

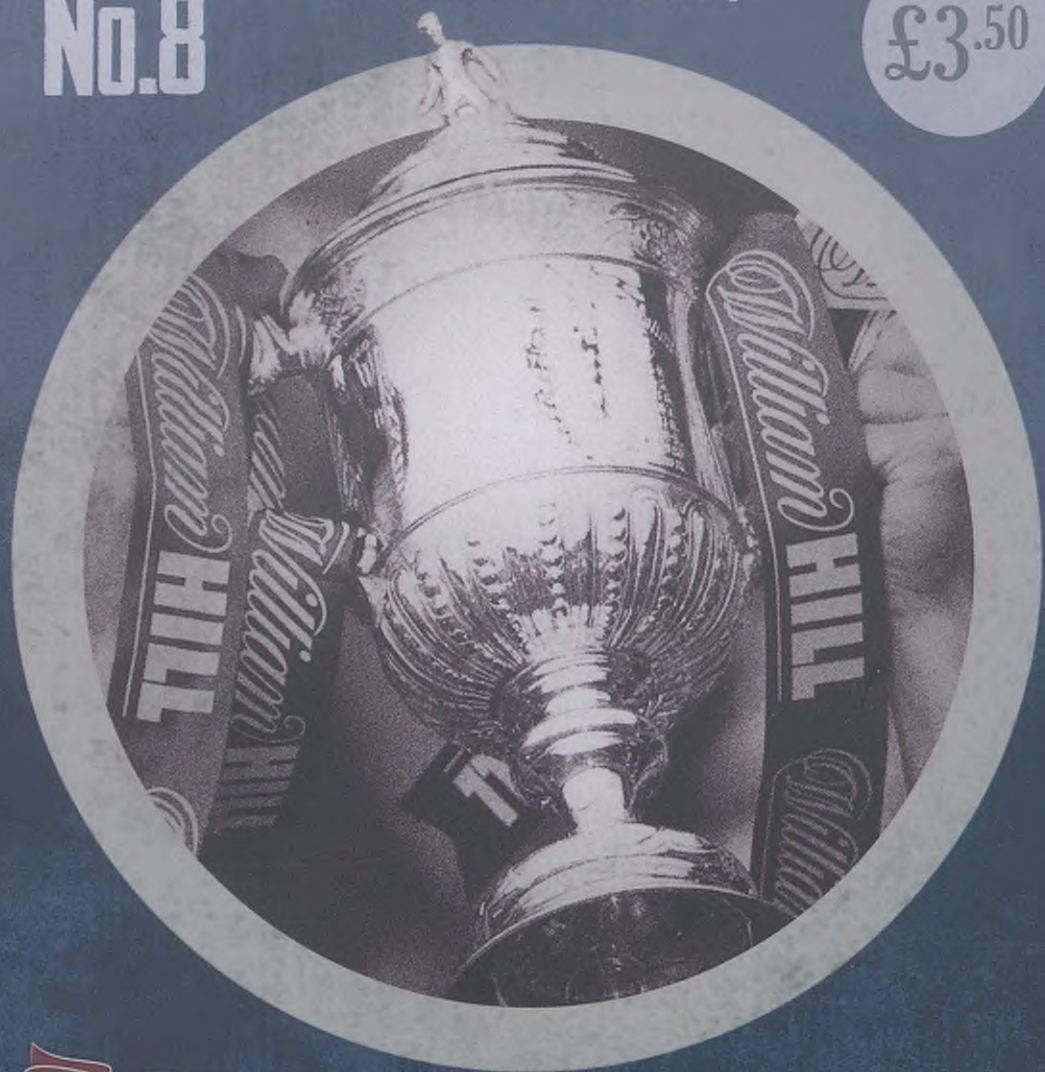
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Scottish Cup 1891, 1896, 1901, 1906, 1956, 1998,
2006, 2012 (Runners-up: 6)

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(Runners-up: 3)

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
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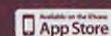
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22ND NOVEMBER 2014

FROM THE DUGOUT

ROBBIE NEILSON



Good afternoon and welcome back to Tynecastle for today's William Hill Scottish Cup meeting with Celtic.

After the Rangers game last weekend, it's another huge match for the players.

Celtic are the best team in Scotland at the moment so this will be a big test of our character and ability but it's one we are looking forward to.

Last week's match was one of the biggest in Scotland and it is the same again today.

There has been another big build-up to the cup-tie and to play both sides of the Old Firm at Tynecastle in the space of eight days is great for us all the club.

Earlier this season, we went to Celtic Park in the League Cup and held our own for long periods in the game.

The match hinged on a penalty we didn't convert and after that they came into the game and went on to win the match.

We know what to expect and are confident if we play well, we'll do OK.

The players did great against Rangers, passed the ball well and I'm looking for more of the same this afternoon.

Celtic play in a similar way to us so it should be an entertaining game for the fans.

Enjoy the match.

ROBBIE



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HEARTS NEWS

FITTING SEND OFF

A special memorial event for Stockholm Hearts' David Brunton was recently held in the Gorgie Suite.

David's brother-in-law Geoff McConnell contacted the club to express the family's gratitude to all those who came along, including Director of Football Craig Levein.

"Myself and my wife Dot (David's sister), his mum Jen, Vivi-Anne and Sofia (David's widow and stepdaughter) would like to thank everyone who attended a memorable afternoon where his pal Hans entertained the hall with many tales involving following Hearts at home and in Europe," said Geoff.

"There were photos, club calls, Eddie Edinburgh badges and everybody had a good time remembering a top guy and Hearts stalwart.

"We'd like to extend a special thank-you to Craig Levein for taking time to stop in and chat to a lot of friends and family. It was a special day and a fitting send off for David."

David passed away in September at the age of 51.



A final club call
in memory of
David Brunton

28/11/1962 - 10/09/2014

SHOP HOURS

Supporters are reminded that the Clubstore will be open on the four Sundays in the run-up to Christmas.

For anyone looking to buy a present for the Jambo in their life, the shop will be open today (November 30) and then December 7, December 14 and December 21 from 11am-4pm.


Other opening times are as follows -
Monday-Friday: 9am-5pm; Saturday 9am-4pm; Saturday match days: 9am-kick-off and after the match.



KIND GESTURE

Michael Annan, of Annan Solicitors and Estate Agents, presented Iain McWhirter of MND Scotland with a cheque for £1000 during half-time of the league clash with Rangers.

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HEARTS NEWS

VERY FARE DEAL

Heart of Midlothian FC has agreed a new partnership with Gorgie-based taxi company Capital Cars, which will provide a priority service to fans and bring in vital income to the club as the Revival continues.

Included in a range of offers for Jambos is fixed-price tariffs for all Championship away games. Competitive set fares mean that fans travelling together can enjoy door-to-door service for away games for a fraction more than the train fare.

Capital Cars will also donate a portion of the metered fare (up to 20% depending on destination) when telephone bookings are made quoting "Hearts 1874".

In keeping with Hearts' promise to build in innovation to its new operation, especially given the IT background of the new off-field management team, a new smart phone app has also been launched to give fans the ability to book and track their taxi online.

The app, which is available for iPhones and Android devices, alerts Capital Cars to each booker's location and shows where the nearest taxis are to pick them up. It will also send details of the taxi and estimated arrival time.



Pic: Steven Scott Taylor.

The app, "Hearts Taxi", can be downloaded from the Apple App Store or from Google Play Store for Android users.

"It's a great service for fans," said Director of Football, Craig Levein. "It will make the whole match day experience more enjoyable. Fans can relax, leave the car at home and be assured that they'll get to the game in style. Not only that, they'll know the club is benefiting financially every time they travel."

Photographed with one of the taxi fleet are Hearts stars Liam Smith, Brad McKay, Dale Carrick, Kevin McHattie and Billy King with Capital Cars' Sales Director Grace Millar and Marketing Director John Stewart.

KEVIN CROCKED

Defender Kevin McHattie will be out for six weeks with the knee injury suffered against Rangers last weekend.

The left-back was crocked in a challenge by Kenny Miller during the Jambos' stirring 2-0 triumph at Tynecastle, with scans showing he has strained his medial ligament.

The news is better than head coach Robbie Neilson feared, with the gaffer saying: "It is not good news but it is better than we had feared.

"We knew it was quite a bad one. No surgery is required, though, with rest being needed.

"He will be in a brace to begin with and will be missing for six weeks."



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AWAY TRAVEL

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Address: Central Park, Cowdenbeath, Fife KY4 9QQ

Capacity: 4,309

Website: www.cowdenbeathfc.com

Last time we met: 20/09/14 - Scottish Championship - Hearts 5, Cowdenbeath 1

Did you know? Half of the main stand was destroyed by a fire in 1992. The surviving section of this stand is called the West Stand, or the Old Stand. Beside this the 'Alex Menzies Stand' (or New Stand) was opened in March 1995, giving a total seated capacity of 1,622. Along with this the club built new dressing rooms, a board room, function suite, and office facilities. Both stands have a row of floodlight pylons in front of them, which can obstruct supporters views. Three sides of the ground are uncovered terraces.

LIVINGSTON ENERGY ASSETS ARENA 27/12/2014 15.00



Address: Alderstone Lane, Livingston, EH54 7DN

Capacity: 9,865

Website: www.livingstonfc.co.uk

Last time we met: 28/09/14 - Scottish Championship - Hearts 5, Livingston 0

Did you know? The stadium was constructed in 1995 as a joint venture between Meadowbank Thistle and the Livingston Development Corporation (LDC). Part of the deal involved the relocation of Meadowbank Thistle to the town and a name change to Livingston. When the LDC was wound up, ownership of the Stadium was transferred to West Lothian Council.



FIRM BELIEF

League may be the priority for Hearts but MORGARO GOMIS tells PAUL KIDDIE the Jambos crave cup success, too.

