

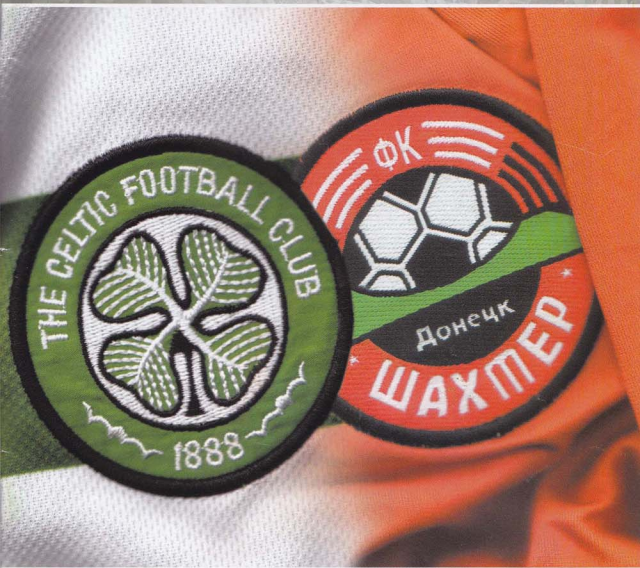


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## Celtic v Shakhtar Donetsk

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## “IT WILL TAKE A TRULY MONUMENTAL EFFORT FROM EVERYONE INVOLVED TO WIN THIS GAME TONIGHT”

### TONIGHT we have a vitally important UEFA Champions League tie against Shakhtar Donetsk

After a disappointing night against this club from the Ukraine almost a fortnight ago, we know that in all probability this is a game we must win if we are to give ourselves a chance of European football after Christmas.

We have had our fair share of injury problems since the start of the season and there are number of players who, under normal circumstances, would not be considered for selection if there had been a greater choice.

But injuries are an occupational hazard in this game and never given much credence come the end of the season.

So regardless of whatever personnel takes to the field this evening, I am hoping you will, for the whole of the game, give them the sort of backing on European evenings that only **YOU** can muster and the backing that I believe the players fully deserve.

It will take a monumental effort from everyone involved, both players and supporters, to win this game.

Ever an optimist, I do not believe that this UEFA Champions League situation is irretrievable but we can only think of this evening's game and what goes on here at Celtic Park first and foremost.

Back on the home front, we have played two games, against Aberdeen and Motherwell respectively, in the seven says prior to tonight's game.

Both games produced a rollercoaster of emotions and tight 3-2 scorelines but sadly, the first of these was not in our favour.

It was a bitter blow to lose to an Aberdeen goal right at the end of injury time but especially so as this was the first meaningful SPL game we have lost home



**‘GIVE THE PLAYERS THE SORT OF BACKING ON EUROPEAN EVENINGS THAT ONLY YOU CAN MUSTER AND THE BACKING THAT I BELIEVE THEY FULLY DESERVE’**

or away in some 18 months - not to mention the first meaningful home SPL defeat in over four years.

Defensive lapses allowed the visitors to score two early goals but we were never out of the game and that was highlighted by a double from John Hartson to get us back on level pegging before Aberdeen hit us right at the death.

We followed that up with a trip to Fir Park for what could have been a very tricky tie indeed against Terry Butcher's Motherwell.

As far as the scoring went, it was almost a mirror image of the Aberdeen match but we were the team who came out on top this time.

Aiden McGeady and Alan Thompson celebrated their return to the side by scoring a goal each to put us 2-0 ahead.

The home side levelled though and a wonderful strike from Craig Beattie put us back in the driving seat and ensured another three vital SPL points.

Those points maintained our lead at the top of the league and although we were massively disappointed at dropping points to Aberdeen, if you had told me at the start of the term we would be in this position at this stage in the season, I would have taken it.

However, our SPL fortunes and preparing for the visit of Kilmarnock this weekend will not concern me until around 10pm tonight when this vital game with Shakhtar Donetsk is done and dusted.

A magnificent effort will be required by both the players and the supporters tonight and once again we can utilise the tremendous backing from the stands here at Celtic Park.

*Alan Thompson*

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**Scottish Cup (32)**

1892, 1899, 1900, 1904, 1907, 1908, 1911, 1912, 1914, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1931, 1933, 1937, 1951, 1954, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1971, 1972, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1980, 1985, 1988, 1989, 1995, 2001, 2004

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**SHAKHTAR 3 v 0 CELTIC**

Scottish Premierleague, Oct 16, 2004  
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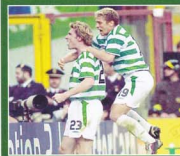
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# SKIPPER WANTS TO PLAY TO A FINISH

This year's UEFA Champions League campaign has been a personal nightmare for Jackie McNamara – at least so far. But the fit-again Celtic captain wants to take all his injury frustration out on Shakhtar in tonight's 'must win' clash

**TONIGHT'S** game against Shakhtar Donetsk will be viewed as unfinished business for Celtic captain Jackie McNamara.

The Celtic defender has yet to play a full 90 minutes in this season's UEFA Champions League campaign after misfortune and injury have combined to limit his involvement.

In the opening match against Barcelona at Celtic Park there were fears that McNamara had broken his leg after his studs caught in the turf.

It was later discovered that he had in fact strained his ligaments, although his pain was undoubtedly heightened by the fact that as he fell, Ludovic Giuly's shot deflected off him and past David Marshall for Barca's second goal. With McNamara having left the field the Catalan side went on to win 3-1.

That same injury was to keep him out of the AC Milan game two weeks later, which Celtic also lost 3-1, and then in the first game against Shakhtar two weeks ago McNamara again left the pitch early after suffering a back strain.

## Exclusive interview: GREGOR KYLE

Celtic's results in the opening three games of Group F have been perhaps indicative of McNamara's absence, as the club's longest serving player has again been one of the most outstanding performers this season.

