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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 DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO KICK OFF RUN OF HOME GAMES WITH A WIN

GOOD evening and welcome to Celtic Park for tonight's UEFA Europa League tie against FC Astra. And I would also like to welcome our visitors from Romania, the players, officials and supporters.

This is a game that we're all looking forward to, and given our two previous results in Group D against FC Salzburg and Dinamo Zagreb, it's also a match that we go into full of confidence.

However, we know that FC Astra will be difficult opponents, and will be looking to leave Celtic Park tonight with something from the match. Therefore, we know we'll

have to be at our best to ensure that we enjoy a successful night.

The players will also approach the game in confident mood after our weekend victory over Ross County. It was a fantastic performance, particularly in the first-half. We knew we had to bounce back with a win and we did that with some style.

We started the game well with high-intensity pressure, and the performance of the team was very pleasing. We scored four goals in the first-half, but we could have scored even more, and that's what we're aiming to do in each match.

We started the game well and

dominated it, and I'm sure it was very enjoyable for our supporters to watch.

It was a great effort by our fans, as always, travelling up to Dingwall in large numbers to support the team, and it certainly gives us a boost when we run out to see so many of our fans in the stadium.

We're going to need that support again tonight against FC Astra. We might have enjoyed a better start to this UEFA Europa League campaign than our opponents, but we will not underestimate how dangerous they will be.

To reach the group stages of the competition, they had to beat Lyon, and they won the away leg in France, which is something that very few teams manage to achieve, so we're well aware of the dangers they can pose.

We've enjoyed the UEFA Europa League campaign so far, and we're looking forward to tonight's game. It's a chance for us to retain our position at the top of Group D, and we're determined to do everything we can to try and achieve that.

With your support, hopefully we'll be enjoying another good European night at Celtic Park tonight.

Enjoy the game



'We might have enjoyed a better start to this UEFA Europa League campaign than our opponents, but we will not underestimate how dangerous they will be'

CLUB HONOURS



SCOTTISH LEAGUE WINNERS (45 Times)

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

SCOTTISH CUP WINNERS (36 Times)

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

LEAGUE CUP WINNERS (14 Times)

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

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS 1967

CORONATION CUP WINNERS 1953



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6
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1PM



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SCOTT BROWN

Celtic Captain



WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUING GOOD EURO FORM



TONIGHT'S game is a massive one for us as we reach the halfway point in our UEFA Europa League campaign, and having enjoyed two good results in our first two games, we're looking for another positive result tonight.

We're going into the game against FC Astra full of confidence after a great result and performance at the weekend. From the first whistle, we were superb and the four first-half goals we scored against Ross County were no more than we deserved.

All the boys were disappointed at our previous result against Hamilton, and we were determined to bounce back at the weekend. We did that, and in some style, and we want to continue that level of performance tonight.

However, European ties bring with them different challenges, and we know that FC Astra will be difficult opponents as they look to gain their first points in Group D.

It's important that we start well tonight, just as we did on Saturday, and that is certainly our intention. And, as always, we'll be looking for

your support, which is such a great strength for us here at Celtic Park.

European football is important for everyone at the club - the players and the supporters - and our target is to progress from the group stages and into the knockout round after Christmas.

To do so, we'll have to continue with the good form we've shown in our previous two ties against FC Salzburg and Dinamo Zagreb for the remainder of our fixtures.

Our focus, of course, is only on tonight's game. We have a number of home games coming up in a busy schedule for the team and that begins with the game against FC Astra.

We're looking forward to it and with your backing, hopefully we can enjoy another good European night here at Celtic Park.

Enjoy the game,

CLUB DIRECTORY AND RECORDS

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

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

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

RECORD ATTENDANCE
92,000 v Rangers, 1938

RECORD VICTORY
11-0 v Dundee, 1895

RECORD DEFEAT
0-8 v Motherwell, 1937

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

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

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STADIUM REGULATIONS



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

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

Superintendent George Clelland of Strathclyde

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

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

UNACCEPTABLE CONDUCT AT CELTIC PARK AND AWAY FOOTBALL STADIA

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

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

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

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

- Disorderly conduct includes conduct which stirs up or sustains, or is likely or is designed to stir up or sustain, hatred or ill will against or towards individuals or groups of people because of:
 - Gender
 - Colour, race, nationality (including citizenship) or ethnic or national origin
 - Membership or presumed membership, of a religious group or of a social or cultural group with perceived religious affiliation
 - Sexual orientation
 - Transgender identity
 - Disability
 - Using threatening, abusive or insulting words or conduct
 - Displaying writing or any other thing which is threatening, abusive or insulting

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

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

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

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

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

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FC ASTRA

Words: Joe Sullivan



STADIUM

FC Astra play at the Stadionul Marin Anastasovici which is used for many sporting events but mainly for the football side's home matches. It became Astra's home when they moved from Ploiesti to Giurgiu in 2012 and the stadium was upgraded to meet the requirements of the new residents. Indeed further stands have been added in each year since their arrival there and the attendance, now at 8,500, is planned to go up to 10,000 if plans to renovate the main stand go through and add another stand behind the north goal. Currently, there are three stands with the empty space behind that north goal taken up by

a poster. The Romanian Under-21 side have also used the stadium and drew 2-2 with Germany there last November.

STAR PLAYERS

Among the players who have played the most European games over the past two seasons are Gabriel Enache (*right*) and Brazilian, William de Amorim. The Romanian joined from CS Mioveni in 2012 and the 24-year-old midfielder has played for his national Under-21 side. The 22-year-old Brazilian, who also has Douglas as his middle name but is known purely by the singular name William,

is a left-winger who started as a youth player with Corinthians in his homeland and moved directly to Astra. However, it is the club's top European scorer, Kehinde Fatai and 25-year-old Ghanaian, Sadat Bukari, who has also played in Israel with Maccabi Haifa who could cause most problems with any side they come up against.



EURO RECORD

This will be FC Astra's second foray into European football as they made this season's bow in the third qualifying round where they came up against FC Slovan Liberec of the Czech Republic and they won the opening tie 3-0 thanks to hat-trick by Nigerian forward, Kehinde Fatai. Although a goal from Gabriel Enache in the 37th minute of the second leg put Astra 4-0 up on aggregate, two very late first-half goals brought Liberec right back into things. However late goals from substitutes, Sadat Bukari and Laurențiu Rus made it 3-2 on the night and 6-2 on aggregate for the Romanian side.

LAST SEASON

Following a fourth-place league finish in the 2012/13 term, Astra took their European bow in the UEFA Europa League last season and enjoyed aggregate wins over Domzale of Slovenia (3-0), Omonia of Cyprus (3-2) and AS Trenčín of Slovakia (5-3) before going out to Maccabi Haifa of Israel 3-1 on aggregate. Astra had their best ever season in Liga 1 as they came second and narrowly lost out to Steaua Bucharest who finished with 77 points to the Giurgiu club's 72. Both sides won 22 of their 34 league games but Steaua, with 11 draws and only one defeat, saw off Astra who had six draws and six defeats. Astra had better luck in the Romanian Cup, though, and beat Steaua 4-2 on



» penalties after a 0-0 draw at the National Arena in Bucharest in front of a crowd of 48,201.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

With this being Astra's second venture into European football, there have been no previous meetings between the Hoops and the Romanian side but games between Celtic and teams from Romania have been thin on the ground as well. Indeed, there has only been one previous meeting and that was in the European Cup-Winners' Cup of season 1980/81 when the Hoops lined up against Politehnica Timisoara. After beating Diosgyeori of Hungary 7-2 on aggregate, Celtic took on Timisoara in front of 32,000 in Glasgow and first-half two goals from Charlie Nicholas seemed to put Celtic on easy street but the visitors pulled one back in the 78th minute and that proved to be crucial. In the away leg, a crowd of 50,000 saw a foul on Peter Latchford in the 81st minute go ignored as the home side scored and won on the away goals rule.

European
Cup-winners'
Cup

First Round
(1st leg)

Celtic Park,
Glasgow

Wednesday,
September 17,
1980

Kick-off
7.30 p.m.

Souvenir
programme 20p

CELTIC

VERSUS

POLITEHNICA TIMISOARA (Romania)

CELTIC'S PLAYER POOL



... AND THEIR OPPONENTS



CELTIC v ROMANIA

* First leg

Season	Comp	Stage	Opposition	H	A	Agg	
1980/81	CWC	R1	Politehnica Timisoara	2-1*	0-1	2-2	Lost on away goals
TOTAL				2-1	0-1	2-2	

Factfile



FC ASTRA
FORMED: 1921

STADIUM:
STADIONUL MARIN ANASTASOVICI

MANAGER: ADOLF HUTTER

DOMESTIC HONOURS
(most recent triumph in brackets)
• Romanian Cup: 1 (2014)
• Romanian Superup: 1 (2014)

History: When FC Astra took on Dinamo Zagreb in their opening Group D tie on September 18, they were celebrating their 93rd birthday of sorts as it was on that date in 1921 that the Astra-Roman Sports Club was founded but that contained many team from the Prahova district under the umbrella of an oil refinery company. It wasn't until 1937 that Astra Romani Ploiesti appeared. They have spent most of their existence in the lower leagues and at one time had merged with Danubiana Bucuresti and then Petrolul Ploiesti. In 2012 they moved to Giurgiu and that instigated another name change.



FC ASTRA



CELTIC play host to **FC Astra** tonight, looking for a second consecutive home win, but the Romanian side, after two defeats in their opening two UEFA Europa League fixtures, will be looking to gain their first points tonight.

FC Astra began their season in impressive style, which included an excellent away win against Lyon in the UEFA Europa League qualifiers, and while their recent form has tailed off, they remain dangerous opponents. They remain at the top end of the Romanian league table, and Celtic will have to be at their best tonight to gain another three points in Group D.



SILVIU LUNG
Position: Goalkeeper
D.O.B. 04/06/1989
Country: Romania



DĂNUȚ COMAN
Position: Goalkeeper
D.O.B. 28/03/1979
Country: Romania



SYAM BEN YOUSSEF
Position: Defender
D.O.B. 31/03/1989
Country: France

THE OPPOSITION



JÚNIOR MORAIS
Position: Defender
D.O.B. 22/07/1986
Country: Brazil



CRISTIAN OROȘ
Position: Defender
D.O.B. 15/10/1984
Country: Romania



VASSILIS PLIATSIKAS
Position: Defender
D.O.B. 14/04/1988
Country: Greece



JOÃOZINHO
Position: Defender
D.O.B. 02/07/1989
Country: Portugal



VALERICĂ GĂMAN
Position: Defender
D.O.B. 25/02/1989
Country: Romania



ALASSANE TOURÉ
Position: Defender
D.O.B. 09/02/1989
Country: France



GEORGE FLORESCU
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 21/05/1984
Country: Romania



SEIDU YAHAYA
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 31/12/1989
Country: Ghana



TAKAYUKI SETO
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 05/02/1986
Country: Japan



KEHINDE FATAI
Position: Forward
D.O.B. 19/02/1990
Country: Nigeria



CONSTANTIN BUDESCU
Position: Forward
D.O.B. 19/02/1989
Country: Romania



SADAT BUKARI
Position: Forward
D.O.B. 12/04/1989
Country: Ghana



GABRIEL ENACHE
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 18/08/1990
Country: Romania



VINCENT LABAN
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 09/09/1984
Country: Cyprus



ELLIOT GRANDIN
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 17/10/1987
Country: France



AURELIAN CHIȚU
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 25/03/1991
Country: Romania



LAURENȚIU RUS
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 07/05/1985
Country: Romania



WILLIAM AMORIM
Position: Midfield
D.O.B. 15/12/1991
Country: Brazil



OLEH PROTASOV
Position: Manager





NO TO RACISM



RESPECT

UEFA marks fight against discrimination

THIS year, the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying matches ('European Qualifiers') and the matches in the UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League offer a high-profile platform for the campaign against discrimination in football. At stadiums throughout Europe, and with the support of many players from across the world, the message will be conveyed that racism, discrimination and intolerance can have no place in the game. UEFA is giving its full support to Europe's largest anti-discrimination campaign - the Football People action weeks, organised by UEFA's long-standing partner in the fight against racism, the FARE network.