PLAYER FEATURE:
MORGARO GOMIS



**“NOW IT’S CELTIC,
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SCOTLAND, AND YOU
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BIG MATCHES”**

Today’s Scottish Cup visit of Celtic completes a titanic Old Firm double-header for Hearts, with midfielder Morgaro Gomis relishing the chance of sinking the other half of Glasgow’s big two.

With Robbie Neilson at the helm, the Jambos have steered a steady course through the uncharted waters of the Scottish Championship, the league campaign so far proving pretty much plain sailing for the Gorgie outfit.

Rangers cruised into town last weekend intent on halving the Jambos’ lead at the top of the table but instead found themselves on the receiving end of a deserved 2-0 defeat.

Unbeaten in the league and now nine points clear, Hearts have been relentless in their pursuit of a swift return ticket back to the top flight.

With 14 games now gone in the campaign and 12 wins and two draws in the bank, the players could not have hoped for a better start.

Now, following the disciplined triumph over the Gers, high-flying Hearts turn their attentions away from the league to focus on today’s fourth-round visit of Celtic in the William Hill Scottish Cup.

Securing promotion may be the priority but that won’t stop the players trying to ensure a good run in the competition.

“The Rangers match wasn’t an easy game and was difficult from the start,” said Morgaro. “The sending off changed the match but I thought we did well over the 90 minutes and played well.

“It is not easy to play against 10 men sometimes but we adapted well and did enough to win the three points to extend our lead at the top of the table. It has been a great start and we’re all working really hard for success. The way we have been playing comes naturally thanks to all the work we have been doing on the training ground.

“Now it’s Celtic, the best team in Scotland, and you enjoy playing in these big matches. We have been to Parkhead in the League Cup



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“HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET ANOTHER GOOD RESULT. WE HAVE A GOOD SQUAD AND WE’RE ALL DESPERATE TO DO WELL AND GET INTO THE NEXT ROUND”

already this season but it will be great to play them in front of our own fans this time.

“I thought we were unlucky to lose that match at Celtic Park - they took their chances but we didn’t and that was the difference in the end.”

This competition holds a special place in the heart of the midfielder, Morgaro having won the cup with Dundee United four years ago, the Tangerines seeing off Ross County 3-0 at Hampden Park to capture the trophy.

Current Tynecastle team-mate Prince Buaben was also part of that victorious United side and Morgaro said: “The Scottish Cup is something special and we’re all looking forward to it.

“Hopefully we can get another good result. We have a good squad and we’re all desperate to do well and get into the next round.

“The priority is the league but we want to do well in the cup for sure. Cup-ties are always exciting occasions and today will be a great one.

“One of my best memories in my career was the cup final win with Dundee United. It’s great to look back on your career and see you have won things on your CV. Hopefully I can do that here with Hearts as well.

“You don’t think too much about it at the start of the competition but as you get further you realise winning it is a possibility. And it is such a memorable experience for the supporters.

“This is just the first round for us, though, and we know how tough it is going to be. Celtic beat us easily at this stage of the tournament last season but that result will count for nothing this time.





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GOMIS SIGNED FOR HEARTS AT THE START OF THE SEASON



"Things are so different now, different players, different manager and the club is very different."

With Danny Wilson sidelined since the draw with Hibs at Easter Road, the experienced midfielder ace has been handed the captain's armband, an honour he has thoroughly enjoyed.

"It has been good being captain and a nice honour," he said.

"The boys have been teasing me a bit about it, though, but I have enjoyed the experience. I may not be the biggest talker on the park, compared to the likes of Neil Alexander for example, but I do encourage all the boys and have really been enjoying the responsibility.

"IT'S NICE THAT THE GAFFER THINKS I'M GOOD ENOUGH TO BE THE CAPTAIN."

The 29-year-old is loving life in Gorgie at the moment, with the Hearts fans playing a huge part in his affection for the club.

He said: "I knew when I came here in the summer that I was joining a big club. The supporters have been fantastic and we need them. The players are enjoying playing at Tynecastle and I hope we are helping the fans enjoy themselves when they come to Tynecastle.

"I'm sure they are looking forward to this game as well and it would be great to get a result for them this afternoon."





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1. WHAT WAS THE SCORE IN LAST WEEK'S GAME AGAINST RANGERS?
2. WHO SCORED HEARTS' GOALS?
3. WHAT COUNTRY IS MIGUEL PALLARDO FROM?
4. WHO ARE THE NEXT VISITORS TO TYNECASTLE?
5. WHICH FORMER CELTIC STRIKER PLAYS FOR HEARTS?
6. HOW MANY CLEAN SHEETS HAS SCOTT GALLACHER ENJOYED FOR THE FIRST TEAM THIS SEASON?
7. ADAM ECKERSLEY JOINED THE JAMBOS FROM WHICH COUNTRY?
8. TRUE OR FALSE: CALLUM PATERSON WAS BORN IN ENGLAND.
9. WHO DID HEARTS BEAT IN THE FINAL OF THE 2012 SCOTTISH CUP?
10. WHO IS THE SOLE SURVIVOR STILL AT THE CLUB WHO PLAYED IN THAT FAMOUS FINAL?



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FAV PLAYER -
JAMIE WALKER



JAMIE CORNER

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FOOTBALL MEMORIES

A group of Hearts fans working in conjunction with Big Hearts are using football memories to help dementia sufferers revive memories of players, games and other incidents from football matches they watched in their younger days.

Currently the group meet on the last Tuesday of each month (1.45pm for 2.00pm start) in the Bobby Walker Suite at Tynecastle.

Friendships have been forged within the existing group amid discussions on football including programmes, pictures, football books and other related materials. It is also hoped that by taking part, self esteem and self

confidence can be improved for everyone involved in what is a friendly and relaxed setting.

The group participated in stadium tours of both Tynecastle and Easter Road in July this year which proved to be popular afternoons for everyone and helped revive many memories.

The group has also had recent visits from ex-Hearts stars Alex Young and Robin Stenhouse of the 50s /60s era who answered questions about their careers at Tynecastle and in Alex's case, Everton as well.

Although the group is small, we find that the partners who accompany the participants find the afternoons worthwhile also.

If you know of a football fan who has a dementia diagnosis and who would be interested in participating, please contact Alex Jones - 65jwajam21@gmail.com.

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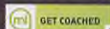
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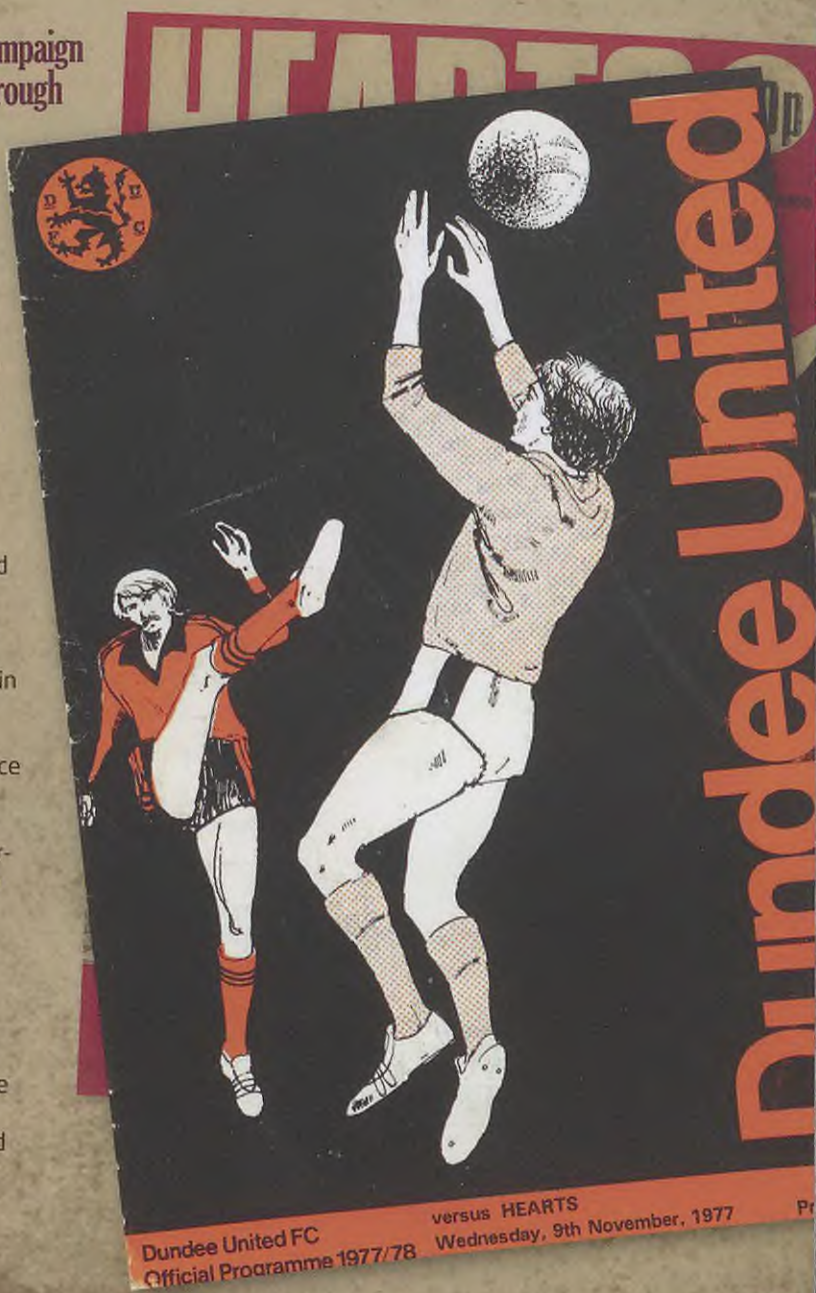
The story of Hearts' first campaign in the First Division, told through the season's programmes.