Thus there is more than a hint of frustration as the team captain looked ahead to tonight's game and he is under no illusions as to the importance of the match.

"It's a must win game for us" said McNamara. "There's a lot of pressure on us because of the results we've had in the UEFA Champions League. We need to win the game."

In the opening match in Ukraine Celtic started well only to be stung in the second half after both McNamara and Chris Sutton left the field through injury, but in those opening stages McNamara believes that Celtic showed their quality.

"I thought we were comfortable," he reflected.

"We had a couple of chances and I don't think they were causing us major problems. Everything they were doing was from distance, long shots, and I think we were comfortable.

"They do have good players, it's well documented that they have spent a lot of money and they will be demanding success from having spent that. I think they spent £14 million on one player.

"We'd love to be able to do that, but we have a different level of expectancy here because of what we have done over the last few years and



**WALKING WOUNDED:** Skipper Jackie's return in Donetsk didn't last long after he was injured against Barca (top right). But he hopes the Celtic fans (bottom right) can play a part tonight



sometimes it is hard to keep that going all of the time. But these are the games we have to win."

Unlike previous Ukrainian sides to visit Parkhead, which were built mainly on home-bred players, Shakhtar have a lineup bristling with imported talent as the club President has spent big to make the former mining team a force both at home and on the European stage.

Brazilian playmaker Francesco Matuzalem, signed for a reported £14 million, scored twice in the opening game against Celtic and fellow countryman Brandao bagged the third. But the talented Serbia-Montenegro No.10, Zvonimir Vukic, also looked both an athletic and intelligent performer in midfield, while Czech goalkeeper Jan Lastuvka is a strong presence at the back.

Highlighting the dangers in tonight's match McNamara added: "They've got a couple of individual players who play in a certain style. The guy Matuzalem is a danger. He sits out of things and is someone that we have to be aware of on the break."

Without the international reputation of their domestic rivals Dynamo Kiev, many

in Scotland perhaps underestimated the quality of Shakhtar Donetsk, but as McNamara explained: "The players certainly didn't."

The Miners have clocked up a number of results, which have made other European sides sit up and take notice, including a 6-3 hammering of Club Brugge of Belgium in the qualifiers for

Now with three fixtures left in Group F McNamara has a definite target.

"The goal is to try and win all three. It's a big ask obviously, but starting with the Shakhtar game we need to win that and then we need to try and go over to Barcelona and get something there and that sets up the last game at home to Milan. But still it's great to be involved in the UEFA

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this season's group stages.

"We watched tapes and realised," said McNamara. "They beat Arsenal 3-0 last season and had only lost one game in the UEFA Champions League at home in their last seven. That was to AC Milan and in that game they were unfortunate."

"So we knew it was going to be hard, but in the first half I thought we were cruising and then we lost an early goal in the second half and sort of caved in from that, which has sort of been the story a bit lately."

Champions League. It's disappointing the way it's turned out so far but we've still got three games to go."

When Shakhtar take to the field at Parkhead tonight they will enter a completely different footballing environment and McNamara hopes that the Celtic support will play their part in the match.

"The supporters have been the 12th man for us in the past" he said. "In the Barcelona game Barca could have been



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out of sight but we got back to 1-1 and the crowd had an effect when we got the goal. Then we were up the park in the second half and had them under pressure and could have gone on and won it. We lost a really disappointing goal, which came off me. But with a wee bit of luck we could have sustained that. Their keeper had a great save from Stilian but the crowd is an important factor."

Celtic are now focused on what will be a hard fixture tonight, but with a tinge of frustration souring his personal experience of this season's UEFA Champions League campaign McNamara has an individual aim.

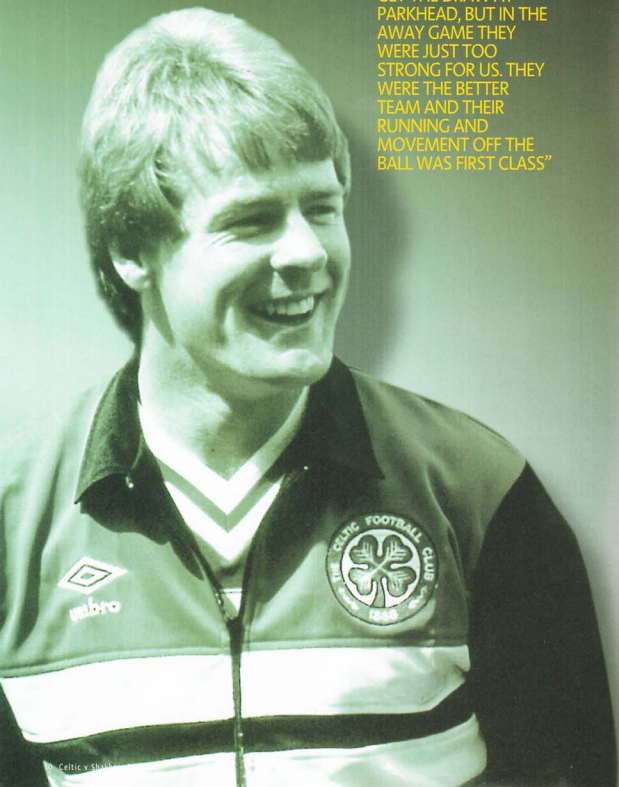
"From a personal point of view, I want to finish the game" he said. "Against Barcelona I twisted my ankle and missed AC Milan through that. Shakhtar was my second game back from that and then it was my back. So for me I want to get three points and finish the game."

He added: "It has been frustrating as these type of games are the highlights of the season in terms of games that you want to be involved in, because you have to be your very best and play above yourself as you are playing against the best players."





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**Exclusive interview: GREGOR KYLE**

**FOR Murdo MacLeod the 'scientific football' of the last Ukrainian side to visit Parkhead will live long in the memory.**

The former Celtic midfielder lined up against the Dynamo Kiev team that travelled to Parkhead in the European Cup in the autumn of 1986 in what was a golden era for the Ukrainian side.

