the visitors will pose in Paradise and he hopes the Celtic support can pack out the stadium and give them the edge.

“Salzburg are a very good team so it will be a very big game at home, and hopefully we can get as many people in the stadium as we can,” he said. “It would be great for it to be full.”

“It makes a difference to the other team as well as when you have that kind of atmosphere in the ground, it can be difficult to play well.”

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MY BEST XI



Hoops legend Danny McGrain selects his Best XI



BEING described as a difficult opponent by someone of Danny McGrain's class must be a huge honour.

Not many players got the better of the Celtic legend during his distinguished career for club and country.

The Celtic legend made 663 appearances for the club, putting him fourth in the all-time list. He was an inspirational captain in the Hoops and a hero to a generation of supporters for his commitment, talent and leadership.

The 64-year-old also made 62 appearances for Scotland, skipping the national side on 10 occasions, and starred in two World Cups.

To impress someone of the full-back's calibre, you had to be incredibly gifted and that's reflected in the best XI he faced.

GOALKEEPER:

1: Peter Shilton

DEFENDERS:

3: Marinho Chagas

5: Bobby Moore

4: Colin Todd

MIDFIELD:

6: Johan Cruyff

2: Soren Lerby

8: Colin Bell

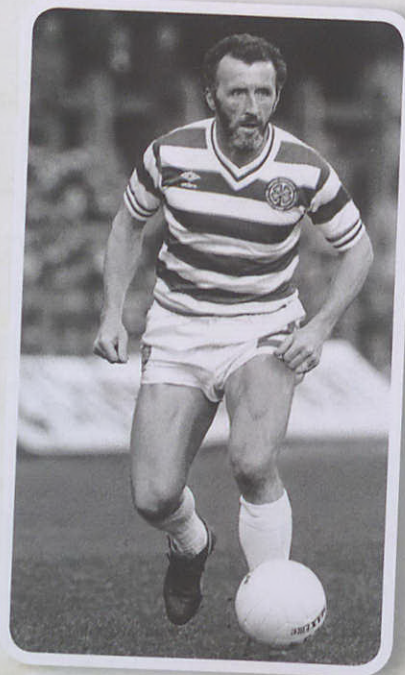
10: Roberto Rivelino

11: Jesper Olsen

FORWARDS:

7: Kenny Dalglish

9: Ian Rush



PETER SHILTON



Obviously, he made a lot of great saves in his career and was very authoritative in his area. I played against him in all the Home International games. He was the first goalkeeper I saw really talking to the back four and giving instructions, which gives the defence confidence. He was a professional and a great enthusiast. We all love the game but he took it great heights, getting over 100 caps for England says it all. He was strong and had everything a goalkeeper should have.

BOBBY MOORE



I always wanted to meet Bobby Moore and it was great to have played against him in the Scotland-England games. To have met big Billy McNeill, the captain of the Lisbon Lions, in the first place was fantastic and then I met Bobby Moore, the captain of England's World Cup squad. He was a wonderful player. He was a bit like John Clark, who played here for a long time, in that he was a great reader of the game. Bobby Moore was big, strong and had this terrific ability to anticipate passes and get in the right positions. He was an excellent tackler and also had the skills and confidence to come out of defence and pass the ball. He and Pele also had a great respect for one another.



JOHAN CRUYFF

I admired everything about him as a player. He had a great physique and was so quick. At the peak of his career, you never knew what he was going to do next. But he was also brave and worked hard. He played in good teams and exuded confidence but he deserved it and worked for it. While this gave his team-mates belief, the opposition would be fearful of him as he could change a game instantly with a great pass, run or shot. He was a magnificent player. He wasn't young when I played against him in the 1982 European Cup tie against Ajax, in fact he was his last years as a footballer. Graeme Sinden picked him up in the second game, which we won 2-1 to go though, and 'Sinky' would put that down as one of his greatest games.

COLIN TODD

Another England player I came up against. He was someone who never looked under pressure. Again, he was a Bobby Moore type of defender in that he was good with the ball at his feet. Colin Todd wasn't a typical centre-half, who simply won the ball. He was strong in the air and comfortable on the ground. He was able to bring the ball down and build things from the back and link up with the midfield, rather than some centre-backs who were happy just to get the ball out of the danger area.



MARINHO CHAGAS

He was the left-back for Brazil when Scotland played against them in the 1974 World Cup, a game we drew 0-0. We were perhaps in awe of them as they had won the World Cup four years earlier, and this guy stood out as a he was a good defender with good ability – and also because of his big curly hair! At the end of the game, I changed jerseys with him.



SOREN LERBY

He had a brilliant left foot. In the first leg against Ajax at Celtic Park, every pass he made was a good one and caused me problems. He was putting balls inside me, over me or to Jesper Olsen's feet. When we went over there for the second leg, we got someone to stand close to him and we managed to nullify his threat and stop him supplying players like Olsen. He went to Bayern Munich after Ajax and had a very good career.

DREAM TEAM

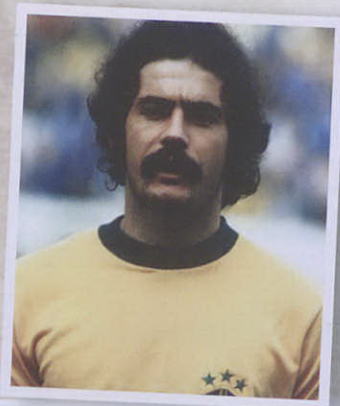
COLIN BELL



I played against Colin Bell in the Scotland-England games. He was a midfielder that had the ability to see all the channels that were open to him. He was an astute player and could choreograph things from the middle of the park. He was also good in the tackle, a rare quality in many players today. He was a grafter, a playmaker and you can see by all the goals he scored for Man City that he was able to get forward and contribute in that aspect as well.

ROBERTO RIVELINO

A player with a magical left foot, who had won the World Cup in 1970 with Brazil. Rivelino could strike the ball very well and took a lot of their set-pieces. He was great to watch on TV but it wasn't so good playing against him as we did four years later. His team-mates knew what he would be doing and run off the ball before he made a pass. However, it was a great experience to have played against him and Brazil in a World Cup match, particularly as they were the holders of the trophy. Some of the players who had played in '70 had lost a bit of pace or desire, though, and found it hard to repeat what they had done before.



JESPER OLSEN



Jesper was just so quick. When we played Ajax no one said to me, watch for this winger as he's got a bit of pace. In first five minutes of the game at Celtic Park, he got away from me twice and had scored the opening goal. I was thinking, 'where did he come from?' Lerby just kept putting the ball inside me and I was usually quite happy about getting back to these types of passes with the pace I had, but this wee guy was just so fast. I had never played against anyone like him previously. He had a great left foot and my job was to stop any crosses going into the box but sometimes you just can't do it if someone is as quick as that. He got his move to Man United as he gave me such a roasting!



KENNY DALGLISH

Although I came through the ranks at Celtic alongside Kenny and then played with him for a number of years, I had the chance to play against him in Jock Stein's Testimonial in 1978 when Liverpool came up to Celtic Park. He was just a brilliant player and he had so many great strengths. Physically, he was very strong and rarely got injured. His game awareness was incredible in the way he could spot players making runs or making space for him, and, of course, he could also score goals. To play alongside him as a striker must have been a dream as he put so many goals on a plate for them. A wonderful player... he wasn't the best in the air mind you!



IAN RUSH

I played against Ian Rush in a charity match at Celtic Park in aid of Kenny's charity. It was about eight years ago. I was 56 and I was facing Rush and Kenny which was scary! Big Lex Baillie, who is now a sergeant in the police, was beside me in defence and Rush's movement just frightened us. There is nothing a defender likes more than having a striker to pick up but as soon as he starts moving about, you aren't sure whether to go with him or stay in position. By the time, you have made your decision, the ball is in the back of the net. Rush always had the ability to find space in the box and he was very quick. Going through one-on-one on a goalkeeper, he was always confident and composed and made it look easy. If you play at Liverpool, you must have that kind of belief, and when Dalglish is beside you, then you know you will get a lot of chances. They were a brilliant pairing.



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THIS season's Celtic View is taking the players to a desert island – an imaginary one, of course, to see how they would survive, who and what they would like to accompany them, and what they would miss.

Here's a taster of what you can find every week in the Celtic View, the Voice of the Champions, with **Craig Gordon** taking up the Beach Bhoys' challenge...

What would be the first thing you would do?

I'd build a big SOS sign so I could try and get saved. Safety first.

What team-mate would be useful on a desert island?

I'd say Stefan Johansen. He has loads of energy and runs about all day and he could go and fetch firewood and get stuff ready for making a shack. He would be busy running about and I could harness his energy for good while I sit down and relax.

Who in the dressing room would be the worst companion?

Leigh Griffiths. I don't want to hear any more of his stories about scoring for Hibs.

If you could have a prized possession, what would it be?

