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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

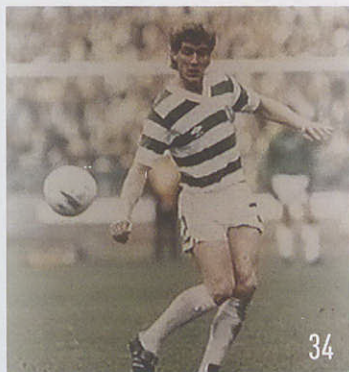
Celtic Football Club is a Scottish football club with proud Irish links. The primary business of Celtic is as a football club. It is run on a professional business basis with no political agenda. However, the Club has a wider role and the responsibility of being a major Scottish social institution promoting 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'RE DETERMINED TO CONTINUE OUR WINNING RUN AND REACH SEMI-FINAL

**GOOD evening and welcome to Celtic Park for tonight's League Cup quarter-final against Partick Thistle. The fact that this is also a derby match only makes it an even more important, and tougher match.**

At the start of the season, our aim is to try and win every competition that we enter, and the prize is a place in the semi-final of the League Cup. To get there we have to beat Partick Thistle tonight, and with the match being played to a finish, we know we will have to focus for the entire 90 minutes, or even 120 minutes if necessary.

Of course, I hope that we're able to do the job in the 90 minutes and we go into the game full of confidence after two home wins in a row.

Our victory over FC Astra last

week has put us in a strong position in our Europa League group, while we got another three points at the weekend against Kilmarnock.

If you add in our win away to Ross County the previous week, then it's the start of a winning run that we're determined to continue.

The players are giving their all in every game, and while in an ideal world we would like our performances always to match the result, everyone in football knows that this isn't always possible.

The most important thing, of course, is winning football matches and that's what we've been doing. I'm sure that the performances will follow.

We saw that against Ross County, while there were periods in the game against Astra where

we played very well and created a number of chances.

The game against Kilmarnock, coming after a tough European tie, was always going to be difficult, but we showed the right attitude, and while the red card was a crucial point in the game, the players showed they could take advantage of that and ensure that we won the match.

We're in the middle of a busy schedule of games, and every player in the squad will play their part in the weeks and months ahead. That's the importance of having a strong squad, with good competition for places, and that will hopefully stand us in good stead as we compete in four competitions.

Tonight, of course, is all about the League Cup, and in any competition it is how you perform on the night. Partick Thistle will come here determined to give everything they can to reach the last four and, likewise, that is what our players will do.

We are determined to bring success and silverware to the club and so we're focused on reaching the semi-final of the League Cup. With your support, I hope that is something we will achieve tonight.

**Enjoy the game,**





'The most important thing, of course, is winning football matches and that's what we've been doing'

## 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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# SCOTT BROWN

Celtic Captain



## WE'RE IN FORM AND FULL OF CONFIDENCE AHEAD OF TONIGHT



**A DERBY match is always something that the players look forward to, and the fact it's a cup-tie only makes it more exciting. It's a winner-takes-all game tonight, so we know how important it is that we're focused from the very first minute.**

We want to win this trophy, and that means beating Partick Thistle tonight to reach the semi-final.

I've been lucky enough to win the League Cup twice in my career - once with Hibernian back in 2007 and then two years later with Celtic.

It's incredible to think that it's five years since we lifted the trophy at Hampden. That's far too long for a club like Celtic, and so we're determined to change that this season.

It will also be good for the new players who have arrived at the club because it makes them winners and also lets them know how important it is for Celtic to be successful. That's always been part of the character of the club and it's up to us to ensure that tradition continues.

A cup final at Hampden is also a great day out for our supporters and

so we want to deliver that for you again this season, not only in the League Cup as well.

Of course, that's all in the future. Tonight, our only focus is on beating Partick Thistle and we know that, if we want to do that, we'll have to be at our best.

Thistle showed last season against us that they are tough opponents, and in the game we played here on New Year's Day, it was a very tight game that we managed to win 1-0.

I expect it to be another tough game tonight, but the boys are full of confidence after a series of good results. We want to continue that run with another win and hopefully, at the end of the game we'll all be celebrating and looking forward to the semi-final draw. Thanks for your support.

**Enjoy the game,**

### CLUB DIRECTORY AND RECORDS

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**CAPACITY:** 60,506

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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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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](http://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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# PARTICK THISTLE:

## The story so far...



Comp	Date	Result
SPFL	13 Aug	Partick Thistle 4-0 Ross County
SPFL	16 Aug	Dundee 1-1 Partick Thistle
SPFL	23 Aug	Partick Thistle 1-2 Hamilton
League Cup	26 Aug	Morton 0-1 Partick Thistle
SPFL	30 Aug	Aberdeen 2-0 Partick Thistle
SPFL	13 Sep	Partick Thistle 3-1 Inverness CT
SPFL	19 Sep	Partick Thistle 1-2 St Mirren
League Cup	23 Sep	Partick Thistle 1-0 St Mirren
SPFL	27 Sep	Kilmarnock 3-0 Partick Thistle
SPFL	04 Oct	Partick Thistle 3-1 Motherwell
SPFL	18 Oct	Dundee United 1-0 Partick Thistle
SPFL	25 Oct	Partick Thistle v St Johnstone





# PARTICK THISTLE



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## ONES TO WATCH

## Stuart Bannigan

**PARTICK Thistle progressed to the quarter-finals of the Scottish League Cup with a narrow 1-0 victory over St Mirren.**

The Jags and Saints went at it for more than an hour-and-a-half on September 23 before Nathan Eccleston gave the home side the win with a goal in the 99th minute.

Since then Thistle's league form has been up and down, with a recent 3-0 defeat at the hands of Kilmarnock followed by a comfortable 3-1 victory over Motherwell.

However, despite their mixed results, the team show a unity and willingness to fight for each other which has been fostered by Alan Archibald's management and will make them a tough nut for Celtic to crack tonight.

Stuart Bannigan has gone from modern-apprentice to midfield general for Thistle since he joined the club in 2009. After making his debut against Clyde in the first game of the 2010/11 season, Bannigan went on loan to Ayr United where he helped them win promotion to the First Division through the end of season play-offs. On his return to the Thistle team he started off slowly but began to find his form in the second-half of the 2012/13 season and scored against Hamilton in the final fixture. Bannigan has displayed versatility and a willingness to work hard for his team-mates during his time at Thistle and won a call up to the Scotland U21 team while Thistle were still playing in the Championship. He has adjusted well to the Premiership and scored on the opening day of the season against Ross County before adding another well-taken goal against Motherwell recently.



## Stephen O'Donnell

Wing-back Stephen O'Donnell spent his formative years as a Hoops youngster before leaving Celtic in 2011 when he joined Partick. Having also spent time as a youth at Aberdeen, O'Donnell has top-flight football in his veins and was part of the Celtic team which won the Scottish Youth Cup and U19 league title in 2011. He landed on his feet with Thistle after being brought to the club by then manager, former Celt Jackie McNamara, and has gone on to cement his place in the right-back berth. O'Donnell contributed to Thistle's Championship-winning season by scoring and setting up a string of important goals and signed a new deal this summer which will keep him at the club until 2015. He most recently helped Thistle comfortably overcome Motherwell with an assist and a well-taken goal on the back of a counter-attack to give his team a vital win. His pace will be dangerous to Celtic down the flanks and will be crucial to Partick's game plan.



## Steven Lawless

Steven Lawless spent the majority of his career at Motherwell before joining Partick Thistle in the summer of 2012. A product of the Fir Park youth system, Lawless made his first-team debut for the Steelmen in a 4-0 League Cup win over Clyde following a successful loan spell at Albion Rovers where he helped the Cliftonhill side to promotion. After failing to cement a first-team place at Motherwell, Lawless was loaned out again to Albion Rovers on an emergency basis and scored on his debut. When his loan period ended and it became clear that first-team football was not on offer at Motherwell, Lawless was snapped up by Partick Thistle. He finished the season with 14 goals, despite a spell on the sidelines with injury, and played well when given the chance last season, scoring five goals in the process. He recently signed a new deal at the Jags to keep him there until next year and his set-up play has helped Partick score a number of goals.



# James Craigen

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Partick midfielder James Craigen brings new meaning to the phrase 'clever football.' The talented 23-year-old spent the best part of his football career at Preston North End but placed his sporting life on hold in 2012 to finish his studies at Edinburgh University. He continued playing while studying, however, and was part of the Scottish University team that won the BUCS Home National tournament and the Great British University team that finished runners up to Japan in the 2011 World Student Games. He joined the Jags in 2012 and made his debut in the opening fixture of the 2012/13 season before moving to Forfar Athletic on loan. Craigen returned after scoring two goals in his time in Angus and established himself as a first-team player at Firhill. His delivery from set-plays has helped the Jags secure a strong early position in the league and will be an important outlet for Partick in tonight's game.