Managed by the progenitor of 'scientific football', the late Valeri Lobanovski, Dynamo played some of the most effective and accurate passing football in Europe at that time, but it was the Celtic side that left the biggest impression on the legendary coach.

Celtic held the 1985/86 European Cup-Winners' Cup holders to a 1-1 draw at Parkhead but in the return leg in Kiev were beaten by late goals for a 4-2 aggregate defeat.

However Lobanovski, latterly the coach of the Soviet Union and recognised as one of the most innovative and successful coaches of his era, described Celtic's performance at the City Stadium as the best by any foreign team to have played there in Kiev's 21 years in European competition.

Playing in the heart of Celtic's midfield that evening was Murdo MacLeod, but as the former Celt explained, football was far from the player's minds that week as they travelled into the former Soviet Union.

"As I recall it was a big problem for us going out there" said MacLeod as he looked back on the game of '86. "The match took place not long after the Chernobyl disaster and a few of our players didn't want to travel.

"When it was decided that we would go we took all of our own food, water and supplies out there with us, but when we

Murdo MacLeod knows how classy Ukrainian sides can be after a two-leg tussle with Dynamo Kiev in 1986 – but he reckons that, with the fans' backing tonight, Celtic can triumph

got out there it was fine. They were very hospitable and welcoming and we experienced no problems."

The scorer of Dynamo's first goal at home was Oleg Blokhin, a former European Player of the Year with 39 goals in 109 appearances for the USSR who won no fewer than 10 major trophies with Kiev.

Ukrainian sides have built their reputation over the years for fast, passing football and when MacLeod thinks back to both ties he remembers a side packed with international talent.

"A lot of their players were incredibly talented. Many of them (14 in total)

played regularly for the Soviet national side, so it was a hard match for us.

"It was a bitterly cold night and the park was only just playable. We'd played well to get the draw at Parkhead but in the away leg they were just too strong for us.

"They were the better side. Their running and movement off the ball was first class and they dragged us all over the park in the first game. We were ready for that by the second game and if I remember right, we lost a couple of late goals but were always in the game and had played good football."



**"LOBANOVSKI DESCRIBED CELTIC'S PERFORMANCE AT THE CITY STADIUM AS THE BEST BY ANY FOREIGN TEAM TO HAVE PLAYED THERE IN KIEV'S 21 YEARS IN EUROPEAN COMPETITION."**



The City Stadium was packed with over 100,000 fans that evening, but as Murdo explained, the atmosphere was incomparable to that the Ukrainians had faced at Celtic Park.

"They were noisy when they came forward," said Murdo, "but there's nowhere like Celtic Park on a big European night for atmosphere."

Watching Shakhtar Donetsk line-up against Celtic in the UEFA Champions League two weeks ago, MacLeod noticed some similarities between the two Ukrainian side's play.

Both sides played with a flexible but set formation, although MacLeod believes that Shakhtar's imported international contingent give them a different option and the opportunity for individual brilliance.

"Donetsk have shipped in a lot of players from abroad," said MacLeod. "They've signed the Brazilians who are able to nick goals from nothing and add another dimension to the team."

"They looked to be very strong and quick and they had a good shape when going forward. They're going to be tough to beat at Celtic Park but I feel that Celtic, with a full side, should be able to beat them."

Celtic's injury list has dominated the thoughts of commentators and supporters alike in recent weeks and MacLeod believes that this has impacted upon the form of a Celtic side who have proven their ability at this level in successive seasons under Martin O'Neill.

"I've felt that the injuries have affected Celtic lately," he observed. "Alan Thompson has



**GIANT KILLERS:** Shakhtar showed what they can do with a 3-0 triumph over Arsenal a couple of seasons ago (top), and Murdo reckons Celtic faced an uphill battle in Donetsk after Jackie McNamara was carried off with a back problem (left)

been a major loss on the left and Donetsk have good full-backs who are able to come forward and support play. That's similar to the way that Kiev played against us."

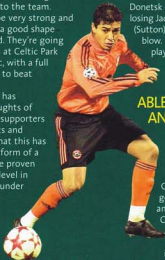
He added: "In the first game I felt that at half time Celtic were as good as them, Donetsk may have just shaded it, but losing Jackie (McNamara) and Chris (Sutton) through injury was a major blow. In all that was three key players out of the team and it is

Shakhtar themselves have produced some impressive and memorable performances, not least of which was a 3-0 win at home against Arsenal, but they remain relative newcomers to the UEFA Champions League.

This, MacLeod believes, could be a decisive factor when the Ukrainians enter a Celtic Park renowned for its atmosphere in the European arena.

"The thing about Donetsk is that they have already beaten Arsenal, who are not

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hard for any side to cope with that.

"At the game tonight, Celtic have to aim to try and get three goals back to try and level the score for UEFA Cup qualification."

A tough task, but one that MacLeod believes is not outwith the capabilities of this present Celtic side.

the best European side, and that is a big feather in their cap for them. It will give them a boost when playing in Europe.

"But," MacLeod added, "they will never have experienced an atmosphere like that at Celtic Park and that will be a big plus point for us. The crowd may be the difference for Celtic on the night. If Celtic can produce another high quality European performance, like those they have shown in recent seasons, then they can do it."



## THIS WEEK IN THE VIEW



● Get all the reaction from tonight's UEFA Champions League Group F clash plus all the latest news and views from Celtic Park

# Out on Thursday, November 4



OF the 92 teams to have played in the UEFA Champions League, Shakhtar Donetsk lie in 64th position in the all-time ranking list with a record of Pld 9, won 3, drawn 0, lost 6. Goals for: 13, goals against: 19. After opening with three defeats, Celtic have slipped one place to 50th behind Bordeaux on goal difference.