I've no possessions that important, I don't think. I'm not bothered about my car or phone, they'd not be much use to me on an island. I'd maybe take my Scotland caps with me but I think I'd rather have my wife and kids.

What film would you take with you?

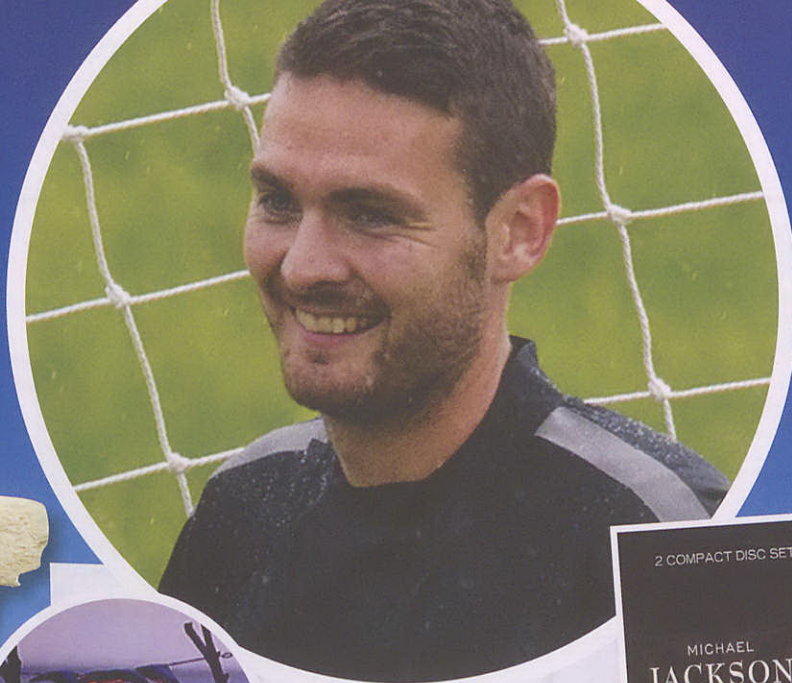
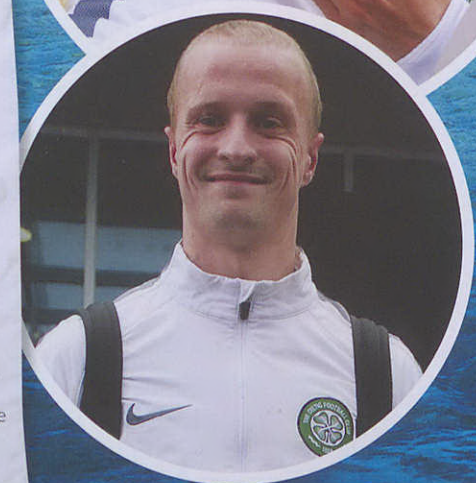
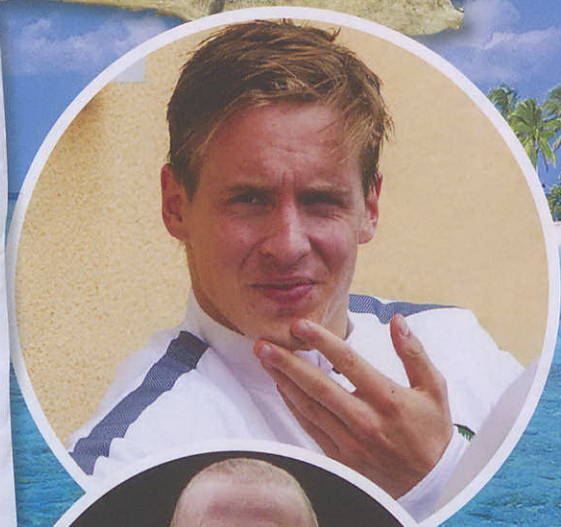
Cool Runnings. It's funny and it would brighten up my day.

And one album you could salvage?

Michael Jackson's History. I'm a big fan.

What meal would you manage to conjure up?

Chicken fajitas are probably not possible on a desert island so maybe some fish poached in coconut milk. I'd either catch the fish with my hands or make a spear to jab them.



Exclusive interview:
Mark Henderson

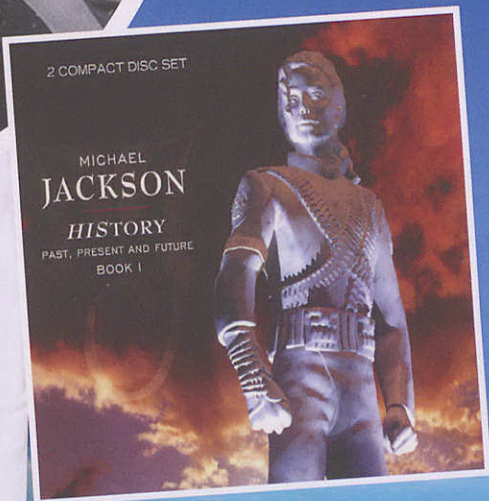


Your best survival skill?
I'm a good swimmer so I'd just swim out and catch a boat.

And what part of your personality might get you into trouble?
I'm quite stubborn. I'd probably go down the route that I wanted to try and escape and if it wasn't working I'd probably just carry on regardless!

A ship carrying celebrities runs aground and one manages to make it ashore to your island – who would like it to be?
Bear Grylls to get me off the island or keep me alive.

What would you miss the most?
My wife and family. It's true.



If you could have a kickabout on the beach with one footballer past or present, who would it be?
I'd need a decent striker. Cristiano Ronaldo I think. His free kicks are very tough to save, so if he was out there with me at least I'd be able to come back with the knowledge of how to save those shots.



Christmas Appeal breaks through £20,000 barrier

CELTIC FC Foundation are delighted to announce we have now broken the £20,000 barrier for this year's Christmas Appeal!

This is an absolutely phenomenal total and we would like to thank the Celtic Family for your wonderful support so far.

The Celtic first-team squad are right behind the Appeal and you can watch a message from Scott Brown, Craig Gordon and Adam Matthews on www.celticfc.net

Our target is to provide a proper Christmas meal for around 200 local families, who otherwise would go without, as well as giving gifts for the younger family members. If we don't help them, there might not be a Christmas in those households.

We are also aiming to support local charities who care for those experiencing the torment of homelessness or other disadvantage.

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There are a number of ways to get behind the Christmas Appeal 2014:

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Those individuals and charities we are looking to support through the 2014 Christmas Appeal are:

- Around 200 local families (a Christmas meal and gifts for the children)
- Glasgow East Women's Aid (Gifts, toys and family outings gifts for those in the refuge)
- Spirit Aid (Christmas hampers for those in need in the West of Scotland)
- Glasgow Simon Community (we will host a Christmas lunch here at Celtic Park on Sunday, December 7)
- Loaves and Fishes (a hot meal in the cold weather for the homeless and those living in poverty)
- The Wayside Club Centre (a refuge and meal on Christmas day for the homeless)
- Glasgow City Mission (support for their Older Men's Club which

provides food and companionship)

- Scottish Refugee Council (support for refugees facing their first Christmas in Scotland)
- The Invisibles (warm goods and clothing for the City's homeless)
- Yorkhill Children's Charity (gifts and activities for children facing a hospital stay over Christmas)

As part of the Appeal, Celtic FC Foundation will be hosting our first ever Ladies Lunch – Girls for Good – on Saturday, December 13 in the Kerrydale Suite at Celtic Park. The event is being sponsored by the Ellen Kane Trust. Tickets are priced at £45pp and you can find more details here at <http://www.celticfc.net/news/6998>

We will also be providing a party for some local primary school children on Thursday, December 18 in the Kerrydale Suite.



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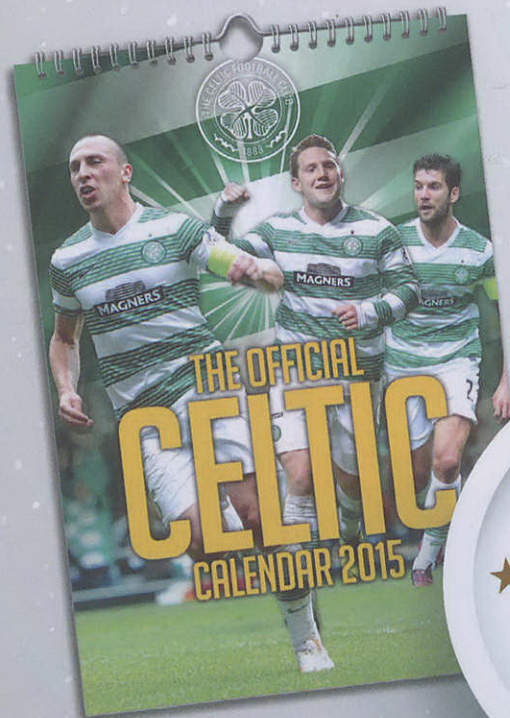




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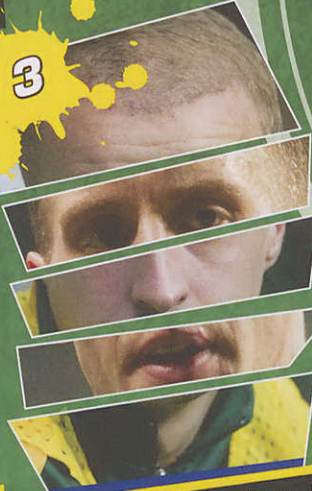
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Which pair of famous faces have been mixed up?