EPISODE 9: A HISTORIC WIN IN THE LEAGUE CUP

Both first team and reserves had been humbled by Kilmarnock at the weekend, the second string going down 1-4 at Rugby Park with Donald MacLaren once again on target.

It was a side lacking in confidence that travelled to Tannadice on Wednesday 9 November for the first leg of a League Cup quarter-final tie against Premier League opposition in the shape of the improving Dundee United. Jim McLean's side was beginning to resemble that which would win the League six years later. Paul Hegarty, David Narey, Paul Sturrock and Billy Kirkwood were already established in the side and the likes of Davie Dodds and John Holt were on the fringes.

United issued a 16-page programme for 15p, though there was precious little to





read for the fans purchasing a copy. The cover is in the club colours of tangerine and black and features a United player complete with 70s moustache firing the ball through the hands of the opposition goalkeeper. A club badge and match details at the foot complete the cover.

The team lines are on the third page with Jim McLean's column on page five. As usual, Jim was in jovial mood starting his column with "General disappointment bordering on disgust no doubt best describes the feelings of those amongst you who follow the fortunes of United".

Unusually he singles out signing John Bourke whose "form has proved to be a disappointment not only to you and me - but to the lad himself". McLean awarded Hearts some respect noting "the fact that they are a first division outfit does not enter into things".

There's an action shot, a half-time scoreboard showing only two other matches being played, a

the Bayview 10p

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Kevin Hegarty (out of picture) sends the ball over the line and East Fife go 1 goal up against St. Johnstone. Final score East Fife 1 v St. Johnstone 2 at Bayview Park, Methil, on Saturday October 29th, 1977.

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- ★ Pictures of East Fife v St. Johnstone on October 29th
- ★ Half-Time Scoreboard
- ★ Club Statistics

EAST FIFE FOOTBALL CLUB OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

FRIENDLY, TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 1977

page of news of United's reserves and a page of Hearts pen pictures. Cammy Fraser was described as "a real fighter who has often in the past kept something special in hand for a return to face his former clubmates". He certainly did on this occasion, being sent off in the 72nd minute for two bookable offences. Laughably, the second booking was awarded for taking a corner from the wrong side.

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Roy Barry Writes

There is no need for me to stress once again how important it is that we get some kind of result from today's game with Hearts. The visitors, under former Scotland manager Willie Ormond, are playing well enough to confirm the view which everyone held pre-season - that they would be strong promotion contenders - and they will be in giving nothing away if they can help it. It's up to everyone at the club to continue to give of their best. I know the players are giving all the effort they can; perhaps we will see our fortunes take a turn for the better today as a consequence.

Hearts made three changes with Kidd, Paul Roger and Lawrie Tierney replacing Jimmy Brown who had broken his leg, Dave McNicoll and flu victim Graham Shaw. Things looked promising for Hearts on 22 minutes when Drew Busby equalised United's opener with a header but five minutes later United were ahead again and scored a third in the second half to coast to a 3-1 win.

Hearts were back to league business at the weekend as they travelled to Methil to meet East Fife. East Fife were second from bottom of the league and had only two wins and seven points from their first 15 matches. Hearts were

therefore firm favourites going into the match. The game saw arguably the worst programme of the season with customers having to shell out 10p for 16 pages of which precisely nine lines making up the manager's notes comprise the only reading material. The front cover does at least have the match details as well as an action shot from East Fife's recent defeat to St Johnstone. The cover also has the audacity to preview the contents of the programme, seemingly oblivious to the fact that the whole programme takes about 30 seconds to read.

The East Fife manager was ex-Jambo Roy Barry who had captained Dunfermline against Hearts in the 1968 Cup Final and he didn't sound altogether confident as he hoped that "perhaps we will see our fortunes take a turn for the better today..."

As promised on the cover, there were two more action shots of the St Johnstone match inside

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GARY COWEN'S PAST PROGRAMMES

alongside the team line-ups, a half-time score board, a list of fixtures and a list of East Fife appearances and scorers. The only other content was a Q & A with Pat Ward, whose ambition was "to get a regular game with East Fife". Lofty ambitions indeed. Cryptically, he lists his "worst moment" as "getting an unfair deal from Hearts". One suspects that if his ambition really was to get a regular game for East Fife, that Hearts may have made the right choice. The piece ends on a sad note. Asked about his nickname, Ward reveals he has none.

With a seemingly easy away game in store, Hearts inevitably lost. Dave McNicoll replaced Lawrie Tierney but the home side scored twice in the first half and went on to win 2-0, moving Hearts to a new low of fifth in the league, seven points behind Morton but more importantly four points behind Dundee in the second promotion spot. Promotion to the Premier League looked far from assured.

To take the fans' minds off the precarious league standings, Hearts entertained Dundee United in the second leg of their quarter-final on 16 November. The cover of the programme featured Rab Prentice in action against Kilmarnock.

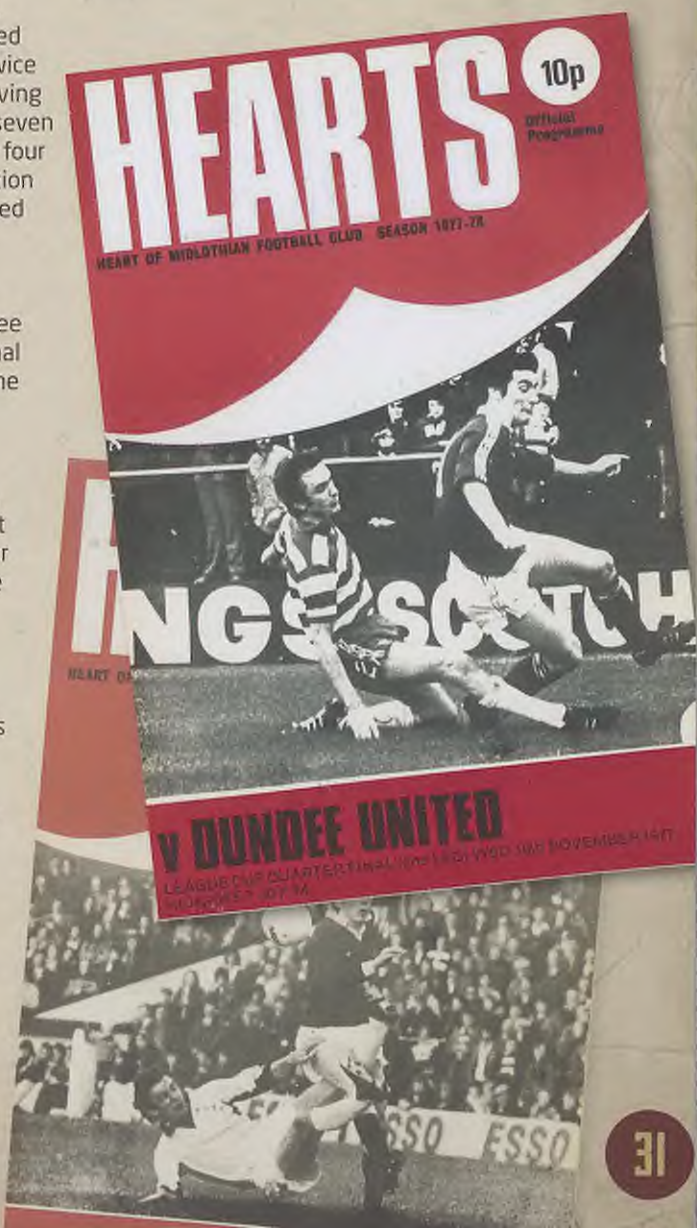
Despite the 1-3 scoreline from the first leg, Willie Ormond wasn't giving up. He said that "as far as Hearts are concerned, the tie is far from finished. One goal is all we need in the opening spell...then anything can happen".

There was news of Jimmy Brown's unfortunate double leg break inside, "the only time I have seen the Bomber flat on his back and out of action in his whole career with Hearts". Injuries were stacking up, even some sustained in training with news of Malcolm Robertson and Gordon Brown clashing in the gym and both missing the previous weekend's games as a result.

Also making the news was the Haymarket Armistice service with Chairman Bobby Parker laying the wreath on behalf of the club followed by representatives of the various supporters' clubs including

Merchiston, Ardmillan, Palmerston, Colinton Mains and Manor.

On the field, Hearts made two changes, Malcolm Robertson returning for Rab Prentice and Tierney once again preferred to McNicoll. And what a night they had, Hearts beating their illustrious rivals in driving snow 2-0 with goals from Walter Kidd and Drew Busby. Away goals did not help Hearts in those days so it was into extra time and then a penalty shoot-out in which Hearts triumphed by 4-2 to book an unlikely semi-final place





A LOOK BACK AT SEASON 1914-15



IN FRONT ARE ELIAS FURST, JOHN MCCARTNEY,
WILLIAM BROWN AND JIMMY DUCKWORTH

On Monday, 7 December 1914, Sir George McCrae was able to confirm that the battalion he had raised would be included in Lord Kitchener's New Army and would become the 16th (Service) Battalion of the Royal Scots. Its full strength of 1,350 would be achieved after the backlog of medical examinations had been cleared and there was no doubt that the actions of the Hearts players had given a very special impetus to the recruitment drive.

In fact, their deeds were celebrated in a song, "Hearts Lead the Way", with the words published in *The Scotsman* that very day.

Of course, there would be many months of rigorous training before McCrae's Battalion headed for the battlefields.

The first of the volunteers to leave Edinburgh was, in fact, the club's promising winger, Jimmy Speedie, who had joined the 7th (Service) Battalion The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders. The *Evening News* reported that his initial training at Fort George had now ended and that Jimmy was on his way to Aldershot. More importantly, it was stated that, despite his promising career being suspended, he was in good spirit.