# Danny Seaborne

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Towering defender Danny Seaborne joined Thistle on a two-year deal this summer. Capable of playing at left-back or centre-half, Seaborne has afforded Thistle a degree of flexibility in their back line and recently stood in as captain in the absence of the injured Sean Welsh. The 27-year-old has a wealth of experience behind him after signing his first professional contract at Exeter in 2005 before eventually landing a permanent deal at Southampton in 2010. In between that time he has played for a host of lower-league English sides on loan as well as Charlton, Bournemouth and Yeovil Town, before sealing a deal to Coventry City at the start of 2014 which ended in August by mutual consent. Seaborne was made captain at Exeter and played more than 40 times for Southampton before being released in 2013. He leads the line in defence well and will be key to thwarting any Celtic attacks tonight.



# Kris Doolan

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Striker Kris Doolan joined Thistle from junior side Auchinleck Talbot. He was signed by Ian McCall in 2009 and scored his first goal for the club against Queen of the South. Doolan was then loaned out to Clyde in 2010 to help Thistle's rivals fight relegation to the third division. When he returned to the Jags he initially struggled to get back in the side but ended up finishing the season as the club's top scorer in 2010/11 with 18 goals. The 27-year-old scored against QoS again in the 2013 Scottish Challenge Cup final to make it 1-1 and take the game to penalties. Doolan scored his spot kick but the Jags eventually lost 6-5. His goals helped Partick win the First Division title in 2012/13 and promotion to the Scottish Premiership, which saw him land a two year contract extension. Partick began to struggle for goals in 2013/14 and signed Lyle Taylor on loan from Sheffield United, who formed a good partnership with Doolan. In May this year Doolan signed another contract extension to keep him at Partick Thistle until 2016.



## THE TEAM

### GOALKEEPERS

- Scott Fox
- Paul Gallacher
- Chris Elliott
- Marc Waters
- Scott Basalaj

### DEFENDERS

- Stephen O'Donnell
- Danny Seaborne
- Aaron Muirhead
- Frederic Frans
- Jordan McMillan
- Jake Carroll
- Liam Lindsay

### MIDFIELDERS

- Sean Welsh
- Conrad Balatoni
- James Craigen
- Stuart Bannigan
- Ryan Stevenson
- Abdul Osman
- Gary Fraser
- David Wilson
- Declan McDavid
- Lee Gallacher
- Dale Keenan
- Simon Colina Dominguez

### STRIKERS

- James Martin
- Gerald O'Donnell
- Kris Doolan
- Steven Lawless
- Kallum Higginbotham
- Nathan Eccleston

## THE MANAGER

Alan Archibald



# LAST SEASON v PARTICK THISTLE



**SPFL  
FIRHILL**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2013

**PARTICK THISTLE 1 - 2 CELTIC**

(SAMARAS, BALDE)

Partick Thistle pushed Celtic all the way in the first meeting between the teams in nine years, but a late goal from Amido Balde was enough to give the Bhoys the win. Celtic started the match on top and went in front through a Georgios Samaras header from an Emilio Izaguirre corner. Teemu Pukki had a great chance to make it two but Scott Fox saved well at point-blank range. The Thistle keeper did so again moments later as the Finnish striker saw his shot tipped behind by Fox's foot. Kris Doolan then went close with an acrobatic volley off the bar before he eventually did score after placing full-back Stephen O'Donnell's low cross beyond Fraser Forster. Substitute Amido Balde then saved the day for the Hoops 15 minutes from time with a driving run through the Thistle defence before passing the ball low beyond the on-rushing Fox and into the far corner of the net.





## SPFL CELTIC PARK

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2014

### CELTIC 1 – 0 PARTICK THISTLE

(LEDLEY)

A solitary Joe Ledley goal gave the Bhoys their second win over Partick Thistle last season on New Year's Day, 2014. Celtic struggled in their second encounter with the Jags but could have opened the scoring early on when Teemu Pukki went close with a header after good work from Izaguirre on the left allowed him to cross but Scott Fox saved well. Lyle Taylor then flashed a header wide after Aaron Taylor-Sinclair's cross, as Thistle came more into the tie. Kris Commons forced another save from Fox with a long-range free kick but Stuart Bannigan also tested Fraser Forster at the other end. The Englishman then saved well again from Christie Elliot at the back post before Kallum Higginbotham headed wide. Joe Ledley eventually made the points safe with a strike from far out to score his fourth of the season and give Celtic their seventh league win in a row.



## SPFL FIRHILL

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2014

### PARTICK THISTLE 1 – 5 CELTIC

(STOKES 2, HENDERSON, GRIFFITHS, JOHANSEN)

The final Glasgow derby of last season was a much more comprehensive affair than the previous two meetings and saw Celtic secure their third league title in a row in convincing fashion. Emilio Izaguirre's pin-point cross for Anthony Stokes found the Irishman free at the back post to head the Bhoys in front inside three minutes and on their way to the title. Half-time substitute Liam Henderson then scored his first goal for the Hoops after two clever dummies from Kris Commons and Leigh Griffiths left the midfielder free in the box to finish low past Scott Fox. Stefan Johansen bagged another after a one-two with Griffiths before Christie Elliot scored a thunderous volley for Thistle. Not one to be outdone, Stokes bagged his second with his own stylish volley after great set-up play from Georgios Samaras who then set up Commons to net the fifth and send the travelling fans into raptures.





# SILVER DREAM MACHINE

**Callum McGregor** knows a win tonight would boost Celtic's hopes of earning some long-lost silverware

Exclusive interview: Mark Henderson

**CALLUM McGregor had stacks of success at Hampden as a youth player - and that's whetted his appetite to lift trophies there for the first-team.**

The 21-year-old played his part in four successive Youth Cup victories at the National Stadium and there were all occasions to savour.

While winning the title was always the ultimate objective for Celtic's young guns at the start of every campaign, playing in front of a sizeable crowd in a showpiece event was something they were all desperate to experience.

McGregor has many happy memories of parading silverware around the Hampden pitch with his team-mates and taking the acclaim of supporters - but he knows that will pale into insignificance if he was to repeat the feat for Ronny Deila's men.

And that's why the midfielder is determined to help the Hoops progress to the last four of the League Cup tonight with a win against Partick Thistle in Paradise.

"I have done it four times in a row at youth level and I have had that wee taste for success at

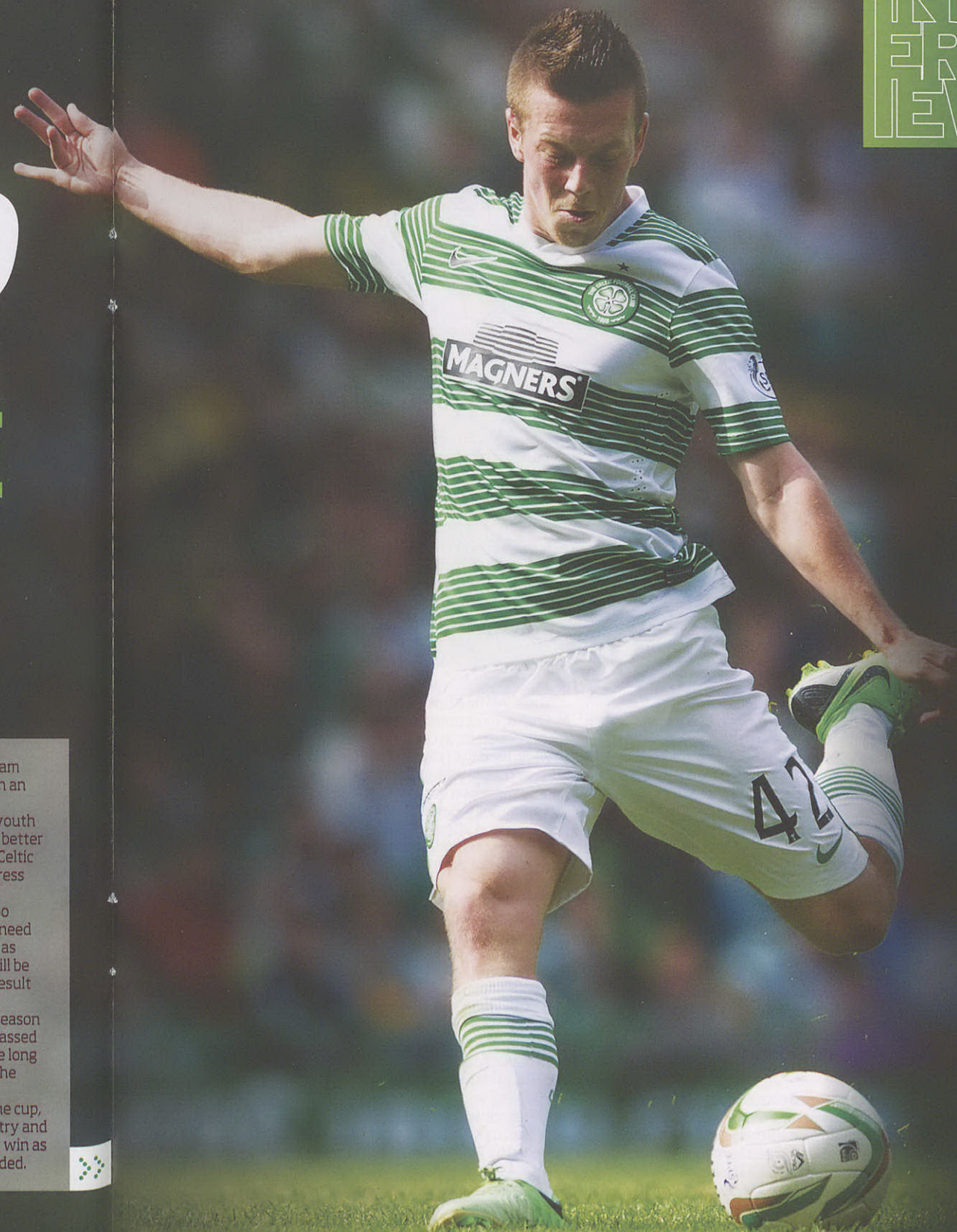
Hampden so hopefully I can get that at first-team level now," he told the matchday programme in an exclusive interview.

