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Last Saturday's game against Aberdeen was always going to be a difficult one, because with four players missing, our squad was stretched to the limit.

It didn't help that Steve Lovell, Tom Hutchinson and Barry Smith are three of our more experienced men.

However, Mark Fotheringham scored a fantastic opening goal, but thereafter our play was a bit patchy, although at times we did play some really good football.

Towards half time Aberdeen started to get a grip of the game, then for 25 minutes of the second half they controlled it, and we just had to dig in and work hard.

Part of that was down to us being short on experience, so elementary errors were made, but many of these were rectified by sheer endeavour.

Therefore, I can't fault their effort, because they chased, worked, tackled and threw bodies in front of opponents, so their attitude was first class and we ended up with a very young side on the pitch, but encouragingly still earned a point.

By the last ten minutes, I think

we'd settled down a little bit and maybe could have snatched it towards the end when the keeper made a great save from Nacho.

Overall, I'm not that unhappy with a point, but we've got to make sure we keep learning, learning that if it's not going our way just to relax and keep the ball a little bit better, then we'll improve as a team.

Of course, prior to the game, the talk amongst the fans inevitably centred on the proposed groundsharing, fuelling much heated debate.

However, all that detracts from what is happening on the field and against a side of Celtic's quality whom we face this evening, we require the whole-hearted backing from our supporters.

If our young players make a mistake, as they inevitably will, we need everyone to encourage them on, but not by criticising them.

Through these troubled times, it is important that we keep focused on events on the pitch.

The financial support that the club has received has been vital, but your vocal support is equally important during matches and I am sure that we can count on that tonight for what is one of the most attractive, as well as difficult fixtures in the calendar.

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Setting the Scene

Unlike most club's, the Dark Blues two meetings with Celtic this season have been close run affairs, with the Glasgow giants only winning both by the odd goal.

The first meeting back in August will probably best be remembered for Didier Agathe's expulsion from the field of play by referee Dougie McDonald after only 25 minutes.

Before then, however, Bobo Balde had headed the Hoops into an eighth minute lead and despite playing just under an hour with ten men, a resilient Celtic not only held on, but also made sure that Jim Duffy's men never came close to equalising despite having the lion's share of possession.

Celtic went into the game at Parkhead shortly before Christmas on the back of their Champions League exit, but the expected backlash never materialised.

In fact the opposite pertained with Celtic looking very much as though they had a European hangover.

In many ways, the 3-2 scoreline doesn't paint the full picture because the second goal scored by Lee Mair came in injury time.

Nevertheless, Dundee again ran them close. Although Henrik Larsson gave Martin O'Neill's side the lead after fifteen minutes, Mark Fotheringham, scoring against his old club, hit a superb equaliser five minutes later.

He picked up a loose ball in the centre

circle, strode forward before unleashing an unstoppable drive in-off the bar.

With an hour on the clock, the anticipated barrage had failed to materialise. Indeed Novo might have scored from close range but the ball just wouldn't fall nicely for the striker.

However, midway through the half Celtic went in front again with Balde diving full length to net.

It was only the big defender's second goal of the season, his other, of course, being the winner at Dens.

Still Dundee refused to crumble, but young John Kennedy stooped to net his first top team goal and apparently seal victory for the home side.

Going for broke, Tom Hutchinson replaced Sancho with Lee Wilkie going up front. The Dees gained a corner deep into the three minutes of injury time. Rab' Douglas, who had otherwise been impressive, made a meal of clutching Brady's corner and Bobby Linn returned the ball along the edge of the six yard box for Mair to lash home.

Having run Celtic so close, can Jim Duffy's troops go one better.

With the pressure off, Celtic dropped only their fourth point of the campaign on Sunday to Motherwell, making the task of taking something from tonight's re-arranged game all the more difficult.

ALL THE LEAGUE MEETINGS WITH CELTIC SINCE RECONSTRUCTION

Season	Dens Park		Celtic Park		
1975-76	1-0	0-1	0-4	3-3	
1979-80	5-1	0-2	0-3	2-2	
1981-82	1-3	1-3	1-3	2-4	
1982-83	2-3	2-1	0-2	2-2	
1983-84	2-6	3-2	0-1	0-3	
1984-85	2-3	2-0	1-5	1-0	
1985-86	0-2	1-3	1-2	0-2	
1986-87	0-3	4-1	0-1	0-2	
1987-88	1-1	1-2	0-5	0-3	
1988-89	1-0	0-3	3-2	1-2	
1989-90	1-3	0-0	1-4	1-1	
1992-93	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-2	
1993-94	1-1	0-2	1-2	1-1	
1998-99	1-1	0-3	1-6	0-5	
1999-00	1-2	0-3	2-6	2-2	
2000-01*	1-2		0-1	1-2	2-0
2001-02	0-4	0-3	1-3		
2002-03	0-1	1-1	0-2	2-6	
2003-04	0-1		2-3		

* Three games at Celtic Park

SUMMARY	P	W	D	L	F	A
Dens Park	36	7	5	24	35	69
Parkhead	37	3	6	28	34	98
Total	73	10	11	52	69	167

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THINK BEFORE YOU DRIVE

GROUND SHARING –THE ADMINISTRATORS EXPLAIN

The administrators primary purpose is and always has been to secure the survival of Dundee Football Club as a going concern, and for this reason, All potential options have to be kept open.

The SPL is to be notified of three options in relation to where Dundee Football Club plays its football in season 2004/2005.

This precautionary move by the Club's administrator, Tom Burton of Ernst & Young, is designed to ensure that all avenues remain open to the Club whilst negotiations with creditors continue. The options notified to the SPL are as follows:

- * Remaining at Dens Park
- * Remaining at Dens Park, but with a change in ownership of the stadium
- * A ground-sharing arrangement with Dundee United at Tannadice Stadium

The administrator has confirmed that he has requested that the SPL waive the requirement to have undersoil heating in place for the start of season 2004/2005 for either of the first two options relating to Dens Park.

Commented Tom Burton, "The notification of a potential ground-share has been made by us purely as a protective measure. It does not mean that this is a preference, That it is certain, or even likely. It is simply one of the possibilities that as administrators, we have to evaluate.

We recognise and understand the historical and emotional importance of Dens Park to the club's supporters and ground-sharing will only be pursued if we have no other option available to us.

By notifying the SPL within their own timescale we are ensuring that each of these avenues can be further employed should the need arise.

We are trying to ensure that the club has every opportunity to survive, and as we made clear back in November when we were appointed, we are leaving no stone unturned as we attempt to achieve this.

We recognise and acknowledge Peter and Jimmy Marr's strong preference for remaining at Dens Park and the two options which would enable this to happen are being fully evaluated and considered.

SPANISH SORROW

Jonay Hernandez explained after the draw with Aberdeen why both he and Nacho wore T-shirts with the words 'No Terrorism' on them "We were a little bit surprised that there wasn't a minute's silence because what happened in Spain on Thursday had an impact everywhere in the world," said Jonay "Me and Nacho just wanted to say we are against the terrorists. Everyone is against that kind of behaviour."

Jonay's brother attends university in Madrid and the Venezuelan international had tried to phone him as the news came through of the atrocities on Thursday morning. Initially he got no answer and admitted to being fearful for his sibling's safety. Eventually to his relief he got a message saying that his brother was safe "It was really scary for me, but everything was OK. Today we felt we should do something to remember the people who died."

Jim Duffy understood the players' feelings and agreed that a mark of respect for those who lost their lives in the bombings should have been held "Jonay was at Madrid B and Nacho is Spanish, they've got a lot of family and friends in Madrid. When September 11th happened there was a minute's silence at every match, I thought it was a little bit surprising that we didn't have that today" He said

"The two players weren't upset about it but I think they thought it was a little bit strange that it didn't happen and I'd have thought the football authorities could have suggested that happen to pay respect to those people. That's why they were a little bit down ahead of the match and I think you'd understand that, if we as a nation had something like that happen to us we'd be devastated, not matter what country you live in and it's understandable that those boys were quite badly affected by it and we tend to forget that."



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A BOOK FROM THE HEART



'The Goalie' by Jim Crumley is the latest Dundee FC related book to be published and it's well worth a read, if only for the fact that it's unlike any book ever published about a Dens personality.

It hit the shops last Monday, and tells the story of the author's grandfather Bob Crumley who was in goal for the Scottish Cup came to Tayside for the first time in 1910.

It's not an autobiography however, Bob was estranged from the rest of his family for much of his life, and information about his time away from football is scarce.

Jim's taken an unusual option by writing a novel based on the life of his famous ancestor.

Jim had written a chapter on his search for information on 'The Goalie' in a previous book 'The Road and the Miles - A Homage to Dundee' and found that many of the things he'd been brought up to believe about his grandfather were false, the search for an identity for the missing member of his family is completed by the publication of this latest book.

It can't pretend to be an accurate account of the life of Bob and those who have read Jim's regular Courier column some of the views attributed to Bob might seem to be those of the author, but it brings a hero from the past to life in a way which shows a deep love of the city and the team who wear the Dark Blue.