Lack of finance was now a serious concern for all the clubs because gate receipts, the biggest source of income, had crashed. There was even talk of suspending the Scottish Cup for the duration of the War and the football authorities suggested that the clubs should approach their players with a

proposal that they should accept reduced wages. Hearts' directors were not comfortable with this suggestion and decided to advise the players that the club had no intention of reducing their wages, unless there was an absolute need.

This was an admirable stance but Hearts' financial position was rapidly deteriorating and it was hoped that Chelsea would find money to pay the outstanding bill of £750 which was due from the transfer of Lawrence Abrams.

The main problem was the almost daily increase in the cost of the new Main Stand. That week, for example, Bennett Furnishing Company produced a completion certificate and invoice for £203 and nothing was known of this account. Accordingly, John McCartney asked the architect, Archibald Leitch, for an explanation and what the club's total commitment would eventually be. He was advised that the total cost of the building was a few shillings over £10,424, however it would not stop there.

Meanwhile, back on the playing field, one of the volunteers, reserve full-back Jimmy Frew, was taken to hospital with suspected diphtheria, a highly contagious respiratory disease. This sturdy and fearless defender was born in May 1891 at Kinghorn but his family moved to Newcastle-upon-Tyne when he was a youngster and Jimmy served his time as a blacksmith. He also played football for Newcastle City in the North-Eastern League before being recruited by Hearts in May 1913.

He was the cover man for both full-back positions and had made four League appearances since the start of the season. On a more positive note, big Bob Mercer had just left hospital after his knee operation and was now under the control of trainer, Jimmy Duckworth.

On Saturday, 12 December 1914, Airdrieonians arrived at Tynecastle, but the attendance was the poorest of the season to date, only 6,250. This was due to both the early winter kick-off and the disagreeable weather conditions which included drenching gales of sleet and rain. Conditions were certainly not suitable for passing the ball, although incredibly, The Scotsman reported that, "Hearts played very fine football", particularly



in the first-half. This brought a goal after seven minutes when one of the visitors used his hands to stop Willie Wilson. From the resulting free-kick, the ball bounced around the congested penalty area until that smooth operator, Harry Wattie, swept it high into the net.

As half-time approached there was an amazing five-minute spell when three goals were scored.

It started when Duncan Currie tripped Robert Paton at the edge of the penalty box, and from the free-kick, Andrew Donaldson headed an equaliser for Airdrieonians. Hearts responded quickly and when George Gane was short with a pass-back to James Brown, Tom Gracie dashed in to knock the ball past the approaching keeper.

Unfortunately, the keeper followed through and Tom needed treatment for a nasty mouth injury. Two minutes later, it was 3-1 to Hearts when Jimmy Low netted after a mad scramble in the visitors' penalty box.



'HEARTS, LEAD THE WAY

Dedicated to the Heart of Midlothian Football Club.

Words by T. M. DAVIDSON, M.A.

Music by DAVID S.



A GROUP OF HEARTS' PLAYERS

Number 1000 of the right-back for Celtic, William, James, Fraser, Peter, John, Willie, Wattie, Lou, Watson, and Young.

SONG SHEET COVER



JIMMY FREW

There were no goals in the second-half and although this was not an especially dirty match, The Scotsman newspaper noted a few incidents, on and off the ball, that the spectators could have done without. However, Hearts' captain, Peter Nellies, excelled all others on the field. The team was: Archie Boyd; Pat Crossan and Duncan Currie; Alfie Briggs, Walter Scott and Peter Nellies; Jimmy Low, Harry Wattie, Tom Gracie, Harry Graham and Willie Wilson.

This was Hearts' 17th win from the 19 League games played and the team was now on 35 points. That day, Celtic won by 5-1 against Queens Park and the Parkhead side was four points behind. Greenock Morton and Rangers had 26 and 24 points respectively and both had a game in hand.

At 12pm on Tuesday 15 December 1914, McCrae's men were mobilised in George Street and the Evening News reported that it had now become a battalion in actuality: The 16th (Service) Battalion Royal Scots.

Behind the bands of the 5th and 9th Royal Scots and before appreciative crowds, including Hearts' chairman and manager, they marched to

lunch at Waverley Market. Then some 500 of the men were billeted at George Heriot's Hospital School while the remaining 900 spent two nights at the Waverley Market, before heading to George Watson's College for two weeks and then the Castle Brewery in Hunters Close, off the Grassmarket.

That same day there was a meeting of the SFA in Glasgow where a report was read from the Scottish delegates who attended a meeting of the International Board on 3 December and had afterwards met Mr HJ Tennant the Under Secretary for War.

Essentially, the Government did not want the total stoppage of football but public sentiment should be met by the withdrawal from the programme of cup-ties and international games. Although the Scottish delegates thought that the stoppage of internationals would be enough, they felt that the honour of Scottish football was at stake and recommended the SFA to withdraw both.

It was not a unanimous feeling and many representatives felt that stopping the Cup matches

was illogical, and would be financially disastrous. Others felt that the game had a duty to accede to the request of the War Office and Lord Kitchener. As a result, a vote would be held in a week's time.

Matters were now moving quickly in England and at Fulham Town Hall, 35 players enlisted at the launch of the 17th (Football) Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment. The first player to step forward was Fred Parker of Clapton Orient and nine of his colleagues followed, including an ex-Hearts man, Bob Dalrymple.

As they settled in from civilian to military life, Saturday leave of absence was granted to the Hearts players until the conclusion of basic training in the city. Accordingly, on 19 December 1914, the regular side, with the soldiers in uniform, travelled to Hampden Park to face Queens Park.

A disappointing crowd of just over 6,000 witnessed the Maroons take early control and the News was able to report a, "perfect fusillade of shots being delivered by Hearts". However, due to the spectacular goalkeeping of Gordon Kerr, the home side held out for 35 minutes. At that point, Willie Wilson worked his way down the left wing and after beating three opponents, his cross was guided into the net by the left foot of Tom Gracie.

Gordon Kerr had to go off for treatment and his temporary replacement, James G Wilson, had no chance when Harry Graham steered the ball away from him after a smart passing move. At the start of the second period, Kerr was back in goal, but he was clearly in pain and never saw the third goal. After some smart dribbling by Willie Wilson, Harry Graham collected his pass and scored with a thunderous drive that took a deflection on the way into the net.

Hearts made the final score 4-0 with a great goal after 70 minutes. The marksman was Willie Wilson with a curling shot into the far corner of the net but Gordon Kerr was hurt trying to stop this effort and was carried off. Elijah Cresswell went in goal and shortly afterwards Queens were down to nine men when James G Wilson was sent off for a nasty foul on Wilson. Man of the match was two-goal Harry Graham, who was described as an imperious pass provider.

The team was: Archie Boyd; Pat Crossan and Duncan Currie; Alfie Briggs, Walter Scott and Peter Nellies; Jimmy Low, Harry Wattie, Tom Gracie, Harry Graham and Willie Wilson.

That day, Celtic won 1-0 at Airdrie, recording a tenth successive win in the League. Hearts had eight-in-a-row and were on 37 points from 20

WORDS OF THE SONG

HEARTS, LEAD THE WAY

(Dedicated to the "Hearts" Football Club.)
When the Empire is in danger, and we hear our
country's call,
The Motherland may count on us to leave the
leather ball,
We've backed our way in many a fray, we've
passed and gone for goal,
But a bigger field awaits us, and we're keen to
join the roll.

(Chorus.)
So it's right wing, left wing, front line,
and goal.
Half back and full back, every living soul,
Sound o' wind, strong o' limb, eager for
the fray.

Every soul for the goal—"Hearts," lead
the way!

We thank the Lord Almighty He has made us
strong and fit.

Our muscles are like iron, and we don't know when
we're hit.

We take a lot of mauling; we can give as good's
we get.

And we wish to show the Germans we are not
decadent, yet.

(Chorus.)
Grand stand, pavilion, friend or foe, we bid you
all adieu;

We know your thoughts are with us when we go
to fight for you.

You've seen us win, you've seen us lose, but now
we join the fray

Where brute and bully must go down, and honour
win the day.

(Chorus.)

T. M. DAVIDSON.

games. Celtic had 33 points and Rangers were next on 26, with a game in hand.

It was reported on 19 December that Hearts did not send a representative to a meeting of the Players' Union and the Scottish League. This meeting left each club to make its own wage agreement, a decision that suited Hearts because of the commitment made to those players who had joined the Army.

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PLAYER PROFILES



CRAIG GORDON

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Goalkeeper.

Age 32 from Edinburgh. A Hearts Academy graduate and Hall of Fame member, Craig was on loan to Cowdenbeath before becoming first choice in 2003-04. He won the first of 41 international caps in May 2004 and his quality and presence helped Hearts to both secure a Champions League place in 2005-06 and win the Scottish Cup. The former captain went to Sunderland in August 2007, but a succession of injuries saw Craig out of the game from May 2012 until he recovered his fitness and joined Celtic in July 2014. Height 6'4"

ŁUKASZ ZAŁUSKA

Goalkeeper.

Age 32 from Wysokie Mazowieckie, Poland. An international keeper, Łukasz was signed in June 2009 from Dundee United whom he joined in May 2007 from Korona Kielce. He played for United in the League Cup Final in March 2008 and the dominating stopper has also appeared for top clubs in Poland such as Stomil Olsztyn, Legia Warsaw and



EMILIO IZAGUIRRE

Jagiellonia Bialystok. Lukasz is an excellent cover man who has made almost 50 appearances for Celtic. Height 6'3"

EMILIO IZAGUIRRE

Defender.

Age 28 from Tegucigalpa, Honduras. A left wing-back, Emilio was signed in August 2010 from CD Motagua whom he helped win the Honduras Championship in 2006-07 and the competition for Central American clubs. Emilio creates chances with his powerful runs and the international defender was SPFA Player of the Year in 2010-11. He has made just over 175 appearances and helped Celtic to win three Championships and two Scottish Cup Finals. Height 5'9"

EFE AMBROSE

Defender.