"It's amazing when you win there with the youth team and I would imagine it would be 10 times better winning there with a full house, with loads of Celtic fans in the ground, and hopefully we can progress against Thistle.

"In the League Cup, you don't need to win too many games to get to Hampden, so you really need to do well in the games you play and get there as quickly as possible with little hassle, and we will be fully concentrated on trying to get a positive result tonight.

Personal ambitions are not McGregor's sole reason for motivation, however. While Celtic have amassed plenty of prizes over recent years, it's been five long years since the League Cup took residence at the home of the Scottish champions.

"Five years is a long time to have not won the cup, so it will be one of the manager's main aims to try and get it back and I'm sure the players want to try win as many trophies as they can here as well," he added.





But there are many obstacles still to negotiate, the most pressing of which is quarter-final opponents Partick Thistle, a side who appear to be cementing their place back in Scotland's top flight following their return to the league last season.

After comfortably preserving their Scottish Premiership status, turning in a number of eye-catching performances during that journey, the Jags have made a solid start in the current campaign.

And while they never took a point from Celtic during the previous term, they did run the Bhoys close on occasion. They will no pushovers, far from it. And McGregor and the rest of the dressing room are well aware of that.

"Partick Thistle will be a big one for us," he said. "It will be a Glasgow derby and will be quite tasty and we will look forward to it and hopefully we can get the job done.

"They played some good stuff last year and weren't just scraping wins, they were playing really good attacking football along the way. They deserve praise for coming up and not just sitting in and trying to scrap for points.

"They have done well and established themselves. In the last couple of seasons, they have run us really close. The one that stands out was the game on New Year's Day last season and they gave us a hard game at their patch as well, when they made it difficult for us. We know what to expect and we will be ready for it."

There will be a few familiar faces in the opposition for McGregor, most notably former Celtic Youth Academy colleagues Stephen O'Donnell and Stuart Bannigan.

While Bannigan left the club, aged 15, O'Donnell was part of the professional ranks at the club until his release three years ago

"I know Sods - Stephen O'Donnell - who used to play here, and Stuart Bannigan, who was also here as a young boy. I know quite a few of their players and they have a lot good ones which will try and cause us problems."

Both players have flourished at Firhill, with O'Donnell's displays as an attacking full-back earning him elevation to the Scotland Under-21 squad last year.

"He has really kicked on in his career," said McGregor. "It's difficult when you are released here as a young player then you have to pick yourself up and go again, but, to his credit, he has done that tremendously.

"He was in a few of the Scotland U21 squads last year as well which is testament to how well he has been doing. So I am looking forward to seeing him and hopefully I can have a chat with him."

The League Cup will be the third competition Celtic will be involved in over a hectic seven-day period, with Sunday's visit of Kilmarnock in the league preceded by Thursday's UEFA Europa League victory over FC Astra.

While the Hoops never hit top gear against the



‘Tonight will be a big one for us, It’s a Glasgow derby and will be quite tasty and we are all looking forward to it’

Romanian side, significantly, they did enough to garner a priceless three points.

And that has put them in a commanding position in Group D in the competition, having amassed seven points from their opening three games.

“We got the result, albeit we didn’t play as well as we could have, but that was a positive as well, that we can turn out the results even though we aren’t at our best,” said the midfielder. “That’s important.

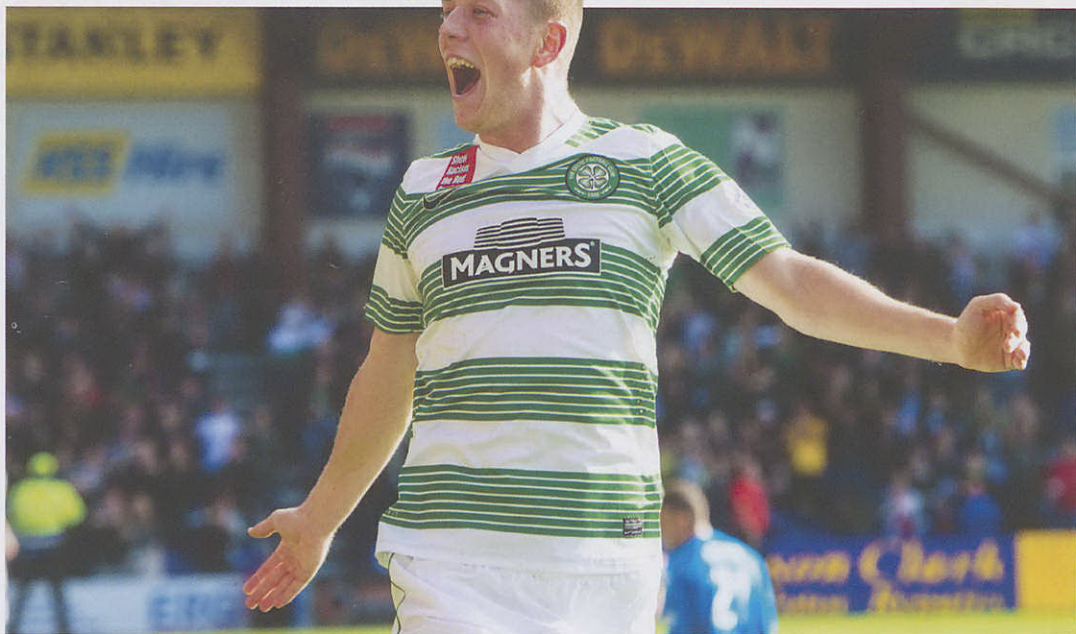
“It was quite an open game. Both teams tried to counter-attack and there were a lot of mistakes. It was just one of those nights when both teams make mistakes and it was a bit of a sloppy game. We were delighted to get the result but there is a feeling we can definitely play better.

“That just shows the work ethic and attitude of the boys that we aren’t happy with the performances even though we have got the result. But we have to play better if we want to progress.”

“It turns out to be a massive result,” he added. “Although we never played as well as we could have and it could be the win that sees us through.”

Celtic will go head-to-head with Astra again next week in Romania, knowing maximum reward would put them on the verge of the knockout stages.

But, acknowledging the menace posed by the Romanian Cup winners in Glasgow, McGregor insists only an improved performance would achieve that target.



» "They came here and put on a good show and showed they are not the whipping boys of the group," he said. "They even got a late goal to give us a bit of a scare as well, so hopefully we can play better and get the three points over there as well."

This time, though, the onus will be on Astra to commit men forward in front of their own supporters, a scenario which could prove favourable for the Bhoys.

"When you look at the performances we have put in away from home, we kind of sit in and don't go as gung ho as we do at home, and sometimes that can work in your favour," he said.

"The opposition teams tend to push more men forward and there are spaces to hit on the counter attack, so we will see what the gaffer's game-plan is but we definitely want to try and get the win and secure our place in the next round."

Celtic were roared on magnificently by the home crowd last Thursday - and McGregor is hopeful they will show that same brilliant backing tonight.

"In the Europa League game, the stadium sounded like it was full and that's all down to the fans who turned up," he said.

"We didn't put on out a show on Thursday but we got the result, and hopefully they will back us again on Wednesday as well."



## STEFFI'S GRAFT

CALLUM McGregor was delighted to see Stefan Scepovic get off the mark for Celtic last week against FC Astra and he believes it will boost the Serbian striker's confidence.

The Hoops hit-man headed home emphatically from Anthony Stokes' free-kick against the Romanian outfit to set the Scottish champions on course for an important victory.

And after coming close on several occasions beforehand, McGregor was pleased to see him get up and running.

"We were delighted to see him score," he said. "He missed a few chances before it and it was good for him as a striker to score and hopefully he can kick on now and get a few more."

"He has settled into training fine, credit to him for that, and he just needs to keep working hard and trying to score goals and hopefully he can build on that."





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## Celtic FC Foundation and the GAA - October Camp 2014



CELTIC FC Foundation and the Gaelic Athletic Association (GAA) joined forces once more to provide a four-day October holiday camp in Glasgow for boys and girls aged 12 to 16. It is now the seventh time both organisations have collaborated across Ireland and Scotland.

This highly-successful camp – the third and final this year in Scotland – took place recently at St Andrew's Secondary School in Greenfield.

The activities included Gaelic Football, Soccer and lessons in lifestyle choices. The event was supported by Glasgow City Council Education Services who provided the facilities free of charge.

The lifestyle lessons were conducted by Glasgow Council on Alcohol who discussed alcohol and drugs. 'Healthy Eating' was the topic from Urban Fox and 'Personal Development' from Allan Campbell, Celtic FC Foundation.