1. Both Celtic Academy graduates played for Scotland last week



2. Celtic goalkeepers past and present were also at Paradise on international duty recently

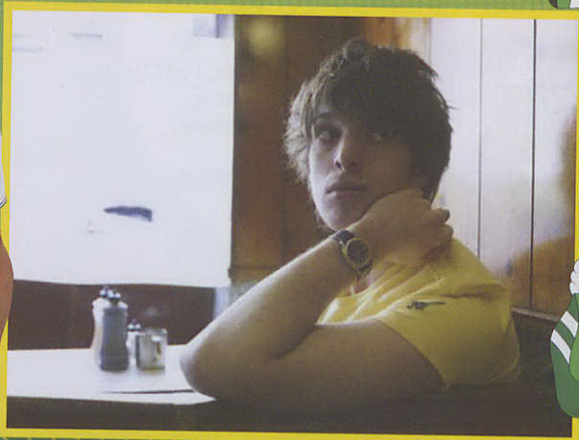


3. These two Celts both joined the club in January 2014

EOGHAN O'CONNELL: MUSICIAN I'D INVITE TO DINNER

Eoghan O'Connell says...

Paolo Nutini – I'm a big fan of his. He seems quite funny and comes across as a good guy. I'd probably make him get up and sing if he was there as well, I'm sure he'd be fine with that. He's a Celtic fan as well actually. I like his music and he seems like a cool guy so he'd be a good one to meet.

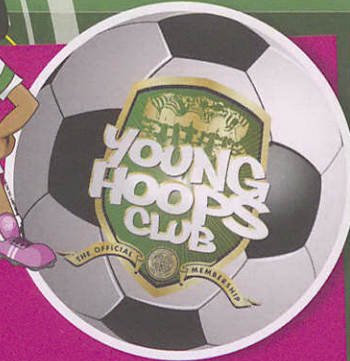


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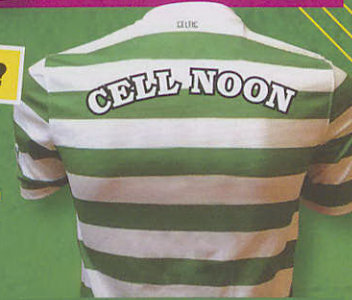
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Guess the player...

Can you re-arrange the jumbled letters to see which current Celt this is?



TOP FIVE KIDS' QUIZ

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1. Which Celt scored the equaliser against Aberdeen a fortnight ago?
2. What is the name of the first team's old training ground?
3. What is the name of Celtic's young Italian goalkeeper.
4. Which team do Celtic play in the Scottish Cup next week?
5. What number does Jason Denayer wear?

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Florida Celtic Soccer Club extend partnership

CELTIC Soccer Academy is delighted to announce that Florida Celtic Soccer Club have extended their agreement with us, which will see them continue as an International Club Partner for another four years.

The International Club Partnership Programme gives clubs across the globe the opportunity to partner with Celtic FC and to receive benefits such as access to Academy curriculum, coach education workshops, Celtic FC camps and opportunities to travel and visit Celtic FC on a team tour.

In October, Celtic Soccer Academy Manager Willie McNab paid a visit to Florida Celtic SC to meet with the club's board members, host coaching clinics and speak with the coaches on a one-to-one basis.

Following the trip, McNab said: "I was very impressed with the people at Florida Celtic SC, from their hard work off the field to the programmes they have on it, which helps each individual player achieve their full potential. "We are already planning some

exciting activities between the clubs over the next four years, and hopefully beyond."

Florida Celtic SC board member Steve Doyle added: "We could not be more excited to work with a professional club like Celtic FC.

"We are honoured to be considered a partner club and look forward to a long and rewarding relationship, and most of all we are eager to take advantage of all the training opportunities this partnership provides for our players and coaches."

Florida Celtic SC will be hosting a Celtic FC Overseas Camp in the summer of 2015 which will see our coaches travel to the US to work with Florida Celtic SC's players and coaches over a two-week period. This will involve daily coaching sessions as well as coach education sessions in the evening.

A further benefit of this partnership will see a number of Florida Celtic SC's teams travel over to Scotland in August 2015 where they will spend some time with us in Glasgow, taking part in daily



training sessions as well as playing matches and being involved in activities such as a stadium tour of Celtic Park and attending a first-team match.

We are currently working with International Partner clubs across North America in places such as, San Diego, St Louis, Philadelphia, New Jersey, and Boston, and are delighted that Florida will continue to be part of the global Celtic Family.

If you are interested in our International Partnership programme or would like to host a Celtic FC overseas camp or take part in a team tour to Celtic then visit www.celticfc.net or contact Willie McNab on wmcnab@celticfc.co.uk



ON THIS DAY

NOVEMBER 22

Words: Joe Sullivan

1902 Celtic's first ever game on this date was in 1902 when Port Glasgow Athletic visited on league duty and the Celts recorded a 3-0 win with Willie Loney and Davie Hamilton getting on the scoresheet alongside a young Jimmy McMenemy who was making his Celtic debut that day. (see page 52 for McMenemy feature)

1928 It was on this day that Willie Fernie was born in Kinglassie, Fife and, after having trials with Aberdeen and Raith Rovers, it was Celtic he joined from Leslie Hearts on October 12, 1948 before being farmed out to Kinglassie Colliery. He made his debut in March, 1950 and went on to become a Celtic legend. (see page 54 for Fernie feature)

1930 Celtic travelled to Somerset Park on this day in 1930 and returned with full points following a 6-2 win over Ayr United. The goals were shared equally between Peter Scarff, Charlie Napier and Jimmy McGrory with each of them scoring twice and all three of them scored freely that season. McGrory scored 44 in the league and Scottish Cup while Napier and Scarff both reached 22 goals. Between them they accounted for 15 of the 22 goals the Hoops scored on their way to winning the Scottish Cup that season.

1959 It was on this day in 1959 that Frank McAvennie was born in Glasgow but he didn't take up football professionally until he joined St Mirren in 1980. Prior to that he had spent most of his Saturday afternoons watching Celtic play home and away. He first arrived at Celtic from West Ham in October, 1987 and returned to Upton Park in March 1989. He then played in the Hoops again from 1993 until 1994 and, in total, scored 50 goals in 106 Celtic games. He finished his career with St Mirren, meaning he had two spells each with the Saints, the Hammers and the Hoops.

1962 Celtic beat Rangers 3-2 in a Glasgow Cup first round replay on this day in 1962. A week earlier the sides drew 2-2 at Ibrox with John Divers and John McNamee netting the Celtic goals. The replay also finished 2-2 after 90 minutes but this game went into extra-time and the Hoops netted the winner, with Bobby Murdoch with two and Paddy Czerand getting the goals.

1968 It was on this day in 1968 that Tommy Callaghan signed for the Hoops and therefore became the only player that Jock Stein signed twice. Tommy went on to play 264 times for the Hoops, during which he scored 34 goals. (see page 56 for Callaghan feature)

1975

St Johnstone visited Celtic Park on league duty in this day in 1975 and, following Bobby Lennox opening the scoring in the 24th minutes, the Perth side took the lead through goals from Jimmy O'Rourke and Charlie Smith in the 35th and 37th minutes. However, Lennox struck again five minutes after the break and Kenny Dalglish wrapped things up with Celtic's third goal just two minutes later.

1989

On this day in 1989, Celtic played out a 1-1 draw with St Mirren at Celtic Park with Joe Miller getting the goal in front of a crowd of 23,100. The game saw the debut of Dariusz Wdowczyk in the Hoops. The Polish defender joined from Gwardia Warsaw five days earlier on November 17 and that St Mirren game was the first of 147 games in which he scored six goals. He was freed in May 1994 and joined Reading before moving back to his homeland four years later to join Polonia Warszawa.

1997

The weekend before Celtic played Dundee United in the League Cup final at Ibrox, the clubs had a dress rehearsal at Celtic Park and a 48,481 crowd saw the Hoops win 4-0. Andreas Thom opened the scoring from the spot in the 36th minute before Henrik Larsson added a second in the 64th. Both scorers would get in on the act again, the German in the 71st minute and the Swede in the 79th to complete the scoring. The following Sunday, Larsson was on the scoresheet again at Ibrox as other goals from Marc Rieper and Craig Burley helped the Hoops win the League Cup against United in a 3-0 win.

