



# Scottish League Cup

FOURTH ROUND—  
SECOND LEG

# CELTIC versus ST. MIRREN

CELTIC PARK

WEDNESDAY, 16th NOVEMBER, 1977

Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

PROGRAMME 10p

# JOY DAY FOR JOE McBRIDE

**FOLLOWING** that first game thriller in the quarter final League Cup-tie with St Mirren, the Paisley team come to Celtic Park tonight for the second leg match.

That game last Wednesday night, played in the most atrocious conditions imaginable, had everything that one can expect to find in a cup-tie and players and fans alike deserved a medal for playing and spectating in such dreadful weather.

Believe it or not, St Mirren's last appearance in a League Cup match at Celtic Park was over eleven years ago and the Paisley fans won't thank us for recalling that match.

Hearts and Clyde were the other two teams in the section of the competition that season and when St Mirren came to Parkhead Celtic were the only team in the group with full points.

The team selections for the match on Saturday August 20 1966 were:—

**CELTIC:** Simpson; Gemmell and O'Neill; Murdoch, McNeill and Clark, Johnstone and McBride; Chalmers; Lennox and Auld.

**ST MIRREN:** Thorburn; Murray and Clark; Pinkerton, Kiernan and Wilson; Aird and Tracey; Adamson; Gemmell and Hamilton.

Referee: Mr R. A. S. Crockett (Dundee).

Celtic opened the scoring in 16 minutes when following three headed passes from McNeill to McBride to Chalmers the

ball was headed down and Bobby Lennox smacked it past keeper Thorburn. The St Mirren goalkeeper had performed heroics up to that point to keep the scoresheet blank but once Celtic took the lead they were hungry for more goals. So hungry indeed that by half-time they had taken their tally to four and Joe McBride had helped himself to a hat-trick.

The first of Joe's goals came when he smacked home a shot from ten yards the chance having been created by Jimmy Johnstone. His second was from the penalty spot after Johnstone had been brought down and his third was a tap in job after Johnstone and Murdoch had created the chance.

Just one minute after the start of the second half Joe McBride scored a gem of a goal. He took a through ball from Bobby Murdoch, wrong footed an opponent and hammered a great left foot shot into the net.

Celtic stretched their lead to 7-0 when Bertie Auld shot home a Chalmers nod-down and Bobby Lennox headed home a Joe McBride cross.

Pluckily St Mirren stuck to their task and got some consolation when Frank Tracey scored two goals in four minutes.

Following this short break in the proceedings Celtic came back again and Steve Chalmers crashed home a great shot from a Bobby Lennox pass to finish the scoring at 8-2 for Celtic.

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# Celts have a proud League Cup record



**CELTIC** have chalked up a record nine-in-row Scottish League championship wins. Our League Cup is a matter for pride as well.

Tonight's tie with St Mirren is our 145th in succession. This formidable figure started at Firhill against Partick Thistle in August, 1964, and the club has taken part in every round since then — plus five replays or deciders.

This second-leg quarter-final match with Saints is our sixth in the series this season and victory would take us within one match of our 14th final in a row!

It is one further incentive for a side that has made a good recovery after a poor start and the handicap of injury to key players like Pat Stanton, Alfie Conn, Danny McGrain and Tommy Burns, plus the fact that Tom McAdam and Joe Filippi were cup-tied with their previous clubs and not available to us for the remainder of the competition.

A two-goal lead was carried into tonight's contest by Celtic. But so far as I am concerned the match started 0-0 and that's how the players viewed it as well.

To go into a match feeling there is a nice comfortable "cushion" to lie back on can be most dangerous. Especially against an ambitious outfit like St Mirren who won their Premier League fixture at Parkhead last month.

St Mirren will make it hard for us, but the heartening show against Rangers (even though I felt we should have more out of it than one point) gives one a degree of confidence about making the semi-final.

Our fans who have been splendid in their support all season braved the worst night of the winter to cheer us on at Paisley and they deserve a first-class show from us this evening as a reward. Mark you the team didn't let them down at Love Street.