- Shakhtar's only other appearance in the UEFA Champions League was in season 2000/01. They finished third in a group that included Arsenal 3-0 (H), 2-3 (A); Lazio 0-3 (H), 1-5 (A); Sparta Prague 2-1 (H), 2-3 (A)

- Last season, after losing to Lokomotiv Moscow 3-2 on aggregate in the UEFA Champions League Third Qualifying Round, Shakhtar lost in the First



## Shakhtar may have a modest record in the UEFA Champions League but dreams are made in this competition

- Round of the UEFA Cup 3-2 on aggregate to Dinamo Bucharest.

- The only other team from Ukraine to have played in the UEFA Champions League is Dynamo Kiev. This season is their ninth appearance in the competition, bettered only by Manchester United and Porto.

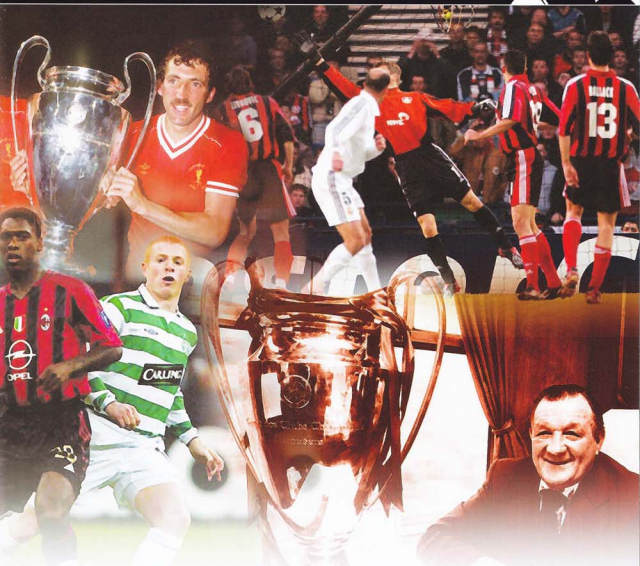
- Dynamo Kiev have played in three European Cup semi-finals, more than any other team never to have played in a final.

- The only team to have won the European Cup more often than their own domestic league title is Nottingham Forest.

- The last team to win the European Cup two years in a row was AC Milan in 1989 and 1990 and, with Porto now struggling, that record doesn't look under threat.

- Manchester United are the only team to have won the UEFA Champions League without automatically qualifying. Like 1999, this season United had to go through the qualifying stage again.





● Since the beginning of the UEFA Champions League in 1992, the only teams to have won the cup without losing a match are AC Milan 1994, Ajax 1995 and Manchester United 1999.

● Bob Paisley is the most successful coach in European Cup history, winning the trophy three times with Liverpool – in 1977, 1978 and 1981 – while Marcello Lippi lost three finals as Juventus coach – in 1997, 1998 and 2003.

● Francisco Gento has more European Cup winners' medals than any other player. The Real Madrid star helped his side win the trophy on no fewer than six occasions – 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960 and 1966. Phil Neal is the most successful British player, with four winners' medals.

● Clarence Seedorf has the distinction of being the only player to have won the

European Cup/UEFA Champions League with three different clubs – Ajax 1995, Real Madrid 1998 and AC Milan 2003.

● Four men have won the trophy as both player and manager – Miguel Munoz, Real Madrid 1956 and 1957, Real Madrid 1960 and 1966; Giovanni Trapattoni, AC Milan 1963 and 1969, Juventus 1985; Johan Cruyff, Ajax 1971, 1972, 1973, Barcelona 1992; Carlo Ancelotti, AC Milan 1989 and 1990, AC Milan 2003.

● Jose Villalonga is the youngest coach to have won the tournament with Real Madrid in 1956 at the age of 36 and 185 days, while Raymond Goethals is the oldest, leading Marseille to the trophy in 1993 at the grand age of 71 and 232 days.

● Real Madrid have made the most appearances in a European Cup final – 12 in total, with nine wins and three defeats.

AC Milan are second with nine appearances (six wins, three defeats), and Bayern Munich third with seven appearances (four wins, three defeats). Liverpool are the highest-placed British club with five appearances (four wins, one defeat), while both Manchester United and Nottingham Forest, in 10th and 11th place respectively, have both made two appearances in the final, winning on each occasion. Celtic are in 13th place, with two final appearances – one victory in 1967 and one defeat in 1970.

● Paolo Maldini has made more European appearances than any other player. His total currently stands at 139 matches, with two goals scored. He played his first European game back in season 1985/86 and has won the tournament four times – in 1989, 1990, 1994 and 2003. Ray Clemence is the highest-placed British player, with 107 appearances.

**David McDonald**



Report by: RUSS TAYLOR

**SINCE the country's independence in 1991, Dynamo Kiev has stood for all things Ukrainian football.**

Under the legendary Valery Lovanovskyi, Dynamo dominated, winning the league seven out of eight times and providing all but one of the national side's representatives for most of the 1990s.

Shakhtar Donetsk were the perennial bridesmaids, finishing second four successive times as the millennium approached without ever emulating the success of their nation's most famous club. That is until now.

Bankrolled by President Rinat Akhmetov's millions, Shakhtar have assembled a side brimming with international quality and one that has ended Kiev's dominance of Ukrainian football. And looking at the progression of Shakhtar, Dynamo could yet find that dominance difficult to snatch back.

Shakhtar, meaning 'Coal Miner', hail from the industrial Donbass region of East Ukraine – an area of natural resources, littered with mines that once helped fire the entire USSR.

Up until 1961 the city was known as 'Stalino', one of many endearments that were exchanged between the city and the Communist leader.

Both Shakhtar and their city rivals Metalurg (Metal Workers) have stayed close to their roots, naming their respective sides after the city's industrial heritage. But now Donetsk wants to be

## After finally emerging from Dynamo Kiev's shadow, Shakhtar Donetsk are attempting to cement their place among Europe's elite

known not just for its labour, but for its new national treasure – Shakhtar.