2001

On this day in 2001 the Celts travelled to Spain to take on Valencia in the UEFA Cup and fell to a Rodriguez Vicens's goal just 12 minutes from time. In the second leg at Celtic Park, a 57,229 crowd saw Henrik Larsson become the Hoops' all-time top European scorer with his 17th such goal on the verge of half-time. However, that was the end of the scoring and the Celts lost 5-4 on penalties on an otherwise memorable night.

2003

Dundee United were the hosts on this day in 2003 and the 10,802 crowd saw the Celts win 5-1 with Chris Sutton netting a hat-trick and Henrik Larsson scoring a brace. It was only 1-0 at half-time thanks to Sutton's 34-minute opener but in a six-minute spell in the second half it became 4-0 before United pulled one back, Celtic were awarded a penalty eight minutes from the end and the English striker restored the Hoops' four-goal advantage.



AND ANOTHER THING...

Did you know that Celtic are only slightly older than Tarzan? Well, according to the classic story's author, Edgar Rice Burroughs, John Clayton, son of Lord Greystoke, was born shortly after midnight on Thursday, November 22, 1888. So while Celtic were playing their early games, the baby Clayton was stranded in the jungle and raised by apes.



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CELTIC FC Foundation are delighted to be able to make a £1,000 donation to the 3Hills Community Garden in Priesthill after it was recently damaged by fire.

The garden, which is set in the grounds of Cleeves Primary School, is an essential community space used by children as young as two-years-old for education and outdoor lessons.

It also acts as a social area where the local community get together and are taught how to grow affordable food and have the opportunity to meet with others in the area.

The main aims of the Celtic FC Foundation are that of improving Health, promoting Equality, encouraging Learning and tackling Poverty, and the 3Hills Community Garden is a model example of the great work in which we are able to support.

Tony Hamilton, CEO of Celtic FC Foundation, said: "We were saddened to hear of the damage at such an



important community facility but we are delighted that we could assist on this occasion.

"The community garden at Househillmuir is used by so many people so it's necessary to restore it as soon as possible.

"People in the community are a major

priority for us at Celtic FC Foundation, which is why we're currently running our Christmas Appeal. This will benefit many local families in the city and other organisations who look after vulnerable people, including the homeless and women and children in refuge."

Celtic FC Foundation have got it in the bag

AS most of us are probably now getting used to, legislation was passed by the Scottish Parliament recently, meaning that as of last month a minimum charge of 5p applies for each new single-use carrier bag requested by customers in retail outlets across the country.

The legislation has been introduced in an effort to become more environmentally friendly as a nation, and to reduce the visible impact of litter and waste throughout Scotland.

Celtic Football Club's 11 retail stores across Scotland now of course comply with this new ruling, but rather than profit in any way from these new charges, a decision has been made to donate ALL profits from carrier bag sales to our charitable arm, Celtic FC Foundation.

This means that any supporters who make a purchase from one of our

stores, and require a bag, will be directly contributing to the excellent work that Celtic FC Foundation carry out in West Central Scotland and beyond.

Speaking of the initiative, Celtic FC Foundation Chief Executive, Tony Hamilton said: "I'm very grateful to the club and to our Retail team for what is another great gesture. The money we can raise from the sale of these bags will be put to the best of use.

"What we are aiming to do here is create a Foundation, which our supporters will be proud of. Initiatives like this will help us do just that."

Shop in confidence at Celtic's retail stores, safe in the knowledge that if you do happen to require a bag, then your payment will directly benefit the lives of others.





YOUNG GUNS GO FOR IT

Stevie Frail is expecting a tough challenge from an experienced Everton side on Tuesday night at Goodison

Exclusive Interview: Mark Henderson

STEVIE Frail isn't fazed at the prospect of fielding one of the youngest sides in the inaugural English Premier League International Cup - quite the opposite.

Celtic will contest their first match in the Under-21 competition on Tuesday night away to Everton, before taking on fellow English Premier League side Sunderland and Spaniards, Villarreal in the three-game group phase.

Facing one of the most successful academies down south - with alumni that includes the likes of Wayne Rooney and Ross Barkley - on their home turf will be a challenging start for the Bhoys.

And while Frail can't make a definite prediction on the composition of the Toffees' starting XI, he expects them to be older than his charges.

However, the coach knows this type of experience can only augment the young Celts on their journey to hopefully become top-team players at the club.

"We have had one or two reports on them and they will be an experienced team," he told the matchday programme in an exclusive interview. "They have their first team, their U21s and U18s to choose from, so it's not just a development team.

"They will be strong and we know they will be full

of good players and I would imagine they will emulate their first team in the way they like to play by getting the ball down.

"Everton are a top English academy and it shows our players what they are up against - other styles of football, other clubs, other players. Rooney, Osman and Barkley have all come through their system and they do produce good players, as we do.

"In my time here, we have played them at youth level - at U19 and younger - and they have all been good games. I would imagine we would be one of the youngest sides in it but that's good for their development and it shows us the level they are at.

"It's brilliant for them to be exposed to that. A lot of them play youth international games but this will be another level up as I genuinely think they will have an older squad than us.

"You have the three over-age player rule but whether we take it up or not, I'm not sure. So we will probably be a younger squad but that's excellent.

"We played a very experienced Sunderland side in pre-season, and although we lost the match, we controlled it for large parts of the game. That's what we want as that helps them develop, playing against these top players as they need to raise their game. It will be an

excellent challenge for us and it's a game we are looking forward to."

The meetings with the Merseysiders and Sunderland will be held at their home grounds, while the Villarreal match will be hosted in a stadium in the London area.

And the opportunity of playing within the iconic surroundings of Goodison Park has whetted the Hoops youngsters' anticipation.

"The fact that it's at Goodison Park as well will add a bit of excitement as well and hopefully it should be a good game," said Frail.

"We played at Villa Park a few years ago in the NextGen Series and we didn't start the game too well. I'm not sure if the occasion got to them, although our argument was that is nothing more imposing than Celtic Park and they have all played there.

"So we might try and arrange a walk round the stadium on the morning of the game so they get their bearings and they know what to expect later that night."

The club was one of eight top European teams invited to participate in the competition, along with an equivalent number of English Premier League sides, highlighting the esteem the Celtic Youth Academy is held in across the continent.

All three group games will be staged in England, meaning it will be essentially an away tournament for Frail's side.

However, despite that disadvantage, he insisted they were certainly not there to make up the numbers.

"It's only three games and we are disappointed it's not six, but we want to do well," said the coach. "It's three top games for us and for the Academy to be invited down to these tournaments is excellent.

"We don't just want to go and be able to say we played at Goodison Park or the Stadium of Light, we want to acquit ourselves well and win games, and win them in the right way.

"It's an exciting tournament and it takes us away from the league for a wee bit and allows us to see where we are in terms of the top players at our age in England."

And Frail has demanded a response from his players after the Development Side suffered a disappointing 2-0 league defeat to Motherwell on Monday night.

"The last couple of games at domestic level have been disappointing and we have to get back to what we are good at, and hopefully we will bring that to the game on Tuesday night and get a positive result," he said.

"Having spoken to them earlier in the week and gone through some of the video analysis stuff with them individually, they know they are better than they showed against Motherwell on Monday night.

"I'm expecting a reaction in training and I'm sure I will get that. They have played big games in recent years, like NextGen and the UEFA Youth League, and they relish them.

"We go into the Everton on the back of a poor result, but I'm sure we will get the positive reaction we need and hopefully the positive performance that will get us a good result."



Mersey Celts



CELTIC have a strong supporter base in the North West of England and Stevie Frail hopes some of them can come along to Goodison Park on Tuesday night and back the Bhoys against Everton.

The Hoops' opening game of the International Premier League Cup kicks off at 7pm, with tickets priced at £5 for adults and £3 for concessions. A pay-at-the-gate system will be in operation.

"It would be excellent if some of the fans could turn up," said Frail. "They might not get the chance to see the Development Side play, and hopefully they will see good players and the type of player we are trying to produce.

"It's also good for the players to turn up and see some fans. Anywhere we go, we have supporters there.

"We were in Dubai about three years ago, playing against teams like Liverpool and Leeds, and while they had one or two fans dotted about, there were about 1,000 Celtic fans there.

"Although the players know how big a club Celtic is, it shows them what it's all about. So it would be really good on Tuesday night, even though Bayern Munich are playing Man City in the Champions League, if some of them could come out and watch the club's young kids playing."



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THOMAS DOUBLE DOWNS YOUNG HOOPS

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MOTHERWELL 2 CELTIC

(THOMAS 43, 58)

A DOUBLE from Motherwell's Dom Thomas consigned Celtic's Development Side to their second league defeat of the season at Fir Park.

The winger capitalised on a piece of hesitant defending to put the hosts ahead just before the interval and he sealed the points in the second half with fine finish after a swift counter-attack.

On a frustrating evening for Stevie Frail's side in Lanarkshire, the nearest they came to a reply was a curling shot from substitute Paul George in the final 10 minutes which struck the woodwork.

