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ST. MIRREN

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP
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Scottish Cup winners (20 times)

1892, 1899, 1900, 1904, 1907, 1908, 1911, 1912,
1914, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1931, 1933, 1937, 1951,
1954, 1965, 1967, 1969.

Scottish League Cup (7 times)

1957, 1958, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970.

Empire Exhibition Cup 1938

Coronation Cup 1953

European Cup 1967

JOCK STEIN says...

Since my last programme message (in the issue for the Kilmarnock game) we have beaten Kilmarnock 3-0 at home, drawn 3-3 with West Ham United in Bobby Moore's benefit match in London, and drawn 0-0 at Falkirk. Not one of those results has been disappointing, even though those who have not seen Falkirk play this season may be in disagreement.

The display against West Ham was very good indeed. I was particularly pleased that the boys showed their finest ability in London; it gave many of our supporters who rarely get the chance to see us a great thrill. The atmosphere was terrific and the entire match a delight.

The question may be put—why did Celtic not continue in their London mood when they visited Brockville? There is one answer and one only. No two games are ever alike—especially games of the contrasting nature of those in London and in Falkirk. Our first concern against West Ham was to entertain and to maintain the club's prestige. We were not desperate to win, nor were the English club. It is a very different matter when Scottish League points are at stake.

Brockville has always been a difficult ground for Celtic. In addition Falkirk have made great improvement recently. No easy points will be picked up there this season, so our draw was not by any means a bad result.

It is good to see such a club as Falkirk adding to the challenge to the top clubs in the league. We welcome it just as we welcome the continued bid of Aberdeen for the league title. They come to Parkhead a fortnight today for what promises to be one of the great league games of the season.

In the meantime we have to face St. Mirren this afternoon—a St. Mirren whose new manager Wilson Humphries is most eager to do well. Saints haven't a good record at Celtic Park, but we must be all the more wary of them because of that. They know they won't be expected to win, so they may well go out with the feeling



that they have nothing to lose and everything to gain. A team in that frame of mind is always dangerous.

Celtic will be on their toes, relishing the position and determined to consolidate the club's place at the top of the table. Our players know full well that it isn't a good thing for any club to be several points ahead at this stage of the season; the present state of affairs is good for Celtic and for football in general.

THESE THREE

Joe McBride (Hibernian), Billy Wilson (Airdrieonians), and Donald Ford (Hearts) share a distinction in a Celtic connection this season. What is it?

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Victor Davidson (extreme right) scores the second Celtic goal and Tommy Callaghan (no. 10 in lower picture) heads the third in Celtic's 3-2 victory over St. Mirren at Paisley in the clubs' final league game of last season.



ST. MIRREN IN THE LEAGUE

Their Last Victory at Celtic Park

St. Mirren have been in existence as a football club 11 years longer than Celtic. They were founded in 1876 as a Rugby club, but in the following year they changed to Association football. Saints are original members of the Scottish League, which started in 1890, but they have never won the first-division championship.

Their best achievement in league football has been finishing third to Celtic in season 1892-93. It is as a Scottish Cup side that Saints will be remembered. They have won the Scottish Cup twice—in 1926 when they beat Celtic 2-0 in the final and in 1959 when they beat Aberdeen 3-1 in the final—and they have been defeated finalists three times.

Saints have twice been relegated. They held their place in the top league from the beginning until 1935. After only one season in the second division they regained a place in the first division and from then until 1966-67 they maintained their status. Again they remained in the minor

league only one season, for in 1967-68 they won the Division II championship.

Best Position

Since the end of the Second World War Saints have only four times finished in the top half of the first division, their best position having been fifth to Hibernian in 1947-48.

Their positions in Division I since the 18-club league was formed for the start of season 1955-56 have been:-

1955-56—15th; 56-57—12th; 57-58—13th; 58-59—7th; 59-60—14th; 60-61—14th; 61-62—16th; 62-63—12th; 63-64—12th; 64-65—15th; 65-66—16th; 66-67—17th; 67-68—; 68-69—11th; 69-70—15th.

They come to Parkhead today in eleventh place in the league table, though they are only five points behind Rangers, who are in third position.

Last Win at Parkhead

St. Mirren have not beaten Celtic in any competition at Celtic Park since season 1956-57 when on a Wednesday evening in April they won a league game by 3-2. The teams were:-

Celtic—Beattie; Haughney, Fallon; Evans, Jack, Peacock; Higgins, Fernie, Mochan, Collins, Tully.