Age 26 from Kaduna, Nigeria. A dominant centre-half or midfield ball-winner, Efe started with Kaduna United. He was on loan to Bayelsa United

in 2008-09 and helped them win the Championship before going back to Kaduna and then moving to the Israeli Premier League club, FC Ashdod, in June 2010. The Nigerian internationalist signed for Celtic in August 2012 and has already gained two Championship winners' medals and one in the Scottish Cup. Height 6'3"

VIRGIL VAN DIJK

Defender.

Age 23 from Breda, Netherlands. A former U21 internationalist, Virgil was signed in June 2013 from the Dutch club, FC Groningen. A constructive centre-half with physical presence, Virgil started at Willem II and moved to Groningen where he graduated from the academy and made his debut in April 2011. He was one of the stars of last season's League Championship success and Virgil has been a regular goal scorer during almost 75 appearances. Height 6'3"



VIRGIL VAN DIJK

MIKAEL LUSTIG

Defender.

Age 27 from Umeå, Sweden. A right-back or central defender, Mikael began his career with Umeå FC and then stepped up to the top level with GIF Sundsvall. The Swedish international stopper, who has won almost 45 caps, joined the Norwegian club, Rosenborg BK, in August 2008. Mikael then helped to win the Norwegian Championship on two occasions and has added Scottish Cup and League medals to his collection since joining Celtic in January 2012. Height 6'3"



MIKAEL LUSTIG

JASON DENAYER

Defender.

Age 19 from Jette, Belgium. A quick and skilful centre-half, Jason was recruited by Manchester City in July 2013 from the Academy JMG based in Lier, Belgium. The Youth and U21 internationalist was impressive in the development teams and this year joined the senior squad for pre-season training. In August, this highly-regarded defender moved to Celtic on loan for the season and Jason has hardly missed a game since arriving in Glasgow. Height 6'



PLAYER PROFILES

ADAM MATTHEWS

Defender.

Age 22 from Swansea, Wales. A product of the Cardiff City Academy, Adam earned a contract in 2009 and made his debut in August that year. In addition to establishing his place in the City side, Adam also progressed from the Welsh U21 team to the full international squad, playing his first game in May 2011. Since joining Celtic in July 2011, the dynamic right-back has made almost 120 appearances and has helped to win three League Championships. Height 5'10"

CHARLIE MULGREW

Defender/Midfielder.

Age 28 from Glasgow. A dominating force in midfield or defence, Charlie started with Celtic and in 2006 he was loaned to Dundee United. He moved to Wolves in August that year, but the internationalist was unlucky with injury and was loaned to Southend before joining Aberdeen in 2008. He returned to Celtic July 2010 and during almost 190 appearances, Charlie has scored 26 goals and earned winners' medals in five domestic competitions. Height 6'3"

EOGHAN O'CONNELL

Defender.

Age 19 from Cork, Ireland. An up-and-coming centre-half, Eoghan joined Celtic in August 2011 from the Munster Senior League side, Avondale United. The Irish U21 internationalist impressed as a member of Celtic's UEFA Youth League team and was a key man in last season's U20 side. Eoghan earned his competitive debut for the senior team against Ross County in March 2014 and the young Irishman has now made five appearances for Celtic.

SCOTT BROWN

Midfielder.

Age 29 from Hill of Beath. Scott started with Hibs and he helped the Leith team to win the League Cup in March 2007. His rare combination of skill and aggression then secured a big move to Celtic in May 2007 and Scott has subsequently made almost 300

appearances for the Glasgow giants during which he has helped them to win all the domestic honours and make a big impact in Europe. The Scottish international midfielder is Celtic's team captain. Height 5'10"

JAMES FORREST

Midfielder.

Age 23 from Prestwick. A goal-scoring winger, James came through Celtic's youth system and earned a full-contract in August 2009 after helping to win the Reserve League. The livewire attacker had a scoring debut in May 2010 and James has now made almost 135 appearances in which he has helped Celtic to win the Premier League three times and the Scottish Cup twice. He has also stepped up from the Scottish U21 side to the full international team. Height 5'9"



KRIS COMMONS**Midfielder.**

Age 31 from Mansfield, England. An explosive winger with an eye for goal, Kris has already scored 71 times in almost 165 games, since joining Celtic in January 2011 from Derby County. The Scottish cap made his breakthrough with Stoke City and signed for Nottingham Forest in July 2004. He then assisted Forest into the Championship Division before signing for Derby in June 2008. Kris has helped Celtic to win five domestic honours. Height 5'7"

NIR BITTON**Midfielder.**

Age 23 from Ashdod, Israel. A tall and athletic defensive midfielder, Nir came through the youth system at his local club, FC Ashdod, eventually playing almost 150 competitive games for the senior team. He has also represented Israel at all levels and Nir is currently in the full international side. He signed for Celtic at the end of August 2013 for a reported £700,000 and helped secure the Premier League title with 15 appearances. Height 6'5"

BERAM KAYAL**Midfielder.**

Age 26 from Jadeidi, Israel. Beram started with Maccabi Haifa and was involved in Israeli Championship-winning squads in 2005-06 and 2008-09. He played almost 125 games for Maccabi, during which Beram appeared for Israel at U21 and full international levels. The classy playmaker signed a four-year deal with Celtic in July 2010 and despite some injuries, he has made 130 appearances and helped Celtic to win three SPL titles. Height 5'10"

STEFAN JOHANSEN**Midfielder.**

Age 23 from Vardø, Norway. A strong and tenacious playmaker, Stefan has represented Norway at all levels and is a current member of the senior squad. He came through the ranks with FK Bodø/Glimt which he helped gain promotion in 2007. Stefan was then recruited by IF Strømsgodset in 2011 and he assisted the club to win the Norwegian Championship before signing for Celtic in January 2014 and helping to secure the Scottish title. Height 6'

**KRIS
COMMONS****STEFAN
JOHANSEN**



PLAYER PROFILES

MUMARAK
WAKASO



DERK BOERRIGTER

Midfielder.

Age 28 from Oldenzaal, Netherlands. A strong and quick winger, Derk was a youth player with Twente and Ajax but made his senior debut in 2007 on loan to Haarlem. He was then with FC Zwolle and RKC Waalwijk before being resigned by Ajax in 2011. Derk assisted the Amsterdam club to win two Championships and he gained considerable European experience prior to joining Celtic in July 2013. He then helped secure last season's SPL title. Height 6'2"

CALLUM
MCGREGOR



MUBARAK WAKASO

Midfielder.

Age 24 from Tamale, Ghana. A Ghanaian international winger, Mubarak started with Ashanti Gold Sporting Club and in 2008 he headed for Spain where played for Elche CF, Villarreal CF and RCD Espanyol. During the summer of 2013, Mubarak signed for the Russian top level club, FC Rubin Kazan and in August 2014, he was secured by Celtic on a one-year loan arrangement. Mubarak represented Ghana at the recent World Cup Finals. Height 5'8"

ALEKSANDAR TONEV

Midfielder.

Age 24 from Elin Pelin, Bulgaria. A quick and tricky winger, Aleksandar was signed by Celtic in August 2014 on loan from Aston Villa. The Bulgarian internationalist came through the ranks with CSKA Sofia and also spent 2009-10 on loan to OFC Sliven. Aleksandar helped CSKA to win the Cup in 2010-11 and then had two seasons in Poland with Lech Poznan. He signed for Aston Villa in June 2013 and has made 17 FA Premiership appearances. Height 5'10"

CALLUM MCGREGOR

Midfielder.

Age 21 from Glasgow. A creative, central midfielder, Callum came through the Celtic youth system and has been capped at all levels up to U21. He gained valuable experience last season on loan to Notts. County and Callum starred for the League One club, with 14 goals in 40 appearances. He made his Celtic debut in July 2014 against KR Reykjavik and after becoming a regular in the team, Callum earned a new five-year contract. Height 5'11"

JO INGE BERGET

Midfielder.

Age 24 from Hadeland, Norway. An attacking midfielder, Jo Inge joined Celtic in July 2014 on loan from Cardiff City. He started with Lyn and the international playmaker joined the Italians, Udinese, in July 2008. Jo Inge was loaned back to Lyn and then Strømsgodset where he helped to win the Cup in 2010. In July 2011, he signed for Molde FK where he again won the Cup and two Championships, before joining Cardiff City in January 2014. Height 6'1"

ANTHONY STOKES

Forward.

Age 26 from Dublin, Ireland. An Irish international striker, Anthony came through the Arsenal youth system and in 2006, he was on loan to Falkirk, scoring 16 goals in 18 games. In 2007, Anthony joined Sunderland and was later loaned to



Sheffield United and Crystal Palace before signing for Hibs in August 2009. He moved to Celtic in August 2010 and has since netted 73 times in nearly 170 games while helping to win five domestic trophies. Height 5'11"

LEIGH GRIFFITHS

Forward.

Age 24 from Edinburgh. An all-action striker, Leigh started with Livingston and moved to Dundee in 2009. He then scored 29 goals in 56 games and helped win the Challenge Cup before joining Wolves in January 2011. In August that year, the international attacker was loaned to Hibs and he assisted them to reach two cup finals while scoring 39 goals in 78 games. Leigh went back to become Wolves' top scorer before moving to Celtic in January 2014. Height 5'11"

JOHN GUIDETTI

Forward.

Age 22 from Stockholm, Sweden. A strong and alert striker, John started with IF Brommapojkarna and joined Manchester City in April 2008. In September 2010, the international attacker made his debut in the League Cup and this has been his only game for City. However, John has been on loan to Burnley, Feyenoord, Stoke City, and Celtic for the current season. Height 6'1"

STEFAN ŠĆEPOVIC

Forward.