Perhaps the most notable inclusion in the starting XI was Darnell Fisher, who returned to action after a long absence through injury. Filip Twardzik, Jamie McCart, Joe Thomson and Kieran Tierney also came into the side following the previous week's draw against Hibernian.

They made a bright start, with Tierney particularly prominent on the flanks. The winger, full of confidence from his recent wonder-strike against Hearts, had a shot deflected wide and sent in two dangerous low deliveries from the byline.

Liam Henderson then picked out Thomson's near-post run from a corner but the midfielder couldn't get the ball under the control.

After surviving that opening flurry from the Bhoys, the hosts started to pose a threat at the other end. Thomas' fizzing cross was deflected over for a corner, and when that set-piece was only partially cleared, defender David Ferguson headed over from six yards.

Both teams were now enjoying periods of supremacy. Paul McMullan gave notice of his menace, cutting inside from the left and seeing a shot blocked, before Beram Kayal teed-up Thomson, who rifled wide from 25 yards.

In the 20th minute, Motherwell striker Dylan Mackin crafted some space in the box after controlling a cross from the right, but he couldn't direct his final effort on target.

Increasingly, the action was being constrained in midfield as both sides fought for supremacy but it was now the home side who were the looking the more likely to open the scoring, and only a goal-saving tackle from Fisher denied Mackin as he pulled the trigger in front of goal.

All the visitors could muster in the period approaching half-time was a low effort from Kayal that failed to trouble goalkeeper Ross Stewart.

And two minutes before the break, the Steelmen took the lead. Twardzik conceded possession inside his own half and Thomson ran through on goal and calmly fired beyond Leo Fasan.

Celtic upped the tempo after the restart and did force the home side back but struggled to fashion clear chances. A determined burst from midfield from Kayal did give the Israeli a sight of goal but Stewart was equal to his effort, with Morgyn Neil first to the rebound.

And after swift breakaway, Motherwell doubled their advantage. Collecting possession just outside the box, Thomas drove forward, took aim and then fired an accurate shot into the top corner.



The young Hoops now had a mountain to climb and found themselves restricted to long-range attempts, with Henderson and Waters trying their luck several times without success.

And they could have been further behind had Fasan not produced a stunning save to thwart Mackin from point-blank range.

Paul George was introduced for McMullan for the closing stages and the forward certainly made a difference with his quick feet and movement.

With nine minutes left on the clock, he came the closest to reducing arrears, dancing away from one challenge and striking a tremendous shot off the inside of the post. But there would be no late glimmer of hope for the visitors as the game ended in disappointment.

CELTIC 4-3-3 Fasan; Fisher (Breslin 46), Twardzik, McCart, Waters; Henderson, Lindsay, Kayal (Hill 74); Thomson, McMullan (George 68), Tierney.
Not Used: Hart, Miller, Hendry, Higgins.

HISTORY

with Stephen Murray



HIS GREATEST GAME

**Henrik Larsson v Hearts
February 4, 2001**

MARTIN O'Neill was in his first season as Celtic manager at this time, and his side topped the SPL table when they played Hearts as the season resumed after a four-week winter break.

O'Neill's Celts were hoping to continue the good form they had shown in the first half of the season and they returned after the break to face a difficult trip to Tynecastle, and the Celtic fans fretted that the team's recent inactivity may have made their heroes a little rusty.

On a cold winter's Sunday evening, it was obvious

that Celtic were in the mood as they took the game to Hearts and opened the scoring after just four minutes. Alan Thompson swung in a cross from the left and Henrik Larsson rose superbly to bullet home a typically powerful header.

This was his 29th league goal of the season and he was very much a man in the peak of his form.

In the second half Hearts had forced Celtic back without creating much and in 68 minutes Larsson struck again. Thompson again was the provider with a forceful run down the left flank, and he angled a hard, low cross towards the penalty spot.



Larsson was on to it like a flash, and while running at speed, deftly flicked the ball away from the despairing dive of Hearts' keeper Antti Niemi for a terrific goal.

Larsson's movement, anticipation and execution were truly outstanding and this goal was a thing of beauty. The Celtic fans behind the goal celebrated joyously, as the bold Henrik ran towards them with his trademark 'tongue out' celebration.

Celtic continued their pressure on the Hearts goal and, somewhat predictably, Henrik clinched his hat-trick shortly after. Larsson's goals for Celtic are well-documented but he was also a fine footballer, and he proved this when he cleverly made space in midfield and ran across the park, to provide a fine pass to send Didier Agathe running down the right-hand side.

When Agathe's cross came over, Larsson was already in the box, and he took a touch before volleying another fine goal past Niemi.

Snow fell in the cold night air as the Celtic fans roared out their appreciation of their star Swedish striker. The game was a 6.05pm kick off for the benefit of live television and millions more watched at home as Henrik Larsson took centre stage.

This was a typical performance from O'Neill's Celts, full of authority and drive, together with a ruthless streak when they were on top, which allowed them to ram home their superiority.

Hearts had not played badly but it was clear that this Celtic team was now a class apart in Scotland.

The 2000/01 season was reckoned to be Larsson's finest in a tremendous career and he went on to score a stunning total of 53 goals during that remarkable campaign. He had helped to get Celtic back on the rails after the winter break and a memorable treble of domestic trophies would not be long in coming.

Henrik Larsson remains an iconic figure in Celtic's history and the Hoops fans who happily trooped out of

Tynecastle on that snowy night, were in no doubt that they were truly in the presence of greatness.



HISTORY

Words: Joe Sullivan

NAPOLEON – THE MASTER STRATEGIST

When it came to nicknames, somebody got Jimmy McMenemy's just right

CELTIC legend, Jimmy McMenemy made his Celtic debut as a 22-year-old on this day in 1902. He scored that day and that was the first of 164 goals in 516 games for the inside-left. A Celtic Graves Society event today at his graveside in Dalbeth commemorated this great Celt, and we take a look at his amazing career.

Prelude to Paradise

Jimmy McMenemy had somewhat of a chequered career prior to joining Celtic but rarely straying far from Paradise in doing so. As an 18-year-old he was with Rutherglen Young Celtic Juniors in 1898 before joining another Juvenile side, Cambuslang Bluebell the following year. He also had a trial with Dundee that year before signing for Cambuslang Hibernian in 1900 and Rutherglen Glencairn the following year. He had trials for Everton and on April 28, 1902 he played for them in a 1-1 draw against Celtic in the East End of Glasgow. However, that wasn't his first Celtic involvement as he played a trial game in friendly against Motherwell on August 16, 1900 and then just 12 days before playing for Everton against Celtic, he played for the Bhoys in a 0-0 draw with Blackburn Rovers.

First start

The trials and tribulations stopped on June 6, 1902 when he signed for Celtic for real and, according to some sources, he made his debut on November 22, of that year. Port Glasgow Athletic were the visitors in



the league and the youngster scored in his very first outing as they played their final season wearing the old green and white stripes. Willie Loney and Davie Hamilton also scored as the Celts recorded a 3-0 win over the Inverclyde side. However, he has also been recorded as listed in a 2-2 league draw at home to Hearts earlier on September 29 of that season. In any case, following the Port Glasgow game, he played four more times and scored one more goal before the end of that term and became a regular the following season.

Highs

There were no fewer than 11 championship medals and he was a member of both of the first long-running consecutive championship-winning sides with runs of six and four successive titles respectively. He was part of the title-winning side between 1905/06 and 1909/10. They were closely followed three seasons later with the foursome from

1913/14 to 1916/17 and in the intervening three years the Celts lifted the Scottish Cup twice. The 11th stand-alone title win arrived in 1918/19 - the previous season the Celts missed out on the title by only a point meaning that interrupted another six-in-a-row. He also won no fewer than six Scottish Cup medals among a host of other silverware.

Lows

It goes without saying that no player likes to be out through injury but a spell in the sidelines in season 1912/13 robbed Jimmy McMenemy of the achievement of picking up a winner's medal in every one of his 18 seasons. That season the Hoops lifted the Charity Cup but McMenemy missed out on the 3-2 win over Rangers. He did, however, win an amazing 36 medals - two for each of his 18 terms. The breakdown was 11 championships, six Scottish Cups, eight Glasgow Cups, nine Charity Cups and a War Fund Cup thrown in for good measure - and this was achieved in an era when the Scottish Cup was suspended for five seasons because of the First World War. He even added to that haul the year after he left Celtic when he helped Partick Thistle to their only Scottish Cup win when they beat Rangers 1-0 in the 1921 final.

Last start

In season 1919/20, McMenemy had played in every game but one up until mid February and didn't return until the end of April when the Hoops played 11 games in 28 days, including a run of six games in 11 days. His final game came in the midst of all that

when St Mirren visited on April 22. The visitors took the lead through Denis Lawson in the fifth minute with their keeper, Willie O'Hagan, playing brilliantly. However, Tommy McInally and then Willie McStay from the spot gave Celtic a 2-1 lead at the break before St Mirren equalised through James Thomson with five minutes to go.