The book cover describes this tale as 'a book from the heart' and it's certainly that.

The story takes you from Bob's childhood discovery, brought with a save that led to a 'burst nose', that he was fated to be a goalie through to his death, and tells of his pain at the memories, and dreams, of The Great War and the wife who died while he was abroad serving in the Black Watch, as well as his triumphs on the turf of Scotland's most famous football grounds.

Along the way we meet other characters, who bring a taste of what the city was like in the days long before all-seater stadiums and shopping malls, it's a fascinating trip.

'Then he sees a high, swirling ball coming in from the right, teased by the sea wind that forever cruises across Dens Park, that smooth green acreage that was his theatre, his stage, the green-walled in by the massed faces of his own people. They would hold their breath in their thousands as he tensed under a ball, waiting, timing, timing, timing. He could read that wind then like word on a page, and with a rare fluency.'

The Goalie by Jim Crumley is published by Whittles Publishing (ISBN 1-904445-11-X) and is priced £6.99.

GROWING IN VALUE

If you have a copy of the programme from the day Dundee won the league at St Johnstone, then you'll be interested to know that one recently fetched nearly £200.

And on the subject of programmes, Celtic and Dundee fans living in the Aberdeen area might

be interested to note that there is a programme stall at the **Aberdeen Collectors Fair on Sunday, 28th March 2004 between 11am until 3pm at the Queens Hotel, 51-53 Queens Road, Aberdeen.**

Further details can be obtained from Peter Rundo on (01382 330356).

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Aberdeen (0) 1 (Hinds 61)

Dundee - (4-4-2) - Speroni, Mackay, Sancho, Mair, Hernandez (Cameron 73), Barrett, Fotheringham, Brady (Linn 66), Robb Novo, Milne.

Subs not used - Soutar, Kneissl, Jablonski.

Aberdeen - (4-4-2) - Preece, McNaughton, Diamond, McGuire (Hart 76), Morrison, Clark, Heikkinen, Muirhead (Stewart 83), Sheerin, Hinds, Zdrilic (Prunty 72).

Subs not used - Esson, Foster.

Attendance: 6839

Referee: Stuart Dougal

Bookings:

Dundee - None

Aberdeen - McGuire

MEDIA FILE

Sunday Mail - Euan Mclean

Dundee were lucky to take a point after Dons had only Leigh Hinds' equaliser to show for a dominant display.

Mark Fotheringham had offered the Dundee fans hope of a bright finish to a harrowing week when he shot them into an early lead.

But thereafter, the visitors took control and with a little more luck might have romped to victory.

Aberdeen Red Web

Aberdeen had to settle for a share of the spoils at Dens Park after having the better of the SPL tussle with Dundee.

Scotland on Sunday - Moira Gordon

They say that home is where the heart is, so, regardless the administrators' investigations into groundsharing with next door neighbours United, Jim Duffy's men should be allowed to remain at Dens Park. While the side has been pared of a lot of its quality, there is no doubting the players' heart or commitment.

Aberdeen headed back up the A90 with a share of the spoils, fighting back after Mark Fotheringham's superb free kick had given the Dark Blues an early lead.

The Dons dominated from before

the break until midway through the second half as Dundee's passing deserted them, and it came as some relief when after equalising Aberdeen appeared to be struck with the same malaise, leading to the closing stages being almost bereft of quality.

One moment of magic from Nacho Novo in the dying seconds was the exception to that rule, he spun off his marker and fired in a drive which was brilliantly saved by Preece, to earn the visitors the point they fully deserved.

Jonay Hernandez was back in the starting line up, replacing the injured Calum Macdonald, while Neil Barrett took Barry Smith's place in a four-man midfield, Steven Robb too came in after the defeat at Kilmarnock replacing Steve Lovell who missed out with a nerve problem. The final change from the Rugby Park game was Brent Sancho's replacement of Tom Hutchinson.

Dundee started brightly and it was no surprise when they took the lead in eight minutes, but the way it happened was a rare event for the Dens side.

Goals direct from free kicks have been few and far between in recent seasons, but after Nacho Novo had been fouled by Chris Clark, 'Fozzy' curled a great set piece into the postage stamp corner from 25 yards.

The Dark Blues pressed forward to try to double the advantage, but increasingly as time went on it was the visitors who looked dangerous. Young Scott Muirhead on the left wing was proving a handful and much of the Dons good play went through him.

Four minutes from the interval, Aberdeen came within inches of levelling as Zdrilic spun onto a through ball and fired a shot off the

inside of the post.

They came close again right on the break when Fotheringham knocked Diamond's effort off the line, and then Speroni pulled off a great save from Zdrilic's follow up shot.

The pattern continued after the break with Aberdeen dominating play, but in the early stages of the half they looked less likely to level, although Sancho did well to block a netbound Morrison effort.

The Trinidad and Tobago international was celebrating his 27th birthday and turning in a performance which restored faith in the Dundee back line.

With Dundee losing possession far too easily though, it always was on the cards that they would lose the lead too, and the equaliser arrived just after the hour.

Julian Speroni dived at the feet of Chris Clark and momentarily it looked as if the keeper had grabbed the ball, but the Dons midfielder emerged from the challenge in possession and rolled the ball into the path of Hinds who netted from six yards.

Aberdeen had been impressive during the period either side of half time, but now that they were level their performance too became sloppy, and the last half hour of the match saw some awful passing from both sides.

Neither side looked likely to snatch a winner until that late effort from Novo, who'd had a quiet game until then, he's been the hero so often for the Dees this season but it wasn't to be here.





Tonight's game against Champions elect Celtic is live on the television and it could well be the last time Dundee are at home live on the BBC for a number of reasons.

The BBC's two year contract to show live S.P.L. games runs out at the end of the season and from next year games will be shown live on the Irish pay per view satellite channel Sentanta.

There are many who are horrified at the thought and even morality of football on pay per view television but as I said recently on Jim Spence's Fans' Forum on SportsScene, I think it looks a good deal for the S.P.L., considering the current crisis that the game in Scotland is experiencing. Games on Sentanta may well restrict widespread access to the armchair of live Scottish football next season but the deal from Sentanta is worth more than three times than the current one with BBC, and surely in the current cash climate, that is a good thing.

The BBC paid just £14 million pounds to the clubs while the new package will realise a cool £50 million, and with three clubs in administration, and the rest scrambling around just as much for cash, the clubs were quite entitled to agree to the new deal.

The move to live games on Sentanta may also hopefully have a positive knock on effect on attendances at SPL matches as there was no doubt that live games on the Beeb are affecting the crowds. With everyone at home having easy access to the live games, the crowds at many matches, including those in which the Old Firm are involved are noticeably poorer than they would have been without being covered live. Therefore, the hope is that games on Sentanta will not have the same impact with the ten games they have shown so far certainly seem to have borne out this theory.

With fewer fans having access to the games at home if they don't cough up the £12 per month subscription, it is hoped that they will get their bums off their seats and into the stands in the stadia. More folk going through the turnstiles therefore is also surely a good thing. And with more gate money, and the knock-on increase in

revenue from merchandising and catering, not to mention a better atmosphere bigger crowds will bring, all at the same time as a bigger fee for being shown live, everyone's a winner.

As a licensee, I also think the deal is good, as my pub has been extremely busy for all the Sentanta games, no matter who has been playing. This year, I paid £200 for ten live games and there is no doubt I got my money back and more on the first game they showed last August between Aberdeen and Rangers.

Of the nine pubs in the same area of Torry in Aberdeen, only two of them have SKY TV, and of those two, only my pub The Golden Tee has Sentanta, and if that stays the same next season, then I will be quids in.

SKY is unfortunately expensive for pubs and I pay £1000 a year for the 'privilege' and with no Scottish football on SKY, I was beginning to question the wisdom of it. However, being able to show live SPL games through the system next year will more than make it worthwhile and having already having built up a reputation and customer base for having SKY and Sentanta, I am looking forward to reaping the rewards next season.

I also felt that BBC didn't market the Scottish game properly with a limited highlight package being shown at 5.00pm on a Saturday or at half time of the live game on a Sunday. Gone was the Saturday night, Sunday afternoon 25-minute highlights of a game, which was extremely disappointing. 5.00pm on a Saturday is no use to anyone who went to a game, as they would miss it because they are travelling home. The goals on a Sunday were squeezed in amongst the live package, so hopefully next season, a decent highlight package will return on terrestrial TV.

It was all very well for the BBC to show all the live games, but they and the S.P.L. had a duty to market the game properly, and in the last two years failed. Hopefully, the move towards pay per view will rectify this next season.

Tonight's game may also however be the last live game at Dundee on the BBC for a very different reason and it could very well be the last ever live games on any channel from Dens Park as the club consider the idea of selling Dens Park and moving to Tannadice.

I am personally horrified at the idea and the thought of selling our home of more than one hundred years which holds so many memories for so many people in the city, (dare I say even United fans) is a horrendous one.

