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**SATURDAY 25 MAY 2019**

**THE WILLIAM HILL SCOTTISH CUP**  
**FINAL**

**HAMPDEN PARK**  
**KICK-OFF 3:00PM**

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Hearts to score in  
both halves

9/1

Celtic to score 4 or more  
goals (90 Mins)

5/1

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# PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

## GOOD AFTERNOON AND A WARM WELCOME TO HAMPDEN PARK FOR THIS YEAR'S WILLIAM HILL SCOTTISH CUP FINAL.

Today, Heart of Midlothian and Celtic go head-to-head for the final piece of silverware in the domestic campaign, and I'm sure we'll be in store for an enjoyable showpiece fixture.

On a personal level, today will certainly be emotional for me as it marks my last Scottish Cup game as President of the Scottish FA. It has been a memorable four years, and I would like to thank everyone at the association for their support along the way, as well as wish my successor all the best in the role.

I would also like to thank sponsors William Hill for what has been a great working relationship on all fronts yet again this season.

Congratulations to today's referee William Collum and his assistant officials, who have all deserved their appointments for today's final after their performances over the course of the year.

We have two former winners going head-to-head today of course, with 2012 winners Hearts going up against current holders Celtic.

Both sides ran out convincing winners in their semi-final fixtures, with Hearts overcoming Inverness Caledonian Thistle 3-0 and Celtic recording the same scoreline against Aberdeen.

In Craig Levein and Neil Lennon we have two incredibly experienced managers looking to steer their side towards history

today. Should Hearts win, it would be the club's ninth Scottish Cup, and Craig's first piece of silverware – something a manager of his calibre truly deserves.

Should Celtic win, it would be the final piece of an unprecedented treble – a truly exceptional feat for Neil Lennon and his side to aim for this afternoon. The opportunity for the players to make history today will surely lend itself to an unmissable contest.

It has been yet another memorable Scottish Cup campaign, with some intriguing storylines along the way. There are too many moments to mention, but I doubt I need to remind anyone of one of the greatest upsets in recent seasons, when Auchinleck Talbot produced a giant-killing victory over Ayr United to show just another example of the magic this competition can produce.

I would like to remind everyone, as always, to enjoy this fixture in a respectful manner. I like to reiterate the fact that high profile matches such as this always attracts a global audience to watch our game in Scotland. Let's show the world what we have to offer today.

Lastly, I'd like to wish both teams the very best of luck. I am sure that we are in store for a memorable cup final here at Hampden Park.

Enjoy the game.  
**ALAN McRAE**  
PRESIDENT,  
SCOTTISH FA