What happened next?

After a spell at Partick Thistle, McMenemy's playing days were over but his influence on the game continued as he embarked on a successful coaching career, first at Partick Thistle and then Celtic. Napoleon was a master strategist on the pitch and he made his presence felt as a member of the club's backroom staff. It was in the autumn of 1934 that he returned and less than two years later, the league title was secured in 1936. McMenemy's approach and aura seemed to get the best out of the players. He was once again a key figure within the club.

And another thing...

Football ran in the McMenemy family. The great Jimmy had two sons who also played football. John, also an attacker, played 16 times for Celtic and scored two goals for the club between 1925 and 1928. He also played for Motherwell, Partick Thistle and St Mirren. John never made the impact his father did at Celtic, but he had some of silky attributes on the pitch. Harry, another son of Jimmy, played for Newcastle United, while former Southampton and Sunderland manager, Lawrie McMenemy is also a distant relative.



THE MAN WHO PUT CELTIC IN SEVENTH HEAVEN



It was on this day in 1928 that Willie Fernie was born in Kinglassie in Fife and he was the man who hit the final goal in the 7-1 game

SPEAK to any of the Lisbon Lions about their boyhood heroes and the same name seems to pop up in every conversation.

During two spells and 317 appearances at Celtic Park starting in the 1950s, which included 75 goals, Willie Fernie was one of the great entertainers, a true ball-player and master of the solo run and dribble.

Played at outside-left or even at right-half, the versatile Fifer, who was born in Kinglassie on November 22, 1928, was always one of the outstanding players in a Celtic team that was undeniably hampered by the management style of the time.

His talent sadly outweighed the achievements of the team during his 11 years at the club, but he was a central player in the league and Scottish Cup double win of 1954, Celtic's Coronation Cup win and two League Cup final wins.

WILLIE FERNIE was never sent off during his two spells at Celtic Park. The man described as a 'quiet and unassuming' character, simply refused to retaliate or lash out at his opponents, no matter how serious the provocation. His restraint was legendary, rivalled only by his dribbling skills and as his reputation as 'Scotland's Stanley Matthews' grew he became an even greater target for his opponents. The trick, as he explained in later years, was all 'in the hips' and he seemed able to ease past players with a shake and a shimmy. Jimmy Johnstone may have been recognised as Celtic's 'Lord of the Wing' in the 1960s and '70s, but during the '50s Fernie was king.

THERE were 63 minutes on the clock and the score level at 1-1 when Fernie embarked on a mazy run in the 1954 Scottish Cup final. Starting just inside

the Aberdeen half and tearing down the touchline, he danced past players drawing several others like a magnet. He eventually reached the byline, where one defender trailed in his wake, hacking at his heels. Then came a little stumble before Willie regained his balance and lifted a delicate chip to Sean Fallon in front of goal, leaving the stand-in striker with a simple finish. It was one of the finest moments of the 'Wizard of the Weave' and an assist which sealed a memorable league, Coronation Cup and Scottish Cup 'treble' in front of a crowd of 129,926 supporters.



THE year 1953 was one of outstanding personal triumphs for Willie Fernie, as he starred at outside-left when Celtic overturned the odds in their victory in the Coronation Cup. The tournament was designed to pit England's finest against Scotland's top sides, featuring Aberdeen, Celtic, Hibernian, Rangers, Arsenal, Manchester United, Newcastle United and Tottenham Hotspur. Having finished eighth in the league the previous season, Celtic were primarily included to ensure crowds at the games in Glasgow, but they surpassed every expectation, beating English champions Arsenal, knocking out Manchester United and beating Hibernian in the final. Fernie was one of the stars of the tournament.

THE year 1967 marked Celtic's greatest triumph and also the year Willie Fernie returned to Celtic Park as a member of the coaching staff. After leaving the club in 1958 he had moved to Middlesbrough for two seasons and enjoyed a brief, season-long return to the Hoops, before helping St Mirren reach the 1962 Scottish Cup final. Spells in Ireland with his former team-mates, Bertie Peacock at Coleraine and Charlie Tully at Bangor, followed before he received a call from Jock Stein. The newly appointed Celtic manager wanted Willie as his reserve team coach and,

according to Lisbon Lion, Jim Craig, he immediately had a great influence on the crop of emerging starlets with his 'free and open coaching philosophy'. He loved his players to 'keep moving the ball' and later continued this approach at Kilmarnock, where he twice won promotion. Sadly, he was sacked after a run of bad results in 1977, bought a taxi and stepped away from the professional game forever.

MIDDLESBROUGH paid £17,500 to take the then 30-year-old Fernie to Ayresome Park in 1958. Fernie's move was one that dismayed the Celtic support, coming just two months after the transfer of another favourite, Bobby Collins, to Everton for £25,000. In keeping with the style of the old board of directors, the money was reportedly raised to pay for the fitting of floodlights at Celtic Park. Down on Teeside, Fernie showed glimpses of greatness, with the Boro support still recognising him as a beacon of quality during an otherwise dismal time. His partner in attack was none other than 'Old Big Head' himself and in later years, the legendary Brian Clough identified Fernie as one of the finest providers he ever played alongside.

IT was in the final minute of a match that Fernie created a much-celebrated piece of Celtic history with his penalty strike at 'Hampden in the Sun'. By the 90th minute of the 1957 League Cup final, he and his Celtic team-mates had thumped in six and had hit the post a further four times in what was a complete rout of their derby rivals. Rangers were on the rack, a broken and spent force with full-back, John Valentine and goalkeeper, George Niven enduring a nightmare afternoon. Then, with seconds remaining, the outstanding Billy McPhail was unceremoniously flattened inside the box. Fernie was the man who stepped up to take the resultant spot-kick, aiming for Niven's bunnet in the back corner of the goal. The penalty was duly tucked away and one of the club's finest 90 minutes sealed in the perfect fashion.





WHEN TC MET CFC

Today is the 46th anniversary of **Tommy Callaghan** joining the Hoops

It was on this day, November 22, 1968 that Tommy Callaghan signed for Celtic from Dunfermline Athletic and in doing so, he became the only player to sign for Jock Stein twice.

The legendary Celtic manager was in charge at East End Park when the then 16-year-old midfielder signed for the Pars from Lochore Welfare.

The Big Man swooped again when Callaghan was restless at Dunfermline and just a day after signing for the Hoops, he made his scoring debut in a 4-0 win over Partick Thistle at Firhill and that was the first of 34 goals in 264 appearances before he moved to Clydebank in 1976.

To mark the anniversary of his signing, we revisit an interview with Tommy when he recalled signing for his Bhoys club.



TOMMY Callaghan was one of the few players who were lucky enough to team up with Jock Stein more than once in his career. And to be signed by the legend twice, in the space of just six years, puts into perspective how much of a talent Stein considered Callaghan to be.

He joined Celtic in 1968 and was one of the first new signings to join up with the Lisbon Lions following their European Cup triumph. Despite scoring on his debut, against Partick Thistle, however, Callaghan had a slow start to his Celtic career.

Fans knew changes after the 1967 success were inevitable, but were reluctant to accept them. With the vote of confidence from his gaffer, however, the midfielder went on to enjoy almost a decade in the Hoops making over 260 appearances.

Still a familiar face around Celtic Park, Callaghan remains a part of the club, despite hanging his playing boots up almost 33 years ago.

Do you remember how the move to Celtic came about?

I'd fallen out with George Farm, the manager at Dunfermline so I had asked away. For a few weeks

things weren't happening and then I got a call from a reporter in Dunfermline who asked if I had heard anything. I said no and he told me Celtic had put a bid in for me. He asked me to go along to his house at night and it was there that Big Jock was going to phone me. And he did. He told me they had put a bid in and they were in talks with Dunfermline. I think there was a difference of £5,000 at the time. Dunfermline wanted more for me. He told me to keep going in and see them every week and eventually they would get fed up with me. So that's what I did and all of a sudden I was signed.

What did you think when you heard of Celtic's interest?

I was over the moon because at that time I was really low. I was playing in Dunfermline's reserve team which is something I had never really done before. There was a European game coming up and the boys were going to Greece. That was the first trip that I'd missed since I had joined Dunfermline so I wasn't too happy. But when I got the news of Celtic's interest I was absolutely delighted. The timing was perfect and it gave me a right lift.

EX- PLAYER

Tommy Callaghan



> **What was Jock Stein like while you were at Dunfermline?**

He was absolutely brilliant. That's where he cut his teeth in management and he was so different. Managers normally went around in suits and smoked pipes, they were a figurehead, but Jock Stein was active. He was with the boys, he would put the tracksuit on and mixed with everyone - I think that was one of the main reasons he got to know everyone. I remember being at Dunfermline, when I was on the ground staff at the time, and he would come into the snooker hall with us. We would get a game of snooker and then he would go in and clean the dressing rooms. It didn't matter if you were first-team or reserves, he mixed with everyone. He got to know everyone inside out.