I know we are a club in crisis with a real chance of going to the wall, but moving to Tannadice is not an option I'd like to see us take and for many Dundee fans would signal the death of the club

as it exists now anyway.

I am not against the idea of ground sharing with United, just not sharing Tannadice. I wrote in this very column that I was in favour of selling up Dens and Tannadice and moving to a new purpose built ground at Caird Park for the Euro 2008 Championships and sharing with United afterwards. While sad at the thought of leaving Dens Park, a place I have spent more years in than any house, school or job, I thought it was the right thing to do to move to a new joint stadium for both clubs.

Tannadice is their home, it's United's ground where they beat Barcelona twice and played in a UEFA Cup Final, and I don't think any Dundee fan would want any part of that. It is easy to say that in the current crisis that we should look beyond emotions, but football is a very emotive game.

The biggest problem of this proposed move for me is that we will not actually be sharing Tannadice, but will be a tenant paying rent. We will be groundless, homeless and become the latest Scottish football nomads like Clyde, Airdrie and Hamilton before us, and I don't like the sound of that.

It has nothing to do with the fact that we will be asked to sit in a tangerine seat every week, but for me more to do with the fact that we won't have our own ground, and that to me sounds very dangerous. I don't want Dundee to be a club whose office is a port-a-cabin at the top of the Hilltown. This proposal is not just talking about doing this for a couple of years, but very much in the long, long term, and if we do it, the future for me will not look bright, if it looks orange.

The administrator Tom Burton however says that moving to Tannadice is only one of three options the club are looking at, and I personally hope he finds a way to use one of the other two of staying at Dens, or finding a new owner.

If we are going to have to be a tenant somewhere, I would rather it be at Dens, but I just hope the choice isn't narrowed to a Dundee FC playing at Tannadice or no Dundee FC at all.

It would be a very, very difficult choice for all of us to make, and I never thought just a few months ago, while standing on the terracing at Perugia (on the back of having been to Hampden and Albania), that it was one I and every Dundee fan would have to make.

It breaks my heart.

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3. Which German player was voted European POTY in 1982?
4. In which Australian city will the 2006 Commonwealth Games be held?
5. Which former Scottish international was appointed manager of US side New England Revolution in 2002?
6. Who was the only golfer to retain The Open Championship in the 1970s?
7. Which country were France playing when Zinedine Zidane was sent off in the 1998 tournament?
8. Who scored the goals for Aberdeen which beat Dundee in a League Cup Final in the 1990s?
9. Who were the first two foreign managers to win the FA Cup?
10. What nationality is racing driver Heinz-Harald Frentzen?
11. Which team did Kevin Keegan manage immediately prior to becoming England manager?
12. Which horse racing venue is nicknamed "Glorious"?
13. Which Dutch striker was voted European POTY in 1988, 89 and 92?
14. Which darts player won the 2004 Ladbrokes.com World Championships?
15. Which Brazil and Inter Milan striker was voted European POTY in 1997?

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SATURDAY

- Dundee United v Kilmarnock**
Dunfermline Athletic v Partick Thistle
Motherwell v Hearts
Rangers v Dundee
Livingston v Kilmarnock
- & SUNDAY**
- Aberdeen v Livingston 3pm**
Hibernian v Celtic 1.05pm

Answers:

1 Aston Villa; 2 Juan Pablo Montoya, Ralf Schumacher; 3 Lothar Matthaus; 4 Melbourne; 5 Steve Nicol; 6 Lee Trevino; 7 Saudi Arabia; 8 Billy Dodds, Duncan Shearer; 9 Ruud Geull, Gianluca Vialli; 10 German; 11 Fulham; 12 Goodwood; 13 Marco van Basten; 14 Phil Taylor; 15 Ronaldo.

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(Up to this week's midweek games)

Club	Home			Away			Pts	GD
	P	W	D	L	F	A		
Celtic	27	13	1	0	32	6	77	+73
Rangers	27	12	0	1	33	15	31	+31
Hearts	26	9	3	2	22	19	49	+10
Dunfermline A	26	6	5	4	18	22	38	-6
Motherwell	27	6	5	3	22	10	37	+1
Dundee United	27	5	4	4	15	33	28	-14
Dundee	27	5	2	7	12	15	26	-8
Livingston	26	4	5	3	12	16	28	-8
Aberdeen	28	4	3	4	7	14	22	-16
Hibernian	26	3	4	6	14	18	27	-16
Kilmarnock	27	4	3	7	16	27	29	-23
Partick Th	28	3	2	9	18	27	14	-27

ROLL CALL 2003-2004

Player	League 03-04		IFL League		Cup 03-04		IFL Cup	
	Apps	pts	Apps	pts	Apps	pts	Apps	pts
Nell Barrett	5 (1)	1	5 (1)	1	1	1	1	1
Gavin Bell	-	-	2 (2)	-	-	-	-	-
Colin Boylan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garry Brady	25 (1)	44 (9)	1	6 (1)	10 (3)	1	10 (3)	
Craig Burley	1 (1)	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Fabian Caballero	9 (4)	83 (13)	20	2	14 (3)	6	14 (3)	
Douglas Cameron	1 (3)	1 (3)	-	-	-	-	-	
Beto Carranza	-	-	39 (16)	4	1 (2)	8 (4)	8 (4)	
Tom Cowan	4 (1)	4 (1)	1	-	-	-	-	
Mark Fothenham	13 (3)	4	13 (3)	4	3 (2)	3 (2)	3 (2)	
Barry Forbes	-	-	3 (5)	-	-	-	-	
Josay Hernandez	19 (2)	49 (3)	1	8	14	14	14	
Thomas Hutchinson	7 (4)	18 (4)	1	-	-	2 (1)	2 (1)	
Nell Jablonski	1 (5)	1 (7)	-	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)	
Sebastian Kneissl	2 (2)	2 (2)	-	-	-	-	-	
Jamie Langfield	-	-	31 (2)	-	-	6	6	
Robert Linn	3 (7)	3 (7)	-	1 (2)	1	1 (2)	1 (2)	
Steve Lovell	8 (5)	131 (10)	12 (p)	5 (1)	1	10 (3)	4	
Callum McDonald	3	3	-	1	-	1	1	
Duncan McLean	3 (1)	3 (1)	1	1 (1)	-	1 (1)	1 (1)	
David Mackay	24 (1)	72 (5)	2	9	-	18	18	
Lee Mair	25	1	48 (6)	2	9	13 (1)	13 (1)	
Sieven Milne	6 (3)	2	38 (49)	17	-	9 (10)	9 (10)	
Giorgi Nemsatze	9	-	76 (3)	3	4	16 (1)	16 (1)	
Nacho Novo	26	16 (3p)	52 (10)	23 (4p)	9	6	13 (3)	
Gavin Rae	11 (2)	2	187 (25)	235	1	33 (1)	3	
Fabrizio Ravanelli	5	-	5	-	-	3	-	
Steven Robb	3 (5)	-	4 (14)	-	2	1	3	
Mark Robertson	-	-	9 (16)	-	-	5 (2)	-	
Brent Sancho	9 (1)	-	9 (1)	-	1 (3)	1 (3)	1 (3)	
Juan Sara	3 (6)	-	63 (24)	28	3 (2)	1	14 (4)	
Barry Smith	24 (2)	2	284 (8)	4	9	52 (1)	52 (1)	
Julian Speroni	27	-	82	-	9	21	21	
Lee Wilkie	21	1	90 (7)	3	8	1	22	

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Hello all of you Junior Dark Blues out there and welcome to Dens for the visit of Glasgow Celtic. The Celts of course have a huge lead in the SPL and are still going strongly in the UEFA Cup. On Sunday they fielded an under strength team when Motherwell visited Parkhead and struggled to scrape a 1-1 draw. I doubt if Martin O'Neill would risk doing that again given that they are away from home tonight and the match is live on the BBC. Motherwell proved though that you can compete with them, therefore it's not impossible to take points sometimes.



Stevie Milne in an aerial dual with Aberdeen's Scott Morrison last Saturday.

We didn't play too well when drawing with Aberdeen last Saturday, and we'll need an improvement in performance if we are to get any points tonight. We can do it. Although Barry Smith will still be absent if the other players work hard then I'm sure we will make it difficult for the Celtic midfielders.

Maybe we can pull off a shock of our own.....

Away the DEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE.....