From 9 to 22 October 2014, at 40 matches across UEFA's prestigious club competitions and at 54 European Qualifiers, UEFA's commitment to ensuring that European football is free of racism, intolerance and xenophobia will be emphasised through a series of activities which will be witnessed by thousands of fans in the stadiums, and millions more on television.

'No to Racism' TV spots played on the stadiums' giant screens, as well as special announcements made over stadium loudspeakers and print advertisements, will encourage fans to join the UEFA family in its call to say no to racism in football. Every team will also be accompanied onto the pitch by children wearing 'No to Racism' T-shirts, and captains will be asked to wear a 'No to Racism' branded

armband. The same TV spot is also provided to European rights-holding broadcasters for airing during the half-time interval.

"UEFA is committed to tackling any form of discrimination in football, and we encourage football fans to join us in our efforts to value respect for players, officials, opponents and fellow supporters of all nationalities, religious backgrounds, sexual orientation and ethnic origins. For over 10 years, we have worked alongside the FARE network and will continue to strive towards unity in football," said UEFA President Michel Platini in support of the campaign.

UEFA's commitment will continue before and after the Football People weeks. All matches this season in the UEFA Champions League, UEFA Europa League, and for the first time in national team matches, through the European Qualifiers, will have a 'No to Racism' presence. Via stadium boards, the 30-second TV spot or during the line-up ceremony, the message will continue to be spread across over 500 televised matches in the next nine months.

Events are taking place during the Football People action weeks in over 40 different countries involving 400 grassroots groups across Europe. The activities include workshops, round-table discussions and mini-football tournaments and involve fans, clubs, national associations, ethnic minority groups and youth organisations.

To learn more about the FARE action weeks activities, please visit www.farenet.org

NO TO RACISM



Virgil's EURO DREAM

Celtic's Dutch defender is enjoying the competition against continental opposition, and he's determined to remain in the competition for as long as possible

Exclusive interview: Mark Henderson

VIRGIL van Dijk is cool, calm and collected on and off the field. He takes every challenge in his stride with an admirable assurance. Nothing seems to ruffle the big Dutchman. But mention the prospect of an extended run in European competition and he suddenly becomes animated and excited.

Like any ambitious footballer, the 23-year-old wants to test his talents against some of the best players on the continent.

And he is determined to help Celtic progress beyond the group phase of the UEFA Europa League and into the knockout stages.

However, personal aspiration is not his sole motivation for meeting this objective. Following his arrival from FC Groningen last summer, van Dijk quickly identified the special significance of European football to Celtic and its supporters.

Just weeks into his Hoops career, he was part of an epic European victory over Shakhter Karagandy in Paradise, a result that guaranteed him and the club UEFA Champions League football.

The defender has never experienced anything like it. And they are experiences he will treasure forever. To him, it highlights why Celtic deserve their spot on the big stage.

"European games at Celtic are always special," he told the matchday programme in an exclusive interview. "Against Dinamo Zagreb, in our last European game, it was an amazing atmosphere. It almost felt like the stadium was full."

"European nights are always a bit special and what Celtic are all about. The game against Ajax was great and the Karagandy game was something out of this world. It was so special and something I will never forget."

"I want to play in Europe, definitely. This is where everyone wants to play. I want to play at the highest level, like any player. I am in it now and want to stay there."

"Everyone wants to play against the big teams and firstly you have to get out of the group stages and we still have a lot of work but we are on our way and have a good chance."

Having amassed four points from two difficult



opening fixtures, the Scottish champions have made a positive start to achieving that goal.

A double header against Romanian outfit FC Astra is the next obstacle in Celtic's path and should maximum reward be extracted from both contests, they would be on the cusp of qualification.

However, van Dijk and his team-mates are aware, first and foremost, that they must capitalise on home advantage.

"It's very important," he said. "Everyone at Celtic wants to get out of the group so we need to win both games and we will make a good step if we do that against Astra at home. So it will be very important to win the first game, before we head out for the second one."

"It's important to play in Europe and to play well, too. We have been a little bit inconsistent in the league but it takes a bit of time. We should win all our home games and that's what we want to do against Astra."

Ronny Deila's men can count on the backing of the home support but van Dijk insists the players must also play their part in raising the noise levels.

"The crowd gives you an extra boost," he added. "If we play at 100 per cent and play well, then the fans will get behind us straight away so we need to show them that and win the game."

"We need to get behind each other as well and do what we are good at which is winning and playing good football - this is what Celtic do and what we need to do as well."

Van Dijk comes into the game with renewed belief following his second successive call-up to the Dutch squad, a reflection of his outstanding consistency for the Bhoys during his stay in Glasgow.

It's important to play in Europe and to play well, too... if we play at 100 per cent then the fans will get behind us

VIRGIL VAN DIJK



Although he has yet to make his debut for the national side, sitting out their win over Kazakhstan and surprising defeat to Iceland, it's now a tantalising target within reach.

"Hopefully I am cementing my place in the squad as this is the second time I have been called up," he said. "I have enjoyed it, although we didn't get the good results that we wanted.

"We have seven games left so there is still a bit of disappointment because of the last game we lost against Iceland so we just need to focus, trust one another and win games. We just need to focus on the next game.

"Being in the squad is the most important thing for me and hopefully I get the chance to prove what I'm capable of. You make some targets for yourself and getting into the Dutch squad was a big aim for me. I have reached that already and hopefully I can stay in the squad and now I want to get my chance and show what I can do.

"I just need to keep playing at my best at Celtic which is the most important thing and we will see what happens.

"Our next game is a friendly against Mexico and we will see. It's still a month away but I need to play well for Celtic and I'll see if that's enough."

While this has been a new phenomenon for van Dijk, a warm welcome from his international colleagues has ensured it has been a comfortable transition. Working alongside so many world-class players has also been a valuable education.

"You learn a lot, even if you are not playing games with them," explained van Dijk. "Whether it's in training, how they talk about their experiences or how they prepare for a game - these are things you need to take with you and that's what I have done.

"Most of the players know me already and everyone is nice to one another. It's a close group because of the World Cup, which went really well. But I have been welcomed very well."

Ultimately, it will be experienced coach Guus Hiddink, who replaced Louis van Gaal after the World Cup, who will determine van Dijk's international fate.

"He has a big career behind him already at international level and he did well with South Korea and Australia," added van Dijk. "I just need to wait for my chance. I am happy to be in the squad and feel ready for it."

DELIGHT FOR DENAYER CALL-UP

VIRGIL van Dijk was delighted to see young central defensive colleague Jason Denayer called up to the Belgian squad for the first time - and he was the one who passed on the good news to the 19-year-old.

The stopper's impressive start to life in Paradise following his season-long loan move from Manchester City saw him included in the Red Devils' pool for their European Championship qualifiers against Andorra and Bosnia.

And van Dijk expects the talented teenager to prosper as gets further match action under his belt in Paradise.

"I was very proud," he said. "I told him the news that he was in the squad while we were on the way to the Dinamo game and I was very happy for him.

"He is still young and need to learn a lot of things - I'm talking like I'm an old boy now! But he is on the right path and he has already taken the first step by getting into the Belgian squad.

"Hopefully, he can stay there and make a good impression and continue playing well for Celtic, which is the most important thing.

"I know what he is capable of but he needs game-time and that's what everyone needs. He is on his way and I have a lot of confidence it will go well for him."



SCOTT IS CAPTAIN FANTASTIC

VIRGIL van Dijk wasn't surprised in the slightest at Scott Brown's inspirational performances for Scotland during the recent round of international fixtures.

The 29-year-old was outstanding as Gordon Strachan's side overcame Georgia 1-0 in Glasgow and he produced another polished performance in a 2-2 draw away to Poland three days later.

"It doesn't surprise me at all as I feel he is the most important player for us at Celtic and a great captain," said the Dutchman. "He is in the middle of things on the pitch but on and off the pitch, he is a leader."

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All we ask is that you commit to raising a minimum of £125 (after entry fee) for Celtic FC Foundation.

Registration is now open and you can sign up online <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/zip-slide-in-paradise-2015-registration-13329638307>

Places are limited to 180 and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. The non-refundable registration fee is £30 per person. Please ensure you read the Terms & Conditions thoroughly before registering. Terms & Conditions available on the official Celtic website www.celticfc.net

Celtic FC Foundation's four priorities are to improve Health, promote Equality, encourage Learning and tackle Poverty. The net proceeds of this event will assist development of our work providing opportunities for local disadvantaged children and young people to take part in positive, healthy activities. Examples of our current work in this area include:

Urban Stars: this youth diversionary project is now in its fourth year. It provides access to safe and positive activities for young people in our local communities, at hot spot times

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Tony Hamilton, CEO of Celtic FC Foundation said: "This is a major event in our 2015 fundraising calendar and I'm delighted to see our Supporters' Committee playing such a key role in its delivery. It's certainly not one for the faint-hearted and participants have my utmost respect."

"The monies raised will support our work with disadvantaged children and young people, an area which is at the very core of what we do. Celtic supporters have responded magnificently to recent Foundation initiatives and I have no doubt this will be yet another event which epitomises their incredible generosity."

For further details, please contact Celtic FC Foundation on **0141 551 4321** or email cfcfoundation@celticfc.co.uk

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WHERE IT ALL BEGAN



Charlie Gallagher played in Celtic's first ever European tie, against Valencia in 1962, and it was the start of an incredible journey for the club

Exclusive interview: Mark Henderson

CELTIC'S European journey has been an epic rollercoaster ride, encompassing every conceivable emotion - joy, despair, excitement, frustration. It's proved an intoxicating mix for supporters, though it has certainly tested their nerves and stress levels over the years.

Tonight, fans will flock to Paradise in great numbers for another European football fix as the Hoops contest their 302nd match in continental competition against Romanian outfit FC Astra.

And tomorrow, Friday, October 24, will be the 52nd anniversary of when the European escapade started at Celtic Park. Lisbon Lion Charlie Gallagher was there when it all got underway.

In the Inter-Cities Fairs' Cup first round, Celtic were handed a baptism of fire by being drawn against holders Valencia.

Within the caldron of the Mestalla Stadium, the Hoops lost 4-2, a creditable result, particularly given the disruption they encountered prior to the game.

Despite Gallagher and his team-mates' best attempts, however, they couldn't manage to overturn that deficit in Glasgow, with the return fixture finishing in a 2-2 draw,

consigning them to an early exit from the tournament.