Formed in 1936 under the original name of 'Ugolshchiki' (Again meaning Coal Miners), Shakhtar spent nearly 45 years as the proverbial bridesmaids.

As Shakhtar took time to establish themselves, another change of name followed, this time to 'Stakhanovyets' – a term which derived from the region's succession in meeting Joseph Stalin's work targets and literally translating as "Successful workers of the USSR."

After interruption by war, the side settled on the name Shakhtar and it coincided with a change of fortunes as they began to climb the strong Soviet League ladder, finishing third in 1951.

The 1970s marked a golden period for The Miners, who were to make their European debut as well as twice finishing as runners-up in the Soviet Championship. They also netted another bronze medal by finishing third in 1978.

In fact, in 1979 Shakhtar looked destined to collect the title, only to be thwarted by the decision of Communist leaders who demanded an extension to the season, where Spartak Moscow subsequently overtook them.

If the previous decade was a golden era, then the 80s were when Donetsk finally realised their potential. Soviet Cups were collected in 1980 and 1983, as well as a Soviet Super-Cup in 1984.

The break-up of the Soviet Union saw Shakhtar enter the newly independent Ukrainian league, but again they were to become the bridesmaids, this time to their old nemesis, Dynamo Kyiv.

Despite capturing the Ukrainian Cup three times between 1991 and 2001, The Miners were unable to achieve their first top-flight championship of their history.

That was until Club President Akhmetov lured legendary Italian boss Nevio Scala to the coal-mining region.

In 2002 Scala repaid the faith and finance shown in him by Akhmetov, collecting a domestic double for the first time. But despite this, neither Scala nor his predecessor Bernd Schuster could bring the European success that Akhmetov and his club craved, and both were cast aside for their failings.

The gauntlet has now been handed to Romanian coach Mircea Lucescu. The former Romanian Player of the Year has had a much-travelled career, sharing his 23-year managerial career between Italy,



## SHAKHTAR TEAM A UNITED NATIONS OF TOP TALENT

**LET'S make one thing clear – Shakhtar are not a small side made up of local players playing above themselves.**

The Miners are over-flowing with internationalists from nine separate nations. Club President Rinat Akhmetov has financed the search throughout Europe for international talent whose job it is to establish Shakhtar as a top European outfit.

An example of this was the club's signing of highly-rated Brazilian playmaker Francesco Matuzalem from one of Mircea Lucescu's former clubs, Brescia. The fee is believed to be around the €9.3 million mark and the Brazilian turned down a potential move to La Liga to join Lucescu in Eastern Europe.

Matuzalem is rumoured to be on well over a million a year.

Also joining the Brazilian were fellow countryman Joao Baptista from Galatasaray, as well as Romanian internationalists Cosmin Barcauan and Ciprian Marica, and Czech duo Jan Lastuvka and Tomas Hubtschman.

It takes Lucescu's spending officially to over £13million.

Shakhtar's purchases have seen some Ukrainian international players forced out, with trio Sergei Popov, Mykhailo Starostiak and Hennadi Zubov shown the door.

Possibly Shakhtar's most recognised player is Nigerian striker Julius Aghahowa.

To rub salt into the wound, Besiktas captured the Turkish championship from his former side and last season the Turks shocked Claudio Ranieri's Chelsea with an impressive 2-0 win.

a reprieve and he continued his knack of bringing about quick-fire success. leading the Istanbul side to no less than a European Super Cup, Turkish championship and a quarter-final finish in the UEFA Champions League in just two seasons, before making the switch to inter-city rivals Besiktas.

After a group stage exit and a third place finish in the Turkish championship, Lucescu again packed his bags, this time on a mission to make Shakhtar a potent European force.

His first job was to negotiate the qualifying rounds, which he did with ease, coasting past FC Pyunik of Armenia, before crushing Club Brugge 6-3 on aggregate.

If managerial form is anything to go by, then Mircea Lucescu is red hot at present and Shakhtar can be promised more success very soon.

Turkey and his homeland. After being handed the reins of the Romanian national team just two years into his managerial career, Lucescu guided his nation to the 1984 European Championship Finals, before returning to club football where his side, Dynamo Bucharest, were to dominate for five years under his guidance.

His success in Eastern Europe was enough to attract the attention of Serie A side Pisa. After just one season though, Lucescu joined Brescia, whom he guided to the Serie B Championship.

After five seasons spent between the two divisions, Lucescu decided to take a sideways step, this time taking on the mission to save AC Reggiana from relegation and consolidate their position in Serie A.

But Lucescu was unable to prevent relegation and after seven years of Italian football returned back to Bucharest, only this time to manage rival side Rapid.

After leading them to the Romanian championship, Lucescu was offered another plane ticket back to Italy to take on the Inter Milan managerial job.

Again though, the Romanian was to disappoint and lost his job after finishing a lowly eighth in Serie A.

However, Galatasaray offered the coach

### “SHAKHTAR CRUSHED BRUGGE 6-3 ON THEIR WAY TO THIS SEASON'S GROUP STAGES”



**BLANK CZECH:** Akhmetov's millions brought Jan Lastuvka and Julius Aghahowa to Donetsk



But Akhmetov resisted all approaches and insisted his prize asset would not be leaving Ukraine for under €1 million.

Aghahowa soon complained of being “disillusioned” with his time in Donetsk, and claimed the club failed to honour an agreement stating that he could leave two years into a five-year contract if a big club came calling.

But Akhmetov remained unmoved and Aghahowa has stopped voicing his dissatisfaction. Instead he is refocused on his Miners career – much to the worry of UEFA Champions League opposition.

WORDS: Joe Sullivan

**AS the 1960s and the advent of participation in European competition progressed, Celtic players rapidly became accustomed to being continental globetrotters.**

And as members of this new international jet set, a few weeks in October and November of 1967 saw the Bhoys spread their wings a wee bit further as their intercontinental travel racked up some of the football world's most glamorous destinations.