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

	Date	Age
Robert Ellis	Balerno, Me	1st 8
James Samson	Leyshade Court	" 10
Dale Prior	Quarryside	" 12
Claire Moodie	Dowlie Park	" 13
Barlusz Foy	Finglass Street	2nd 6
Louis Hornby	Janefield Place	" 10
Gary Gallacher	Chevaliers Pind	" 11
Craig Farquharson	Greenlee Drive	" 12
Aaron Duffy	Findchapel Place	3rd 2
Calum Findleton	Birkhill	" 5
Duncan Cooper	Dollar	" 7
Ben Ager	Blackness Ave	" 7
Tara Hunter	Kingsway	" 9
Josh McKugh	Byron Terrace	" 10
Darryl Fox	Bialkies Mews	" 10
Adam Robertson	St Nicholas Place	" 11
Rhianon Curra	Howport, Fife	4th 6
Michael Glass	Bridge of Allan	" 12
Craig Ray	Orchard Court	5th 11
Craig Ritchie	Ancrum Gardens	" 12
Dale Easton	Dundonald Street	6th 8
Scott McAlpine	East Haddon Road	" 11
Allans Anderson	Brittania Drive	" 11
Shannon Miller	Strathmore Avenue	7th 6
Danielle Collie	Brechin	" 7
Daniel Prevost	Carnbane Drive	" 9
Steven Hill	St. Giles Terrace	" 10
Martin Strachan	Denoon Terrace	8th 11
Sean Howie	Ashkirr Gardens	" 12
Matthew Gallazzi	Pitkerro Road	9th 10
Arron Ringsell	Carnoustie	" 13
Jack Downie	Drumlanrig Drive	10th 8
Adam Ralph	Cleopington Road	" 12
Scott Smart	Bruce Road	" 13
Ryan Faulds	Fintry Drive	" 15
Graham McGhee	Charleston Street	11th 6
Sean Watson	Constitution Street	" 12
Jordan Halley	Carnoustie	15th 5
Ross Pellow	Dalketh Road	" 6
Callum Greig	Invergowrie	" 9
Kerr Sangster	Deveron Crescent	" 12
Ross Anderson	Edinburgh	16th 9
Scott Lorimer	Blake Street	" 15
Kieran MacFarlane	Kilcuth	17th 3
Christopher Robertson	Carnoustie	" 19
John Miller	Monifieth	" 19
Kirsty McKay	Findchapel Place	18th 7
Brooke Shepherd	Strathmore Avenue	19th 7
Jason Welsh	Cleopington Road	" 8
Duncan Anderson	Edinburgh	" 14
Chloe Iestie	Kettlebridge	20th 2
Kyle Miller-Kelly	Monifieth	" 10
Robert Shepherd	Baxter Park Tce	21st 8
Calum Petrie	Harefield Avenue	" 8
Michael Walls	Lotham, Forfar	" 10
Martin Buchan	Glenrothes	" 11
Luke Lorimer	Southampton Place	22nd 8
Hugh Wells	Colonsay Terrace	" 11
Jessica Hill	Helmsdale Crescent	" 12
Josh Douris	South Road	23rd 10
Lori Brady	Kinnell Crescent	" 11
Andrew Webster	Lochinver Crescent	" 11
Ross West	Carnoustie	24th 4
Mathew Scott	Blyth Place	" 10
Kenneth Beaton	Katrine Avenue	" 11
Stacey Wilson	Caith Avenue	" 12
Cameron Ross	London	25th 1
Ross Laing	Oak Villa	" 5
Michael Devlin	Monifieth	" 12
Jamie Middleton	Balgarnino Road	" 13
Alistair Phillips	Emmock road	" 15
Lewis Cootts	Pitkerro Road	26th 3
Annie Lyall	Hazel Drive	" 4
Alex Sinclair	Balunie Avenue	" 4
Katie Patullo	Fintry Drive	27th 6
Heather Smith	Seaforth Way	" 7
Andrew Lawrence	Glendevon Way	" 7
Devon Grant	Barns Keuk	29th 9
Stephen Brymer	Baldovie Terrace	30th 9
Rory Burt	Guardbridge	" 12
Scott Donald	Buckhaven	31st 3
Nathan Christie	Duncan Terrace	" 5
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DAVIE SNEDDON

Another player whose Dens Park career was interrupted by national service during the fifties. Made his debut in the 1954-55 season against Stirling Albion. It wasn't until the 1957-58 season that he established himself when he made a total of twenty-four appearances. In his four seasons at the club he aggregated a total of sixty-eight appearances scoring nine times, his first being against Hibs in a 3-0 victory. Whilst at Dens, he won his only international recognition, playing against Wales for the Under-23's in a 1-0 defeat at Tynecastle. Born in Kilwinning on 24 April 1936, he joined Kilwinning Rangers in 1952, and signed for the Dark Blues two years later. From Dens he moved to Preston North End in April 1959, but returned to Scotland and his native Ayrshire in November 1961 when Kilmarnock signed him for a club record fee of £17,000. He then went on to become a Rugby Park legend, heading the opening goal in the 2-0 win at Tynecastle which clinched the league title in April 1965. Despite this, his subtle style of play was never fully appreciated by the Killie faithful. In September 1967, he was transferred to Raith Rovers for £3,000 and finished his playing career with the

Kirkcaldy club. He returned to Ayrshire to take his first steps in coaching, being attached to Hurlford United. In August 1972, he returned to Rugby Park to become Reserve Team Coach, stepping up to manager in October 1977, a post he held until January 1981. Later that year he took up the same post at Stranraer, a post he held until December 1985. Now retired, he still lives in Ayrshire and still regularly attends matches at Rugby Park.

IAN STABLES

An outside-right who was signed from Aberdeen Balgownie in September 1951. He made his debut in the 1955-56 season against Queen of the South, scoring twice. That brace contributed to his total tally of seven goals in his twenty three appearances during that campaign. Injured at the start of the following season as was Dave Easson, Chalmers and Black formed a successful partnership, which left Stables out in the cold and he was freed at the end of season 1956-57 and it is believed that he emigrated to Canada.

IVOR SMITH

Signed from Aberdeen in 1955. His career followed almost an identical pattern to that of Ian Stables. The inside-left made his debut against Airdrie in the opening League Cup tie in August 1955 and went onto make another fifteen appearances, scoring nine times. His first against came against Raith Rovers in a 6-3 Dens Park victory, when he in fact scored four times. Despite that he was released at the end of the season.

JIMMY STEVENSON

A right half who came to Dens from Falkirk-based Junior side Camelon. Signed in August 1955, he made his debut in a 5-1 home defeat of St Mirren that December. After one further appearance, he was at centre-half for the final eight games of the campaign. Despite remaining on the books for the next three seasons, he failed to add to those ten appearances during his first term and was freed at the end of season 1958-59.





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... Dougie Cameron



Commenting after last Saturday's game against Aberdeen, boss Jim Duffy referred to the very young side that Dundee finished the game with.

Coming very much into that category is Dougie Cameron who replaced Jonay Hernandez with 17 minutes remaining.

The fact that he was a direct replacement for the Venezuelan left-back now comes naturally to Dougie, but as he reveals, he would never have thought of himself playing that role up until five months ago.

"Almost through my entire career, I have played in midfield," he said, and continued, "Indeed, I spent the whole of last season on loan to Peterhead playing in central midfield."

"It was a tremendous experience to get a taste of first team football and with Duncan McLean and Calum

Macdonald, also on loan plus Robbie Raeside and Paul Mathers, it was a bit of a home from home.

"The only disappointment was losing out on promotion on the last day of the season, other than that I enjoyed every minute of it."

"Coming back to Dens at the start of this season, it was a case of doing my best in the under-21's and hoping to get a call up."

However, when that came it was not to be in the midfield role which had been his domain for his whole career.

Dougie takes up the story,

"I had actually only played one Under-21 game there when the gaffer tried me in a couple of practice games just before we were due to meet Motherwell at Dens."

"I had an inkling that I was going to be on the bench for the game, but somewhat taken aback when I learnt that I was to be in the starting line-up that weekend, especially as I was to be playing at left-back!

"But I enjoyed playing there so much, that I want to play there all the time and now prefer it to midfield."

"Having said that, I am all too aware that I have a lot to learn, especially the defensive aspects, but Ray Farningham and Stevie Campbell have been helping me work on that."

"Right now, I am just loving every minute of being involved in the first team."

By earning his first team spurs,

Dougie emulated dad Kenny who of course was such a prolific scorer for the club in the early to mid sixties.

Though, as Dougie admits, "When I made my debut, I hadn't really thought about it."

And whilst Cameron senior was back at Dens on the coaching staff by the time that Dougie first signed, he had been training at Dens prior to his dad's return.

As Dougie says, "Dad was here by the time I became a full-timer, and apart from having his support, the fact that so many of us have come through the ranks together has made it even better."

"Obviously, the club going into administration was a worrying time for everyone, and whilst relieved that I was kept on, it was sad to see a few good friends having to leave, and particularly Kris Brash because he is a great mate of mine."

"Fortunately, he has got fixed up with Peterhead."

"Meanwhile, I have another year of my contract to run and whilst no one knows exactly how the future pans out, I just want to build on the chance that I have been given this season."

One thing Dougie can rely on is the support of his mum, Jean as he confirms, "Until recently she never went to watch football, but now she and my girlfriend Reagan are at almost every match and she even has a Dundee strip with my name on the back!"