It was great to feel the new sense of purpose at Paisley where Alex Ferguson has revived fan interest and built a fine, young team. We'll all have to keep an eye on Paisley. and that goes particularly for Celtic's team facing Saints on the field tonight.

JOCK STEIN

## CELTIC



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1922, 1926, 1936,  
1938, 1954, 1966,  
1967, 1968, 1969,  
1970, 1971, 1972,  
1973, 1974, 1977.

#### Cup Winners (25 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.

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1967, 1968, 1969,  
1970, 1975.

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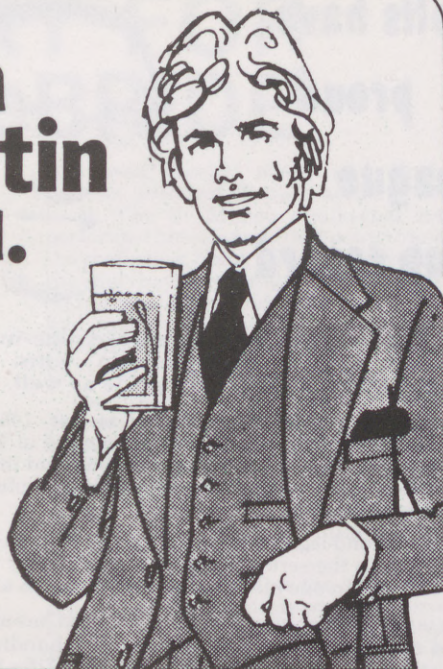
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**JOE CRACKS THE PAISLEY BARRIER**

St Mirren's defensive barrier couldn't stop this Joe Craig shot going home for Celtic's opening score in the Parkhead's side's 3-1 win last week.

# TODAY'S VISITORS

## AMBITIOUS SAINTS HOLD THEIR STARS

**ST MIRREN could become one of the wealthiest clubs in the Premier Division . . . if they'd agree to the blandishments of big-name English sides and sell one or two of their brilliant young stars.**

It is to the credit of the club (which was in the red at their last annual balance sheet) that they've said No (and said it consistently) to telephone number transfer fees.

"We're building not breaking up" has been the reply of Saints manager Alex Ferguson to all offers from the South. And in this he has been backed by his chairman Willie Todd and the Love Street directors.

The Paisley public, with recollections of player sales in past years, has also backed the manager's stand in the best possible manner . . . by coming through the turnstiles. Though manager Ferguson says there is still room for a lot more!

He deserves the support of the town and district. For he has shaken St Mirren to life in three short years and given the club a centenary year of celebration with the First Division championship and promotion to the Premier League as well as reaching the final of the Anglo-Scottish Cup against Bristol City.

So Parkhead tonight sees stars like midfield man Tony Fitzpatrick and striker Frank McGarvey who have been the magnet for English squads. Manager Ferguson has turned away £200,000 bids for

Scotland Under-21 player McGarvey and he knows that pressure for this pair and others will continue.

It is a high compliment to the manager, but he really doesn't have time to sit down and savour it. He bends his considerable energies and expertise to making Saints the top team in the land.

Love Street is a place where young players want to go nowadays. They know that if they are good enough they will get their chance and that's been proved over and over again during the three-years Alex Ferguson has been at Paisley.

Against Motherwell on Saturday he "blooded" in the Premier League two more of the talented staff — Jim McGettrick and Andy Dunlop.

A Frank McGarvey goal brought Saints two points on Saturday, but manager Ferguson wasn't too happy about the overall performance of his side.

"It was a good result. Mark you we have played better and lost. But that's how it can go in football."

It also shows that despite the brilliance of his team at times Alex Ferguson hasn't gone so starry-eyed about them that he is unable to see their faults. He's too much of a professional for that.

What is certain is that he will have them organised again for tonight's tie. He hasn't given up hope that St Mirren's name can go on the League Cup as a centenary year bonus for the club.

# THE ICEMAN GOES FOR GOAL



Jo Edvaldsson moves in ahead of the Paisley players in a goal search when the clubs met at Parkhead in the Premier League last month.