Age 24 from Belgrade, Serbia. After his senior debut with OFK Belgrade, Stefan has gained enormous experience in Serbia with FK Mladi Radnik, FK Partizan and FK Sopot. He has also played with Sampdoria in Italy; in Belgium with Club Brugge and KV Kortrijk; in Israel with Hapoel Acre and MS Ashdod and latterly in Spain with Sporting de Gijón. Stefan scored 23 goals in 41 games for Gijón and this earned the Serbian internationalist a four-year deal with Celtic in September 2014. Height 6'2"



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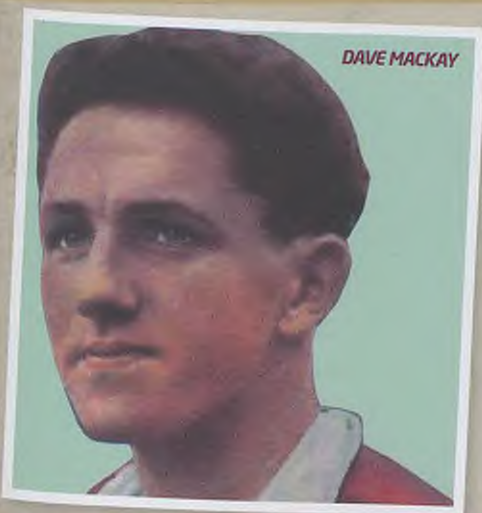
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1901 First played second in the First Division as Hearts travelled to Celtic Park to play the league leaders before a crowd of 9,000 on St Andrews Day. Hearts played with a strong wind at their backs in the first half and opened the scoring through Robert Houston. Celtic equalised early in the second half but Charlie Thomson netted the winner for the Maroons to inflict on Celtic their first defeat in the league that season. Hearts remained in second place in the league but the gap between them and Celtic was now just a single point.

1957 Hearts increased their lead at the top of the league to three points with a 9-1 demolition of struggling Falkirk before a crowd of around 25,000 at Tynecastle. Alex Young hit four goals, Dave Mackay hit a hat-trick while Jimmy Wardhaugh and Jimmy Murray also got their names on the scoresheet. Hearts had played 13 league games thus far but had already scored 59 goals. At the season's end, Hearts would score an astonishing 132 goals as they clinched the league championship in record-breaking style.

1963 Six years later, most of that all-conquering Hearts team had gone and the Maroons were now in mid-table. However, they created a shock by defeating Rangers 3-0 at Ibrox in a First Division game. Two goals from Tommy White and one from Willie Wallace had Tommy Walker's side 3-0 ahead at half-time. Rangers had not been beaten domestically all season and had not lost at Ibrox for eight months.

1996 Hearts were again in the east end of Glasgow on league business and secured a 2-2 draw against Tommy Burns' men. Colin Cameron gave Hearts the lead after half-an-hour before O'Neil equalised for the home side. Winger Neil McCann put Hearts in front again early in the second half and it looked like Jim Jefferies' men would record a fine victory. However, Paulo Di Canio equalised for Celtic towards the end and the points were shared. It was Hearts' second visit to Celtic Park in six days - the weekend before, they lost the League Cup Final at the same venue to Rangers after a 4-3 thriller.



LAST TIME AT TYNECASTLE

MATCH REVIEW



HEARTS 2

RANGERS 0

Saturday 22nd November 2014

Hearts saw off Rangers to extend their table-topping lead, winning 2-0 at Tynecastle.

Second-half goals from Jason Holt and Jamie Walker gave the Jambos the points in a huge win for the men in maroon.

Robbie Neilson made two changes to his winning side at Falkirk last week; in came Callum Paterson for Jordan McGhee while Jason Holt replaced Prince Buaben.

The opening 20 minutes were nothing to write home about, with neither side testing the other's goalkeeper. However, the game exploded into life in the 21st minute when Steven Smith was shown a straight red for a studs-up lunge on Paterson.

Hearts began to make the numbers advantage count, enjoying more and more of the possession. However, the men in maroon could not penetrate the Rangers backline.

It was the visitors who were first to make a goalkeeper work. Nicky Law curled a 20-yard free-kick around the wall but Neil Alexander was quick across his line to beat the ball away from danger.

Moments later that feat was reversed. Alim Ozturk fired his own 20-yard set piece on target, with Steve Simonsen blocking the ball behind for a corner.

That move seemed to galvanise the Jambos, with Morgaro Gomis trying his luck from 25 yards, only to see his effort curl inches wide of Simonsen's left-hand post.

Hearts almost got their noses in front before half-time but were denied by the crossbar. Miguel Pallardo's cross was met in the box by the unmarked Brad McKay, but his well-placed header was tipped onto the bar by Simonsen.

The second-half started with the now customary sight of Ozturk shooting from distance. He

flashed a 30-yard drive across the face of goal and wide, making Simonsen scramble in the process.

Hearts lost the services of Kevin McHattie five minutes into the second-half after he was on the end of a robust Kenny Miller challenge, for which the former Scotland striker received a yellow card. Adam Eckersley slotted into the left-back position to replace him.

Tynecastle erupted in the 56th minute as Hearts took the lead. Paterson's ball into the box was cleared by Lee McCulloch but ricocheted off Richard Foster into the path of Holt, who blasted beyond Simonsen from the edge of the box.

The Gorgie boys had Alexander to thank for keeping them in front just seconds later. He pulled off a stunning point-bank save from Law inside the six-yard box, with Foster's follow-up driven off the crossbar.

Hearts continued to press, not content with their one-goal cushion. Substitute James Keatings' tenacity paid off as he robbed his man at the edge of the box, but Walker screwed his shot wide from 18 yards.

Rangers went for broke with ten minutes remaining by flinging on Kris Boyd for Lewis MacLeod. Moments earlier, King's ferocious right-foot shot from 25 yards flew agonisingly wide of the target.



Walker had another chance to kill the game off with five minutes to go and he did everything right - tearing down the left before cutting in - but shot across goal and missed the target.

Seconds later it was game over. Walker was brought down inside the area by Ian Black, and the Hearts No. 7 duly dusted himself down to send Simonsen the wrong way.

A well deserved victory for Robbie's boys who now move nine points clear at the top of the Championship.

Hearts: Alexander, Paterson, McHattie (Eckersley, 50'), Ozturk, Gomis, Walker, El Hassnaoui (Keatings, 55'), Holt (McGhee, 84'), King, Pallardo, McKay. Subs: Gallacher, Nicholson, Buaben, Buchanan.

Rangers: Simonsen, McGregor, McCulloch, Mohsni, Wallace, MacLeod (Boyd, 80'), Law, Black, Smith, Daly (Clark, 83'), Miller (Foster, 51'). Subs: Robinson, Templeton, Shiels, Aird.

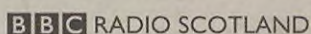


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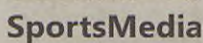
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YOUNG AT HEARTS

CHANCE TO SHINE

Today's first-team tie against Celtic isn't the only cup competition that Hearts will feature in over the next week.

Jack Ross' U20s travel to St Mirren a week today to vie for a place in the fifth round of the Scottish Youth Cup.

The Wee Jambos were beaten finalists last season, with several of the club's young first-team breakthrough players featuring against Rangers, coincidentally played at St Mirren Park.

The U20s Player Development Manager has revealed that this time around there are no plans in place to play more 'established' youngsters, with rising stars set to be afforded an opportunity to shine.

"At the moment, I would probably suggest that there won't be players involved next week who are involved with first-team match day squads," he said. "Again, it's slightly different from last year. As much as possible,

we try and use these players in the correct manner, which will aid their development.

"We'll field a fairly youthful side in the Youth Cup tie. Of course, everything is open to change but I can't see first-team boys being involved.

"The plan is to have a look at the boys who are young apprentice players and who haven't made that breakthrough yet. Whatever happens it makes no difference to how we prepare for the game. It will be a challenge and a great experience for the younger players as well.

"It is going to be a chance for some of them to shine. For example, Nathan Flanagan has played a lot of U20s football this year - more than he probably would've anticipated - and Sean McKirdy still qualifies to play U17s football but has played a lot of games and a lot of minutes at U20 level. It was our intention to do that this season.


"Sometimes that makes the Development League



JACK ROSS explains to **PHIL TURNBULL** that next week's Youth Cup tie against St Mirren is an opportunity for his younger players to impress.



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"The Youth Cup's always had something special around it."

matches that little bit more challenging. We field a lot of young players at times who are still very much in the learning process. If it turns out that these are the guys who have the responsibility of representing the club in the Youth Cup, then great.

"The Youth Cup's always had something special around it - I remember playing in it a long time ago - and I don't think that's changed. Once they get the opportunity then it's great for them. If they go on and play well then it's a confidence boost for them. If they don't do well then they recognise areas that they have to work on.

"Once it comes round then it's obviously something to look forward to and we want to try to replicate the successful run the lads had last year."

Next week's opponents St Mirren are a club that Jack knows well, having spent two years as a player there between 2008 - 2010.

The two clubs have also locked horns once this season - a 2-0 victory to the visiting Buddies last month - so the coaching staff have a fair idea of what to expect come Sunday.

"St Mirren are a good side and it's a club I'm obviously familiar with from my playing days," he stated. "We played each other earlier this season in the Development League and although they had a young team, it was an 'older' young team compared to ours.

"I think that they'll have played together for a while and train together as one group. Some of their players will be an extension, if you like, of their first-team squad. So in that respect they'll provide a really tough test.

"It's probably one of the most difficult ties you could get at this stage of the competition. Equally, it's one that our players should look forward to in terms of trying to beat that challenge."