St. Mirren—Forsyth; Lapsley, Wilson; Buchanan, Telfer, Johnstone; Flavell, Bryceland, McKay, Holmes, Devine.

Referee—W. Mackie (E. Kilbride).

Bryceland, Devine, and Holmes scored for St. Mirren and Haughney (from a penalty kick) for Celtic in the first half. Fernie scored Celtic's

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HALF-TIME SCORES

A COWDENBEATH
DUNDEE UNITED

B DUNDEE
CLYDE

C FALKIRK
HIBERNIAN

D HEARTS
AYR UNITED

E KILMARNOCK
AIRDRIEONIANS

F MORTON
RANGERS

G MOTHERWELL
ABERDEEN

H ST. JOHNSTONE
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GEMMELL
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McNEIL
BROGAN
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CONNELLY
HOOD
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HUGHES
HAY
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(from)

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CONNELL
MILLAR
FULTON
McLAUGHLIN
LISTER
HAMILTON
KNOX
TRAYNOR
MUNRO
McKEAN

ST. MIRREN QUIZ

1. When St. Mirren regained first division status in 1968 which club was promoted along with them?

2. Who scored St. Mirren's first goal of this season?

3. Complete a well-known St. Mirren full-back partnership—Findlay and

4. When St. Mirren won the Scottish Cup in 1959 who was their manager?

5. All of the following St. Mirren players wore St. Mirren's colours with great distinction—Willie Summers, Johnny Deakin Willie Telfer, Davie Lapsley, Jackie Neilson. How many of them played International football for Scotland?

6. Which St. Mirren player of the past 20 years had the same Christian name and surname as a present-day Celtic player?

7. Who is St. Mirren's longest serving player?

8. Why is the year 1952 especially memorable for St. Mirren's manager, Wilson Humphries?

9. From which clubs did St. Mirren sign Ian Lister, Cameron Murray, Archie Knox, Ian Munro?

10. Who was St. Mirren's leading scorer last season?

(Answers on page 8)

Division I Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Celtic	13	11	1	1	32	5	23
Aberdeen	13	10	2	1	27	7	22
Rangers	13	7	2	4	27	11	16
St. Johnstone	13	6	4	3	24	18	16
Falkirk	13	6	4	3	15	12	16
Morton	13	6	3	4	18	13	15
Dundee	13	6	3	4	20	16	15
Hibernian	13	6	3	4	21	18	15
Motherwell	13	7	1	5	20	19	15
Airdrieonians	13	5	2	6	21	24	12
St. Mirren	13	3	5	5	14	18	11
Dundee United	13	3	5	5	18	25	11
Clyde	13	5	1	7	12	27	11
Hearts	13	4	2	7	14	16	10
Ayr United	13	3	2	8	17	25	8
Kilmarnock	13	3	2	8	14	29	8
Dunfermline Ath.	13	0	5	8	12	27	5
Cowdenbeath	13	2	1	10	10	26	5

The Manager's Six

St. Mirren have scored 14 goals in their 13 league games to date. Wilson Humphries, their recently appointed manager, once scored six goals in a single league match. That was for Motherwell in a second division game at Fir Park in 1954 against Dundee United.

Founder Members of League

Of the 11 clubs who started the first Scottish League competition in season 1890-91 only five are still in existence. Two of them meet today at Celtic Park; the others are Dumbarton, Hearts and Rangers.

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ANSWERS TO ST. MIRREN QUIZ . . .

1. Arbroath
2. Ronnie Hamilton (against Kilmarnock in League Cup)
3. Hamilton (Jimmy)
4. Willie Reid.
5. Three—Summers, Deakin, and Telfer. The two others were honoured by the Scottish League.
6. Tommy Gemmell, inside-left of the 1950's.
7. Cameron Murray.
8. He was in the Motherwell team who won the Scottish Cup and he gained his only International honour (against Sweden at Stockholm)
9. Dunfermline Athletic, Drumchapel Amateurs, Forfar Athletic, Drumchapel Amateurs.
10. Jim Blair (now Hibernian)

Next first-team match at home
League Championship

CELTIC v. ABERDEEN

Saturday, December 12

Kick-off 3 p.m.