Over 30 boys and girls from all backgrounds and levels of ability took part in the camp. The Soccer coaching was provided by Celtic FC Foundation's Steven Dougan and his team. The Gaelic Football practices were under the supervision of Niall Considine and his team of GAA coaches.

A major contributor to the success of the camp was the help afforded by the St Andrew's school staff including janitors George and Robert, who were all extremely supportive and

helpful, which made the running of the camp so much easier for the coaches. The coaching activities took place outdoors on the grass football pitch.

A welcome guest on the last day was Celtic first-team player Eoghan O'Connell from Cork, himself no stranger to Gaelic Football. Before joining Celtic he'd been a keen player and only gave it up at the age of 15 to join the Hoops.

He told the youngsters how much he'd enjoyed playing the Gaelic game, and urged them to continue playing Gaelic if they'd liked their taster sessions.

On the final afternoon all the participants were presented with a certificate highlighting their 'fair play and sportsmanship' and a souvenir T-shirt with the logos of Celtic FC Foundation, the Gaelic Athletic Association and Glasgow City Council.

All the youngsters were thrilled when Lisbon Lion Bertie Auld arrived to do the presentations. Bertie's grandson Jordan was on the course.

Tony Hamilton, CEO of Celtic FC Foundation said: "GAA are a terrific partner for us and we're proud to continue to create opportunity for young people with them.

"I'd like to thank Gerry Lyons, the head teacher at St Andrew's, for his help in getting us to this point and I'm looking forward to similar initiatives with GAA in 2015 and beyond."

### Welcome to Paradise

**TWO Sheffield United fans are in Paradise tonight as part of their journey to visit every senior football ground in Scotland.**

This will be the 25th ground that Rob Middleton and his son, Josh have visited, which will leave them with 17 more football stadia to visit in Scotland before they complete the task.

They've already seen the Hoops twice in action – against Hibernian at Easter Road and Partick Thistle at Firhill – and have yet to see Celtic lose, so let's hope

they're a good omen for tonight's League Cup quarter-final tie.

It all began back in 2010 with a trip to Stair Park to see Stranraer, and one of the highlights for Rob and Josh was a 500-mile round day trip to see Sheffield United play Cowdenbeath at Central Park back in July 2013.

We'd like to welcome Rob and Josh Middleton to Celtic Park for tonight's game and wish them the best of the luck for the remainder of their Scottish football stadia challenge.



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# FROM THE JAGS TO THE HOOPS

**Joe Craig** sampled life at both Celtic Park and Firhill and he looks back on his time with each club

Exclusive Interview / Martin Dalziel

**WHEN former Celtic and Partick Thistle striker Joe Craig read *Roy of the Rovers* as a young football fan he, like every other reader, dreamed of one day living out the fantastic storylines and heroic matches that Roy and his team-mates took part in.**

The bright colours, magnificent goals and unbelievable comebacks were the stuff of a young boy's dream. However, unlike almost every other reader, Craig went on to make those dreams a reality in Glasgow.

In 1976, a 21-year-old Craig celebrated his fourth year at Partick Thistle by helping them win the inaugural Scottish First Division title, which saw them promoted to what would be only the second season of the new Scottish Premier Division.

That in itself reads like a fairytale but things were about to get even more unbelievable for Craig when Celtic's most famous manager, Jock Stein, persuaded the part-time motor mechanic to join the Hoops full-time and live out his dreams by scoring goals in green and white.

Tonight, as Celtic take on Partick Thistle in the

quarter-final of the League Cup, 60-year-old Craig can look back on a remarkable six-year period in his life where his talents on the pitch brought silverware and glory to both sides at a time when Scottish football was going through a period of change.

In an exclusive interview with the matchday programme, Craig said: "I remember it being a step up going from Partick to Celtic and it was always going to be a step up because you were playing with good players.

"Celtic had two world-class players in Kenny Dalglish and Danny McGrain at that time and it was just the whole size of the club as well that you don't truly realise until you actually go there.

"Celtic is absolutely massive and it doesn't matter where you go in the world, you will always see Celtic supporters. In my opinion they are the best supporters in the world because they turn up to everything.

"It wasn't that big a jump playing-wise because we had a very good team at Partick Thistle at that time. Celtic were going through part of a rebuilding programme and the club was going into a new phase.

"I wouldn't say we were struggling but we weren't

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Joe Craig

## Sailing over silver

Joe Craig collected a number of winner's medals during his time at Celtic and they will always allow him to look back on his time at the club fondly.

However, there is an entity he encountered while at Celtic that will always evoke stronger feelings in him than any silverware – the Celtic support.

Like they do today, and always have done, the faithful Celtic supporters follow the club through thick and thin and they are a positive force that help Celtic win games and believe in themselves.

And that is something that will live with Craig forever.

He said: "That double season, we went to play Hearts and we were top of the league. Hearts were doing well at the time and we were losing 3-1 at half-time. We were playing well but we couldn't get the ball in the net.

"We were sitting in the dressing room trying to get our heads round it but when we went out for the second half, the Celtic fans all had their scarves up and were singing *Sailing*, by Rod Stewart, and we thought, 'we're losing 3-1 and our fans are the ones singing.'

"It was just unbelievable. These fans made us win that game 4-3. They galvanised us and they were fantastic.

"Usually if you're losing 3-1 you'll get berated by the fans but they were singing and we were wowed. It just gave you that motivation to go and do it for them.

"I enjoyed my time at Celtic, and to be fair, I left too early but there are circumstances beyond your control sometimes.

"What I will say, however, is that you can have all your big money clubs in England and all that but Celtic is a massive club. It doesn't matter where you go you will always bump into a Celtic supporter. You will always see a Hoops top.

"I have been on holiday all over Europe and in America and people come up and talk to you because they recognise you.

"If you do reasonably well at Celtic and don't do anything too bad, the fans will always hold you in high esteem and they will always come and talk to you. It's quite humbling actually."

> firing on all cylinders but it was still a fantastic move for me. It was a good time for me to come to the team as well and it was also a good time in my career. Four years, going on to five, at Partick was probably the right time for me to move."

When Craig joined Celtic he left a Partick side on the up. After missing the cut to join the top division during the league restructuring of 1975 the Jags went on to win the new First Division at the first time of trying.

Craig's goals were instrumental in gaining that promotion but he added that the success wasn't always a given.

"At that time it was the top 10 that went into the Premier League and we finished 13th," he said.

"I remember we were vying all through the season with Motherwell and Kilmarnock and it was a big disappointment that we never actually made it into the new league.

"The next season, Thistle had a change of manager as well. Davie McParland left and Bertie Auld took over.

"When we actually won the league Bertie had brought in a few new faces and a lot of others had left. Ronnie Glavin went to Celtic, Alex Forsyth went to Manchester United and Jimmy Bone went to Norwich.

"Bertie had put together a half-decent team but we had our fight with Kilmarnock all through the season and it was a two-horse race between us.

"It was either going to be us or them and we were fortunate enough to beat them home and away and it was the second last game of the season where we had to go to Dunfermline and win. We ended up winning 3-0 and that was us promoted.

"It was a bit of a historic moment – winning the first First Division title and then getting promoted. Everyone was on a high and it was a great year for us."

Next up for Craig was signing for Celtic – his *Roy of the Rovers* moment. After such success at Partick, it was hard to envisage how he could improve but a league and Scottish Cup double in his first year at the Hoops cleared that up.

He said: "You had to up your game. At Partick you could probably get away with having a not-so-good game, whereas at Celtic you couldn't. You had to win every game and it wasn't until you joined the club that you realised that pressure.

"Ending up with the league and cup double in my first season was brilliant. It was absolutely fantastic. It was a dream come true. It was like something out of *Roy of the Rovers*.

"My first game was against Hearts and we drew 2-2 and we dug in to get the draw. They were beating us 2-1 at one point.

"We then went down to Kilmarnock the following weekend and won 4-0 and played really well. That game was a big turning point for us in the league because we played well and scored a lot of goals and the fans went away really happy.

"Killie were playing well at the time so that was quite significant and gave us a platform to go forward. Then the league itself just went from good to better.

"We got to the final of the Scottish Cup and played Rangers at Hampden in a really tough game. To be fair it could have gone either way but we played well and when Andy Lynch scored the penalty it was just a fantastic feeling."

That fantastic feeling gained by a Scottish Cup victory had been bubbling up within Craig throughout the season.

He had played in every round of the League Cup leading to the final, which the Hoops eventually lost, but had also scored in his first Glasgow derby against Rangers.

He said: "It was my first Glasgow derby. It was a midweek game and

I don't think we had beaten Rangers at Ibrox for a few games.

"My goal was a good goal but the result was significant because it gave us a victory at Ibrox.

"The goal was good and a lot of the Celtic supporters remembered it and even to this day people who were at the game will say, 'I always remember the goal you scored at Ibrox.'

"It was one of these pivotal moments in your career that everyone remembers and if I get remembered for that goal by Celtic supporters then I'll be delighted because there were better players than me that have been remembered for a lot worse things.

"It was a turning point because it gave us the momentum and confidence to go on and win the league."