# TODAY'S TEAMS AND OFFICIALS

## CELTIC (from)

PETER LATCHFORD  
 IAN McWILLIAMS  
 ANDY LYNCH  
 JO EDVALDSSON  
 RODDY McDONALD  
 ROY AITKEN  
 FRANK MUNRO  
 JOHNNY DOYLE  
 RONNIE GLAVIN  
 JOE CRAIG  
 PAUL WILSON  
 ALFIE CONN  
 PETER MACKIE

Referee:  
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 (Newport-on-Tay)

Linesmen:  
 Mr D. D. HOPE  
 (Erskine)  
 Mr H. McGUNNIGLE  
 (Barrhead)



Spectators are requested to take care — particularly leaving the ground after the match.

## ST MIRREN (from)

ALLY HUNTER  
 DONALD HUNTER  
 JOHN YOUNG  
 ALEX BECKETT  
 TONY FITZPATRICK  
 BOBBY REID  
 JACKIE COPLAND  
 FRANK McGARVEY  
 BILLY STARK  
 BRIAN DOCHERTY  
 LEX RICHARDSON  
 IAIN MUNRO  
 WILLIE ABERCROMBIE  
 RICKY SHARP  
 JIM McGETTRICK  
 ANDY DUNLOP

# HALF-TIME SCOREBOARD

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<b>C</b>	HEARTS (1) DUNDEE UTD (3)		<b>G</b>			<b>K</b>			<b>O</b>	
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## SIDELINES

### CONTEST WINNER

Mr James Anderson, 46 Carbisdale Street, Springburn, Glasgow was the successful entrant in the "Win a Ball" contest in the Innsbruck match programme.

The contest answers were: 1 — Roddy McDonald and Kenny Dalglish. 2 — F. C. Zurich. 3 — Steve Chalmers. 4 — Real Madrid v Eintracht Frankfurt in 1960 at Hampden Park.



### PREVIOUS TIES

1949-50 St Mirren 1, Celtic 0, Celtic 4, St Mirren 1. (Celtic did not qualify).

1952-53 St Mirren 0, Celtic 1, Celtic 3, St Mirren 1. (Celtic did not qualify).

1958-59 Celtic 3, St Mirren 0. St Mirren 6, Celtic 3. (Celtic beaten in semi-final.)

1966-67 Celtic 8, St Mirren 2. St Mirren 0, Celtic 1. (Celtic won Cup).

1971-72 Celtic 3, St Mirren 0. (Hampden (semi-final)).

Celtic beaten in final by Partick.



## Premier League

Rangers	13	8	2	3	19
Aberdeen	13	7	2	4	18
Partick	13	7	4	2	16
Dundee Utd.	13	6	4	3	15
St Mirren	13	5	5	3	13
Celtic	13	5	6	2	10
Hibernian	13	4	7	2	10
Motherwell	13	4	7	2	19
Ayr Utd.	13	4	7	2	10
Clydebank	13	2	8	3	7



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#### SEPTEMBER

14—JEUNESSE D'ESCH ..... (H) 5 0  
 28—Jeunesse d'Esch ..... (A) 6 1

#### OCTOBER

19—SSW INNSBRUCK ..... (H) 2 1

#### NOVEMBER

2—SSW Innsbruck ..... (A) 0 3

## 1977 PREMIER LEAGUE

#### AUGUST

13—DUNDEE UNITED ..... (H) 0 0  
 20—Ayr United ..... (A) 1 2  
 27—MOTHERWELL ..... (H) 0 1

#### SEPTEMBER

10—Rangers ..... (A) 2 3  
 17—Aberdeen ..... (A) 1 2  
 24—CLYDEBANK ..... (H) 1 0

#### OCTOBER

1—HIBERNIAN ..... (H) 3 1  
 8—Partick Thistle ..... (A) 0 1  
 15—ST. MIRREN ..... (H) 1 2  
 22—Dundee United ..... (A) 2 1  
 29—AYR UNITED ..... (H) 3 2