And with Dougie very likely to be in tonight's sixteen for the game with Celtic, Dougie won't be short of family support because apart from dad being on the staff at Dens, sister Kirsty is a member of the office staff.

FACT FILE

Position – Defender

Born – Dundee 08.02.83

Date Signed – 08.09.00

Debut – 08.11.03 v Motherwell (h) in the SPL

Previous Clubs – 'S' form, Peterhead (on loan)

Total Appearances –

League - 1 plus 3 as sub

Cups - 0

Goals:

League - 0 *Cups* - 0

Dougie Cameron



Until last Sunday, Celtic had looked invincible, having dropped only two points all season – and that on the opening day of the season to Dunfermline.

However with the rigours of the campaign having caught up with them in terms of injury, O'Neill, whose side already have one hand on the SPL title, chose to rest some of his regular stars.

However, the introduction of Henrik Larsson from the bench rescued a point for a radically-changed Celtic line-up against Motherwell.

That draw brought Celtic's run of 25 straight league wins to an end, but still extended their unbeaten home run to 75 games.

Boss Martin O'Neill made six changes from the side that defeated Barcelona after

Rangers' draw against Hearts the previous day had given Celtic greater breathing space in the title race, allowing him the luxury of resting some of his first-choice line-up.

Indeed, only five players retained their place following Celtic's UEFA Cup victory over Barcelona three days earlier.

Goalkeeper David Marshall who played the second half against Barcelona was given a start in preparation for his

likely lead role in the Nou Camp following the red card shown to former Dee Rab Douglas in the first leg.

Celtic's appeal over Rab's tunnel dismissal during that UEFA tie was due to be heard earlier today and its outcome could well determine whether he is back between the sticks against his former club.

Youngsters John Kennedy, Jamie Smith and Ross Wallace were also handed starting berths against Motherwell along with veteran Paul Lambert and Momo Sylla.

Of course, the lengthy Parkhead injury list had a bearing on O'Neill's decision to rest some of his frontline stars.

With John Harston and Shaun Maloney sidelined until the end of the season, they are particularly short of strikers.

In the short term, Chris Sutton has also been absent since picking up an obscure nerve injury in his back.

Whilst he is improving day on day, tonight's re-arranged fixture may have come a little too early for him, but the Hoops will be desperately hoping that he is available for the UEFA Cup return in Barcelona.

Even then, the probability is that if fit, he will play at centre half as Bobo Balde will be suspended.

Unfortunately for Dundee, the big defender is available this evening because, he scored the winner on Celtic's last visit and was also on target in their 3-2 win in the last meeting at Celtic Park.

Having said that, John Mjallby made his return to action on Monday, figuring for the first 45 minutes of Celtic Under-21's 4-1 victory at Fir Park and will have to

prove his fitness either against Dundee this evening or against Hibs on Sunday.

However, Ulrich Laursen is still recovering from a shoulder injury.

The chances are that Jackie McNamara will return this evening to partner Slovakian Stanilav Varga and Bobo Balde to make up Celtic's formidable back three.

Last time he was at Dens Didier Agathe only saw 25 minutes action before being shown a red-card and after being on the bench on Sunday, he is another very much in line to return by taking over from youngster Jamie Smith.



Neil Lennon



Stanislav Varga


**CELTIC
ROLL CALL 2003-2004**

Name Place & date of birth	2003-2004		CELTIC CAREER	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Didier Agathe Saint Pierre 16.8.75	17 (1)	2	87 (15)	6
Dianbobo Balde Marseille 10.5.75	22	2	80	6
	15	-	48	6
Craig Beattie Glasgow 16.1.84	1 (4)	-	1 (4)	-
	2 (4)	1	2 (4)	1
Stephen Crainey Glasgow 22.6.81	1 (1)	-	19 (22)	-
	1 (1)	-	9 (6)	1
Robert Douglas Lanark 24.4.72	14 (1)	-	92 (1)	-
	10	-	49	-
Michael Gray Sunderland 3.8.74	11 (4)	-	11 (4)	-
	-	-	-	-
Stephen Guppy Winchester 29.3.69	-	-	22 (1)	-
	-	-	10 (5)	-
John Hartson Swansea 5.4.75	14 (1)	9	58 (15)	46
	7 (1)	2	30 (8)	14
Magnus Hedman Stockholm 19.3.72	12	-	20	-
	7	-	9	-
John Kennedy Bellshill 18.8.83	7 (2)	1	9 (6)	1
	4 (3)	-	5 (4)	-
Paul Lambert Glasgow 7.8.69	3 (4)	1	173 (10)	14
	9	1	72 (6)	4
Henrick Larsson Sweden 20.9.71	26 (1)	22	208 (3)	166
	16	7	89	64
Neil Lennon Lurgan N.I. 25.6.71	25	-	102 (1)	2
	12 (1)	-	53 (2)	-
Jackie McNamara Glasgow 24.10.73	19 (1)	1	181 (35)	9
	12	-	72 (16)	5
Shaun Maloney Malaya 24.1.83	7 (10)	5	16 (4)	13
	3 (3)	1	10 (10)	8
David Marshall Glasgow 5.3.85	1	-	1	-
	1 (1)	-	1 (2)	-
Liam Miller Cork 13.2.81	11 (7)	2	11 (7)	2
	5 (6)	3	5 (6)	3
Johan Mjallby Sweden 9.2.71	6 (2)	-	128 (1)	13
	4	-	52 (1)	2
Bobby Petta Borndorff 6.8.74	-	-	36 (1)	-
	-	-	20 (9)	4
Stephen Pearson Lanark 2.10.82	8	3	8	3
	4 (2)	-	4 (2)	-
Siljan Petrov Bulgaria 5.3.79	25 (1)	4	131 (1)	30
	14 (1)	3	50 (10)	8
Jamie Smith Alexandria 20.11.80	1 (4)	-	9 (2)	2
	2 (1)	1	11 (6)	4
Christopher Sutton Nottingham 10.3.73	20	17	90	47
	15	7	51 (2)	17
Mohammed Sylla Bonakake 13.5.77	3 (9)	-	22 (16)	3
	2 (7)	-	10 (18)	3
Alan Thompson Newcastle 22.12.73	20	10	97 (7)	27
	14	2	44 (6)	10
Jose Valgaeren Louvain, Belgium 3.3.76	4 (3)	-	94 (3)	7
	4 (3)	-	48 (3)	3
Stanislav Varga Slovakia 8.10.72	26	6	27	6
	15	1	16	1
Ross Wallace Dundee 23.5.85	2 (3)	1	2 (3)	1
	2 (2)	-	2 (3)	-

Top line represents league games, whilst the bottom line refers to all cup games.

Stilain Petrov is a familiar figure in Celtic's midfield, but Stephen Pearson will be making his first appearance at Dens in a hooped jersey following his transfer from Motherwell during the January window.

The flame-haired midfielder has already figured in one victory at Dens this season because he was a member of the Motherwell side that triumphed 1-0 back in October.

Paul Lambert was back in action against Motherwell, but Neil Lennon could return in place of the veteran Lambert.

Ross Wallace will probably give way for Alan Thompson who scored the goal that gave Celtic their slender advantage to take to Barcelona next week.

With so many strikers having fallen by the wayside, youngster Craig Beattie, once rejected by Rangers, has been promoted to the frontline and partnered the superb Henrik Larsson up front against Barcelona and retained his place against Motherwell on Sunday.

With eleven games left


Boško Balde

and leading Rangers by sixteen points, the race for the SPL title is effectively over, but Celtic still have Europe to look forward to.

Around 9,000 tickets for the UEFA Cup final in Gothenburg were up for grabs this week and Celtic fans besieged UEFA's site in the rush to be amongst the lucky ones to be allocated a precious brief.

Having come so close to European glory last season, Martin O'Neill's men are determined to go one better this time, but next week's tie in Barcelona does represent a real hurdle for the Hoops despite that one goal advantage.

The big thing in their favour, of course, is having kept a clean sheet at home, a goal over there would make them favourites to progress.

However, no doubt Martin O'Neill will be ensuring that any thoughts of that tie will be at the back of their minds as they come to Dens this evening.

Celtic, as they showed against Motherwell on Sunday are very resilient, and not having lost an SPL games since last April when Hearts beat them 2-1 at Tynecastle, will as hard as every to beat, no matter what line-up Martin O'Neill may eventually decide upon this evening.