It was a disappointing outcome, yet the minds of many of the 45,000 crowd may have been on other matters as world stood on the brink of nuclear war during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Of course, that catastrophe was averted and fans could soon focus fully on football once again. A gifted Valencia side went on to retain their trophy, while Celtic proved quick learners in this environment, reaching the last four of the Cup-Winners' Cup the following season. Just four years later, they were champions of Europe under the masterful guidance of Jock Stein.

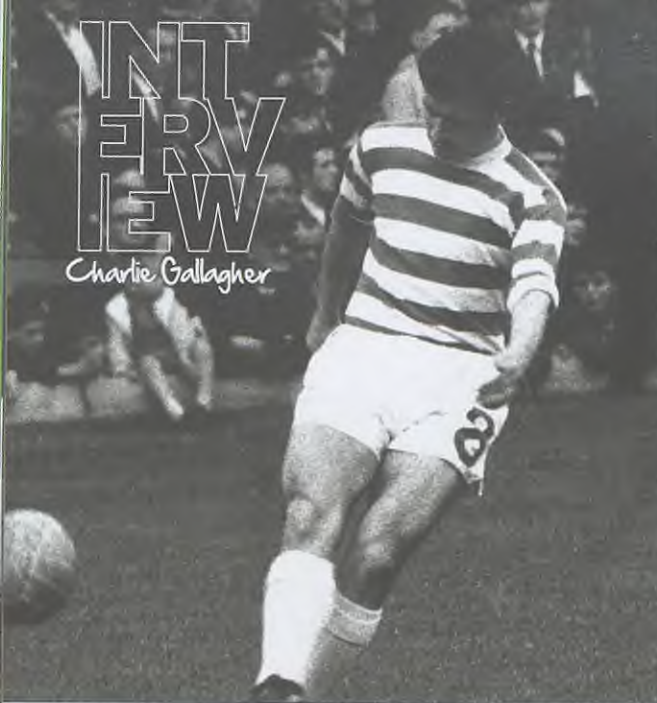
Gallagher made a vital contribution to that stunning success and the classy midfielder played his part in a host of other European encounters during a 12-year career with his beloved Bhoys.

The 73-year-old remains a committed supporter of the club and he will be in Paradise this evening along with his grandson to cheer on Ronny Deila's men.

And speaking to the matchday programme in an exclusive interview, Gallagher revealed some of his memories of that first incursion into European football, the start of a wonderful adventure.

INTERVIEW

Charlie Gallagher



> **How big an adventure was it for the squad, travelling out for the first leg in Valencia?**

It was fantastic and for many of us it would have been our first trip abroad. We had a few players who had played for a while - Dunky MacKay, Jim Kennedy, Paddy Crerand and Mike Jackson. But other than that we were an inexperienced team, with the likes of Willie O'Neill, John Fallon, myself and Bobby Carroll. When we arrived there we didn't know where we were going and it was something new for us. They took us to a big restaurant. We walked inside and it looked like a big dartboard was sitting there - and it turned out it was paella. But we didn't know what it was as we had never seen anything like that before as very rarely did you go abroad in those days. We were put in beach huts down on the front as it was very warm at the time. But what happened through the night? The storms came in. We got absolutely soaked out and we had to run up to the hotel and they put us up in bunk beds. So that was our introduction to European football.

After that disruptive start to the trip, what was the mood like going into the game?

We were a bit bamboozled with the way things had gone at the start. We went to train at the stadium which was absolutely massive. It was circular in shape, like a bull ring. During the game, we felt like the bulls and the people in the stands were looking down on us. It was a frightening atmosphere at times. It was one of those games where we were over-run, although we had a goal disallowed from Stevie Chalmers and we had a couple of penalty claims. Frank Haffey was supposed to be playing in goal that night and John Fallon was on the bench. Before the game, he was sitting at the poolside and Doc Fitzsimmons came out and asked him what he was doing and told him to get inside as he was playing in goal. No one knows what

happened to Frank but he called off just before the game started and John Fallon played in goal. Of course, Bobby Carroll scored the goals for us in the game.

Although you weren't out of the tie, did you ever feel the comeback was on against the holders of the competition?

I was out a function at the weekend there and I met Terry Dick - Glen Daly's son - and he remembers the game at Celtic Park. He said it was at the time of the Cuban Missile Crisis and every time a plane passed overhead everyone was looking up at the skies. In the first half we would have been pressing quite a lot but they would have defended been quite happy with a 4-2 lead. We scored early in the second half but they scored a couple of quick goals. Paddy scored a late one for us but they were obviously a very professional outfit at the time. They were a very good side and had won the trophy the previous year.

In the second leg, Bobby Carroll, who bagged a brace against Valencia, was one of the players to be dropped. This erratic selection policy was a regular occurrence at this time.

How disruptive was it in trying to achieve consistency at this time?

Every game we played no one knew what the team was going to be. It was a nightmare. You could be playing one week and then would be dropped for nothing and then be brought back in. It was like picking a team out of a hat. It was only when Jock Stein came in three years later that we started to get organised and train properly, as previously our training had been a joke. All the foreign sides would be working out plays and plans and we would never be getting anything like that. But when Stein came in, we got all that and it worked out in our favour.



But it was the start of a memorable European adventure and the following year, the team nearly went all the way in the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup?

After that, we must have learned something as we had a great run to semi-finals of the Cup Winners' Cup, beating MTK Budapest 3-0 in the first game but then losing 4-0 over there. However, it was only when Jock Stein came in that we got the proper training and facilities at Barrowfield.

As someone who has played in a number of great European games at Celtic Park, what do you think makes these nights so special?

The supporters make it special. That Barcelona game a couple of years ago was unbelievable. It fell on the 125th anniversary and it made it more special. Being at the chapel and then walking along to Celtic Park the following night was fantastic. Going inside and seeing what they had done with the display was something special and then getting a win was good as well.

You are always remembered for your assist for Billy McNeill's dramatic late winner against Vojvodina in the European Cup quarter-final in 1967. What were your Hoops highlights in European competition?

I played in a few games, such as Budapest home and away in 1964, and I was always in the pool even if I wasn't playing. I was always proud of the Vojvodina game in 1967 and that's one which sticks out in my mind. Everybody knew the game was finishing, and when big Billy headed that ball into the net and put us through it was the best feeling ever. When I go out now to a supporters' function it's always the thing that comes up. I remember saying to my wife that I played a lot of half-decent games for Celtic but all I remember for is two corner kicks (It was from Gallagher's corner in the

1965 Scottish Cup final that Billy McNeill headed home the winner), but she said, 'At least you are remembered for something'. Everyone remembers who took the corner kicks and who scored the goals. So I contributed something.

Are there any European trips that stand out from your playing days?

One that stands out is a sad one actually. We were playing Dynamo Kiev in the USSR, and on the way there, we stopped in Moscow and stayed there overnight. It was very bad weather and the streets were full of snow and these poor wee women were out on the streets clearing the snow. It was sad to see. We got a taxi and we tried to give the driver a tip when he took us back to the hotel but he was too scared to take it. On the way back, it was snowbound and we ended staying in Sweden. By the time we got back to Prestwick Airport it was Friday night and we had to go out training at midnight as we had to play a game away to Hearts the following day.

You still regularly attend the games, and will be in Paradise tonight. How much do you still enjoy speaking to fans about your playing days?

I go on the supporters' bus from Royston Road and there is a fantastic crowd on the bus as well. The amount of money these guys spend going to the games is unbelievable. They still ask me questions about the old days and are still desperate to hear anything about Celtic. They want to hear everything I can remember about the club. It's good to talk to them and you realise how deep their love for Celtic is.

And finally, Charlie what is your prediction for the score?

There is no reason why Celtic shouldn't win and they have to win by quite a few goals - so I'm hoping for a 3-0 win.

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HOW would you like to 'Live The Dream' by running out at Celtic Park and taking part in a truly memorable 90-minute match on the hallowed turf?

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To add to that, the matches at Celtic have also been supported by a host of fantastic Hoops legends in recent years, with the likes of Football Aid's Vice-Patron Danny McGrain, Paul Lambert, Neil Lennon, John Kennedy, Tom Boyd, Bobby Petta, Joe Miller, Mark Burchill and many more all lending their extra special support by playing alongside or managing the fans on their big day.

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Since forming in 2001 Football Aid have allowed over 15,300 football fans the chance to Live the Dream in 578 matches all over the UK, while raising over £2.1million for charity.

The unique concept was the brainchild of businessman and Football Aid Chairman Craig Paterson and funds raised from this year's event will benefit the work of a charitable project nominated by Celtic FC, as well as projects nominated by Football Aid's parent charity Field of Dreams.

Great value 2-for-1 Sunday tickets now on general sale

THE Hoops return to league duty this weekend as Ronny Deila's men play host to Kilmarnock on Sunday, October 26 (KO: 1pm).

And supporters can take advantage of our great 2-for-1 Sunday offer, which will once again see fans given one free adult, concession or child ticket for every standard adult ticket purchased for this match.

The 2-for-1 Sunday offer has been introduced by the club for the Sunday SPFL fixtures that follow our Thursday night participation in the UEFA Europa League.

In acknowledging that Sunday is traditionally a day for families, the club is aiming to make the game against Kilmarnock as accessible as possible by once again agreeing to a 1pm kick-off



and extending the excellent 2-for-1 ticket offer to both home and away supporters.

To take advantage of this offer ahead of next Sunday's match visit the Ticket Office at Celtic Park, call 0871 226 1888* or purchase www.celticfcnet Tickets are also available at the following club stores: Argyle Street, Clydebank, Coatbridge & East Kilbride.

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FOOTBALLERS MASH-UP

Which pair of famous faces have been mixed up?

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1. Top scorers for their clubs last season either side of the border

2. Both of these players could meet in an international match at Celtic Park

3. One Celtic youngster shares his surname with a Liverpool player

KAYAL: MY FIRST FOOTBALL STRIP

Beram Kayal says...

'It was an Inter Milan top with Ronaldo on the back. I was nine when I got it - he was always my favourite player. I think he was the best striker in the world when he played. I like the Brazil national team as well. He was a good player, scored a lot of goals and I saw him play a lot in the World Cup.

The first football boots I got were Nike and they were the same ones Ronaldo wore. I got them to play football because that's when I started to play on a small pitch. After that I went on to play XI v XI in my village.'

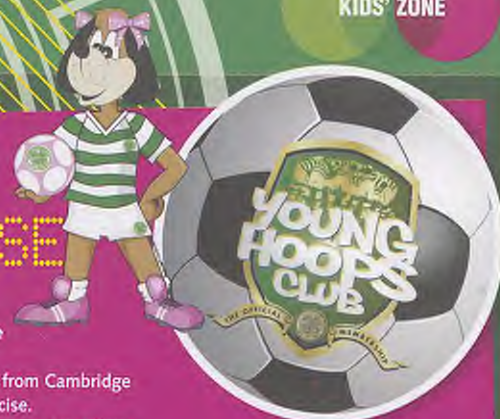


MATCHDAY MASCOTS AT HOME IN PARADISE

BOTH of the matchday mascots from Sunday's game with Hamilton Accies had a fair bit of travelling to do to get to Paradise - although one did journey a wee bit further than the other.

Tieman Carvill made the trip up from down south as the youngster comes from Cambridge while Liam Sankey travelled up from a bit further south - Australia to be precise.

The nine-year-olds led out the Hoops with skipper Scott Brown before taking in the action from the stand.



YOUNG HOOPS CLUB OPEN FOR THE 2014/15 SEASON

OUR Young Hoops Club is looking ahead to a successful 2014/15, with membership now open.