U20S STATS



MONTH	DATE	OPPONENTS	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H/A	RESULT	GOAL SCORERS
AUGUST	MON 11	DUNFERMLINE ATHLETIC	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	2-1 W	OLIVER, WALKER
SEPTEMBER	WED 03	MOTHERWELL	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	2-5 L	ROY, WALKER
	TUE 09	INVERNESS CT	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	3-1 W	EL HASSNAOUI (2), BUCHANAN
	MON 15	RANGERS	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	0-3 L	-
	TUE 28	KILMARNOCK	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	0-4 L	-
OCTOBER	MON 06	ST JOHNSTONE	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	3-1 W	CARRICK 2 (1P), PAGE
	WED 15	ST MIRREN	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	0-2 L	-
	MON 20	DUNDEE UNITED	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	3-6 L	BEITH (P), FLANAGAN, HENDERSON
	MON 27	CELTIC	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	1-3 L	WALTERS (OG)
	FRI 31	WHITEHILL WEL	SFA CUP RD3	H	3-0 W	BUCHANAN 2 (1P), ROY
NOVEMBER	TUE 04	DUNDEE	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	0-0 D	-
	TUE 11	ROSS COUNTY	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	1-1 D	KEATINGS
	MON 17	PARTICK THISTLE	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	2-3 L	KEATINGS, BUCHANAN
	TUE 25	FALKIRK	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	1-2 L	OLIVER
DECEMBER	MON 01	HAMILTON ACADEMICAL	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
	SUN 7	ST MIRREN	SFA CUP RD4	A	-	-
	TUE 09	ABERDEEN	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	MON 22	HIBS	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
JANUARY	TUE 13	MOTHERWELL	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	TUE 20	HIBS	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	MON 26	INVERNESS CT	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
FEBRUARY	TUE 03	RANGERS	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	MON 09	KILMARNOCK	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
	TUE 17	ST JOHNSTONE	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	MON 23	ST MIRREN	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
MARCH	TUE 03	DUNDEE UNITED	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	MON 09	CELTIC	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
	TUE 17	DUNDEE	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	MON 23	ROSS COUNTY	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
	TUE 31	PARTICK THISTLE	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
APRIL	MON 13	FALKIRK	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
	TUE 21	HAMILTON ACADEMICAL	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-
	MON 27	ABERDEEN	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	H	-	-
MAY	TUE 21	DUNFERMLINE ATH	SPFL DEV LEAGUE	A	-	-

LEAGUE TABLE

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
ABERDEEN	13	10	1	2	42	20	22	31
HAMILTON	12	9	1	2	26	10	16	28
ST MIRREN	13	6	4	3	22	15	7	22
KILMARNOCK	11	6	1	4	24	16	8	19
HIBS	11	5	3	3	27	18	9	18
CELTIC	10	5	3	2	21	14	7	18
DUNDEE	12	5	2	5	17	24	-7	17
FALKIRK	10	5	1	4	17	16	1	16
MOTHERWELL	11	5	1	6	19	21	-2	16
RANGERS	10	4	2	4	19	16	3	14
DUNDEE UNITED	11	4	2	5	24	29	-5	14
PARTICK THISTLE	12	4	1	7	22	34	-12	13
DUNFERMLINE	11	4	0	7	20	17	3	12
ST JOHNSTONE	11	3	3	7	16	21	-5	12
HEARTS	12	3	2	7	17	30	-13	11
INVERNESS CT	12	2	4	6	13	28	-15	10
ROSS COUNTY	11	1	3	7	18	35	-17	6

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A SEASON LIKE NO OTHER

Here's a curious statistic but one that wouldn't have escaped the attention of many Hearts supporters. When Hearts played Dumbarton at Tynecastle in October there was a larger attendance than at the Edinburgh derby played at Easter Road eight days later.

While Hearts sold their allocation for the derby in double quick time, the array of empty seats in the other parts of the stadium was considerable. It begged the question if those of the Hibs persuasion have simply given up on their team - and their failure to defeat a 10-man Hearts team thanks to Alim Ozturk's spectacular last-gasp equaliser merely increased their angst - or if there is some other reason why fans seem to be staying away even from the high-profile fixtures.

Hearts entertain Celtic this afternoon in the William Hill Scottish Cup hoping for a much better result against the same opponents in the same competition this time last year (hopefully Hearts can at least score today - Rudi Skacel was the last player to score for Hearts in the Scottish Cup in the 2012 annihilation of Hibs).

We can only hope for another good crowd to create the raucous atmosphere Tynecastle has become famous for. Yet, when the Maroons headed to Celtic Park for the League Cup encounter with the Hoops earlier this season, the stadium was only a quarter full. Granted, the League Cup is no longer a priority for some clubs (although the semi-final pairing of Celtic and Rangers has whetted the appetite of the media) and live television coverage didn't help but there seems to be a downward trend in attendances in Scotland this season.

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There are some notable exceptions, such as Hearts and Dundee, whose return to the top flight of Scottish football under the auspices of former Jambo and Celtic star Paul Hartley has rekindled a spark of interest in the dark blue half of Tannadice Street while Dundee United's resurgence has seen renewed interest in the tangerine half. However, elsewhere, it seems apathy has its feet under the table of Scottish football.

Scotland manager and former Celtic Head Coach Gordon Strachan commented the other week that the SPFL Premiership needs Hearts, Hibs and Rangers and that, perhaps, there should be a degree of 'manipulation' to ensure they get there.

While I don't agree with the wee man's views, it's not difficult to argue with the assertion there is more interest in Scotland's second tier this season than the top flight.

At the time of writing this article it's Hearts and Rangers leading the way at the top of the Championship table with Falkirk, Queen of the South and Hibs the chasing pack. Last weekend's game between Hearts and Rangers at Tynecastle was undoubtedly the game of the day in Scotland - it's perhaps worth considering that for a moment. Where else in Europe would a second tier game be match of the day?

In the Premiership, Dundee United have made a decent fist of challenging Celtic this season, although one can't help but think back to the 6-1 thrashing inflicted on the Terrors during their last visit to the east end of Glasgow at the beginning of the season.

Newly-promoted Hamilton Academical have taken the top flight by storm but no one seriously expects the Accies to be vying for the league flag next May. By all accounts, today's visitors to Gorgie are



HEARTS AGAINST RANGERS LAST WEEK



firm favourites to land a fourth successive league championship.

Which leaves the main points of interest in the top flight as being who will qualify for next season's Europa League (and will they make it past August?) and who will drop out of the Premiership either through automatic relegation or the play-offs? (a la Hibs). Not exactly fevered anticipation - small wonder the SPFL remains without a sponsor.

Even television broadcasters have recognised the issue. Sky TV continues to broadcast Rangers games at their whim while the BBC, having ignored Scottish football's second flight for decades, have suddenly felt the urge to show very brief highlights of Rangers, Hearts and Hibs games - although even this is sporadic. BBC Alba, meanwhile, have been selecting some Championship games for live coverage as Hearts fans discovered the other week when the game at Falkirk had a 5.30pm kick-off.

Perhaps it's the community spirit in Hearts which has resulted in the fans remaining fiercely loyal to their club. More likely, it's been Hearts' impressive

start to the season, although it has to be said the Maroon Army remained loyal to their team during last season's relegation and continued to support their team in large numbers.

The absence of Hearts, Hibs and Rangers from the top flight of Scottish football has impacted on the game as many believed it would. And at least one of those clubs will be forced to remain 'downstairs' for at least another season. For the sake of the game in this country, let's hope this state of affairs doesn't last too long.

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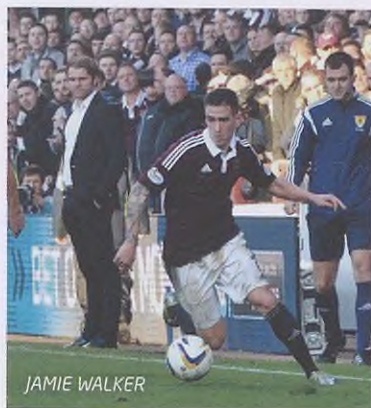
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STATS APPEARANCES



LEAGUE TABLE

TEAM	P	HOME			AWAY			GD	PTS				
		W	D	L	F	A	W			D	L	F	A
HEARTS	14	7	0	0	24	4	5	2	0	13	3	30	37
RANGERS	14	4	1	2	21	10	5	1	1	14	3	22	29
QUEEN OF STH	14	5	1	1	12	4	2	3	2	14	12	10	25
HIBS	14	2	4	1	7	6	4	0	3	17	10	8	22
RAITH ROVERS	14	2	2	3	9	15	3	1	3	7	11	-10	18
FALKIRK	14	2	3	2	11	7	2	2	3	7	15	-4	17
DUMBARTON	14	2	2	3	7	14	1	2	4	6	17	-18	13
ALLOA ATHLETIC	14	2	1	4	8	10	1	2	4	7	13	-8	12
COWDENBEATH	14	2	1	4	7	14	1	1	5	8	20	-19	11
LMINGSTON	14	2	1	4	9	11	0	2	5	2	11	-11	9



JAMIE WALKER

2014/15 FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES & GOALS

	LEAGUE			SFA CUP			LEAGUE CUP			PETROFAC CUP			TOTALS		
	Apps	Sub	Gl's	Apps	Sub	Gl's	Apps	Sub	Gl's	Apps	Sub	Gl's	Apps	Sub	Gl's
Alexander	11						1			1			13		
Gallacher	0	1											0	1	
Hamilton	3												3		
Hollis*							1			1			2		
Paterson	5	2	1				1			1		1	7	2	2
McGhee	10	2	2				1			1	1		12	3	2
Smith (L)							1			1			2		
McHattie	8		1				1		1	1			10		2
Eckersley	6	2	1				1	1					7	3	1
Gordon							0	1					1	1	
McKay	3	2					1			1			5	2	
Ozturk	14		2				1			1			16		2
Wilson	10		1				1			1			12		1
Pallardo	2	2											2	2	
Robinson	1	1					1			1			3	1	
Gomis	14						1			1			16		
Buaben	11		3 (2)				1			1			13		3 (2)
Holt	4	6	2				1	1		0	1		5	8	2
Walker	7	5	3 (1)				2						9	5	3 (1)
Smith (D)*							1			1			2		
Kling (B)	13	1	4							1		1	14	1	5
Sow	10		7 (2)				1	1		1		1	12	1	8 (2)
Nicholson	9	2	1				1			1			11	2	1
Carrick	2	2	2							1			4	2	2
Oliver	0	2	1				1		1	1	1		2	3	2
El Hassnaoui	7	3	2				0	1					7	4	2
Henderson										1			1		
Keatings	4	5	4				1	1		1			6	6	4
Beith										1			1		
Buchanan	0	2								0	1		0	3	
Roy	0	1								0	1		0	2	
McKirdy										0	1		0	1	
Own Goal												1			1