As his former sides go into battle tonight in the League Cup quarter-final, Craig is still torn over his allegiances to each side but is equally thankful for the opportunities afforded to him by both clubs.

Partick Thistle gave him his big break but Celtic took him to levels he never thought possible. If tonight's game was written as a *Roy of the Rovers* comic strip it could go either way as it has all the ingredients for a classic match. However, without picking sides, Craig is just hopeful of a good match between his former clubs.

He added: "It's difficult because I have alliances for both these clubs. Partick was the first club to give me a chance to play and you will always have a soft spot for your first club. My son signed for them and going watching them for a year brought back a lot of nice memories.

"The move to Celtic was a massive step in my career and I will always look at Celtic and cherish the time I was in there. They are a massive club.

"Celtic are always close to my heart and the club and especially the support were just fantastic. They always treated me really well and I'll never forget that.

"I don't know who I want to win to be honest. I think Ronny Deila's philosophy is good. I know everybody wants instant success but I hope everyone gives him enough time to see if he can do what he wants to do.

"His record is good in Norway so we will just have to wait and see. I just hope it's a good game."



## The Celtic Way

Playing for Celtic was a learning curve for Joe Craig in every way. He developed as a player and professional but also learned a lot about the off-field etiquette of how a Celtic player should conduct himself.

Experiencing the hullabaloo of the build-up to a cup game was one of the biggest learning curves, especially if it was for a final match against Rangers.

He said: "At the time you take it as it's coming along but a cup final is special. It's not just a couple of days before it, it's the whole week before it that becomes crazy.

"There's press all over the place, there are interviews and in 1977 we went down to Seamill on the coast for a few days where the press normally aren't allowed because it was our sanctuary but because it was the cup final we were doing press stuff every day.

"So the whole build-up was bizarre. Then it got to the stage where you just can't wait to get to the game and get out on the park. It seems to drag on and you've got ages and ages to worry about it so mentally it is quite tough."



## HIS GREATEST GAME

**Alan Sneddon v Real Madrid  
March 5, 1980**

**IN December 1979, Celtic were paired against Real Madrid in the draw for the quarter-finals of the European Cup.**

There had seldom been such a clamour for tickets at the old Celtic Park and all 67,000 briefs were sold within a matter of days of going on sale in January 1980, with supporters queuing along London Road in freezing snow to buy a much-anticipated passport to watch the big match.

Real Madrid had long been the aristocrats of European football and the Glasgow public had taken them to their hearts after the Spaniards' legendary performance in the classic 7-3 European Cup final victory against Eintracht Frankfurt at Hampden in 1960.

Their star men in 1980 were the Spanish internationalists, Juanito, Del Bosque, Camacho and Santillana together with the West German international Stielike.

However, their main asset was the English left-winger, Laurie Cunningham, who they had signed for a huge fee in the summer of 1979 from West Bromwich Albion. Cunningham was a magnificent talent who was the first black player to represent England when he played against Scotland in an Under-21 fixture.

He was now a full English internationalist and the England manager Ron Greenwood took the opportunity to travel north to watch Cunningham from the comfort of the Celtic Park directors' box.



Alan Sneddon took his place in the right-back position in direct opposition to the flamboyant Cunningham and, as the most inexperienced player in the Celtic side, Real would perhaps have viewed Sneddon as the weak link in Billy McNeill's team.

Real played in their change strip of all navy blue and in the first-half they had the better of the play as the young Celtic side struggled to catch the pace of the game as the slick Madrid men moved the ball around the park with great style.

However, during the half-time break Billy McNeill made a tactical change which was to change the course of the match. Davie Provan, Celtic's main creative outlet, had been closely marked on the right-wing all through the opening 45 minutes.

McNeill told Provan to move inside to allow Alan Sneddon to overlap down the right flank, a plan which was to work beautifully.

After the restart Celtic managed to take control with Roy Aitken and Murdo MacLeod gaining a foothold in midfield. In 52 minutes Sneddon found room on the right-hand side and cut in and fired a fierce shot which the Real keeper Ramon couldn't hold, giving George McCluskey the chance to fire Celtic into the lead.

Sneddon was finding plenty of space on the right flank and in 74 minutes he sent over a delightful floated cross for Johnny Doyle to score with a spectacular header as the roof of The Jungle enclosure almost came off from the roars of the Celtic fans.

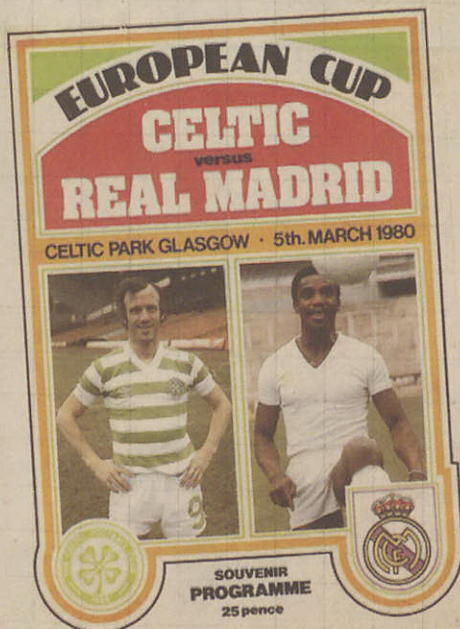
Sneddon was not only playing well as an auxiliary attacker - the first half had saw Cunningham play a leading role for Real but in the second half the Celtic full-back had kept the Englishman at bay as the Celts continued to attack and as the game wore on Cunningham drifted out of the game.

McCluskey was then denied a second goal by a narrow offside decision and Ramon became Real's most important player when he made great saves from McCluskey, MacLeod and Danny McGrain as Celtic responded to the encouragement from the terraces.

After the game the fans rushed home to watch the extended highlights on STV's *Scotsport* programme.

Ian St John was the match summariser and he was fulsome in his praise of Alan Sneddon's performance, particularly the fact that Alan had created both Celtic goals.

There were several great performances from Celtic players that night but Alan Sneddon's performance will always be fondly recalled in particular.



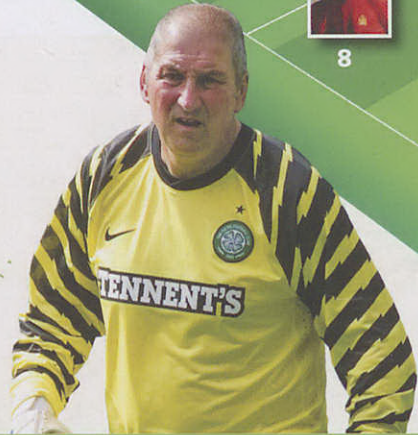
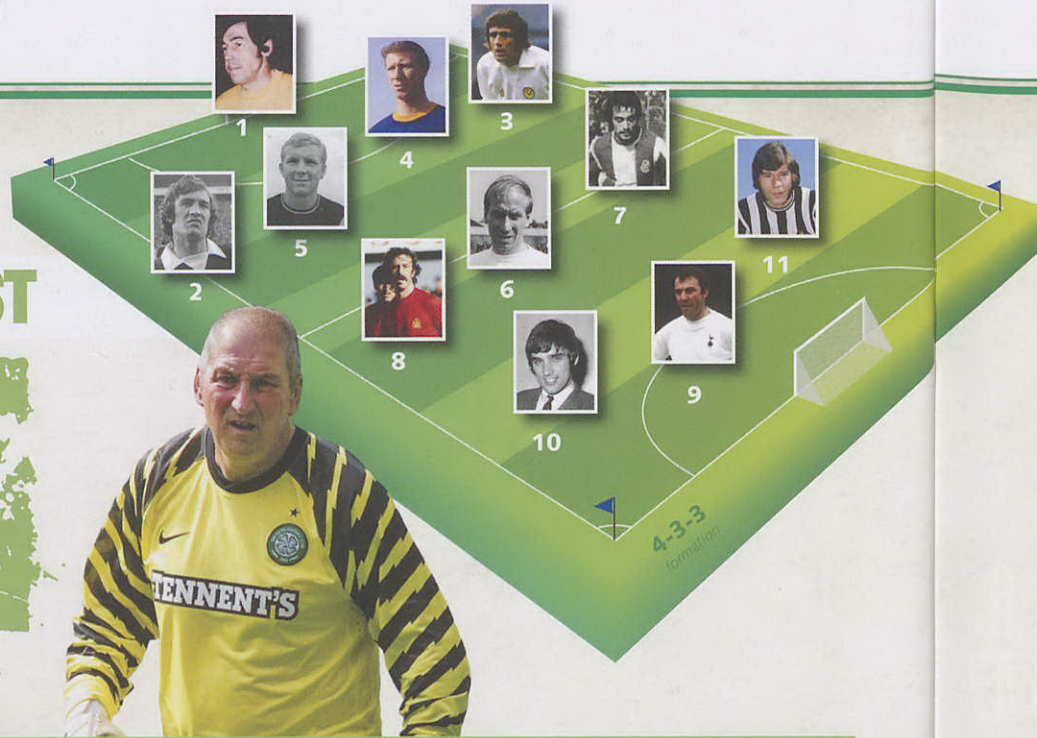


# DREAM TEAM

Words:  
Kenny McKay

## MY BEST

# XI



Peter Latchford came up against some of the best either side of the border

**PETER** Latchford had a lengthy career with Celtic after signing on loan from West Bromwich Albion nearly 40 years ago and he has lived up here ever since.