The Young Hoops Club provides each of our members with a number of excellent and exclusive benefits over the course of the season, as we aim to engage with some of our youngest fans during the early stages of their journey as supporters.

Among the benefits included in the membership - available for young supporters aged 0-3 and 4-14 years - is a Celtic goody bag worth £20, 10% discount at club stores, a discount on stadium tours, exclusive competitions, and a 'kids eat free' offer in our Number 7 Restaurant here at Celtic Park.

Members in the 4-14 years old category also have a chance to be an official mascot for a game here, or to be a ball Bhooy/Ghirl for a day.

A further key benefit of Young Hoops Club membership is the opportunity to attend various exclusive club events throughout the season, including seasonal parties, and special coaching and open events.

This season we'll also be featuring some special Young Hoops Club content in the pages of the Celtic View, and in our matchday programmes, with members encouraged to send in any pictures of themselves in their colours at Celtic Park, any club events or even at home, which we'll then feature. Members and their parents/guardians are advised to email images to us at marketing@celticfc.co.uk

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We look forward to welcoming you and your Bhoys and Ghirls back for the season ahead.

TOP FIVE KIDS' QUIZ

QUIZZY RASCAL

1. What was the score when Scotland played Poland last week in the European Championship qualifiers?
2. What country does Jason Denayer come from?
3. Who scored Celtic's goal when they beat Dinamo Zagreb earlier this month?
4. Who are Celtic playing in the League Cup quarter-final next week?
5. What number does Craig Gordon wear for Celtic?

Beach Bhoys'

PARADISE



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 **Liam Henderson** taking up the Beach Bhoys' challenge...

What would be the first thing you would do?

I don't know. I think I'd have to try and find some food but I wouldn't stress about it. I'm pretty relaxed at the best of times so I reckon I'd probably just chill first of all then see what happens.

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

There's a few to choose from but I think I could only narrow it down to two. It would either have to be James Forrest or Adam Matthews. Both are a good laugh and I think that they would have some good banter to keep me occupied.

Who in the dressing room would be the worst companion?

Eoghan O'Connell without a doubt. He never shuts up. All he does is talk, talk, talk and I know for a fact that I wouldn't get a moment's peace.

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

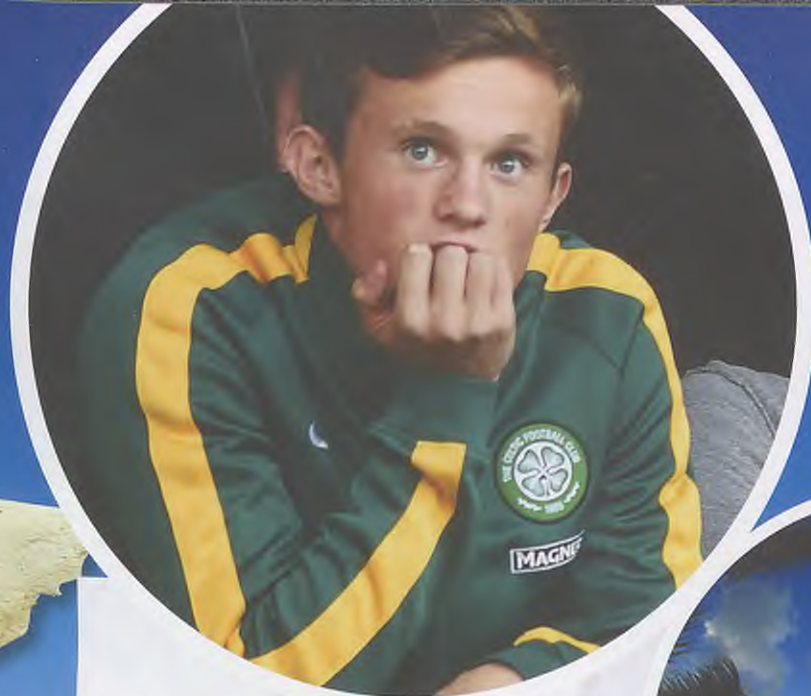
I wouldn't take a games console or anything like that because there's no point, you can't plug it in anywhere. So, I think I'd take a barbeque. I reckon it would come in useful at some point or other.

What film would you take with you?

No Strings Attached with Natalie Portman and Ashton Kutcher. It's unbelievable. A great film. I think I've seen it a few times already but it never gets old.

And one album you could salvage?

Get Rich or Die Tryin', by 50 Cent. I really like his music and that's my favourite album of his.



Exclusive interview:
Mark Henderson

What meal would you manage to conjure up?

I reckon I'd go on a bit of a scavenge and if I found some pasta then I'd be sorted. I could easily knock up a nice pasta with a good bolognese sauce. Then, with a bit of luck, I could put up a bit of steak on the side. That's when I'd use my barbeque.

Your best survival skill?

Being relaxed. I don't get flustered that often and I figure that'd be a big skill to have on a desert island. I think when others would panic but I'd happily just chill and wait until I got rescued!

And what part of your personality might get you into trouble?

Come to think about it, being relaxed might also get me into trouble. I think in situations like this you've meant to try and build shelters and get water but I'd just probably stick on some 50 Cent and just chill and go with the flow.

A ship carrying celebrities runs aground and one manages to make it ashore to your island – who would like it to be?

It would either be Mila Kunis or Amanda Seyfried. Obviously that'd be for the intellectual conversations we could have. Although, if they were happy to walk around in their bikinis, then I'd be cool with that too.

What would you miss the most?

Without doubt my family. I miss them most times when I'm away with the team, so I know I'd miss them. Other than that I'd miss Entourage.



If you could have a kickabout on the beach with one footballer past or present, who would it be??

I'd maybe say Steven Gerrard. As a midfielder myself I've watched his career and he's just a great footballer. I wouldn't say I've based my game on him but he's someone who I admire as a footballer.



MY BEST XI



Tommy Callaghan selects a strong side from the players he faced during his career

TOMMY Callaghan played for Celtic for eight years, between 1968-76, making 284 appearances for the Hoops and scoring 33 goals.

He joined the club from Dunfermline Athletic, having already enjoyed six successful seasons at East End Park and, indeed, he has the distinction of being the only player that the legendary Jock Stein signed twice – first for Dunfermline and then for Celtic.

During the late 1960s and early '70s, Celtic were one of Europe's top teams, competing in the European Cup against the continent's best sides and players.

And so Tommy Callaghan had a tough choice when it came to selecting the Best XI he faced during his career.

The resulting side, therefore, was always going to be an impressive one...



GOALKEEPER:

1: Pat Jennings (Tottenham Hotspur)

DEFENDERS:

- 2: Paul Madeley (Leeds United)
- 3: Ruud Krol (Ajax)
- 4: Ugo Ferrante (Fiorentina)
- 5: Giacinto Facchetti (Inter Milan)

MIDFIELD:

- 6: George Best (Manchester United/Los Angeles Aztecs)
- 7: Johan Neeskens (Ajax)
- 8: Bobby Charlton (Manchester United)
- 9: Mario Coluna (Benfica)

FORWARDS:

- 10: Johan Cruyff (Ajax)
- 11: Eusebio (Benfica)



PAT JENNINGS

Pat Jennings was a great goalkeeper, a brilliant presence behind the defence and so commanding. We played Spurs in a pre-season friendly in August 1972 and beat them 1-0, and I managed to score the goal. It was a shot from about 25 yards out that beat Jennings, so I was pleased about that. He also scored a goal himself once, in the Charity Shield, but as a goalkeeper, he was top-class.



RUUD KROL

He was an accomplished centre-half. He could go forward, he could defend, and he was a defensive general. He could also score, and scored some great goals. Ajax at that time were an excellent team, and their central defenders were good football players. All of their players could play football, no matter what position they were asked to play, and that came from the way they were coached from a very young age. Ruud Krol was a top player in a top side.

UGO FERRANTE

The Italians were very defensive in their style of play at that time, and all their teams had strong defenders. We played Fiorentina in 1969, and we did well at home, beating them 3-0, although they won 1-0 in Italy. Ferrante was tough, solid and did his job, and like the other defenders, if he wanted to kick you, then he'd kick you. But they were a top country, and we did well to beat Fiorentina that season.

PAUL MADELEY

He could play anywhere. I remember going down to Leeds United to play against them in friendlies, and Jock telling me to keep an eye on him. He thought Paul Madeley was a great player, and he played so many different positions. He played all of them really well and he was a great player to have in your team – he was really dependable.

GIACINTO FACCHETTI

He was the top man for Inter – the film star of the team. He had it all. I played against him and obviously I remember him from the 1967 European Cup final as well. He was a big figure in their team and he was a good left-back for them. He was a good player going forward, and won a lot of caps for Italy as well. He stood out – he was big, good-looking and a top player.

DREAM TEAM

GEORGE BEST

You could just give him a ball and let him play. Two of the great football tragedies were him and George Connelly retiring early from the game. I played against him in America and he was an absolute god over there. He always ran out last and the crowd went mad for him. He was a lovely guy, very quiet. When we played against him, he'd been out the night before so we thought that would be good, but he came out and was absolutely brilliant.

JOHAN NEESKENS

He never stopped from first minute until last. He was a great young player, and also made his name in the international team as well. I wouldn't say he was the silkier player in the world, but he was a really good midfielder, very strong, good in the tackle and he was an important part of that Ajax team. I always enjoyed playing against the bigger teams and the best players, and Neeskens was right up there among the best. It would have been good to have reached the final in 1972 and played Ajax. That would have been a great game.

BOBBY CHARLTON

To come through what he did was unbelievable. You always think of Bobby Charlton galloping through the middle of the park with the hair going everywhere. He was a great youngster, but he came back after the Munich Air Disaster to become a superstar for Manchester United and England. He was, and is, a tremendous ambassador for football. He was one of England's key players in 1966. They also had a tremendous leader in Bobby Moore – he was my favourite, but I never played against him. However, Bobby Charlton was a top midfielder, and he could hit a shot from anywhere with either foot.



up and got on with the game. And at that time, for me, he was the best player in the world. He made really good teams into great teams. He had such a good football brain.

EUSEBIO

Eusebio was incredible. He was so quick and he could make something happen in the blink of an eye. That tie against us in 1968 when we won 3-0 at home and they beat us 3-0 in Lisbon, was just tremendous football. He had pace, great control and could finish, and when you think of some of the pitches he played on as well. Now, the playing surface is perfect. But Eusebio was one of the best strikers I came up against.

MARIO COLUNA

At that time Benfica were one of the best teams in Europe and Mario Coluna always stuck out for me in what was a great side. He was the skipper, the No.6, and he was a good captain. He organised the team and held them together. They were so lucky to have Eusebio, who was half a team in himself, and they had the big centre-forward, Torres, but Coluna led the team well. He always played well for Benfica and stood out for me. He'd be my captain in this team.

JOHAN CRUYFF

He was the best player I ever faced during my career. He's right up there with the very best – with Pele, Di Stefano, Maradona, Messi, anyone you can name. Cruyff meant so much to the Ajax team at that time, and to the Dutch national team as well. I still enjoy watching the clip of that brilliant turn he did in the 1974 World Cup. And he was a brave boy as well. When we played them at Hampden, Jim Brogan gave him 'what for', but he never moaned or groaned, just got



TOUGHEST EVER CELTIC OPPONENT

When I played for Dunfermline, Bobby Murdoch was always the most difficult opponent. He was such a good player. He could spray the ball about, and he was up and down the park, but there were a lot of great players in that team. Stevie Chalmers was another player you didn't like coming up against. Running at you, he had so much pace.