Henrik Larsson



The Dees



Form Guide:

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 Last 6:
DLWLD
 Last 5 Home:
LWLWD
 Last 5 Away:
DWDL

Miscellaneous
 Players Used: 30
 Clean Sheets: 4
 Failed to Score: 6

Miscellaneous
 Players Used: 29
 Clean Sheets: 14
 Failed to Score: 1

The Guys to Watch

Headed goals	Barrett	1
Long range shots	3 players	1
Inside 6 yards	Novo	6
Shots from 6-18 yards	Novo	6
Volleyed shots	Novo	2
Penalties	Novo	3
Scored 1st Goal in match	Novo	7
Most goals in last 10	Novo	3
Points gained from goals	Novo	14.5



Goalkeeping

Opp. attempts on target	170
Goals conceded	41
On target/goals scored	4.15
SPL rating	6

Goalscoring Strike Rate

Shots on target	135
Goals scored	33
On target / goals	4.09
SPL Rating	6

Goals in last 10 mins

Goals For, last 10	7
Points won	6
Goals Against, last 10	7
Points lost	6

Fouls & Offsides

Average fouls per game	11.78
SPL Rating (1=least, 12=most)	2
Average Offsides per game	2.63
SPL Rating	3

Swings

WON when behind	2
DRAWN when behind	2
LOST when ahead	2
DRAWN when ahead	7
WON 2 down	0
WON 1 down	2
LOST 2 up	0
LOST 1 up	2
DRAWN 2+ down	0
DRAWN 1 down	2
DRAWN 2+ up	1
DRAWN 1 up	6

Attendances

Aggregate	105,628
Highest	10,948
Lowest	5,643
Average	7,545

Where Goals

9 Close Range	20
19 Inside Area	56
5 Outside Area	11

How Goals

26 Shots	42
1 Headers	22
3 Volleys	4
3 Penalties	11
0 Free Kicks	6
0 Own Goals	2



Set Piece Goals

CORNERS: Scored from C	2
Conceded from C	2
FREE KICKS: Scored from FK	4
Conceded from FK	4

Cards

46	1
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Margins

WON BY:	LOST BY:
1 Goal: 5	1 Goal: 6
2 Goals: 1	2 Goals: 6
3 Goals: 1	3 Goals: 0
4 Goals: 0	4 Goals: 0
5+ Goals: 0	5+ Goals: 0

Margins

WON BY:	LOST BY:
1 Goal: 7	1 Goal: 0
2 Goals: 4	2 Goals: 0
3 Goals: 4	3 Goals: 0
4 Goals: 5	4 Goals: 0
5+ Goals: 5	5+ Goals: 0



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The Guys to Watch

Headed goals	Varga, Larsson	6
Long range shots	Thompson	5
Inside 6 yards	Varga, Sutton	4
Shots from 6-18 yards	Larsson	11
Volleyed shots	4 players	1
Penalties	Sutton	7
Scored 1st Goal in match	Sutton	5
Most goals in last 10	Thompson, Sutton	3
Points gained from goals	Larsson	15.75



Goalkeeping

Opp. attempts on target	82
Goals conceded	14
On target/goals scored	5.86
SPL rating	1

Goalscoring Strike Rate

Shots on target	218
Goals scored	87
On target / goals	2.51
SPL Rating	1

Goals in last 10 mins

Goals For, last 10	15
Points won	3
Goals Against, last 10	3
Points lost	0

Fouls & Offsides

Average fouls per game	12.63
SPL Rating (1=least, 12=most)	3
Average Offsides per game	3.37
SPL Rating	8

Swings

WON when behind	4
DRAWN when behind	1
LOST when ahead	0
DRAWN when ahead	0
WON 2 down	0
WON 1 down	4
LOST 2 up	0
LOST 1 up	0
DRAWN 2+ down	0
DRAWN 1 down	1
DRAWN 2+ up	0
DRAWN 1 up	0

Attendances

Aggregate	808,165
Highest	59,609
Lowest	47,563
Average	57,726



Boys



Form Guide:

Won: 5
 Drawn: 1
 Lost: 0
 Scored: 21
 Conc: 6
 Points: 16
 Goal Diff: 15
 Last 6:
WWWWD
 Last 5 Home:
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Just when Dundee FC fans everywhere thought things couldn't get any worse, the news then broke of the proposed ground share with Dundee United. The debate that followed was largely predictable, as fans wasted no time in venting their vehement opposition in no uncertain terms. Many see this coming to fruition as the beginning of the end for us in our current form, and many fans have already declared an intention to boycott Tannadice permanently if it were to ever become our new abode. It's a difficult one right enough, and in the financial position we find ourselves it's clear to see why the bank and the administrator are exploring this option.

Like most people, I see a new purpose built neutral ground as the only way to accept ground sharing with United. To say it sticks in the throat to imagine us being tenants to United as landlords is an understatement. It's a pride thing I know, but given the sensitivity and rivalry that exists, it wouldn't be reasonable to expect any of these two proud institutions to defer to the other. An arrangement based on anything less than equality would be doomed to failure. I believe the concept is flawed straight away. It was interesting to read Rino Gattuso's comments about his first visit to these parts and his astonishment at seeing two football stadiums so close together in so small a

city. It is madness, and the fact that it has been this way for well over 80 years doesn't say much for forward thinking in this town. Teams from the same city share the same ground all over the world. In Gattuso's homeland the cities of Turin, Rome, Milan and Verona are just some examples of this arrangement working successfully in practice. If it's good enough for them then why not us? Are we special in some way? No we're not I'm afraid- you can't claim that Italian are less passionate than us, can you? It'll be interesting to see how this pans out considering the March 31st deadline looms.

I was dismayed to see the authorities show a complete lack of respect to the Spanish nation by their failure to implement a minute's silence at last weekend's matches in the wake of the Madrid bombings. Given the magnitude of the attack, the numbers dead and injured and the fact that several Spanish players ply their trade in Scotland, that it was insensitive at best and down-right disrespectful at worst. I noticed there was one prior to the CIS final at Hampden, but for some reason our league card the previous day didn't observe one. Embarrassing and down right disgraceful I say.

Down south, is it finally looking like the end of an era at Old Trafford as Fergie starts to lose his grip. Knocked out of the Champions League by Porto, trailing champions-elect Arsenal by miles and an FA Cup semi-final clash with the seemingly unbeatable Gunners means that the season looks like being barren to say the least. Chelsea even look like securing second spot in the Premiership at the expense of the Old Trafford club. Then there's been the well publicised legal wrangle with Mr Magnier and at 62, Sir Alex has now been fitted with a pacemaker. His decision- making skills are coming under ever increasing scrutiny also. His decision to allow David

Beckham to leave for Real Madrid also doesn't look too clever as the months go by does it? He claims that United are a better team without him but I see no evidence of this, do you?

His refusal to buy another defender to replace the banned Rio Ferdinand has come back to bite him on his back-side many times, his defence looking particularly vulnerable. Knowing when to quit obviously isn't an easy thing. Look at Jim McLean, an example of someone who didn't know when to get out at the top. People tend to have long term memories of the last thing you've done rather than all of the good that went before, and I feel that's the same danger Sir Alex faces just now. They take for granted the good times as they fade into history but bad experiences stay in the memory longer. A couple of seasons ago he toyed with chucking it and enjoying his retirement, but I believe he made a poor decision by deciding to stay on. The problem he faces now is one of major team re-building. He needs a goalkeeper, the Neville's have had their day, and Roy Keane yearns for a few easy pre-retirement seasons at Celtic Park. Ryan Giggs never turns it on now like he used to, and so for Fergie to start all over again might just be a job too far for a man of 62.

If he does go, then what about a successor? Well, the man in the opposition dug-out has regularly been touted as a possible replacement for Fergie and Gerard Houllier, and with his stock and reputation continually rising because of notable European scalps it surely must only be a matter of time before the appropriate managerial vacancy comes up. When that happens I'm sure the lure will be too great for O'Neill to refuse. Time will tell.

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What is a Supporters Trust?

The basic definition of a Trust is a democratic, not-for-profit organisation of supporters, committed to strengthening the voice for supporters in the decision making process at a club, and strengthening the links between the club and the community it serves.

Our Aims

- 1) To be a wholly representative group, democratically run on behalf of all supporters of the Club and the area it serves;
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Dee Day 2!

Fans are reminded that Dee Day 2 takes place this weekend and anyone not traveling to the game at Ibrox is encouraged to take part. The functions include a kids fundraiser and full details will be available online (www.dee4life.co.uk).

The kids event has been arranged in the Centenary Bar on Saturday from 1pm - 4pm. Tickets are priced £3 and include a buffet, face painting and balloon magic as well as a visit from Deewok. Tickets are now on sale from Dundee Direct.

Dee Day 1 took place when Dundee were at Parkhead earlier in the season – with fans raising over £11,000 towards the campaign. It is hoped that more fans will get involved this time and we are looking to at least equal the superb total from Dee Day 1.

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First team players Lee Wilkie, Steven Robb, Sebastian Kneissl and Neil Barrett were all in attendance and helped raise almost a thousand pounds in the player auction. The Dee 4 Life committee members failed to attract any bids, however Shaun Fitzsimmons & Scott Glenday have been offered a one-week trial with the Chippendales.

Organiser Rozie Islam put a lot of effort into the event, and the committee would like to thank her for making the night another great success for the campaign.



CAPITAL DARK BLUES ANNUAL DINNER

Just a reminder to all that the Capital Dark Blues Annual Dinner takes place on Saturday 27th March, 7pm for 7.30pm at the King James Thistle Hotel in Edinburgh.