Kiev, Maryhill, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Airdrie – you name it, the Celts were there spreading the gospel far and wide to those who needed it most.

Alas, only the trips to the exotica of Firhill and Broomfield proved fruitful for the men in green and white, proving that domestic success alternating with contrary fortune on continental travel is nothing new to the Celtic psyche.

The Kiev trip, of course, was to play Dynamo in the European Cup first round second leg, and that was the first of three occasions that the Celts would be drawn against the Ukrainian side in European competition.

However, the current locking of horns with Shakhtar Donetsk is either the first or the fourth time we have come up against Ukrainian competition depending on how you look at it, as in the three previous meetings with Dynamo, the Kiev side came under the auspices of the CCCP football authorities and therefore were regarded as Soviets on those occasions rather than Ukrainian.

The dissolution of the old USSR more than a decade ago now has the likes of Shakhtar proudly flying the Ukrainian national flag – but when the Celts first met Dynamo, the opposition were more likely to be wrongly and discourteously referred to as 'Russians'.

This was quite possibly a two-way oversight though, as Dynamo probably saw Celtic as 'British' due to the fact that just months earlier in Lisbon, the Bhoys were vaunted as not only the first Scottish, but also the first British team to lift the European Cup.

So the newly crowned Kings of Europe were defending their title and the 'Russian Champions' were drawn as the first pretenders to try and dethrone the recent incumbents of the post.

The first leg was played at home on September 20 just days after Celtic lost 1-0 to Rangers in front of 90,000 at Ibrox, and the following teams took to the pitch as the Celts played their first European Cup game as Champions.

**Celtic:** Simpson; Craig, Gemmill; Murdoch, McNeill, Clark; Johnstone, Wallace, Chalmers, Auld, Lennox.

**Dynamo Kiev:** Rudakov; Schegolkov, Sosnichin; Levchenko, Sabo, Krulikovskiy;



## Celtic were the kings of Europe when they faced Dynamo Kiev but events transpired against them...

*Turvanchik, Bychevets, Medvid, Serebrianiikov, Pusach.*  
**Att:** 54,000

Celtic's defence of the European Cup got off to the worst possible start when Pusach put the visitors ahead after only four minutes of play as the Celtic defence seemed out of sorts with their new position as European top dogs.

It got worse when, with half-an-hour of still not gone, Bychevets put Kiev 2-0 up and the Celts were chasing the game.

Just after the hour mark, Bobby Lennox pulled one back for the Bhoys as they planted a Celtic flag firmly in the Kiev half of the pitch but, despite the incessant pressure, no further goals were forthcoming.

So the Celts had to travel to Ukraine with a 2-1 deficit knowing that the newly introduced away goals rule could work against them even if they did find their shooting boots for the away leg.

In between times, the Celts had recorded 4-0 league scorelines against both Stirling Albion (a) and Hibernian (h) as well as a 2-0 League Cup quarter-final second-leg win away to Ayr United for an 8-2 aggregate score.

On October 4, the following teams lined up at Central Stadium:

**Dynamo Kiev:** Bannikov; Schegolkov, Sosnichin; Levchenko, Krulikovskiy, Turvanchik, Bychevets, Sabo, Medvid, Serebrianiikov, Pusach.





**SCORE TO SETTLE:** Bob Murdoch nets against Bertie Auld (top left) and Willie Wallace (bottom left) are in action during the game. Meanwhile, Kiev coach Victor Maslov meets Celtic legend Jimmy McGrory in 1966.

**Celtic:** Simpson; Craig, Gemmell; Murdoch, McNeill, Clark; Johnstone, Lennox, Wallace, Auld, Hughes.

Celtic's visit to the Soviet Union was dramatic to say the least, with noisy all-night workmen outside the team hotel keeping the players awake and some choice refereeing decisions during the game.

As the Celts pressed forward, another dubious refereeing decision resulted in Bobby Murdoch throwing the ball away in disgust. The next refereeing decision was to remove Murdoch from the field of play.

That was on the hour mark but just a couple of minutes later the 10-man Celts took the lead on the night when Lennox repeated his feat of the first leg by finding the net.

Billy McNeill and John Hughes both had 'goals' disallowed with Big Yogi's chalk-off in particular causing much consternation among the complaining Celts.

Kiev were holding their own at 2-2 on aggregate and looking good to take

advantage of the new away goals rule when Bychevets really tied things up by scoring in the final minute of the game.

The new champions were out, but any hope of the new pretenders going on to emulate the Celt were dashed when Dynamo Kiev went out in the next round to Gornik Zabrze of Poland.

The Celts had previously beaten Dynamo Kiev 4-1 on aggregate in the Cup-Winners' Cup quarter-final of season 1965/66, mainly thanks to a 3-0 victory in the first leg here at Celtic Park.

Following the European Cup upset of season 1967/68, the Celts wouldn't meet Dynamo Kiev until season 1986/87 when the clubs clashed in the second round of the European Cup.

After disposing of Dublin's Shamrock

Rovers in the first round by 3-0 on aggregate, Celtic met a Kiev side who had beaten Beroe Stara Zagora of Bulgaria 3-1 over the two legs.

After a 1-1 draw at Celtic Park, the Bhoys fell 3-1 in the away leg for a 4-2 reverse to stop their European intentions that season.

However, despite the blow of 1967/68, the Celts still had some foreign fields to visit thanks to participation in the World Club Championship against Racing Club of Argentina – hence the aforementioned jaunts to Buenos Aires and Montevideo.

In between a 5-1 away win over Partick Thistle and a 2-0 victory at Airdrie, the Celts also flew to the southern hemisphere – but what transpired in those two games is another story altogether...