So it was no real surprise that it was him who personally called you then to arrange the Celtic deal?

At first I thought it was a hoax! I had worked with him at Dunfermline and he was so good. When he left everyone was shattered but lo and behold I ended up back with him again so it worked out well for me. It was brilliant - when I got the call, I nearly ran across the Kincardine Bridge!

How quickly was the deal done after you met Jock Stein for the first time?

It was done immediately. I signed the papers right away. I went into the boardroom and he had the forms sitting out in front of me. I went to sign them and he said: "Do you not want to know how much you're getting a week?" I said "No, just give me your pen" and I signed them there and then. He then told me my wages and told me to give him back his pen because I had put it in my pocket.

Was it fair to say it was an extra-special moment considering you were a Celtic fan?

Yes, I'd grown up a Celtic fan and the year before that, they had won the European Cup. They were the top team in Europe so to join a club like Celtic at their peak was unbelievable. It was the old story of a dream come true but it was true, I kept thinking "God almighty, I'm signing for Celtic!" It was hard to take in at first. There was a guy along the road from me who was Celtic-daft, he used to take me to all the games, and he was actually crying when I signed. He was a friend of the family and he went to every game. He would take me on the supporters' bus and look after me when I was a kid.

Was your family's reaction similar?

Yes, my Mum and Dad were so happy. My Dad never actually saw me play for Celtic, though, because he took not well after I signed so could never manage out to see the games which was a pity. My brothers would come through a few times when I first signed. It was a great thing for the family.

Did you save the newspaper cuttings from the day you signed?

Yes, I kept them all! They're up in the loft somewhere in a box. But there wasn't the same hype you get today. Nowadays they are paraded about in a Celtic strip at Lennoxton and it's all very razzmatazz but all I got was

a "Callaghan signs for Celtic" headline and that was it - that was as far as the media covered it then.

What kind of reception did you get from the fans after signing?

It took a bit of time for the Celtic supporters to get used to me and nobody understands why. I played in the team early doors and then I was out of the team for a while. I got back in but it was a love/hate relationship with the fans. But after that wee spell I got a regular place in the team and it was alright. That was the Lisbon Lions though, and with the likes of myself and Harry Hood coming along, everything was changing. That was the team who won the European Cup breaking up and no one likes change - but I did!

How easy was it to settle into your new surroundings?

It took me a wee while because the first game I played was at Firhill so I had to wait until the next Monday or Tuesday to get to the stadium. Celtic were playing away in Europe at the time. That was when wee Jimmy didn't have to go with the team because he tore Red Star apart so Big Jock had let him stay at home. I remember seeing wee Jimmy at Barrowfield. He had a big Jaguar at the time and he could hardly see over the wheel. The first-team were away but everything was starting to fall into place and it was exciting. Once I got into the swing of things it was good and I think the big thing that helped me was moving to Glasgow. I had been travelling through with big George Connelly from Dunfermline every day, and that was good company for me. I signed in November but I didn't move through until the summer, just before the new season started.

Did you ever feel out of place in the dressing room with the Lisbon Lions?

I think at first you're asking yourself "What am I doing here?" but I think after I got my first game under my belt - and scored my first goal that day too - it was fine. There were a lot of good boys there who helped me settle in, people like Bobby Lennox and Stevie Chalmers who I'm still friendly with today. Jim Brogan as well - he was a good lad. It was a good squad actually, Big Jock helped knit them all together.

Was Jock Stein the same man at Celtic to the one you knew at Dunfermline?

He was the same but as he got older he got wiser, if that's possible. He used to say "I can hear the grass growing." His knowledge of football was first class. He was very simple and basic, he didn't use stupid terms you get in the present day, it was a game of football and that was it. He also never asked us to do things we couldn't do, he made you believe in yourself.

What was the highlight of your Celtic career?

I've got far too many. From the day I signed to the present day, I still get a wee kick when I go into the park. I talk to all the boys and all the ones who work with me on a Saturday still get these wee kicks. It's in us and even coming up the stairs to the offices is great. I'm still being remembered by doing these interviews and that's nice.





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CELTIC 2014

Celtic FC Foundation helping Glasgow East Women's Aid this Christmas



CONTINUING our Christmas Appeal series, we now look at the work of another of Celtic FC Foundation's beneficiary charities: Glasgow East Women's Aid.

GEWA's aim is the eradication of all forms of abuse towards women, children and young people and the structures that perpetuate them. GEWA also provide a range of support services including one to one counselling, refuge and support.

Anne Kelly (pictured above), Project Development Officer at GEWA said: "Glasgow East Women's Aid provides practical and emotional support to families who live or have lived with the effects of domestic abuse.

"Domestic abuse sadly never goes away and is ever present at Christmas every year. Therefore, we at GEWA

endeavour to make it as special as it can be for our service users.

"I want you to think about a family who have left behind all they own just to be safe. On a day-to-day basis this is incredibly difficult. However, at Christmas this seems magnified to an even greater degree and the sense of loss is profound.

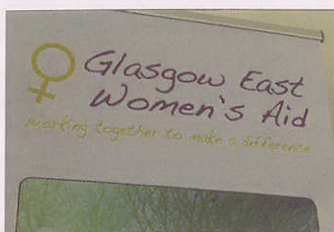
"With your help we can give families the comfort they truly deserve by

ensuring they have the gifts, toys and the little extras we all take for granted at this time of the year.

"Being able to offer trips to a Pantomime, giving a party with Santa and filling sacks with gifts for the children can change their perception that perhaps the world is not an awful place after all.

"As you can see in the video on the Celtic website, the money we receive from the Celtic Family plays a part in the long-term recovery of the most harmed families. So when you think your money only provides material comfort think again. The impact of the support you give also changes lives.

"On behalf of the staff, women, children and young people at GEWA, we wish you all a peaceful Christmas."



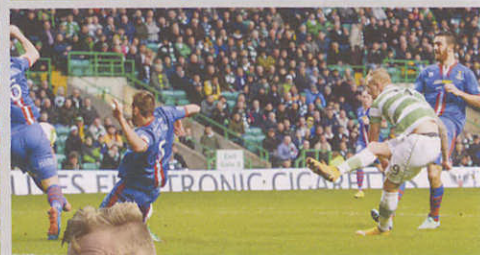
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The story so far...



Comp	Date	Result
UCL	15 July	KR Reykjavik 0-1 Celtic
UCL	22 July	Celtic 4-0 KR Reykjavik
UCL	30 July	Legia Warsaw 4-1 Celtic
UCL	06 Aug	Celtic 0-2 Legia Warsaw
SPFL	13 Aug	St Johnstone 0-3 Celtic
SPFL	16 Aug	Celtic 6-1 Dundee Utd
UCL	20 Aug	NK Maribor 1-1 Celtic
SPFL	23 Aug	Inverness CT 1-0 Celtic
UCL	26 Aug	Celtic 0-1 NK Maribor
SPFL	31 Aug	Dundee 1-1 Celtic
SPFL	13 Sep	Celtic 2-1 Aberdeen
UEL	18 Sep	FC Salzburg 2-2 Celtic



Comp	Date	Result
SPFL	21 Sep	Celtic 1-1 Motherwell
SLC	24 Sep	Celtic 3-0 Hearts
SPFL	27 Sep	St Mirren 1-2 Celtic
UEL	02 Oct	Celtic 1-0 Dinamo Zagreb
SPFL	05 Oct	Celtic 0-1 Hamilton
SPFL	18 Oct	Ross County 0-5 Celtic
UEL	23 Oct	Celtic 2-1 FC Astra
SPFL	26 Oct	Celtic 2-0 Kilmarnock
SLC	29 Oct	Celtic 6-0 Partick Thistle
SPFL	01 Nov	Celtic 1-0 Inverness CT
UEL	06 Nov	FC Astra 1-1 Celtic
SPFL	09 Nov	Aberdeen 1-2 Celtic