*player no longer at club



FIRST TEAM STATS

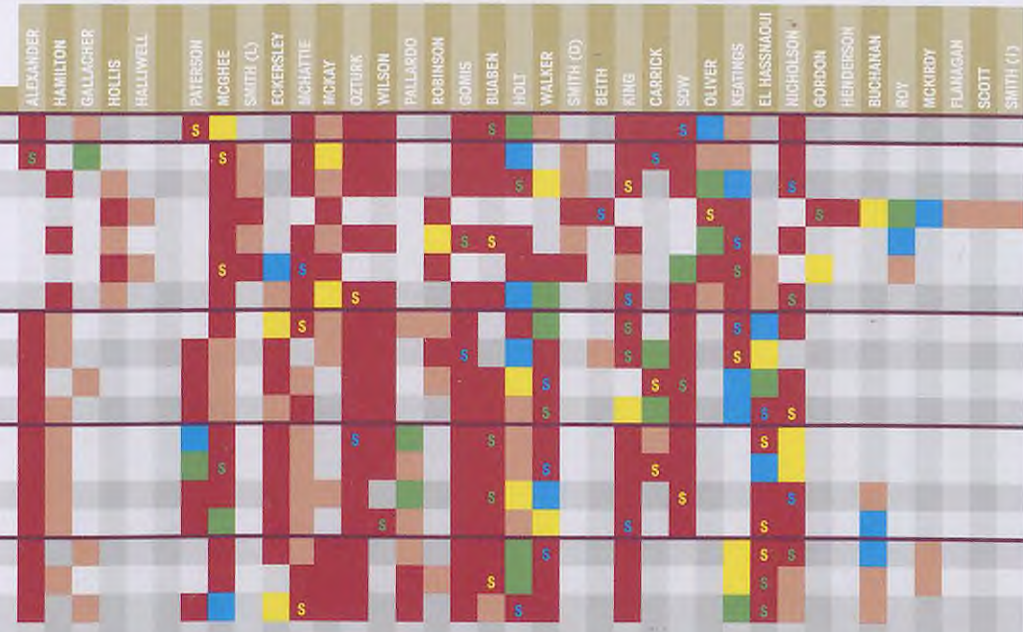
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- Starting line-up
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- Player Subbed
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- Player Subbed
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Home games in **BOLD TYPE**



MONTH	DATE	TIME	OPPONENTS	H/A	RESULT	ATT	REF	GOAL SCORERS
JULY	SAT 26		ANNAN ATHLETIC	R1	PETROFAC CUP	H 3-1	W 6,708 Murray	King, Sow, Paterson
AUGUST	SUN 10		RANGERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A 2-1	W 43,683 Thomson	Wilson, Sow	
	SUN 17	12.30	HIBS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H 2-1	W 17,280 Collum	Nicholson, Buaben (p)	
	WED 20		LIVINGSTON	R2	PETROFAC CUP	A 1-4	L 4,488 Allan	Talbot OG
	SAT 23	15.00	RAITH ROVERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A 4-0	W 6,105 Charleston	Keatings 3, Oliver	
	TUE 26	19.30	STENHOUSEMUIR	2ND RD	LEAGUE CUP	A 2-1	W 1,768 Murray	Oliver, McHattie
	SAT 30	15.00	FALKIRK	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H 4-1	W 16,369 Clancy	McGhee, King 2, Sow (p)	
SEPTEMBER	SAT 13	15.00	DUMBARTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A 0-0	D 1,757 Salmond	-	
	SAT 20	15.00	COWDENBEATH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H 5-1	W 15,594 Charleston	King, Walker, Sow (p), Carrick (2)	
	WED 24	19.15	CELTIC	RD3	LEAGUE CUP	A 0-3	L 15,522 Collum	-
	SUN 28	16.05	LIVINGSTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H 5-0	W 14,848 Robertson	El Hassnaoui, Walker, Sow 2, Keatings	
OCTOBER	SAT 04	15.00	QUEEN OF SOUTH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A 3-0	W 5,534 Colvin	Sow, Buaben, McGhee	
	SAT 11	15.00	ALLOA	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A 1-0	W 3,067 Murray	Eckersley	
	SAT 18	15.00	DUMBARTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H 5-1	W 15,522 McKendrick	Sow, Buaben (p), Holt, Paterson, King	
	SUN 26	12.15	HIBS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A 1-1	D 14,562 Madden	Ozturk	
NOVEMBER	SAT 08	15.00	RAITH ROVERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H 1-0	W 16,373 Allan	Ozturk	
	SAT 15	15.00	FALKIRK	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A 2-1	W 7,003 Murray	McHattie, El Hassnaoui	
	SAT 22	12.45	RANGERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H 2-0	W 17,004 Thomson	Holt, Walker (p)	
	SUN 30	15.15	CELTIC	SCOTTISH CUP	H -			
DECEMBER	SAT 06	15.00	QUEEN OF SOUTH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 13	15.00	COWDENBEATH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	SAT 20	15.00	ALLOA	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 27	15.00	LIVINGSTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
JANUARY	SAT 03	12.45	HIBS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 10	15.00	DUMBARTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	SAT 17	15.00	RANGERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	SAT 24	15.00	FALKIRK	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 31	15.00	ALLOA	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
FEBRUARY	SAT 14	15.00	LIVINGSTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 21	15.00	QUEEN OF SOUTH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	SAT 28	15.00	COWDENBEATH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
MARCH	SAT 07	15.00	RAITH ROVERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	SAT 14	15.00	DUMBARTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 21	15.00	FALKIRK	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	SAT 28	15.00	QUEEN OF SOUTH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
APRIL	SAT 04	15.00	LIVINGSTON	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	WED 08	19.45	ALLOA	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 11	15.00	HIBS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
	SAT 18	15.00	RAITH ROVERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			
	SAT 25	15.00	COWDENBEATH	SCOTTISH CHAMP	A -			
MAY	SAT 02	15.00	RANGERS	SCOTTISH CHAMP	H -			



TODAY'S OFFICIALS

REFEREE: WILLIAM COLLUM
 ASSISTANT REFEREE 1: GRAHAM CHAMBERS
 ASSISTANT REFEREE 2: STUART STEVENSON
 FOURTH OFFICIAL: STEPHEN FINNIE

HEARTS 2, RANGERS 0 22ND NOVEMBER 2014



JASON HOLT CELEBRATES THE FIRST GOAL



JAMIE WALKER SCORED THE SECOND AGAINST RANGERS



CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Good afternoon and welcome back to Tynecastle Stadium for what is another huge game for the club with today's visit of Celtic in the Scottish Cup.

Last Saturday was a special occasion, with a sell-out crowd roaring us on to victory over Rangers in the Scottish Championship.

We fought hard for the win but it was great to see the lads keep their discipline and come away with what was a deserved victory.

The 2-0 result took us nine points clear of our nearest challengers but we're not getting carried away with ourselves. It is important we keep our feet on the ground and focus on each game as it comes around.

Things can change quickly in football but for the moment we are enjoying our position at the top of the league table.

Today's match sees a change from the pressure of winning Championship points however we could not have drawn a tougher opponent than Celtic for our first match in this season's Scottish Cup competition.

It is another massive test for us but one we are relishing.

We acquitted ourselves well when we played them in the League Cup earlier in the season at Parkhead so it will be good to take them on in front of our own fans this afternoon.

Winning promotion remains our priority but it would be good to have a run in the cup. We will be giving everything to try to get a result today, and I'm sure you will be giving everything as usual from the stands.

Thanks again for your incredible support.

DANNY WILSON





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MANAGER: RONNY DEILA

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CALLUM PATERSON	02	
KEVIN MCHATTIE	03	
DANNY WILSON	04	
ALIM OZTURK	05	
MORGARO GOMIS	06	
JAMIE WALKER	07	
SCOTT ROBINSON	08	
SOUFIAN EL HASSNAOUI	09	
JASON HOLT	10	
SAM NICHOLSON	11	
BILLY KING	12	
(GK) JACK HAMILTON	13	
MIGUEL PALLARDÓ	14	
(GK) SCOTT GALLACHER	15	
GARY OLIVER	16	
PRINCE BUABEN	17	
DALE CARRICK	18	
JAMES KEATINGS	19	
OSMAN SOW	20	
BRAD MCKAY	22	
LIAM GORDON	26	
ANGUS BEITH	27	
ROBBIE BUCHANAN	28	
LIAM SMITH	29	
JORDAN MCGHEE	30	
LIAM HENDERSON	31	
ALISTAIR ROY	32	
SEAN MCKIRDY	34	
ADAM ECKERSLEY	44	

	02	ADAM MATTHEWS
	03	EMILIO IZAGUIRRE
	04	EFE AMBROSE
	05	VIRGIL VAN DIJK
	06	NIR BITTON
	08	SCOTT BROWN
	09	JOHN GUIDETTI
	10	ANTHONY STOKES
	11	DERK BOERRIGTER
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	26	CRAIG GORDON (GK)
	27	ALEKSANDAR TONEV
	28	LEIGH GRIFFITHS
	31	JOHN HERRON
	32	MUBARAK WAKASO
	33	BERAM KAYAL
	34	EOGHAN O'CONNELL
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