TOUGHEST EVER DOMESTIC OPPONENT

Stevie Murray, when he played for Aberdeen, always gave me a hard game. He was a great midfielder, and eventually came to Celtic. He was wiry and he dug in, so you always knew you were in a game. And, of course, it was always a hard game whenever we played Rangers.



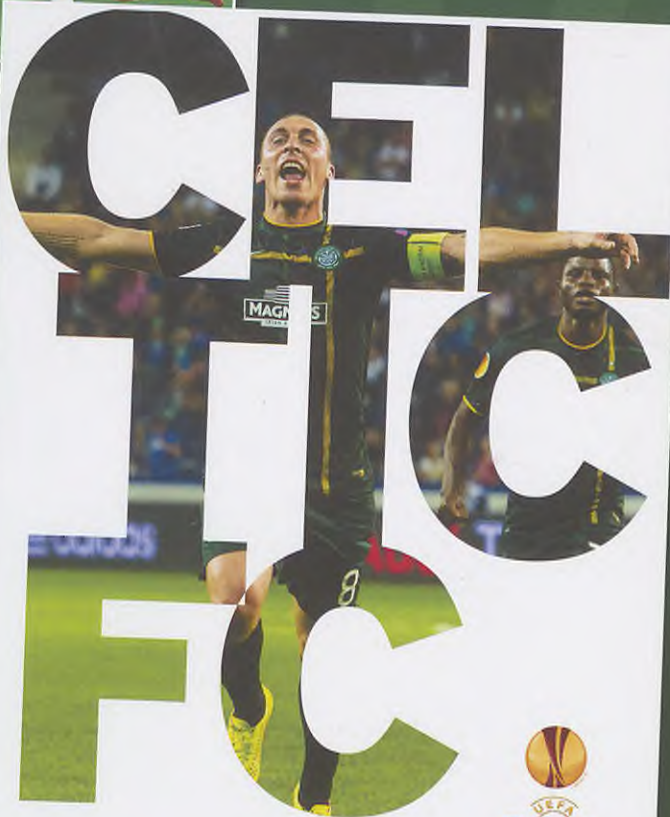
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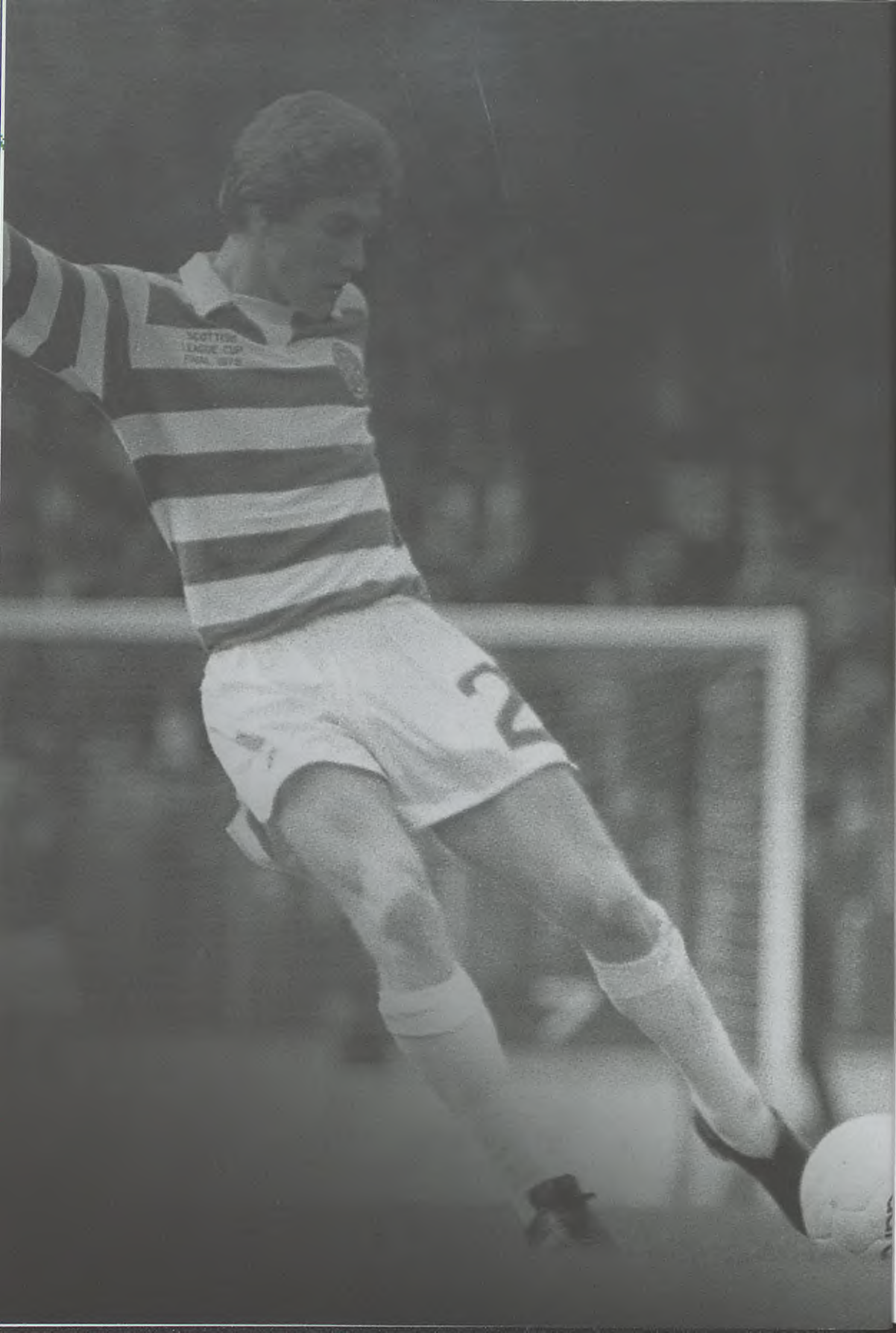
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IT'S A FUNNY OLD GAME

Alan Sneddon remembers Celtic's last meeting with a Romanian side, when the Hoops faced a number of unusual challenges in their away tie.



Exclusive interview **Martin Dalziel**

TONIGHT'S game with FC Astra marks the first time in more than 30 years that the Hoops have encountered Romanian opposition. 1980 was the last occasion the Hoops faced a team from the East European country, but to say those games against Politehnica Timisoara were in anyway forgettable because they took place a generation ago would be unfair, to say the least.

The home leg saw Celtic take a comfortable two-goal lead thanks to a Charlie Nicholas double before losing an away goal late on.

That made the return leg journey to Romania all the more daunting but when the Bhoys took to the field at Timisoara, the tie descended into farce.

Danny McGrain won the toss but the referee allowed the Romanians to choose ends and kick off. Loud music was played in the stadium throughout the game and the match was punctuated by a series of questionable refereeing decisions which saw Roddy MacDonald and Frank McGarvey both sent off. The Hoops lost the match 1-0 and went out on the away goals rule.

Alan Sneddon was part of the Celtic team who faced the Timisoara in the European Cup-Winners' Cup tie in 1980 and remembers the 'distractions' deployed by the hosts during the game.

However, he still believes Celtic should have done more to win the game on the pitch. He told the official match programme: "In the game over there, I don't know if you would call it gamesmanship, but there was music being played throughout the game, which was something new for us. At the time there was a bit of dubiety over the legalities of that but they got away with it.

"We tried to focus on the game. The distractions and things like that don't help but at that particular time you're just trying to focus on the result and trying

to do your best for the team to get that result.

"It's when you sit down afterwards and analyse it and you realise they were trying to do everything they possibly could to knock us off our stride. Then you feel as if the world's against you and the referee's not doing you any favours so the challenge was to just keep your mind focused on the game.

"But you're a professional so focusing on the game and winning is the main thing. Looking back on it, with all the distractions and things that, if it had gone a bit smoother, the result may have been different, but you look for excuses, I suppose."

"Excuses" isn't a word Sneddon finds comfortable to use when referring to his Celtic career. After making the jump from junior football with Larkhall Thistle to becoming Celtic's first-choice right-back for a time under Jock Stein in 1977, Sneddon had to learn straight away that he had to stand on his own two feet if he wanted to succeed, and that also meant taking responsibility for his and his team's mistakes.

He added: "The first game we were quite comfortable. We were winning 2-0 but a bit of slackness at the back crept in and I think their goal took a deflection before it went in.

"They ended up getting their away goal and it went from us being quite comfortable to all of a sudden we knew we were going to have to go and probably score over there.

"At that particular time we didn't have a very good record going abroad and getting results from games, so it became one of those games where we went over with a wee bit of trepidation.

"We knew we had to be extra tight at the back and not lose anything but with all the controversy and music and things that went on over there it was a bit off-putting. >

EX-PLAYER

Alan Sneddon



> "It was tough but when you've got a reputation to think about and you're hopefully going to be playing in Europe again there's no point in marring the reputation of the club because anything you do there reflects on the club and that can result in getting bans.

"You try to make sure you conduct yourself as best as possible and most of the guys at the time were seasoned professionals. You're maybe angry at the initial result but you realise no matter how much you protest or try and do something it's not going to change.

"As soon as the referee makes decisions or allows things to happen it's not going to change so unfortunately you just have to accept it.

"It was very difficult because we knew we were a better side than they were and we had a lot of chances in the game. However, when you miss chances, that's what costs you at the end of the day.

"The opposition can do whatever they like but if you've had a good part of the game and you've had opportunities and you've not taken them, that's what happens in Europe - you get punished. You have to take your opportunities and you have to kill teams off and that's still true today, no matter how much people try to intimidate you."

Despite the disappointment of the game against Politehnica, Sneddon enjoyed success as a Celtic player, both domestically and abroad.

He was a championship winner in his first year with the Hoops in 1977 and in his last season in 1979, before going on to lift the First Division league title with Hibernian later the same year.

Sneddon also won the Scottish Cup twice with the Bhoys but it was in Europe that he gathered some of his fondest memories, especially in a home game against the might of Real Madrid in season 1979/80.

The right-back sparked against the Spanish giants in a European Cup quarter-final tie at Celtic Park and set up both of Celtic's goals in a 2-0 win.

The Bhoys then travelled to Spain where they were beaten 3-0 and knocked out of the tournament but it was a set of games Sneddon still treasures.

"It's any kid's dream to play a big, glamorous team like Real Madrid," he said. "They are such a renowned team in Europe.

"I always remember the big game they played against Eintracht Frankfurt at Hampden, the 7-3 European Cup final in 1960. That was my first recollection of Madrid as a big team and then all of a sudden I was playing against them. They were a team of stars and the guy I played against, Laurie Cunningham, was an England internationalist so that added even more spice to it.

"It was just a dream come true for me to play against such a big club at such a big stage. It was the quarter-final of the European Cup so you're just a couple of steps away from playing in the final if you get the right draw and results.

"We really gave a good account of ourselves in the first game and could have scored more so it made it that much more disappointing when we went over there and again we had an early chance and didn't take it, then the Gods conspired against us.

"All in all, the team performance was great. We just gave it everything we had that night, considering the opposition. We were underdogs, even at Celtic Park, but it just gave everyone a lift to get that result."