CELTIC FC FIXTURES & RESULTS



Key

1 Number of Goals scored

■ Booked

■ Sent Off

Home games in **bold**

1st 2nd 3rd Sub

SPFL - The Premiership

UCL - Champions League

UEL - Europa League

SC - Scottish Cup

SLC - League Cup

Stats correct up to and including 18/11/2014



Comp	Date	Opposition	Result	Starting 11
UCL	15 Jul	KR Reykjavik	1-0	Forster, Lustig, Ambrose, van Dijk, Izaguirre
UCL	22 Jul	KR Reykjavik	4-0	Forster, Lustig, Ambrose, van Dijk 2, Izaguirre
UCL	30 Jul	Legia Warsaw	1-4	Forster, Lustig, Ambrose, van Dijk, Matthews
August				
UCL	6 Aug	Legia Warsaw	3-0*	Forster, Matthews, Lustig, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	13 Aug	St Johnstone	3-0	Gordon, Matthews, Lustig, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	16 Aug	Dundee United	6-1	Gordon, Ambrose, Denayer 1, van Dijk, Izaguirre
UCL	20 Aug	NK Maribor	1-1	Gordon, Lustig, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	23 Aug	Inverness CT	0-1	Zaluska, Ambrose, O'Connell, Mulgrew, Twardzik
UCL	26 Aug	NK Maribor	0-1	Gordon, Ambrose, Lustig, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	31 Aug	Dundee	1-1	Gordon, Matthews, Ambrose, Denayer, Izaguirre
September				
SPFL	13 Sep	Aberdeen	2-1	Gordon, Ambrose, Denayer 1, van Dijk, Izaguirre
UEL	18 Sep	FC Salzburg	2-2	Gordon, Ambrose, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	21 Sep	Motherwell	1-1	Zaluska, Ambrose, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SLC	24 Sep	Hearts	3-0*	Gordon, Ambrose, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	27 Sep	St Mirren	2-1	Gordon, O'Connell, Ambrose, van Dijk, Izaguirre
October				
UEL	02 Oct	Dinamo Zagreb	1-0	Gordon, Ambrose, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	05 Oct	Hamilton	0-1	Gordon, Ambrose, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	18 Oct	Ross County	5-0	Gordon, Lustig, Denayer 1, van Dijk, Izaguirre
UEL	23 Oct	FC Astra	2-1	Gordon, Lustig, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	26 Oct	Kilmarnock	2-0	Gordon, Matthews, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SLC	29 Oct	Partick Thistle	6-0	Gordon, Matthews, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre 1
November				
SPFL	01 Nov	Inverness CT	1-0	Zaluska, Lustig, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
UEL	06 Nov	FC Astra	1-1	Gordon, Lustig, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre
SPFL	09 Nov	Aberdeen	2-1	Zaluska, Matthews, Denayer, van Dijk 1, Izaguirre
SPFL	22 Nov	Dundee		
UEL	27 Nov	FC Salzburg (8.05pm)		
SC	30 Nov	Hearts (Scottish Cup R4, 3.15pm)		
December				
SPFL	03 Dec	Partick Thistle (7.45pm)		
SPFL	06 Dec	Motherwell (12.45pm)		
UEL	11 Dec	Dinamo Zagreb (6pm)		
SPFL	14 Dec	St Mirren		
SPFL	21 Dec	Dundee United (12.15pm)		
SPFL	27 Dec	Ross County		
January				
SPFL	01 Jan	Partick Thistle (5.30pm)		
SPFL	05 Jan	Kilmarnock (8pm)		
SPFL	10 Jan	St Johnstone		
SPFL	17 Jan	Hamilton		
SPFL	21 Jan	Motherwell		
SPFL	24 Jan	Ross County		
SLC	31 Jan/1 Feb	Rangers (Scottish League Cup SF)		
February				
SC	07 Feb	Scottish Cup R5		
SPFL	14 Feb	St Johnstone		
UEL	19 Feb	UEL R32 L1		
SPFL	21 Feb	Hamilton		
UEL	26 Feb	UEL R32 L2		
SPFL	28 Feb	Aberdeen		
March				
SC	07 Mar	Scottish Cup R6		
UEL	12 Mar	UEL R16 L1		
SPFL	14 Mar	Dundee		
SLC	15 Mar	Scottish League Cup Final		
UEL	19 Mar	UEL R16 L2		
SPFL	21 Mar	Dundee United		
April				
SPFL	04 Apr	St Mirren		
SPFL	08 Apr	Partick Thistle		
SPFL	11 Apr	Inverness CT		
UEL	16 Apr	UEL QF L1		
SC	18/19 Apr	Scottish Cup Semi Final		
UEL	23 Apr	UEL QF L2		
SPFL	25 Apr	TBC		
May				
SPFL	02 May	TBC		
UEL	07 May	UEL Semi-Final L1		
SPFL	09 May	TBC		
UEL	14 May	UEL Semi-Final L2		
SPFL	16 May	TBC		
SPFL	23 May	TBC		
UEL	27 May	UEL Final (Warsaw)		
SC	30 May	Scottish Cup Final		
TBC				
SPFL		Kilmarnock		

Domestic games kick off at 3pm unless stated, European matches at 7.45pm. Celtic score shown first. All fixtures subject to change. *Legia Warsaw forfeit the match - Celtic awarded 3-0 win. **Own goal v Hearts (Eckersley)

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QUIZ

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1 *Against which two clubs to date has Emilio Izaguirre netted competitive goals for Celtic?*

2 Which club is Teemu Pukki on loan at?

3 Which two teams have Dundee played against in major Euro semi-final matches in their history?

4 Who are the only three Scots to be voted in the top three of the European Player of the Year award?

5 Who was the top scorer for Celtic with 32 goals in the centenary season in 1987/88?

6 Which man other than Ronnie Deila has managed Celtic and also led a team to league success in Norway?

7 Which current Dundee player has in his career netted an international goal for Scotland?

8 Which current Celt has a brother who is a goalkeeper with another club in the SPFL?

9 Who was the first Celtic player to win 50 international caps for Scotland?

10 Which two English clubs did Dundee manager Paul Hartley play for?

11 Who are the only three players to have netted 70 or more goals in the group stages of the Champions League?

12 Which former Dundee player won UEFA Cup and Champions League medals?

13 Which current Fulham player holds the record as the youngest man ever to play for Celtic?

14 Which member of the Lisbon Lions captained Dundee to success against Celtic in the 1973 Scottish League Cup final?

15 Ghanain Celt, Mubarak Wakaso, played in which league last season?



ANSWERS

1. St Johnstone (2010/11) and Partick Thistle (2014/15).

2. Brondby.

3. AC Milan (European Cup) 1962/63 and Leeds United (FA Cup) 1967/68.

4. Denis Law (first) 1964, Jimmy Johnstone (third) 1967 and Kenny Dalglish (second) 1983.

5. Andy Walker.

6. David Hay (Lillestrom) 1989.

7. David Clarkson v Czech Republic (2007/08).

8. Filip Twardzik, his brother Dan is the Motherwell goalkeeper.

9. Danny McGrain v Israel, 1980/81.

10. Millwall and Bristol City.

11. Rauli, Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo.

12. Fabrizio Ravanelli (Juventus).

13. Mark Forster (Inverness) 1999/00. He was 16 years, 204 days.

14. Tommy Gemmill.

15. The Russian Premier League.

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Table of 10 **£450** | Individual places **£45pp**

Includes a glass of fizz on arrival, delicious three-course Christmas lunch, auction, raffle, entertainment, a festive DJ and, of course, a visit from the main man himself, Santa Claus.

All funds raised will support our 2014 Christmas Appeal. This will help local families who face poverty and hardship and charities who care for those experiencing homelessness or other disadvantage.

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- EFE AMBROSE 4 ○
- VIRGIL VAN DIJK 5 ○
- NIR BITTON 6 ○
- ALLISON ORR* 7 ○
- SCOTT BROWN 8 ○
- JOHN GUIDETTI 9 ○
- ANTHONY STOKES 10 ○
- DERK BOERRIGTER 11 ○
- STEFAN SCEPOVIC 12 ○
- KRIS COMMONS 15 ○
- JO INGE BERGET 16 ○
- CHARLIE MULGREW 21 ○
- JASON DENAYER 22 ○
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- LUKASZ ZALUSKA 24 ○
- STEFAN JOHANSEN 25 ○
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- LEIGH GRIFFITHS 28 ○
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- MUBARAK WAKASO 32 ○
- BERAM KAYAL 33 ○
- EOGHAN O'CONNELL 34 ○
- LEO FASAN 38 ○
- DARNELL FISHER 41 ○
- CALLUM MCGREGOR 42 ○
- JAMES FORREST 49 ○
- LIAM HENDERSON 53 ○
- FILIP TWARDZIK 56 ○

*Magners #7 winner



MANAGER: **PAUL HARTLEY**

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- 6 IAIN DAVIDSON
- 8 KEVIN McBRIDE
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- 15 GREG STEWART
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- 18 PAUL MCGOWAN
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- 20 JIM McALISTER
- 21 LUKA TANKULIC
- 23 MARTIN BOYLE
- 24 ANDREW BLACK
- 25 ARVID SCHENK
- 27 GRANT ADAM
- 28 DYLAN CARREIRO
- 29 GARY HARKINS
- 33 CRAIG WIGHTON
- 34 MATTHEW ALLAN
- 46 KYLE GOURLAY



22.11.2014

RESULT: Celtic Dundee

H/T	F/T	SCORERS:
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NEXT GAME:

v FC Salzburg
 Thursday, November 27, 2014
 UEFA Europa League
 Celtic Park, 8.05pm

TODAY'S OFFICIALS:

Referee: Kevin Clancy
 Assistant 1: Frank Connor
 Assistant 2: Stephen Mitchell
 Fourth Official: Alan Newlands