**“THE CHAMPS WERE OUT, BUT ANY HOPE OF THE NEW PRETENDERS GOING ON TO EMULATE CELTIC WERE DASHED IN THE NEXT ROUND”**



# MAN WITH MUCH TO SMILE ABOUT

Shakhtar boss Mircea Lucescu has a side oozing quality. Check out the list of players he'll rely upon this evening

## 16 – JAN LASTUVKA

THE Czech goalkeeper signed for Shakhtar in June 2004 from Banik Ostrava, having helped them to win the Championship the previous season as an ever-present in the side. Aged 22, he has been capped at under-21 level for the Czech Republic but has yet to make the breakthrough to the full squad.

## 14 – FLAVIUS STOICAN

ROMANIAN international defender joined Shakhtar in October 2003 from Dinamo Bucharest. The 27-year-old made 12 appearances last season, scoring one goal and has over 10 caps for his country, having made his international debut in August 1999 against Cyprus.

## 2 – COSMIN BARCAUAN

ANOTHER Romanian stopper, Barcauan has also won full international honours with his country. He joined the Ukrainian side in July 2004 from Dinamo Bucharest, having helped them to a league and cup double last season. He also achieved an

impressive goals tally for a defender, hitting 12 goals during the season.

## 18 – MARIUSZ LEWANDOWSKI

The Polish player can play in defence or midfield. He has been with Shakhtar since 2001 and had scored 10 goals for them in his career up to the end of last season. Twenty-five year old Lewandowski is also a regular in the Polish international set-up.

## 26 – RAZVAN RAT

THE Romanian defender signed on a five-year contract in 2003, leaving the wonderfully named Electromagnetica Bucharest. He played 27 games for Shakhtar last season, scoring one goal. An internationalist, Rat scored one of Romania's five goals in a famous 5-1 victory over Germany earlier this year.

## 4 – ANATOLIY TYMOSHCHUK

THE Ukrainian midfielder started his football career as a junior with Dynamo Kiev before joining second division side

Volyn Lutsk at the age of 17. In 1998, the 25-year-old signed for Donetsk and has only missed one goal in the last three seasons for his club. Tymoshchuk has also been capped nearly 40 times for Ukraine, and he comes from a sporting background. Both his parents were athletes and his sister was captain of the Ukraine basketball team!

## 11 – ANDRIY VOROBYEV

VOROBYEV, who can play in midfield or up front, is a product of Shakhtar's own youth development set-up. The 25-year-old Ukrainian made his debut for the club in September 1997 and scored three goals during their Champions League campaign in 2000/01, including two against Arsenal. He was also runner-up to Andriy Shevchenko as Ukrainian Player of the Year in 2000. He played for 70 minutes against Celtic in the game two weeks ago.

## 25 – BRANDAO

THE Brazilian forward came off the bench with 20 minutes of the match remaining against the Hoops and scored the third goal with a chip over David Marshall. Twenty-four-year old Brandao joined Shakhtar in 2002 and scored 12 goals over the next two seasons in the league.

## 9 – FRANCELINO MATUZALEM

THE Brazilian midfielder was snapped up





by Donetsk in June 2004 from Brescia for a reported transfer fee in the region of £14million. He had spent five years in Italy, playing for Napoli, Parma, Piacenza and Brescia, although he never played any games for Parma. All in, he made 114 Serie A appearances, scoring seven goals. He hit the headlines in the game against Celtic in Ukraine with two goals which helped to beat Martin O'Neill's side.

#### 10 – ZVONIMIR VUKIC

THE Serbian midfielder signed a five-year contract in August 2003, having joined from Partizan Belgrade, and he was Shakhtar's top goalscorer last season with 10 goals in 27 league appearances.

Twenty-five-year old Vukic enjoyed spells in Germany with Arminia Bielefeld and in Spain with Atletico Madrid before returning

#### 17 – JULIUS AGHAHOWA

THE highly-rated Nigerian has attracted interest from clubs throughout Europe, but Shakhtar are determined to hold on to him. He joined from Tunisia in 2001. He has gained full international honours with Nigeria, and scored against Sweden at the 2002 World Cup finals. Twenty-two year old Aghahowa is famous for his somersault celebrations but Celtic fans will be happy to miss out on seeing that particular feat tonight.

#### 33 – DARIJO SRNA

CROATIA'S Player of the Year for 2002/03 joined from Hadjuk Split in July 2003. He was a late substitute in the game in Ukraine. The 22-year old can play in midfield or up front and has gained nearly 20 caps for Croatia. He played two games for his county at Euro 2004.

#### 29 – CIPRIAN MARICA

ANOTHER of Shakhtar's large Romanian contingent, 19-year-old Marica joined the club in March 2003, also from Dinamo Bucharest. A talented forward, the teenager has already been capped by his country and scored three goals for Shakhtar in the qualifying games for this



season's UEFA Champions League group stages.

**6 – IGOR DULJAJ**

THE Serbian midfielder joined from Partizan Belgrade in February this year. During his time at Partizan, he won three league titles and two cups with the club. He has more than 20 caps for his country, scoring two goals in his process. Dujaj, who turned 25 last Friday, played the second half of the game against Celtic in Ukraine.

**12 – DMYTRO SHUTKOV**

THE 32-year-old Ukrainian goalkeeper has only ever played for Shakhtar and made

his debut in the old USSR Division One in 1991. He has also won five caps for Ukraine.

**3 – TOMAS HUBSCHMAN**

THE Czech defender joined from Sparta Prague, where he played in all six of their UEFA Champions League games last season. A Czech Republic internationalist, Hubschman was in the Czech squad which made it to the semi-finals of Euro 2004, although he only played 45 minutes in the victory over Germany.

**20 – OLEKSIY BYELIK**

THE 23-year-old Ukrainian forward is a product of the Shakhtar Football School

and made his debut for the club in April 2000. He has been capped at under-21 level for Ukraine but has yet to win full international honours.

He was an unused substitute in the game against Celtic two weeks ago.