He temporarily put pen to paper in February, 1975 and the deal was made permanent in July of that year – so permanent that he was still on the books of the club in June 1987.

Big Peter played 272 times in the Celtic goal and quickly became a fans' favourite with chants of "Peter, Peter give us a wave" and "Latchford for England" emanating from The Jungle.

This week he picks his Best XI of player he's played against.



### GOALKEEPER:

1: Gordon Banks

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2: Sandy Jardine  
5: Bobby Moore  
4: Jack Charlton  
3: Norman Hunter

### MIDFIELD:

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6: Alves  
7: Bobby Charlton

### FORWARDS:

10: George Best  
9: Jimmy Greaves  
11: Malcolm MacDonald

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### GORDON BANKS

Without a shadow of a doubt it has to be him. He was a hero of mine when I was younger and that's because he was the best in the business. It was the same performance week in, week out. Such consistency whether it was for Leicester or for England. His handling was second to none and that was in the days when you didn't wear gloves. You've seen the advent of the sweeper keeper in the last few years but he even had that in his game way back when. In my opinion he was ahead of his time.



### JACK CHARLTON

Big Jack was an uncompromising centre-half. It didn't matter where you kicked the ball to, he'd end up on the end of it. Constantly moaning, he would make his presence felt and was a nightmare to play against. When he came up for corners you knew about it. I remember I clattered into him once when he was at Leeds and I fell to the ground. After it, he growled at me in such a way that I actually apologised and said 'Sorry Mr Charlton'. You pair him with Bobby Moore and you have the ideal partnership.

### SANDY JARDINE

This feature probably doesn't include many Rangers players but I can't leave him out. He even scored against me and I'm still putting him in. But what an honest competitor and an all-round class full-back. He gave 100% in every single game and was just one of the greats. A great example of how to play in that position. Alongside Danny McGrain, he was one of the best full-backs of all time.

### BOBBY MOORE

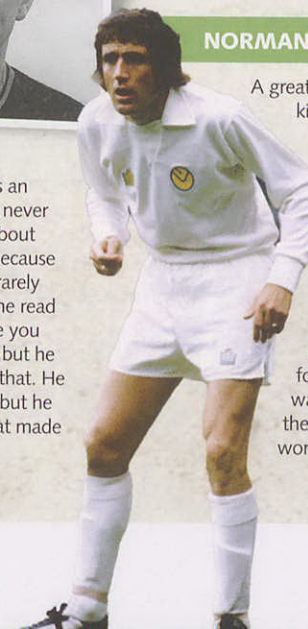


Different class. To say he could read the game was an understatement. He was never the player to be sliding about all over the field simply because he never needed to. He rarely got his kit dirty because he read the game so well. Maybe you could call him a sweeper but he was so much more than that. He wasn't particularly quick but he didn't have to be and that made him world class.



### NORMAN HUNTER

A great defender who could kick lumps out of everyone. He would be up and down that flank all the day and you'd know you'd have nothing to worry about. He was just a class footballer. Perhaps a little understated for his time but that was his style, just get the head down and work hard.



# DREAM TEAM

## VINCENTE DEL BOSQUE

He was such a tough, hard-working player. He seemed to be everywhere on the park when we played against him. Non-stop work coupled with a pressure from the first to the last. He would set the tone of any game. I think that's why he was so successful in management because that's exactly what he brought to any game.



## ANTÓNIO LUÍS ALVES RIBEIRO OLIVEIRA OR "ALVES"

I had to pick him because, in my opinion, the ball became a magnet when he was on the park. Everything went through him and he was a nightmare to get the ball off of. If he was in possession, you knew something was being created. He also teamed that with such a good work-rate that he and del Bosque would have a great partnership.



## BOBBY CHARLTON

Bobby Charlton is a player I can't leave out. I'm sticking him in right-midfield but to be honest it doesn't matter. He can play anywhere. He's such a nice guy off the pitch but lethal on it. When you tried to save one of his shots, you could only block or parry them. You had no chance of holding them and your hands would be stinging for minutes after. He was just one of the game's best ever players.



## GEORGE BEST

He just ran riot. He could just do anything. I played against him with Manchester United and Hibernian. When he got the ball, you had no way of predicting what he was going to do. He scored against me once where he sent me completely the wrong way and made me look like a right chump. I'd give him licence to roam in my best XI and I'm sure it'd be to devastating effect.

## MALCOLM MacDONALD

Malcolm MacDonald was a classic No.9 centre-forward. As hard as nails, he would take the blows but he could dish them out as well. Back in the day when you had to come for crosses, you'd dread coming out to take it from big Malcolm because he'd take the ball and the keeper. To show how highly I rate him, I've even put him in over my own brother Bob.



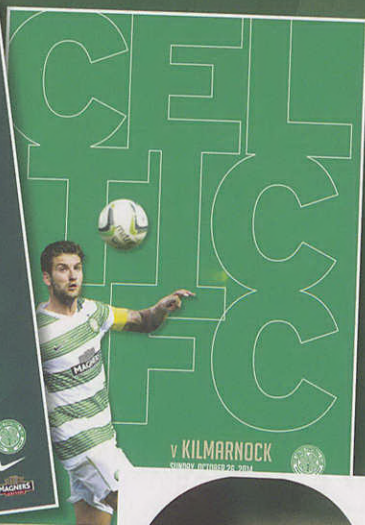
## JIMMY GREAVES

I've got to have him in. I only played against him once and that was more than enough. He was the one that put the ball in the back of the net and you couldn't take your eyes off him for a minute. He was your archetypal fox in the box and I think he would have a great partnership with big Mac and Best.



## ON THE BENCH

I've been toiling with this one but if there's room on the bench I'd have to put both Kevin Keegan and my brother Bob. Both were great scorers and I'd love to see them play together.



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# ON THIS DAY

## OCTOBER 29

Words: Joe Sullivan

**1892** Celtic were first in action on this day in 1892 when they faced Partick Thistle in a Glasgow Cup tie. Johnny Madden and Tom Towie scored the goals in the 2-1 victory. Towie was making his Celtic debut in that game, having been allowed to join the club on loan for cup games from Renton. He made a total of five appearances, scoring two goals. Celtic played Thistle two more times in that season's Glasgow Cup, drawing 1-1 in November, and then a week later, they won 8-0 at Celtic Park. The Celts reached the final of the Glasgow Cup that season, but unfortunately lost 3-1 to Rangers.

**1927** Celtic hit six past St Mirren on this day in 1927, with Jimmy McGrory scoring **FOUR** of the goals. Paddy Connolly scored the other two. Season 1927/28 was a phenomenal one for McGrory, who netted a total of 53 goals, including 47 in the league. As well as his four against St Mirren, he scored five separate hat-tricks, while on January 14, 1928 against Dunfermline, he bagged an incredible **EIGHT** goals in the 9-0 victory. Despite the phenomenal goalscoring record of McGrory, Celtic had to be content with second place that season.

**1938** Eleven years on and Celtic scored another six on this day, this time against Third Lanark in what was the last full season before the outbreak of the Second World War. Malky MacDonald scored two of the goals that day. He would score a total of 55 goals in 335 appearances between 1932-45, and two of those goals came on his debut against Partick Thistle in April 1932, when the Hoops won 2-0. Inexplicably, MacDonald's reward to faithful service to the club throughout the war years was to be sold to Kilmarnock in 1945. He was sadly missed by the Celtic support.

**1949** Celtic and Hibernian met on this day in 1949 at Celtic Park, and the sides fought out a 2-2 draw. It was the visitors who took a two-goal first-half lead, much to the dismay of the majority of the impressive crowd of 55,000. But a goal from John McPhail on the hour mark reduced the deficit, and Bobby Evans netted an equaliser in the last minute. Hibernian would be pipped for the title that season by a solitary point, while Celtic finished a distant fifth in the table.

**1966** Celtic retained the League Cup with a 1-0 victory over Rangers in the final on this day in 1966. The previous season, two John Hughes penalties gave the Hoops a 2-1 victory over their city rivals, and it was another closely-fought affair this time around. A Bobby Lennox goal on 19 minutes, firing home from a Joe McBride set-up, was enough to win the match and the trophy, part of a clean sweep of silverware for Jock Stein's side in season 1966/67.

# 1973

Having progressed from the League Cup section, Celtic faced Motherwell in the second round of the competition. They won the first leg 2-1 at Fir Park, but lost the return at Celtic Park 1-0. This set up a play-off, which took place on this day in 1973. The match took place at Celtic Park and it took a last-minute goal from Jimmy Johnstone to give the Hoops a 3-2 victory over a stuffy Motherwell team. Jock Stein's side made it all the way to the final, but they lost 1-0 to Dundee at Hampden, with the Dens Park side having Lisbon Lion Tommy Gemmell in their ranks that day.