CELTIC'S GOALS FOR TONIGHT

ROMANIAN side FC Astra come to Celtic Park tonight having taken the scalps of Steaua Bucharest in their domestic Super Cup final and French giants Lyon en route to their place in the UEFA Europa League group stages.

When Sneddon looks back on Celtic's game against Politehnica Timisoara in 1980, he is reminded of the need to not spurn good goal-scoring opportunities, regardless of the opposition.

He said: "Playing for Celtic, the expectation is there. You want to win every game so the pressure is on you because of the history and you try to emulate the great teams that have done well in Europe and do as well as you can.

"It's one of those games that can be a banana skin. Celtic probably don't know too much about Astra, but they've got to go out and do a professional job, and when the opportunity is there make sure you take it."



ONE GIANT LEAP FOR SNEDDON

NOT every footballer's career goes directly from the bottom to the top but it did for Alan Sneddon. In the space of a year the right-back went from the luscious grassy fields of Larkhall to the pristine pitch of Paradise under Jock Stein and Billy McNeill.

It wasn't long before he was representing the Bhoys in Europe in places like the Santiago Bernabeu Stadium, but despite the massive leap involved from Lanarkshire to the centre of Madrid, it was a step which Sneddon took in his stride.

He said: "Playing in games like that was always my ambition when playing with any professional team, and particularly with Celtic who were known throughout

Europe. That was something I always hoped I would be able to sample and I was fortunate enough to get that opportunity.

"It's all part of a young player's education to get that chance to play abroad and play against different players and different styles so I always looked on it as a good experience. I always hoped it would help my development as a player to play at that level. I just looked on all my experiences at that time because I came from a junior background.

"I was just learning but I hoped I was learning all the time and trying to take on board anything that I saw or anything I was involved in and turn it into a positive."



HIS GREATEST GAME

**Ronnie Simpson v Rangers
August 10, 1968**

THE opening game of the 1968/69 season saw Celtic travel to Ibrox for a League Cup sectional match on a warm summer's afternoon.

Jock Stein sprang a surprise when he chose to give a young George Connelly his full first-team debut in midfield and the young Celt showed tremendous composure on the day. Jimmy Johnstone was given a roving role and both he and Bobby Lennox were a constant threat to the Rangers defenders with their pace up front.

Celtic took the lead when John Greig failed to control a Connelly through ball and Johnstone was on to it like a flash. Rangers' keeper Norrie Martin saved bravely at Jinky's feet only for the ball to break to the onrushing Willie Wallace who fired a shot high into the net.

Before half-time Celtic went two up through another aberration by the unfortunate Greig. This time the Rangers captain send a wayward back pass out of Martin's reach and Wallace, again in the right place at the right time, had the easiest of opportunities to score.

As expected, in the second-half Rangers came out with all guns blazing and that's when Ronnie Simpson took a hand in proceedings.

Firstly, he made a great fingertip save from an Alex Ferguson shot when the striker was clear in on goal, and he followed that up with the save of the game when he saved a point-blank volley from Alec Smith by leaping to touch it over the bar.

Rangers continued the onslaught and Ferguson was again denied when the Celtic goalkeeper got

down low to touch the Rangers striker's shot away. Simpson refused to allow Rangers even the comfort of a consolation goal when he made another great stop, this time getting down to hold a Persson header from just six yards out on his goal-line.

The short-sleeved Celtic fans in the 80,000 crowd, massed behind Ronnie's goal, hailed his performance at full-time and gave him a tremendous ovation.

The most impressive thing about his fine display, apart from his saves, was that he had shown a great calmness when Celtic were under pressure. The saves he made were always efficient and never showy and he helped to spread confidence to his defence when they were under constant attack.

Ronnie Simpson was 37-years-old at this time and was having an Indian summer in his career. He was hugely respected throughout the game and dearly loved by the Celtic fans but there were others who also admired his talent.

The following letter was printed in Jimmy Hill's *Soccer Weekly* magazine from an R. Bisland from Skerry Street, Glasgow.

Sir - Through your magazine I would like to pay tribute to a brilliant goalkeeper. It was during the recent Rangers - Celtic game and Celtic had a two-goal lead at half-time.

But after half time, Rangers hammered Celtic, brilliant shots came in from all angles but this 'keeper would not be beaten. Then a cross came in from the left - Smith, Rangers' inside-right ran forward, jumped and met it thigh high. It was a tremendous shot but the 'keeper, with tremendous reflexes, punched it over the bar.

The goalkeeper was Ronnie Simpson, the old man of Celtic. I'm sure he'll never have another game like it. Without him Celtic would have been thrashed. This was a goalkeeping display better than anything I saw in the World Cup. AND I'm a Rangers supporter!

Few Celtic players can claim to have such an accolade from a fan of their greatest rivals.





ON THIS DAY

OCTOBER 23

Words: Joe Sullivan

1897 Celtic's first match on this day came back in 1897 when a crowd of around 16,000 saw the Celts win 3-2. Johnny Campbell scored two of the goals with Dod Allan also on the scoresheet. It was an impressive campaign for Celtic who remained undefeated throughout the season, winning 15 and drawing three games. Dod Allan only played for Celtic in season 1897/98 before returning to Liverpool with a league winner's medal, having scored an impressive 16 goals in just 19 games.

1909 As Celtic went in search of a sixth league title in a row, they faced Queen's Park on this day in 1909, and hit six goals without reply against the Spiders. Jimmy Quinn hit a double, as did Geordie Livingstone, while there were also goals for Willie Kivlichan and Davie Hamilton. The Hoops would make it six-in-a-row that season, finishing two points ahead of Falkirk. Kivlichan later became Celtic club doctor, and he was in attendance at Ibrox on September 5, 1931 when John Thomson was fatally injured during the match.

1926 Jimmy McGrory put in a five-star show on this day in 1926 as Celtic beat today's opponents, Aberdeen, 6-2 at Celtic Park. The legendary Hoops striker scored **FIVE** of the goals, with Adam McLean scoring the other goal. While Celtic would only finish third in the league that season, they did lift the Scottish Cup with a 3-1 win in the final against East Fife. And season 1926/27 also represented a remarkable personal achievement for McGrory, who netted a total of 57 goals, including 48 in the league.

1937 Celtic hit another six goals on October 23, this time winning 6-0 against St Johnstone in a home league match. Joe Caruth was the hat-trick hero for the Hoops, while there were also goals for Johnny Crum, Willie Buchan and Frank Murphy. The victory would help Celtic to their last league title before the war, and the Hoops scored an impressive 114 league goals in the process, finishing three points clear of Hearts.

1965 Celtic won the League Cup for the first time since the famous 7-1 win over Rangers in 1957 when they beat their city rivals at Hampden. This time the scoreline was closer, with the Hoops winning 2-1 thanks to a double from John Hughes, both goals coming from the penalty spot. No, honestly, they really did! And Celtic also scored the other goal that day, with Ian Young netting an own goal. As well as that League Cup triumph, Jock Stein's side also won the championship, securing entry into the following season's European Cup. The rest, as they say, is history...



1982 The green and white Hoops travelled to Greenock on this day to take on the blue and white hoops. And it was a victory for the Celts as they beat Morton 2-1. Celtic scored both their goals in the first-half, as Frank McGarvey opened the scoring on 22 minutes and Charlie Nicholas doubled the lead on 40 minutes from the penalty spot. Morton reduced the deficit with 20 minutes of the match remaining, but Celtic held on for the points. It was a season when Celtic were denied three-in-a-row as Dundee United clinched their first ever title, pipping the Hoops by a solitary point.

2002 Celtic played host to Inverness CT on this day nine years ago in a League Cup tie. And the Hoops progressed to the next round of the competitions thanks to a 4-2 victory over the Highland side. Shaun Maloney gave Celtic the lead on four minutes but Paul Ritchie equalised on 10 minutes. But Martin O'Neill's side scored three more goals, two from John Hartson and one from Alan Thompson before Inverness netted a second goal late on.

2005 On this day in 2005 Celtic travelled to Rugby Park to take on Kilmarnock. And Stiliyan Petrov scored the only goal of the game, netting after 24 minutes. It was Gordon Strachan's first season in charge of the club, and after a shaky start to the season, which included the disastrous result against Artmedia Bratislava, the Hoops settled down, and would go on to win both the League Cup and the SPL title, the first of three-in-a-row.

2011 Charlie Mulgrew was the hero as Celtic returned to winning ways in the SPL with a hard-fought 2-1 victory over Aberdeen. The stand-in skipper forced the ball home from Ki's free-kick in the 72nd minute after Ryan Jack had cancelled out the South Korean's first-half opener. The Dons' goalscorer later saw red for a second booking in the latter stages as Celtic held out for a vital three points.

2012 A devastating last-gasp strike from Jordi Alba denied Celtic a much-deserved share of the points against Barcelona in the Nou Camp. The Spanish defender knocked the ball in at the back post to seal a 2-1 UEFA Champions League victory for the home side with what was almost the last kick of the ball. It was a heartbreaking blow for the Hoops who had put in an exceptional display in the Catalan capital. The visitors had taken the lead after just 18 minutes when Georgios Samaras headed home a free-kick, only for Andres Iniesta to score seconds before the break.

AND ANOTHER THING...

It was on this day in 1941 that the Walt Disney film, *Dumbo*, was released. At 64 minutes, it was one of the shortest films made by Disney, but also proved the most successful of the 1940s.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE MAESTRO

PAUL McStay celebrated his 50th birthday this week, on Wednesday, October 22 and everyone at Celtic wishes the Maestro many happy returns.

One of the greatest players ever to wear the green and white hoops, Paul McStay is second only to Billy McNeill in terms of appearances for the club. And he made a welcome return to Paradise recently from his home in Australia to take part in the MAESTRIO Charity Match.

And as he celebrates turning 50, we take a look at some other significant numbers in Paul McStay's career, starting with the number he's always been associated with.

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This was the number that became synonymous with Paul McStay during his time at Celtic. The traditional number of the midfield playmaker, Paul fitted it perfectly when he wore it on his debut against Queen of the South in a 1982 Scottish Cup tie. He seldom gave it up after that and scored

against Aberdeen while wearing it on his league debut at Pittodrie, aged 17. The Celtic No.8 jersey belonged to Paul McStay, the undisputed midfield maestro, and it remains a hallowed shirt at the club, with Scott Brown presently wearing it with distinction.

677

Between 1982 and 1997, Paul made 677 appearances for his beloved Celtic. A one-club man, Paul seemed destined to play for the Hoops from an early age and retired as the esteemed captain of Celtic. In total, Paul won eight trophies for Celtic - two league titles, four Scottish Cups and one League Cup. Highlights include the last-day league triumph in 1986, the centenary season double and the Scottish Cup win in 1995 under Tommy Burns, which allowed him to win a trophy as Celtic captain. That game against Airdrie wasn't a classic but Paul was the happiest man inside Hampden when he climbed the steps to lift the trophy.

1988

This was the year that Paul McStay produced arguably his best performances in a Celtic strip. Talk about good timing? It was the club's centenary season and Billy McNeill looked for Paul to provide the inspiration in a title-winning side. Playing beside great Celtic men like Roy Aitken, Peter Grant and Tommy Burns, Paul did just that as he scooped a host of Player of the Year awards, while helping Celtic to a historic double. He scored a vital goal at Ibrox towards the end of the season, while his defence-splitting pass in the lead-up to Frank McAvennie's second goal in the New Year derby is the stuff of legend.