As it's on the same day as the Hearts match, we'd like to extend a big welcome to all Dundee Fans who might be travelling through to watch the match. This year, tickets are priced £35 with the money raised going to Dee4Life.

As well as a three course meal, a raffle and an auction, there will be after dinner speeches from Bob Valentine and Only An Excuse's Paul Reid. We also hope to have a few of the current players as well as stars of the past in attendance.

If you would like to attend or would like further information please email myself
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RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE

Just a reminder that raffle tickets are still on sale for the Dee 4 Life Smart car & also for the DSA Grand Raffle. If you can help with selling tickets please get in touch with any of the DSA committee. They will also be on sale at the ground tonight.

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The Ladies night at The Marquee last Saturday was another great success, raising over £1750. Although Craig Burley's signed shirt was in the raffle, a large number of tickets were sold for some excellent prizes including a signed Claudio Caniggia shirt - the auction also raised over £600 on the night. We won't mention what else went on but let's just say there's not been that much screaming since Lee Wilkie took his top off at the fashion show! Well done to everyone who attended and contributed to the event.

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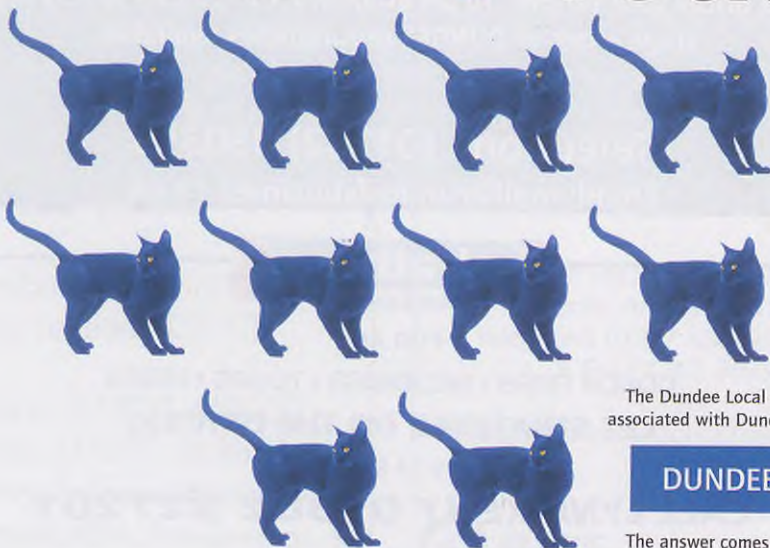
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SPL Under-19 Fixtures 2003-04

Fri 15 Aug	Dunfermline A	A	W 3-0
Wed 20 Aug	MOTHERWELL	H	W 2-0
Fri 22 Aug	Livingston	A	L 1-2
Sat 30 Aug	KILMARNOCK	H	L 2-3
Sat 13 Sept	Celtic	A	L 0-2
Sat 20 Sept	Aberdeen	A	W 2-1
Sat 27 Sept	RANGERS	H	L 2-3
Sat 4 Oct	HEARTS	H	L 0-3
Sat 18 Oct	Partick Th	A	W 4-0
Fri 24 Oct	DUNDEE UNITED	H	W 2-0
Sat 1 Nov	Hibernian	A	W 5-3
Tue 11 Nov	HEARTS SFAYC	H	L 1-2
Fri 14 Nov	DUNFERMLINE A	H	W 4-1
Thu 18 Dec	Motherwell	A	D 2-2

MID SEASON BREAK

Wed 18 Feb	LIVINGSTON	H	L 0-1
Sat 21 Feb	CELTIC	H	Postponed
Sat 28 Feb	ABERDEEN	H	Postponed
Sat 6 Mar	Rangers	A	L 1-2
Wed 10 Mar	Kilmarnock	A	D 1-1
Sat 13 Mar	Hearts	A	L 0-2
Sat 20 Mar	PARTICK TH	H	
Sat 27 Mar	Dundee United	A	
Sat 3 Apr	HIBERNIAN	H	

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UNDER-19's - 2003-04 Statistics

	LEAGUE		YOUTH CUP	
	Apps	Goals	App	Goals
Allison	15	-	1	-
Bell	- (1)	-	-	-
Cooke	13	1	1	-
Cumming	14 (1)	3	1	-
Deasley	- (1)	-	-	-
Dixon	13	-	1	-
Egan	- (1)	-	-	-
Hay	15	1	1	-
Hendry	4 (8)	-	-	-
Jellye	2 (2)	-	-	-
Linn	8	5	1	-
McCafferty	15	-	1	-
McDonald	3 (3)	-	-	-
McLaughlin	12 (2)	1	-	-
Muckersie	1 (6)	-	-	-
Reilly	15	5	1	-
Robertson E	12	-	1	-
Robertson S	11	2	1	-
Voigt	13 (3)	12 (2p)	1	1
Triallist	- (1)	-	-	-

MATCH DETAILS

SPL Under-19 Youth League

Wednesday March 10

KILMARNOCK (0) 1

DUNDEE (1) 1

McLaughlin 23

Team:- McCafferty, Hendry, Dixon, Allison, Hay, McDonald, McLaughlin, Voigt, Muckersie (O'Connor 75), Linn, Reilly. Subs not used: Currie, Cooke, Black.

Friday March 12

HEARTS (2) 2

DUNDEE (0) 0

Team:- Hogg, Hendry, Dixon, Allison, Hay, McDonald, McLaughlin, Voigt, Muckersie (Black 78), Deasley (Cooke 76), Reilly. Sub not used: Scott Robertson

Despite only taking a point from our last two matches, I am far from unhappy with the performances of what has been a very young side even by Under-19 stands.

That was most certainly the case against Hearts when it only took one look at the teams as they lined up at Olivebank, Musselburgh to see that physically, it was a mismatch!

However, that is jumping the gun because 48-hours earlier, we deservedly took a point from our trip to Auchincruive where we met Kilmarnock.

We started particularly well and their keeper made good saves from Bobby Linn and Gary Muckersie, whilst Gary McLaughlin ballooned over the bar from five-yards.

Midway through the half, we did go ahead following a well-worked move involving Jon Voigt and Gary Muckersie with the latter feeding Gary McLaughlin who took a touch before blasting a right-foot shot into the postage stamp corner from twelve-yards. Failure to fully capitalise on those early chances gave Killie the chance to get back in the game and they levelled twelve minutes into the second half with Tommy Coyne, son

of the former Dundee striker rifled home the rebound.

They went on to have the better of that second period, although Bell had to make a tremendous save to keep out Andy Reilly's diving header.

Having said that, it took a last gasp tackle by Mark Allison to prevent their substitute Steven Naismith from snatching a late winner.

All in all, a draw was probably a fair result.

Events of the first twenty minutes determined the outcome of the Hearts game.

By then, Hearts were two up, but only after we had squandered three great chances.

Their keeper made a great save from Andy Reilly and Gary Muckersie also went close on two occasions before Strickland found the top corner with a header on the quarter of an hour mark.

Three minutes later, Ross McLeod fired a free-kick and from then on the much stronger Hearts side were always going to be the winners.

Fair do's to the players though. Even against their much bigger opponents they stuck to their task manfully and restricted Hearts to just two or three clear-cut chances in the early stages of the second half.

Indeed, in the last five minutes Andy Reilly was only denied by a defender blocking his header on the line after almost scoring shortly before.

SPL U19 League	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Rangers	16	12	2	2	34	17	38
Livingston	15	10	4	1	24	13	34
Celtic	15	10	2	3	46	14	32
Hearts	16	10	2	4	29	14	32
Aberdeen	16	8	3	5	34	26	27
Dundee	15	7	1	7	30	23	22
Kilmarnock	15	5	4	6	23	25	19
Dundee United	16	4	4	8	21	31	16
Motherwell	16	3	6	7	16	22	15
Hibernian	16	4	3	9	23	31	15
Dunfermline A	15	2	0	13	13	35	6
Partick Thistle	16	1	3	12	9	52	6

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MATCH DETAILS

SPL UNDER-21 YOUTH LEAGUE

Monday, March 6

CELTIC (0) 1

DUNDEE (0) 1

Barrett 60

Team: Soutar, McNally, Cameron, Youngson, Sancho, Jablonski, Hegarty, Barrett, Kneissl (Clark 60), Walker, Robb (Linn 85).

Subs not used: Dixon, Voigt.

Monday, March 13

ABERDEEN (0) 2

DUNDEE (2) 2

Hegarty pen 22, Reilly 43

Team: Soutar, Hay, Dixon, Youngson, McNally, Jablonski (Voigt 65), Reilly, Hegarty, Walker, Linn (McLaughlin 77), Clark. Subs not used: McCafferty, Hendry, Allison.

All too often this season, we have bemoaned the fact that it has been a mismatch between our very young side and vastly more experienced opponents.

So it is nice to be able to report that when faced with an even playing field in terms of age, the lads acquitted themselves very well at New Broomfield against a Celtic side that has only lost twice this season.