# 1983

Celtic and Hibernian met again on this day in 1983, and this time it was the Hoops who ran out winners, recording a comfortable 5-1 home win. Brian McClair scored the only goal of the first-half, but after the break, Celtic fired in the goals. McClair completed the scoring on 86 minutes but, before then, Davie Provan, Brian Whitaker and Murdo MacLeod had all scored. Hibernian scored a consolation goal on 77 minutes.

# 1986

Brian McClair scored another double on this day in 1986 as Celtic beat Clydebank 6-0. Alan McNally also scored twice, while Mark McGhee and Murdo MacLeod netted. Celtic had won the title the previous season with the dramatic last-day triumph at Love Street, while Clydebank had finished bottom. However, because the league was being expanded from 10 to 12 teams, there was a stay of execution for the Bankies. However, they did get relegated that season, while Celtic finished second in what was Davie Hay's last season in charge.

# 2000

Martin O'Neill's side fought out a 3-3 draw with Motherwell at Fir Park back in 2000. Johan Mjallby gave Celtic the lead after 13 minutes, but the home side scored twice to take the lead. Joos Valgaeren brought Celtic level and then Jackie McNamara put the Hoops in front on 71 minutes. But a penalty seven minutes later gave Motherwell the chance of the equaliser, and the game finished 3-3.

# 2008

Celtic travelled to Rugby Park to face Kilmarnock on this day in 2008. Scott McDonald opened the scoring for the Hoops and Shunsuke Nakamura, who seemed to develop a habit of scoring against Killie, made it 2-0 on the stroke of half-time. The home side reduced the deficit on 68 minutes when Danny Invincible scored, but a goal three minutes later from Aiden McGeady restored Celtic's two-goal advantage, and gave them the 3-1 victory.

# 2011

For the second time in four days, Celtic and Hibernian came head-to-head, but neither side could break the deadlock as the league encounter ended in a goal-less draw. The Edinburgh side came to Celtic Park on the back of a midweek 4-1 defeat in the League Cup, but the Hoops found it difficult to break them down this time, and it was a disappointing result.



## AND ANOTHER THING...

Actress Winona Ryder celebrates her 40th birthday today. She has starred in many films over the years, including the wonderful *Edward Scissorhands*, the hilarious *Mr Deeds* and, more recently, *Black Swan*.



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# It pays to play Celtic Pools

IT certainly pays to play Celtic Pools as over £22,000 has been paid out to Celtic supporters over the past week.

Gerry and Elaine Ward from Motherwell (pictured right) scooped the Paradise Windfall jackpot prize at the game against FC Astra on Thursday night, winning an incredible **TWELVE THOUSAND POUNDS**.

The winning ticket was K3545. The other tickets drawn were: C2774, K3521, F3254, K1463.

The Paradise Windfall is sponsored by The Kitchen Depot, and the draw was made by 12-year-old Patrick Welsh from Perth.

Last weekend, the rollover in the weekly lottery was paid out. Eight lucky supporters shared a total prize pot of over **NINE THOUSAND POUNDS**, giving them £1,128 each.

The rollover pays out when four teams score a combined total of 20 or more goals. Southampton's impressive 8-0 victory over Sunderland on Saturday was the main reason for the bumper pay-out.

The eight lucky winners were: Colin Sinclair, Drumchapel; John Brogan, Barrhead; Trevor John, Port Glasgow; Cathie Reynolds, Baillieston; John Tolan, Greenock; Mrs BJ Crickett, Greenfield; Mrs G Sichi, Shawlands and Robert Clive, Coatbridge.

All net proceeds from the lottery are invested in Youth Development at the club. For only £1 per week supporters can play their part in the future of the club while having a chance of winning some great cash prizes like the eight supporters who got lucky at the weekend. You can get involved too by joining up for the lottery online at [www.celticfc.net](http://www.celticfc.net).

And it was a double celebration for Richard Lang, who picked up the TicPick Lucky 7 jackpot prize of £1,300 last weekend after watching the Hoops beat Ross County 5-0.

Richard, from Lytham, St Anne's, is a dedicated player of TicPick Lucky 7 and is a regular winner of some of the great



prizes available by playing the game.

Last season he topped the end-of-season table and enjoyed a fantastic day in Paradise back in August when the Champions unfurled the league flag. Richard took his place in the Directors' Box and was privileged to take to the pitch at half-time to make the Paradise Windfall draw.

His latest win is just reward for the dedication he has shown to the game, playing week-in-week-out - all for just a £1 stake.

In fact, had he placed the same bet at his local high street bookie those seven results would have returned around £481 - quite a bit less than the £1,300 on the TicPick Jackpot.

It pays to play TicPick Lucky 7 not only for the great prizes on offer but also the fact that a percentage of revenue generated is re-invested in the future of the club through the Youth Academy.

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# BACK ON THE ROAD

**Aidan Nesbitt** is set to fight for a place in the Development Side now that he is on the way back from injury

Exclusive Interview: Martin Dalziel

**A**T JUST 17-years-old Celtic's Aidan Nesbitt has learned what it means to be a Hoops player. A nine-year education in all things green and white as he rose through the ranks of Celtic's Youth Academy has give the winger a mature, positive and levelled outlook on life that belies his tender years.

Nesbitt was on an absolute high after a stunning season for Celtic's Under-17 squad with a goal against Rangers in the Glasgow Cup final at the culmination of the 2013/14 season but had his progress cut short by a serious ankle injury sustained on national duty with Scotland in September.

It was at that point that the lessons, resilience and maturity he had learned and developed during his time at Celtic was called into action and now, after a seven-week lay-off, he is on the road to recovery and raring to go.

He has fond memories of last year's success and, in an exclusive interview with the matchday programme, explained how he is desperate to get back on to the pitch and pick up where he left off.

"The Glasgow Cup game was at the very end of the season so it was brilliant for the full team who had been working hard all season to get to finally know it had paid off by beating Rangers," he said.

"It was obviously good for me too to get the goal. I don't score many goals but this was an important one.

"It also doesn't come much better than beating Rangers, especially at Celtic Park. That was the first time I'd played there so it was great. It's up there with the best memories I have from being at Celtic. It was one of those moments when you realise what this club is.

"I've been playing for Celtic since I was eight-years-old and it really did feel like I was really there and starting to try and do something about it. It felt like I was starting to take a stand on things and it just gave me more confidence to just push myself even further.

"The injury came in the start of September playing for Scotland. I just took a bad tackle and my studs were caught in the ground. The ligaments across my ankle were damaged and I was in a cast for four weeks and it's now seven weeks since it happened.

"Over the past week I've just been running again and starting to do more things.

"It came at a bad time and it was tough, but you can't do much about it.

"I've missed a lot of league games that I could have but I just need to look forward now and get back to playing with form as soon as I'm back as quickly as possible."

Such a lengthy period out of action can be tough for



'It was one of those moments when you realise what this club is'

any professional to take, none more so than a younger player riding a wave of merited optimism after a strong season.

Nesbitt is made of stern stuff, however, and remained positive throughout his rehabilitation.

His mental strength saw him continue to work with the club's physiotherapists while out of action to maintain his strength and he is now gradually getting back to training with an additional set of attributes in his locker, such as added strength and stability.

He now has a hunger to work hard in training, get back to action and potentially get back playing for the Development Squad before the end of the year - a place he views as perfect for his progress as a player.

He said: "I feel very good and feel a lot stronger. For the four weeks I was in the cast I was doing a lot of strength work so I feel as if, although the injury held me back, my strength from being in the gym has become a benefit.

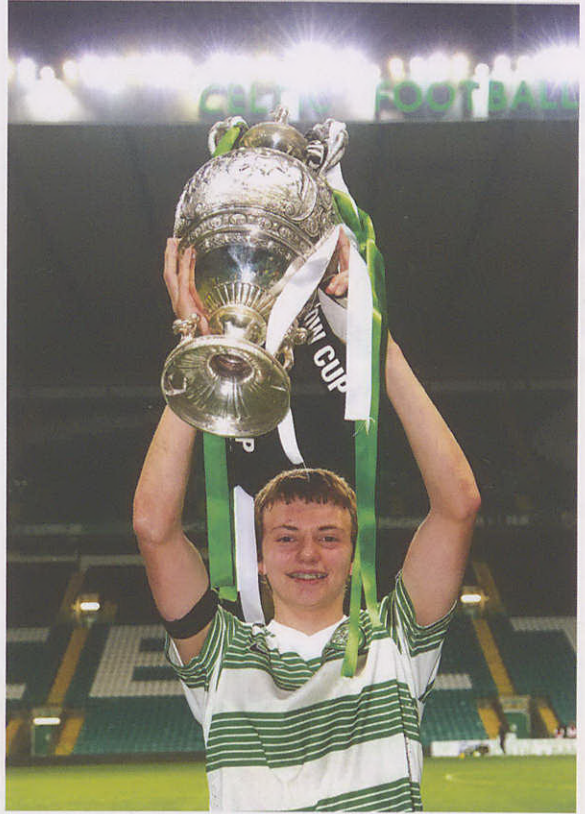
"Obviously set-backs are hard but you've got to take as much out of it as you can and I feel as if I've done that and the work in the gym can hopefully benefit me on the pitch.