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This is the number of McStay family members who have played for the Celtic first-team. In chronological order, they are Willie McStay (1912-29), Jimmy McStay (1920-34), Willie McStay Jnr (1977-87) and Paul McStay (1981-97). In addition to that, Raymond McStay, the younger brother of Paul and Willie Jnr, played for the reserves during the 1990s and captained the side, without ever playing for the first-team, although the three brothers did play together in the MAESTRIO match, along with Willie's son, John.

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In 2002, Celtic fans were asked to choose the best 11 players to ever play for the club. Naturally, the Lisbon Lions dominated the line-up but there was space left for a select few and it was no surprise that Paul McStay featured. With Ronnie Simpson, Tommy Gemmell, Billy McNeill, Bobby Murdoch, Bertie Auld, Jimmy Johnstone and Bobby Lennox all chosen, there were four places up for grabs. Danny McGrain was given the nod at right-back, while Henrik Larsson and Kenny Dalglish were chosen to lead the attack. It left one place in central midfield and Paul was the man chosen by the fans - a proud moment for the Celtic great.

37,306

This was the number of Celtic supporters who crammed into Celtic Park to pay tribute to Paul McStay on the night of his testimonial against Manchester United in December 1995. With Paradise

in the middle of renovation, this was a capacity crowd. Had the stadium been completed, you can rest assured that it would still have been full. Alex Ferguson had previously imposed a 'testimonial ban' on his club but lifted it in order to pay tribute to Paul. On a foggy night, Celtic went behind to a Paul Scholes goal but Pierre van Hooijdonk (2) and Chris Hay gave the Hoops a 3-1 win.

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For a man who spent the best part of two decades gracing the Hoops, you would imagine that Paul McStay would have racked up a fair number of substitute appearances. This isn't a slight on his ability, just that when you play with one club for over 15 years, it's natural that you find yourself on the bench from time to time, especially when you first break into the team or have a spell on the sidelines injured. Yet, McStay wasn't your average player. When fit, half-fit or even quarter-fit, Paul played. During his Celtic career, he only made a total of six substitute appearances.



CELTIC:



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
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





GROUP A


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Villarreal	2	1	1	0	5	1	+4	4
Apollon Limassol	2	1	0	1	3	6	-3	3
Mönchengladbach	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2
FC Zürich	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1

Matchday 1 (September 18): Apollon Limassol 3-2 FC Zürich, Borussia Mönchengladbach 1-1 Villarreal
 Matchday 2 (October 2): FC Zürich 1-1 Borussia Mönchengladbach, Villarreal 4-0 Apollon Limassol
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Borussia Mönchengladbach v Apollon Limassol, Villarreal v FC Zürich
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Apollon Limassol v Borussia Mönchengladbach, FC Zürich v Villarreal
 Matchday 5 (November 27): FC Zürich v Apollon Limassol, Villarreal v Borussia Mönchengladbach
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Apollon Limassol v Villarreal, Borussia Mönchengladbach v FC Zürich

GROUP B


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Club Brugge	2	1	1	0	3	0	+3	4
Torino	2	1	1	0	1	0	+1	4
FC Copenhagen	2	1	0	1	2	1	+1	3
HJK Helsinki	2	0	0	2	0	5	-5	0

Matchday 1 (September 18): Club Brugge 0-0 Torino, FC Copenhagen 2-0 HJK Helsinki
 Matchday 2 (October 2): HJK Helsinki 0-3 Club Brugge, Torino 1-0 FC Copenhagen
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Club Brugge v FC Copenhagen, Torino v HJK Helsinki
 Matchday 4 (November 6): FC Copenhagen v Club Brugge, HJK Helsinki v Torino
 Matchday 5 (November 27): HJK Helsinki v FC Copenhagen, Torino v Club Brugge
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Club Brugge v HJK Helsinki, FC Copenhagen v Torino

GROUP C


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Asteras Tripoli	2	1	1	0	3	1	+2	4
Besiktas	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2
Tottenham	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	2
Partizan Belgrade	2	0	1	1	0	2	-2	1

Matchday 1 (September 18): Besiktas 1-1 Asteras Tripoli, Partizan Belgrade 0-0 Tottenham
 Matchday 2 (October 2): Asteras Tripoli 2-0 Partizan Belgrade, Tottenham 1-1 Besiktas
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Partizan Belgrade v Besiktas, Tottenham v Asteras Tripoli
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Asteras Tripoli v Tottenham, Besiktas v Partizan Belgrade
 Matchday 5 (November 27): Asteras Tripoli v Besiktas, Tottenham v Partizan Belgrade
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Besiktas v Tottenham, Besiktas v Tottenham

GROUP D


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Celtic	2	1	1	0	3	2	+1	4
FC Salzburg	2	1	1	0	4	3	+1	4
Dinamo Zagreb	2	1	0	1	5	2	+3	3
FC Astra	2	0	0	2	2	7	-5	0

Matchday 1 (September 18): Dinamo Zagreb 5-1 FC Astra, FC Salzburg 2-2 Celtic
 Matchday 2 (October 2): FC Astra 1-2 FC Salzburg, Celtic 1-0 Dinamo Zagreb
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Celtic v FC Astra, FC Salzburg v Dinamo Zagreb
 Matchday 4 (November 6): FC Astra v Celtic, Dinamo Zagreb v FC Salzburg
 Matchday 5 (November 27): FC Astra v Dinamo Zagreb, Celtic v FC Salzburg
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Dinamo Zagreb v Celtic, FC Salzburg v FC Astra

GROUP E


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Dinamo Moscow	2	2	0	0	3	1	+2	6
PSV Eindhoven	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	3
Estoril Praia	2	1	0	1	2	1	+1	3
Panathinaikos	2	0	0	2	1	4	-3	0

Matchday 1 (September 18): Panathinaikos 1-2 Dinamo Moscow, PSV Eindhoven 1-0 Estoril Praia
 Matchday 2 (October 2): Dinamo Moscow 1-0 PSV Eindhoven, Estoril Praia 2-0 Panathinaikos
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Estoril Praia v Dinamo Moscow, PSV Eindhoven v Panathinaikos
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Dinamo Moscow v Estoril Praia, Panathinaikos v PSV Eindhoven
 Matchday 5 (November 27): Dinamo Moscow v Panathinaikos, Estoril Praia v PSV Eindhoven
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Panathinaikos v Estoril Praia, PSV Eindhoven v Dinamo Moscow

GROUP F


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Inter Milan	2	2	0	0	3	0	+3	6
St Etienne	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Dnipro	2	0	1	1	0	1	-1	1
FK Qarabag	2	0	1	1	0	2	-2	1

Matchday 1 (September 18): FK Qarabag 0-0 St Etienne, Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk 0-1 Inter Milan
 Matchday 2 (October 2): Inter Milan 2-0 FK Qarabag, St Etienne 0-0 Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk v FK Qarabag, Inter Milan v St Etienne
 Matchday 4 (November 6): FK Qarabag v Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk, St Etienne v Inter Milan
 Matchday 5 (November 27): Inter Milan v Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk, St Etienne v FK Qarabag
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk v St Etienne, FK Qarabag v Inter Milan



GROUP G


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Sevilla	2	1	1	0	4	2	+2	4
Feyenoord	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
Standard Liege	2	1	0	1	3	2	+1	3
HNK Rijeka	2	0	1	1	2	4	-2	1

Matchday 1 (September 18): Sevilla 2-0 Feyenoord, Standard Liege 2-0 HNK Rijeka
 Matchday 2 (October 2): Feyenoord 2-1 Standard Liege, HNK Rijeka 2-2 Sevilla
 Matchday 3 (October 23): HNK Rijeka v Feyenoord, Standard Liege v Sevilla
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Feyenoord v HNK Rijeka, Sevilla v Standard Liege
 Matchday 5 (November 27): Feyenoord v Sevilla, HNK Rijeka v Standard Liege
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Sevilla v HNK Rijeka, Standard Liege v Feyenoord

GROUP H


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Everton	2	1	1	0	5	2	+3	4
FK Krasnodar	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2
Lille	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2
VfL Wolfsburg	2	0	1	1	2	5	-3	1

Matchday 1 (September 18): Everton 4-1 VfL Wolfsburg, Lille 1-1 FK Krasnodar
 Matchday 2 (October 2): FK Krasnodar 1-1 Everton, VfL Wolfsburg 1-1 Lille
 Matchday 3 (October 23): FK Krasnodar v VfL Wolfsburg, Lille v Everton
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Everton v Lille, VfL Wolfsburg v FK Krasnodar
 Matchday 5 (November 27): FK Krasnodar v Lille, VfL Wolfsburg v Everton
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Everton v FK Krasnodar, Lille v VfL Wolfsburg

GROUP I


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Napoli	2	2	0	0	5	1	+4	6
Sparta Prague	2	1	0	1	4	4	0	3
BSC Young Boys	2	1	0	1	6	3	+3	3
Slovan Bratislava	2	0	0	2	0	7	-7	0

Matchday 1 (September 18): BSC Young Boys 5-0 Slovan Bratislava, Napoli 3-1 Sparta Prague
 Matchday 2 (October 2): Slovan Bratislava 0-2 Napoli, Sparta Prague 3-1 BSC Young Boys
 Matchday 3 (October 23): BSC Young Boys v Napoli, Slovan Bratislava v Sparta Prague
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Napoli v BSC Young Boys, Sparta Prague v Slovan Bratislava
 Matchday 5 (November 27): Slovan Bratislava v BSC Young Boys, Sparta Prague v Napoli
 Matchday 6 (December 11): BSC Young Boys v Sparta Prague, Napoli v Slovan Bratislava


GROUP J


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Dynamo Kyiv	2	2	0	0	6	1	+5	6
Steaua Bucharest	2	1	0	1	7	3	+4	3
Aalborg BK	2	1	0	1	1	6	-5	3
Rio Ave	2	0	0	2	0	4	-4	0

Matchday 1 (September 18): Rio Ave 0-3 Dynamo Kyiv, Steaua Bucharest 6-0 Aalborg BK
 Matchday 2 (October 2): Aalborg BK 1-0 Rio Ave, Dynamo Kyiv 3-1 Steaua Bucharest
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Aalborg BK v Dynamo Kyiv, Steaua Bucharest v Rio Ave
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Dynamo Kyiv v Aalborg BK, Rio Ave v Steaua Bucharest
 Matchday 5 (November 27): Aalborg BK v Steaua Bucharest, Dynamo Kyiv v Rio Ave
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Rio Ave v Aalborg BK, Steaua Bucharest v Dynamo Kyiv

GROUP K


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Fiorentina	2	2	0	0	6	0	+6	6
Guingamp	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
PAOK Salonika	2	1	0	1	6	3	+3	3
Dinamo Minsk	2	0	0	2	1	9	-8	0

Matchday 1 (September 18): Fiorentina 3-0 Guingamp, PAOK Salonika 6-1 Dinamo Minsk
 Matchday 2 (October 2): Dinamo Minsk 0-3 Fiorentina, Guingamp 2-0 PAOK Salonika
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Dinamo Minsk v Guingamp, PAOK Salonika v Fiorentina
 Matchday 4 (November 6): Fiorentina v PAOK Salonika, Guingamp v Dinamo Minsk
 Matchday 5 (November 27): Dinamo Minsk v PAOK Salonika, Guingamp v Fiorentina
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Fiorentina v Dinamo Minsk, PAOK Salonika v Guingamp

GROUP L


	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Legia Warsaw	2	2	0	0	2	0	+2	6
Trabzonspor	2	1	0	1	2	2	0	3
KSC Lokeren	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	3
Metalist Kharkiv	2	0	0	2	1	3	-2	0

Matchday 1 (September 18): Legia Warsaw 1-0 KSC Lokeren, Metalist Kharkiv 1-2 Trabzonspor
 Matchday 2 (October 2): KSC Lokeren 1-0 Metalist Kharkiv, Trabzonspor 0-1 Legia Warsaw
 Matchday 3 (October 23): Metalist Kharkiv v Legia Warsaw, Trabzonspor v KSC Lokeren
 Matchday 4 (November 6): KSC Lokeren v Trabzonspor, Legia Warsaw v Metalist Kharkiv
 Matchday 5 (November 27): KSC Lokeren v Legia Warsaw, Trabzonspor v Metalist Kharkiv
 Matchday 6 (December 11): Legia Warsaw v Trabzonspor, Metalist Kharkiv v KSC Lokeren

COMMONS FIRES HOOPS TO EURO WIN

UEFA EUROPA LEAGUE
CELTIC PARK, GLASGOW
 THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2014
CELTIC 1-0 DINAMO ZAGREB
 (COMMONS 6)

CELTIC (4-2-3-1) Gordon; Ambrose, Denayer, van Dijk, Izaguirre; Brown, Johansen; Toney (Berget 87), Commons (Kayal 68), Wakaso (Griffiths 77); Stokes. *Not Used:* Zaluska, Henderson, O'Connell, Fisher.