And but for a last gasp goal, we would have made it three defeats.

To say the least it was a game full of chances at both ends and it is a mystery how the first half finished goalless.

They hit the bar through Aiden McGeady in the very first minute and that set the tone.

At the other end, Steven Robb saw his cross deflected on to the post and Jason Walker pushed the rebound narrowly past.

We really ought to have gone in front on the half-hour mark when Neil Jablonski side-footed past, but Neil Barrett and Sebastian Kneissl also missed good chances, as did Jamie Smith at the other end in an unbelievably open first period.

Perhaps understandably, the goalmouth action slackened off after the break, and Celtic began to dominate in terms of possession without hurting us. So I thought we deservedly went ahead after an hour when Neil Barrett volleyed home after the Celtic defence failed to deal properly with Chris Hegarty's well-flighted corner.

Sebastian Kneissl then missed a great chance to seal victory and we paid for this in the very last minute when Michael Gardyne nipped in between Soutar and Sancho to net Rocco Quinn's angled pass.

Whilst it was disappointing to lose a goal so late, Celtic probably deserved their equaliser as they had put us under increasing pressure in the closing stages.

Never the less, it was a highly encouraging performance and had the added benefit of several of the fringe players returning to action.

And I am pleased to say that we continued in like vein against Aberdeen at Montrose on Monday afternoon with the two sides again evenly matched in terms of age and experience.

We deservedly went ahead midway through the first half when Bobby Linn was brought down in the box, and Chris Hegarty converted the spot-kick.

Aberdeen twice came close with Brian Prunty hitting the bar during a spell of end to end stuff.

However, two minutes from the interval, a well-worked move involving Jason Walker and Neil Clark set up Andy Reilly to drill home and atone for the miss he'd had a minute earlier from almost exactly the same spot.

Aberdeen had the advantage of the strong wind at their backs in the second half and pulled one back within nine minutes, through substitute Stephen Tarditi.

As Aberdeen stepped up the pressure, Derek Soutar pulled off fine saves from Fergus Tiernan and Stephen Tarditi, but even 'Soapy' could do nothing to prevent Richard Foster from equalising fifteen minutes from the end when his 30-yarder flew into the postage stamp corner.

Next week is a very busy one with two games against Rangers. We meet them at Dens Park next Monday and are away to the Ibrox side two days later.

SPL UNDER-21 FIXTURES

Mon 11 Aug	MOTHERWELL	H	W 4-3
Mon 18 Aug	Dunfermline	A	W 2-0
Mon 25 Aug	Livingston	A	L 0-3
Mon 1 Sept	KILMARNOCK	H	D 2-2
Mon 15 Sept	Celtic	A	L 0-1
Mon 29 Sept	RANGERS	H	L 1-2
Mon 6 Oct	HEARTS	H	L 0-5
Mon 20 Oct	Partick Thistle	A	L 2-3
Mon 3 Nov	Hibernian	A	L 1-8
Mon 17 Nov	Aberdeen	A	L 2-3
Mon 1 Dec	LIVINGSTON	H	L 0-2
Mon 15 Dec	CELTIC	H	L 2-4
Wed 7 Jan	Motherwell	A	L 0-1
Mon 12 Jan	MOTHERWELL	H	W 2-0
Mon 19 Jan	Partick Thistle	A	D 1-1
Mon 26 Jan	Dundee United	A	L 1-2
Mon 16 Feb	Dunfermline A	A	L 1-7
Mon 23 Feb	Livingston	A	Postponed
Wed 25 Feb	DUNFERMLINE A	H	Postponed
Mon 1 Mar	KILMARNOCK	H	Postponed
Mon 8 Mar	Celtic	A	D 1-1
Mon 15 Mar	Aberdeen	A	D 2-2
Mon 22 Mar	RANGERS	H	
Wed 24 Mar	Rangers	A	
Mon 29 Mar	HEARTS	H	
Wed 31 Mar	HIBS	H	
Mon 5 Apr	PARTICK TH	H	
Wed 7 Apr	ABERDEEN	H	
Mon 12 Apr	DUNDEE UNITED	H	
Mon 19 Apr	Hibernian	A	
Mon 26 Apr	DUNDEE UNITED	H	
Wed 28 Apr	Hearts	A	
Wed 3 May	Kilmarnock	A	

UNDER-21's - 2003-04 Statistics

	Apps	Goals
Allison	1 (1)	-
Barrett	1	1
Both	1	-
Boylan	8 (2)	1
Brash	- (1)	-
Burley	3	2
Caballero	1	-
Cameron	18	3 (2p)
Carranza	2	-
Clark	3 (3)	-
Cooke	2 (1)	-
Cowan	3	1
Cumming	- (2)	-
Dixon	2 (1)	-
Fotheringham	6	1
Hay	2 (1)	-
Hegarty	13 (1)	3 (2p)
Hutchinson	7	-
Jablonski	7	1
Kneissl	1	-
Langfield	9	-
Linn	11 (6)	1
Lovell	1	-
Macdonald	14	1
McCafferty	2 (2)	-
McLaughlin	- (1)	-
McLean	10 (2)	5
McNally	17	-
Milne	1 (1)	-
Reilly	1 (6)	1
Robb	4	-
Robertson E	1 (2)	-
Robertson M	1	-
Robertson S	7 (1)	-
Sancho	3	-
Soutar	8	-
Stewart	- (1)	-
Voigt	1 (6)	-
Walker	18	2
Youngson	19	-
Own Goal	-	1

SPL U-21 League	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Celtic	24	19	3	2	62	17	60
Rangers	23	15	3	5	43	22	48
Hearts	22	13	5	4	39	15	44
Dunfermline	24	9	7	8	38	33	34
Livingston	22	9	5	8	32	27	32
Aberdeen	21	8	4	9	23	32	28
Partick Thistle	25	7	6	12	28	41	27
Dundee United	22	7	5	10	31	43	26
Kilmarnock	22	7	5	10	30	44	26
Hibernian	25	6	6	13	32	34	24
Motherwell	22	3	6	13	17	41	15
Dundee	18	3	3	12	22	48	12

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Down Memory Lane

5 YEARS AGO

Dundee made the front pages in the national press when it was revealed that the proposed new investor in the club, Italian businessman Giovanni Di Stefano was a friend of Iraq dictator Saddam Hussein. It was also revealed that the Italian's interest in Dundee had resulted from his son being introduced to the club by a supporter while he was at private school in Scotland.

Meanwhile, on the park, Dundee's attempt to survive in the Premier League was dealt a severe blow when they lost 2-0 to bottom-placed Dunfermline, who were now only three points behind the Dark Blues. Additionally, with Darius Adamczuk red-carded and now facing a five match ban, the fight for survival would have to be fought without the influential Polish internationalist.

10 YEARS AGO

The Club remained anchored at the bottom of the Premier League as they travelled to high flying Motherwell, who sat in second top spot four points behind leaders Rangers. The two teams lined up:- Motherwell: Dykstra, McKinnon, Shannon, Krivokapic, Martin, McCart, Arnott, Dolan, Coyne, O'Donnell, McGrillen.

Dundee: Mathers, McQuillan, Pittman, Frail, Blake, N.Duffy, Tosh, Vrto, Britton, Weighorst, McCann.

The gulf in league placings between the sides was all too obvious, and although Dundee took the lead, Motherwell ran out 3-1 winners. Dark Blues defender John McQuillan managed to score at both ends of the pitch with the home side's other goals coming from Tommy Coyne and Brian Martin.

The defeat left Dundee eleven points off safety and with the same amount of games remaining the First Division beckoned for the Dens Park side.

15 YEARS AGO

Due to the Scottish Cup fifth round matches being played on 18th March, the Dark Blues travelled to Berwick Rangers for a friendly and emerged 2-1 winners with goals from Joe McBride and Graham Harvey.

The match of the day was at Celtic Park where Hearts were the visitors for a place in the Scottish Cup semi finals. Chaotic scenes prevailed after Celtic were awarded and converted a 37th minute penalty. In addition to Hearts McLaren being ordered off for abusive language, Celt's McCarthy and the Jambo's McKinlay clashed and were also given their marching orders. When the dust settled at the end of 90 minutes, Celtic had run out narrow 2-1 victors.

20 YEARS AGO

Ibrox was the Dark Blues destination for a Scottish Cup Quarter Final replay which should never have taken place! They were still aggrieved that they had not progressed in the competition the previous week when Walker McCall controversially had a second half headed goal disallowed by referee Alan Ferguson, because the ball, defying Newton's Law of gravity, had allegedly bounced off the crossbar, out of play, then been blown back into play before McCall nodded home! However, justice was done for the Dark Blues, despite a makeshift team due to injuries, which included Peter Mackie and Lex Richardson as full backs, Dundee won 3-2 thanks to goals from Jim Smith and an Iain Ferguson double.

The Dees opponents would not be known for another week as they were paired with the winners of the Aberdeen-Dundee United match, which had ended goalless at Pittodrie the same day.





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