#### NOVEMBER

5—Motherwell ..... (A) 3 2  
 12—RANGERS ..... (H) 1 1  
 19—ABERDEEN ..... (H)  
 26—Clydebank ..... (A)

#### DECEMBER

3—Hibernian ..... (A)  
 10—PARTICK THISTLE ..... (H)  
 17—St. Mirren ..... (A)  
 24—DUNDEE UNITED ..... (H)  
 31—Ayr United ..... (A)

#### 1978

#### JANUARY

2—MOTHERWELL ..... (H)  
 7—Rangers ..... (A)  
 14—Aberdeen ..... (A)  
 21—CLYDEBANK ..... (H)  
 28—Scottish Cup—3rd round

#### FEBRUARY

4—HIBERNIAN ..... (H)  
 11—Partick Thistle ..... (A)

#### 18—Scottish Cup—4th round

25—ST. MIRREN ..... (H)

#### MARCH

4—Dundee United ..... (A)  
 11—AYR UNITED ..... (H)  
 18—Motherwell ..... (A)  
 25—RANGERS ..... (H)

#### APRIL

1—ABERDEEN ..... (H)  
 8—Clydebank ..... (A)  
 15—Hibernian ..... (A)  
 22—PARTICK THISTLE ..... (H)  
 29—St. Mirren ..... (A)

## LEAGUE CUP

### —2nd round

#### AUGUST

31—MOTHERWELL ..... (H) 0 0

#### SEPTEMBER

3—Motherwell ..... (A) 4 2

### 3rd Round

#### OCTOBER

5—Stirling Albion ..... (A) 2 1  
 26—STIRLING ALBION ..... (H) 1 1

#### NOVEMBER Quarter Final

9—St. Mirren ..... (A) 3 1  
 16—ST. MIRREN ..... (H)  
 30—Semi-final

#### DECEMBER

10—Final

# BIG MATCH DATES

## Home Internationals

May 13—Ireland v Scotland  
 May 17—Scotland v Wales  
 May 20—Scotland v England

## Scottish Cup

April 8—Semi-finals  
 May 6—Final

## European Cup

May 10—Final

## RESERVES by JOHN CLARK



### Fighting spirit was missing at Ibrox

WHILE the first team was battling for a victory against Rangers at Parkhead on Saturday, the reserves were slumping to a 4-0 defeat at Ibrox in most disappointing fashion.

The fighting spirit that has characterised the play of the Premier League side in recent games did not show through against the Ibrox Colts when it was most required.

That much more than the margin of defeat was the worrying factor. No matter the match situation all Celtic

teams have always displayed determination and given 100 per cent effort.

In this fixture we could have done with more of this gritty quality. Rangers played with an obvious sense of pride in their club and team and deserved their victory.

Yet it has to be said that this was not a great Rangers squad, and during the first half, when we played with the elements in our favour, the exchanges were pretty even.

They did get a goal — the result of a Celtic error. A pass across our goal was snapped up by the opposition and quickly placed in the back of our net.

It was an error that stemmed from inexperience and one has to accept such things from young fellows in their apprenticeship.

We didn't open up many goal chances ourselves in the first half, though one shot did smack against the Rangers crossbar.

In the second half, after Rangers had gone two up, the expected fight back from Celts just did not materialise. It looked as if the team had accepted the situation.

It was hardly in the Celtic tradition and there were few player pass marks at the finish.

The team: Baines; McGrane and Ward; Temperley, McWilliams and Kay; G. McCluskey, and Lennox; Newman; Dowie and Gibson. Substitutes J. McCluskey and Godzik.

## HALF-TIME QUIZ

1. What was the save-Hampden action the SFA took this week?
2. Who is the new Scottish light-weight boxing champion?
3. Who scored for Celts against St Mirren in last week's first-leg League Cup tie.
4. Who is England's caretaker manager?
5. Which St Mirren player did Aston Villa bid £200,000 for last week?

- ANSWERS
1. Approved a national lottery to raise £20 million.
  2. Willie Booth (Airdrie).
  3. Craig (2), Edvaldsson.
  4. Ron Greenwood.
  5. Frank McGarvey.

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