A GOALKEEPER'S VIEW by EVAN WILLIAMS

Last Saturday at Brockville Park Celtic completed their tenth league game of the season without losing a goal and I as the present goalkeeper of the side am naturally delighted at this fine record. I believe that this consistency in keeping our goal intact—or having a “shut-out”, as some people describe it—results from good understanding among the entire defensive unit of the team.

I think, however, that we should not put too much stress on the value of “shut-outs”. After all, they are not of much real value to a club of Celtic's stature if we are not ourselves scoring sufficient goals. Sometimes, too, not losing a goal gives a false impression of a game from a goalkeeper's point of view. For instance, I was a busier goalkeeper against Falkirk last week than I was when we played Hearts at Celtic Park in one of the three league matches this season in which goals have been scored against us. That Wednesday evening Hearts scored twice, but as I recall it, I hadn't many shots directed towards me.

I don't think the public are all that interested in a team who have a great defensive record if they are not scoring their share of goals. I am sure that Celtic supporters much prefer Celtic to win by 4-2, or even 3-2, than by 1-0. After all, goals generally make a game.



The most I as an individual can do towards the scoring of goals by Celtic is to be as accurate as I can be with my clearances. My main job is to prevent goals against us if I can, but if I can help to give our attacking players confidence by giving little away in the rear I am happy. The main thing is contributing to the club winning. I hope I am privileged for many a day to make such a contribution.

ST. MIRREN IN THE LEAGUE

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second goal soon after half time. Twenty minutes from the end Haughney shot a second penalty kick over the crossbar.

Of the 22 players only Bobby Collins, now general of the Morton forward line, is still playing.

A Year Ago

Since their league win in 1957 Saints have played 12 league games at Parkhead. They have drawn five and lost seven. The last defeat was in the final fixture last season almost a year ago to the day. The weather caused postponement of the fixture scheduled for November 22 and it was played on the night of

Monday, December 1. Celtic won 2-0, both goals being scored by Louis Macari. The teams were:-

Celtic—Williams; Hay, Gemmell; Murdoch, McNeil, Brogan; Hughes, Hood, Wallace, Macari, Auld.

St. Mirren—Connaghan; Murray (C), Connell; Cumming, McFadden, Murray (E); Gilshan, Lister, McLaughlin, Blair, Fulton.

Referee—A. J. Crawley (Glasgow)

THESE THREE

They are the only players who have scored against Celtic in a Scottish League game.

The Celtic Season so far

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

		F	A
Aug.	29 (h) Morton	2	0
Sep.	5 (a) Clyde	5	0
"	12 (h) Rangers	2	0
"	19 (a) Hibernian	0	2
"	26 (h) Dundee	3	0
Oct.	3 (a) Dunfermline Ath.	2	0
"	10 (h) St. Johnstone	1	0
"	17 (a) Airdrieonians	3	1
"	28 (h) Hearts	3	2
"	31 (a) Motherwell	5	0
Nov.	7 (h) Cowdenbeath	3	0
"	14 (h) Kilmarnock	3	0
"	21 (a) Falkirk	0	0

LEAGUE CUP

Aug.	8 (h) Hearts	2	1
"	12 (h) Clyde	5	3
"	15 (h) Dundee United	2	2
"	19 (a) Clyde	2	0
"	22 (h) Hearts	4	2
"	26 (a) Dundee United	2	2
Sep.	9 (a) Dundee (quarter-final)	2	2
"	23 (h) Dundee (quarter-final)	5	1
Oct.	7 (n) Dumbarton (semi-final) (after extra time)	0	0
"	12 (n) Dumbarton (semi-final) replay (after extra time)	4	3
"	24 (n) Rangers (final)	0	1

GLASGOW CUP

(1969-70 final)

Aug. 10	(n) Rangers	3	1
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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS' CUP

Sep. 16	(h) K.P.V. (Finland)	9	0
" 30	(a) K.P.V. (Finland)	5	0
Oct. 21	(a) Waterford	7	0
Nov. 4	(h) Waterford	3	2

SCORERS

12	Johnstone Wallace (2 pen.)
11	Macari
10	Lennox Hood (2 pen.)
7	Hughes
4	Gemmell (2 pen.) Connelly Murdoch
3	Wilson Davidson
2	Hay Callaghan
1	McNeill Quinn own goal (McHugh, Clyde)



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