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versus **CELTIC**

Saturday 27th August 1994

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(The Championship was shared with Dumbarton in 1891)

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1894, 1897, 1898, 1903, 1928, 1930, 1932, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1948, 1949, 1950,
1953, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1973, 1976, 1978, 1979, 1981, 1992, 1993.

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1946/47, 1948/49, 1960/61, 1961/62, 1963/64, 1964/65, 1970/71, 1975/76,
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RANGERS

Manager — Walter Smith

Other Candidates: Maxwell, Durie, Brown, Murray, Pressley



Other Candidates: Bonner, Donnelly, McGinlay, Nicholas, O'Neil, McLaughlin

Manager — Tommy Burns

CELTIC





WE must improve our home record against Celtic in this afternoon's Old Firm match.

Looking purely at the results, Rangers and Celtic games have been strange ones over the past few seasons.

Both teams have achieved good results away from home and with us having a home match this time, hopefully we can reverse the trend.

Normally when you come off a big European night it can take the team slightly longer to get going. But when you are faced with a Celtic game, you know everybody is going to be up for it from the off.

Wednesday night was a big disappointment for us but we can really have no complaints about the result.

AEK were the better team and deserved to win over the two legs.

We gave away a bad goal just before half time like in the first leg and that really put an end to the tie.

The Greeks did not rely totally on individuals and worked very hard as a team, especially in closing people down, and that was the key to their success.

They were every bit as good a side as I thought they were beforehand.

We have hardly started the league season and we are already out of Europe but we must make sure the disappointment does not affect us on the domestic scene.

A win in today's match would put some valuable distance between ourselves and Celtic.

I always say that in the Premier League it's the results against the teams you reckon are going to be your closest rivals that count.

The psychological boost you can get from winning these games is a big factor especially so early in the season.

So it is up to us to put the European exit behind us and what better way than with a victory against our oldest rivals.

Tommy Burns will have his players fired up for the occasion but we will be up for it as well and hopefully we can get the right result.

Thanks for your support and enjoy the game.



THE GAFFER



MUCH has changed at Parkhead since Celtic last made the journey across the city to Ibrox.

Tommy Burns took over from Lou Macari to become the club's third manager in little over 12 months.

He is hoping to restore some pride to Celtic after the traumatic goings on of recent times.

There have been plenty of changes behind the scenes during the close season but the playing staff has remained relatively stable.

One new arrival is **ANDY WALKER**, who has been the subject of protracted negotiations between Celtic and Bolton this week.

A transfer tribunal ordered the Celts to pay £550,000 for Walker after Bolton had demanded in excess of £2 million.

Burns was delighted with the fee, especially in the light of his striker's early season goalscoring form.

This is the diminutive hitman's second spell at Parkhead and he is hoping to make an even bigger impact this time around.

Partnering him up front so far this season has been the evergreen **CHARLIE NICHOLAS**, who looked to be on his way from Celtic Park during the summer.

But Tommy Burns recognises that even at 33, Nicholas still has a prodigious talent.

Charlie has the habit of conjuring up something special in Old Firm matches and he will be hoping to be included in today's action.

Celtic fans return to the Broomloan Stand this afternoon after being banned from the stadium in the final game of last season.

They missed the emergence of a shining new talent that day in **SIMON DONNELLY**.

The teenager had an outstanding match especially as he had to lead the line virtually on his own with the Parkhead men employing heavily defensive tactics.

Donnelly, 19, burst onto the scene in the dying embers of last season but so far this term he has been restricted to the substitutes' bench.

There is no doubt, however, that he has a big future in the game and he may be pitched in again today.

JOHN COLLINS is another who has pleasant memories of his last Old Firm game.

His expertly taken free-kick earned Celts a point in April when the odds seemed stacked against them.

The Scotland midfielder has been their most consistent performer in recent times and has been priceless since his move from Hibernian four years ago.

Another good signing has been his international colleague **TOM BOYD**, who has brought some much-needed stability to the defence.

The Celts have now lost their reputation for being easy to score against and are now a much meaner outfit all round.

Boyd is an attacking left-back and the same can be said for his partner on the other flank, **LEE MARTIN**.

He is starting to establish himself at Parkhead since moving from Manchester United last season.

One of Lou Macari's last signings, he is now slotting in well after a quiet start to his Celtic career.

The defence should be completed today by the rock solid central partnership of **TONY MOWBRAY** and **MARK McNALLY**.

Mowbray was the hero last weekend as Celtic opened up their season at Hampden with a victory over Dundee United.