"The league is good for player development. I'm only 17 so at times I'll be playing against someone two or three years older. Everyone also plays a different way so it's good to come up against these players.

"There are big, strong players so you just need to learn to be better on the ball and have a better first touch and I think that will improve that side of my game and it will teach me more about the game itself, tactically and where I should be and when.

"Hopefully if I'm back in enough time I can feature in the English Premier League International Cup as well and hopefully I will be a regular in the Development Squad and we can win trophies and win the cup. I'd say that would be a very good season for myself if I was a regular in that side.

"I know how good every player here is and I just want to get back and add to those performances."



## Top Stage

**CELTIC'S Development Squad have been invited to play in the inaugural English Premier League International Cup this November.**

The tournament will see the Hoops take on Everton and Sunderland's Under-21 sides as well as a similarly aged team from Spanish side Villarreal in a run of matches starting next month.

The games will allow Stevie Frail to gauge the progress of his squad by pitting them against some of the best youth academy set-ups in Europe and winger Aidan Nesbitt agrees that it will be the perfect platform for he and his team-mates to test themselves against the best.

He said: "It will be different for us. There will be different football cultures and it's U21s we will be up against so it will be a different competition with a lot of good players in it.

"At my age I want to play against the best players to test myself so that will be great for everyone's individual development but it will also be good for us as a side to take on those games and then take on the lessons we learn into the Development Squad games. It'll be a great learning process."



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## Key

1 Number of Goals scored

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SPFL - The Premiership

UCL - Champions League

UEL - Europa League

SC - Scottish Cup

SLC - League Cup

Stats correct up to and including 27/10/2014



Comp	Date	Opposition	Result	Starting 11
July				
UCL	15 Jul	KR Reykjavik	1-0	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
UCL	22 Jul	KR Reykjavik	4-0	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk 2 Izaguirre
UCL	30 Jul	Legia Warsaw	1-4	Forster Lustig Ambrose van Dijk Matthews
August				
UCL	6 Aug	Legia Warsaw	3-0^	Forster Matthews Lustig van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	13 Aug	St Johnstone	3-0	Gordon Matthews Lustig van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	16 Aug	Dundee United	6-1	Gordon Ambrose Denayer 1 van Dijk Izaguirre
UCL	20 Aug	NK Maribor	1-1	Gordon Lustig Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	23 Aug	Inverness CT	0-1	Zaluska Ambrose O'Connell Mulgrew Twardzik
UCL	26 Aug	NK Maribor	0-1	Gordon Ambrose Lustig van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	31 Aug	Dundee	1-1	Gordon Matthews Ambrose Denayer Izaguirre
September				
SPFL	13 Sep	Aberdeen	2-1	Gordon Ambrose Denayer 1 van Dijk Izaguirre
UEL	18 Sep	FC Salzburg	2-2	Gordon Ambrose Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	21 Sep	Motherwell	1-1	Zaluska Ambrose Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SLC	24 Sep	Hearts	3-0*	Gordon Ambrose Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	27 Sep	St Mirren	2-1	Gordon O'Connell Ambrose van Dijk Izaguirre
October				
UEL	02 Oct	Dinamo Zagreb	1-0	Gordon Ambrose Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	05 Oct	Hamilton	0-1	Gordon Ambrose Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	18 Oct	Ross County	5-0	Gordon Lustig Denayer 1 van Dijk Izaguirre
UEL	23 Oct	FC Astra	2-1	Gordon Lustig Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SPFL	26 Oct	Kilmarnock	2-0	Gordon Matthews Denayer van Dijk Izaguirre
SLC	29 Oct	Partick Thistle (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 (12.45pm)		
UEL	11 Dec	Dinamo Zagreb (6pm)		
SPFL	14 Dec	St Mirren		
SPFL	21 Dec	Dundee United (12.15pm)		
SPFL	27 Dec	Ross County		
January				
SPFL	01 Jan	Partick Thistle (5.30pm)		
SPFL	05 Jan	Kilmarnock (8pm)		
SPFL	10 Jan	St Johnstone		
SPFL	17 Jan	Hamilton		
SPFL	21 Jan	Motherwell		
SPFL	24 Jan	Ross County		
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		

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 ^Legia Warsaw forfeit the match - Celtic awarded 3-0 win. \* Own goal v Hearts (Eckersley)

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# QUIZ

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1 Who is the only man to play in League Cup finals for both Celtic and Partick Thistle?



2 Which player has netted most League Cup goals for Celtic with a total of 62?

3 Which two clubs have Partick Thistle defeated in the previous two rounds of the League Cup?

4 Which goalkeeper has played for and against Celtic in a Scottish League Cup final?

5 In which season did Celtic last face Partick Thistle in the League Cup tournament?

6 Who was the only member of the Lisbon Lions to win an English League cup medal in his career?

7 Who was the manager of Partick Thistle when they defeated Celtic 4-1 in the 1970/71 League Cup final?

8 In how many consecutive League Cup finals did Celtic play in during the 1960s and '70s?

9 Who is the only Italian to win a League Cup winner's medal when playing with Celtic?

10 Who played for Partick Thistle when they defeated Celtic in the 1971/72 League Cup final before signing for the Celtic Park club 17 years later?

11 Which three current Celts have scored their first goals for Celtic in the League Cup tournament?

12 Against which club in 1953/54 did Partick Thistle first play in a League Cup final?

13 Who scored Celtic's goals when they beat Partick Thistle 3-0 in 1956 to win the League Cup for the first time?

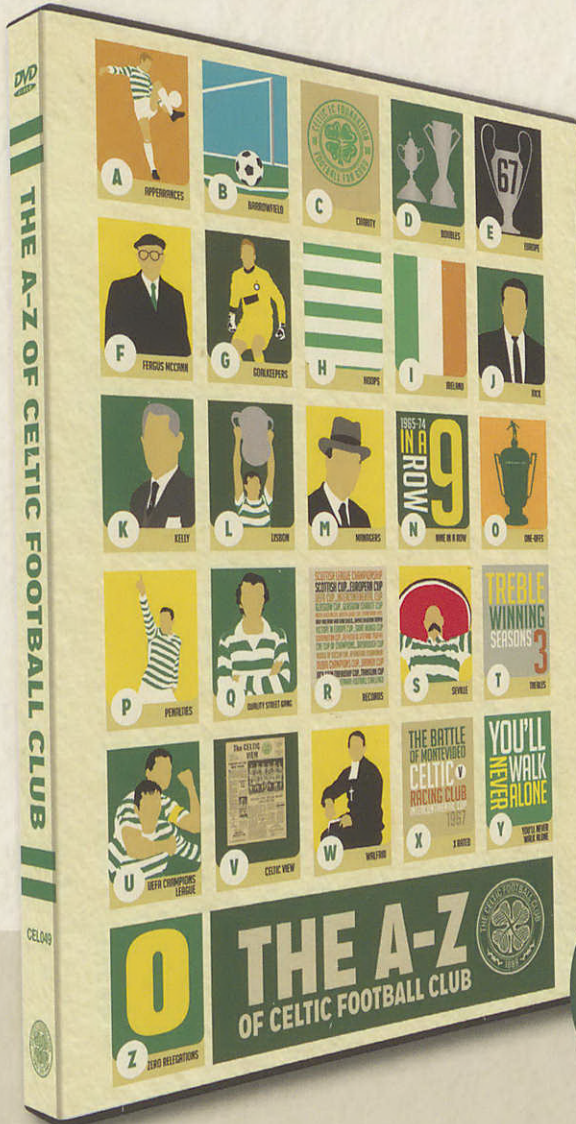
14 Which was the last season when an all-Scottish Celtic team last won the League Cup?

15 Who was the last player to net a penalty for Celtic in a League Cup final?

ANSWERS

1. Ronnie Glavin, Partick Thistle: 1970/71; Celtic: 1975/76
2. Bobby Lennox.
3. Morton (1-0); St Mirren (1-0).
4. Gordon Marshall; Celtic v Raith Rovers 1994/95.
5. 2002/03; Celtic won 5-4 on penalties after a 1-1 draw.
6. Bertie Auld (Birmingham City) 1962/63.
7. Davie McFarland.
8. Fourteen: 1964/65-1971/78.
9. Enrico Annoni (1997/98) Celtic 3-0 Dundee United.
10. Alan Rough.
11. Kris Commons v Aberdeen (2010/11); Charlie Mulgrew v Aberdeen (2011/12); John Guidetti v Hearts (2014/15).
12. East Fife; East Fife 3-2 Partick Thistle.
13. Billy McPhail (2); Bobby Collins.
14. 1974/75; Celtic 6-3 Hibernian; Hunter, McGrain, Brogan, Murray, McNeill, McCluskey, Johnstone, Daigh, Deans, Hood, Wilson, Subs: Lennox, MacDonald.
15. Aiden McGeady v Rangers (2008/09); Celtic 2-0 Rangers.

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DARNELL FISHER	41	○	○	29	LEE GALLACHER
CALLUM McGREGOR	42	○	○	30	DALE KEENAN
JAMES FORREST	49	○	○	35	MATTHEW McINALLY
LIAM HENDERSON	53	○	○	39	SIMON COLINA DOMINGUEZ
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RESULT: H/T F/T SCORERS:

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