DINAMO ZAGREB (4-3-3) Eduardo; Ivo Pinto, Sigali, Simunic, Pivacic; Ademi, Brozovic, Antolic (Coric 74); Soudani, Cop (Henriquez 59), Wilson Eduardo (Pjaca 84). *Not Used:* jezina, Machado, Santos, Vukojevic.



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 20/10/2014



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
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 1 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
UCL	23 Oct	FC Astra (8.05pm)		
SPFL	26 Oct	Kilmarnock (1pm)		
SLC	29 Oct	Partick Thistle (Round 4, 7.45pm)		
November				
SPFL	01 Nov	Inverness CT		
UEL	06 Nov	FC Astra (6pm)		
SPFL	09 Nov	Aberdeen (12.30pm)		
SPFL	22 Nov	Dundee		
UEL	27 Nov	FC Salzburg (8.05pm)		
SC	29 Nov	Scottish Cup R4		
December				
SPFL	06 Dec	Motherwell		
UEL	11 Dec	Dinamo Zagreb (6pm)		
SPFL	14 Dec	St Mirren		
SPFL	20 Dec	Dundee United		
SPFL	27 Dec	Ross County		
January				
SPFL	01 Jan	Partick Thistle		
SPFL	04 Jan	Kilmarnock		
SPFL	10 Jan	St Johnstone		
SPFL	17 Jan	Hamilton		
SPFL	21 Jan	Motherwell		
SPFL	24 Jan	Ross County		
SPFL	31 Jan	Kilmarnock		
SLC	31 Jan/1 Feb	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		Partick Thistle		

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)

Substitutes

Johansen	Mulgrew	McGregor 1	Commons	Griffiths	Stokes	Zaluska	Matthews	O'Connell	Kayal	Henderson	Boerrigter	Pukki
Johansen	Mulgrew	McGregor	Commons	Griffiths	Pukki 2	Zaluska	Matthews	Bitton	Kayal	Henderson	Boerrigter	Watt
Johansen	Mulgrew	McGregor 1	Commons	Berget	Pukki	Zaluska	Izaguirre	Bitton	Kayal	Boerrigter	Stokes	Griffiths
Johansen	Mulgrew	McGregor	Commons	Bitton	Stokes	Zaluska	Berget	Kayal	Henderson	Forrest	Pukki	Griffiths
Johansen	Bitton 1	McGregor 1	Commons	Forrest	Stokes 1	Zaluska	Ambrose	Denayer	Kayal	Boerrigter	Berget	Pukki
Johansen 1	Mulgrew	McGregor	Commons 1	Berget 2	Stokes 1	Zaluska	Kayal	Bitton	Forrest	Boerrigter	Griffiths	-
Johansen	Mulgrew	McGregor 1	Kayal	Berget	Stokes	Zaluska	Ambrose	Bitton	Henderson	Commons	Griffiths	Pukki
Henderson	Bitton	McGeouch	Commons	Griffiths	Pukki	Fasan	Denayer	Kayal	Johansen	Berget	Stokes	Pukki
Johansen	Mulgrew	McGregor	Kayal	Berget	Stokes	Zaluska	Matthews	Denayer	Bitton	Boerrigter	Commons	Griffiths
Johansen	Kayal	McGregor	Commons	Berget	Stokes	Zaluska	O'Connell	Bitton	Henderson	Wakaso	Griffiths 1	Pukki
Johansen	Brown	McGregor	Commons 1	Tonev	Scepovic	Zaluska	O'Connell	Bitton	Kayal	Wakaso	Guidetti	Stokes
Johansen	Brown 1	McGregor	Commons	Wakaso 1	Scepovic	Zaluska	O'Connell	Bitton	Kayal	Tonev	Berget	Stokes
Kayal	Bitton	McGregor	Stokes	Tonev	Guidetti	Gordon	O'Connell	Brown	Henderson	Commons 1	Berget	Scepovic
Johansen	Brown	McGregor	Commons 1	Guidetti 1	Stokes	Zaluska	O'Connell	Bitton	Kayal	Tonev	Griffiths	Scepovic
Johansen	Brown	McGregor	Wakaso	Guidetti 2	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	Bitton	Kayal	Tonev	Berget	Scepovic
Johansen	Brown	Wakaso	Tonev	Commons 1	Stokes	Zaluska	Fisher	O'Connell	Kayal	Henderson	Berget	Griffiths
Johansen	Brown	Wakaso	Commons	Guidetti	Stokes	Zaluska	O'Connell	Kayal	Tonev	Scepovic	Berget	Griffiths
Johansen	Brown	McGregor 1	Mulgrew	Guidetti 1	Stokes 2	Zaluska	Matthews	Ambrose	Bitton	Wakaso	Griffiths	Scepovic



QUIZ

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1 Which two Celts this season have scored in Europe on their competitive debuts for the club?

2 Which is the only team that Celtic have defeated on the 'away goals' rule in European football?

3 Who is the only Scot to have played for and against Celtic in European football?

4 Which striker netted a record-breaking 17 goals for a European campaign when Porto won the UEFA Europa League in 2010/11?

5 Which three teams did Celtic meet when they first played in the group stages of the UEFA Europa League in 2009/10?

6 Who is the only current Celt to have scored for another Scottish club in the UEFA Europa League?

7 Which is the only Romanian club that Celtic have previously played in European competition?

8 Who are the only men to have the distinction of captaining Celtic in major European finals?

9 Which was the last British city to host a UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League final?

10 Who is the highest-scoring Scot in the history of European football with a total of 30 goals?

11 Against which club have Celtic netted most goals in an away match in European football?

12 Since the Millennium who is the youngest player to score a goal for Celtic in European football?

13 Which Celt once played against his brother in European football in which both men captained their respective clubs?

14 Which team are the current holders of the UEFA Europa League tournament?

15 In the last 25 years who are the only two players to net hat-tricks for Celtic in European football?

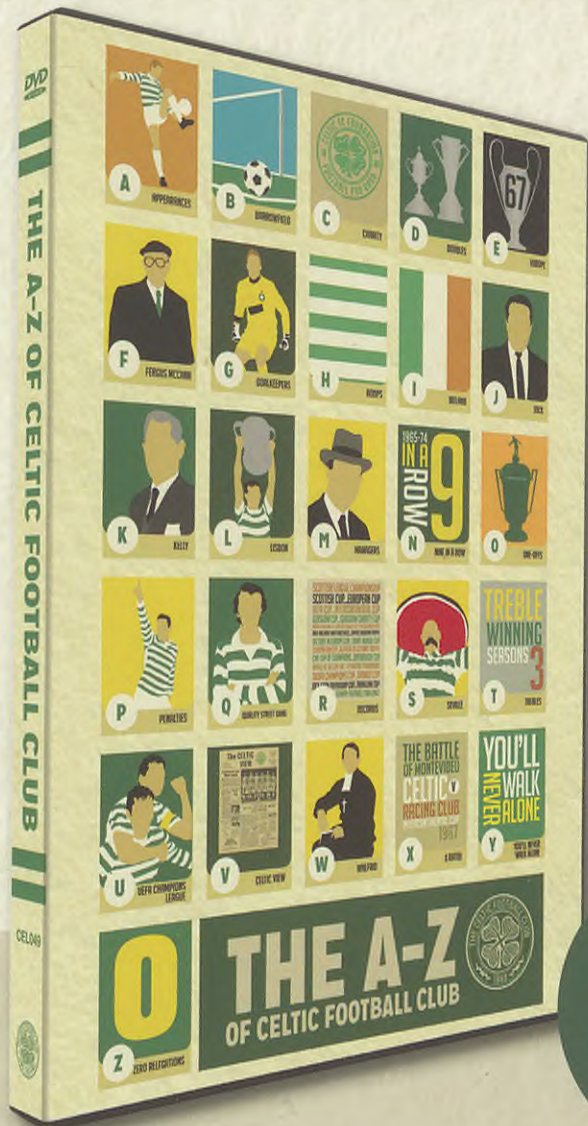


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Answers:

1. Callum McGregor v KR Reykjavik.
2. Celta Vigo (2002/03); Celtic 1-0 Celta Vigo.
3. Henrik Larsson v FC Sion (2002/03).
4. Sevilla: They defeated Benfica on penalties after a 0-0 draw.
5. Tony Watt v Barcelona (2012/13): He was 16 years 10 months, 13 days, 10 hours and 45 minutes old.
6. Peter Lørentzen (Leeds United).
7. Tottenham Hotspur (1980/81).
8. Billy McNeill (European Cup 1967 and 1970).
9. Manchester United (UEFA Cup 2003).
10. Zenit St Petersburg 2-0 Rangers.
11. Waterford FC (1970/71); Waterford 0-7 Celtic.
12. Tony Watt v Barcelona (2012/13): He was 16 years 10 months, 13 days, 10 hours and 45 minutes old.
13. Johannes and Attili Ekdalsson; Celtic v Valur Reykjavik (1975/76).
14. Sevilla.
15. Mark Burrows v Juventus (2000/01).

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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 ○
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- 19 SADAT BUKARI
- 20 AURELIAN CHITU
- 21 KEHINDE FATAI
- 22 VASSILIS PLIATSIKAS
- 23 JOÃOZINHO
- 25 VALERICA GAMAN
- 26 LAURENTIU RUS
- 33 DANUT COMAN
- 89 ALASSANE TOURÉ
- 91 WILLIAM AMORIM

OFFICIALS:

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 Additional assistant referee 2: Vilhjalmur Alvar Thorarinnsson (ISL)

23.10.2014

RESULT: H/T F/T SCORERS:

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NEXT GAME:

v Kilmarnock
 Sunday, October 26, 2014
 Scottish Premiership
 Celtic Park, 1pm