Mogga's injury-time strike sent the Celtic faithful into raptures further cementing his popularity with the fans.

The former Middlesbrough captain has been in and out the side due to injury and personal difficulties but he is an inspirational figure who always gives 100%.

McNally has now found his niche at the back after working his way through the ranks and is a central defender of some promise.

GORDON MARSHALL is likely to be charged with the goalkeeping duties today as **PAT BONNER** has been out of favour recently.

The big Irishman's Celtic career was rescued by Tommy Burns when he reversed a free transfer on his arrival.

He is probably still suffering from the fall-out of his World Cup clanger against Holland but his confidence will no doubt return.

Marshall has grabbed his opportunity quite



literally with both hands and was the star man against Dundee United last week.

PETER GRANT is another whose career has been resurrected by Burns' arrival.

He has been preferred to **PAT MCGINLAY** in midfield so far this season, which says a lot about his form and commitment.

The 26-year-old former Hibs man has been left out despite being the club's top scorer last season with 11 goals.

Utility man **WILLIE FALCONER** has also been given a midfield berth and has been a steady performer in the first team.

He was another Lou Macari bargain buy last season, this time from Sheffield United and his experience has made him a useful acquisition for the side.

Other possibilities this afternoon include the tough-tackling **MIKE GALLOWAY**, who has been on the fringe of things in recent weeks.

BRIAN O'NEIL and **BRIAN McLAUGHLIN** may also come into the reckoning if Tommy Burns fancies giving youth its chance.



Paul McStay



John Collins



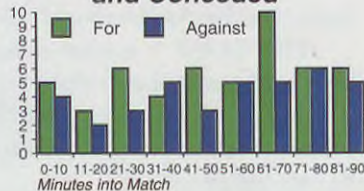
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TODAY'S VISITORS

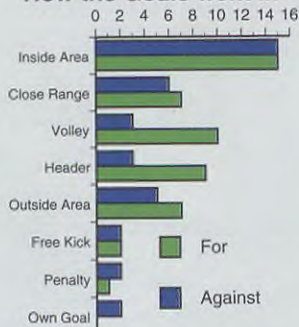
Average Goals For and Against per Match



When Celtic Scored and Conceded



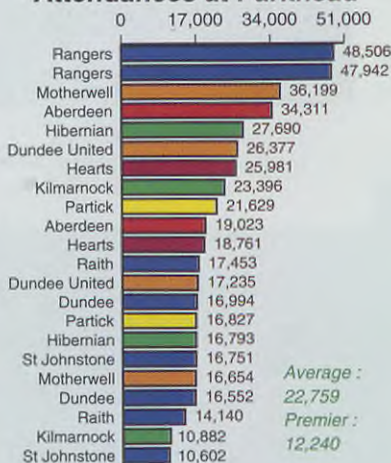
51 For, 38 Against - How the Goals went in



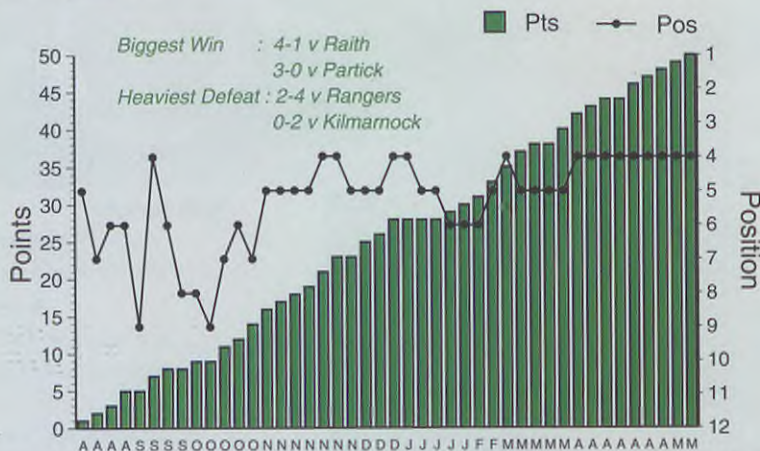
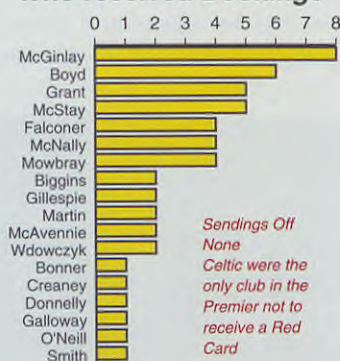
Who Scored the Goals



Attendances at Parkhead



Who received Bookings



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