**21 – NENAD LALATOVIC**

THE Serbian defender spent last season on loan with Bundesliga club VfL Wolfsburg, although he didn't play any games for them.

Twenty-six year old Lalatovic came through the youth set-up of FK Crvena Zvezda (Red Star Belgrade) and has won one full international cap, against Greece in December 2000.





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# REBROV GOES BACK TO HIS ROOTS

Exclusive interview: **RUSS TAYLOR**

**SHAKHTAR DONETSK** are still relative unknowns on the European circuit, but who better to ask about the club than hometown boy and Ukrainian record international appearance holder Sergei Rebrov.

The 30-year-old striker has recently made the cross city switch from Tottenham to West Ham, where he is attempting to get his career back on track after falling out of favour at the North London outfit.

But the Ukrainian hitman still fondly remembers his days with his local team, especially an ever so special debut.

"In my first season with Shakhtar I scored 13 goals," Rebrov explained.

"My first was on my debut as a substitute against Dynamo Kiev in what was then the Soviet Championship. To simply be on the pitch in a game between Dynamo and Shakhtar made me feel very honoured."

At just 18, after progressing through Shakhtar's school of excellence, Kiev giants Dynamo came calling for the youngster who had shot to prominence in under one season in the top flight.

"I was invited to join Kiev and although I had no great wish to leave my hometown club, it was an opportunity I personally could not turn down," he said.

Rebrov still keeps strong connections with the club and is one of many to praise President Rinat Akhmetov.

Having started with Shakhtar, Sergei Rebrov is thrilled to see the club flourishing. He recalls his time there and the team's rise from obscurity

"Shakhtar are now one of the strongest teams in Ukraine and the progression of the club is down to President Akhmetov," Rebrov added.

"He has created a superb team in Shakhtar, despite not having the great history and the previous structure of a side like Dynamo."

Akhmetov's work has not been solely down to just buying players. The steel merchant has also "done a lot for the area and the whole Donetsk region," according to Rebrov.

And this includes the building of the club's planned £100million stadium that will provide many employment opportunities for local people and businesses.

One person that Celtic are almost certain to face again is influential 'Miners' captain Anatoly Tymoshchuk, Rebrov's close pal on and off the pitch.

"Anatoly is my best friend and we spend a lot of time on the phone to each other," Sergei admitted.

"I know he has received a lot of interest from top European clubs and would have left had it not been for the President's financial backing of his team. This means players can be financially comfortable at Shakhtar without having to move on."

No better example of this is Akhmetov's continued rebuffering of all offers for his influential Nigerian striker Julius Aghahowa.

The 'Super Eagle' was courted by a number of top sides, but Akhmetov was unmoved by any multi-million-pound offers and instead clung on to his prize asset. And then there was the £10million paid to Brescia for Matuzalem...

"Before Rinat, Shakhtar did not have the finance to sign top-quality players - that is until now," Rebrov explained.

But with the overseas talent, the club's Ukrainian influence has continued to diminish. This is not just the case with the 'Miners' but also at Dynamo Kiev too.

Sergei said: "It is important to remember that Tymoshchuk was one of only two Ukrainian players in the side to play in the UEFA Champions League games - all the rest were foreigners."

"At Dynamo the problem is even worse, they had only one Ukrainian and that was goalkeeper Olexander Shovkovskiy."

Although it will be hard for Akhmetov not to feel a little disappointed with his side's start to only their second ever UEFA Champions League appearance, Rebrov is



**LOCAL HERO:** Sergei Rebrov's career started at Shakhtar and he is delighted to see his old club strutting their stuff in the UEFA Champions League



**ON THE UP:** Shakhtar are a team going places as John Hartson and Celtic found out, and their progress has a lot to do with Club President Rinat Akhmetov (right)



keen to express that his former side were unfortunate not to have collected any points from their opening two encounters against Barcelona and AC Milan.

"In the AC Milan match they deserved at least a draw," he said.

"I watched the match and have not seen a Ukrainian team dominate Italian opposition to the extent that Shakhtar did that night.

"The only game I remember Shakhtar playing as well as they did against Milan was in a game against Arsenal in 2000.

"They won 3-0 in Donetsk, but this was not a decisive match and all the group positions had already been decided beforehand."

As Celtic also found out to their cost a fortnight ago when they were on the receiving end of a 3-0 defeat, Donetsk is not the easiest place in European football to go to and get a result.

Rebrov, meanwhile, is looking forward to meeting up with friends when Shakhtar make their first visit to Celtic Park and even if West Ham have a match that night

Sergei has promised that "my wife will record the game!"

Despite his loyalty to his former team, Rebrov has nothing but admiration for the Scottish champions.

"Celtic are a very strong side and are well organised," he admitted. "Their stadium is always full due to the dedication of their

**"CELTIC ARE A VERY STRONG SIDE AND WELL ORGANISED... THEY ARE A TEAM WHO DON'T NEED ONE INDIVIDUAL TO SPUR THEM ON – ALL THEIR PLAYERS LEAD THE FIGHT"**

players. They are a team who don't need one individual to spur them on – all their players lead the fight."

And has he any predictions for the tie?

A cautious Rebrov grins: "Both Shakhtar and Celtic represent different playing styles so it's difficult to predict a score."

If he does make it to Glasgow for the game, the atmosphere will no doubt bring back a few treasured memories.

Rebrov said: "My favourites always

involve the UEFA Champions League. It was the greatest of honours to play and work under Valery Lobanovskyi.

"I experienced great success under him with Dynamo, especially when we reached the semi-finals of this competition in 1999. At that time we had one of the strongest sides in Europe."

So would the Donetsk-born striker ever contemplate a return home? Rebrov is leaving the door wide open.

He said: "The current structure of Shakhtar is very good and yes I would like to return, but this is up to the manager of the team."

Should things not work out in East London then Rebrov may not have closed the final chapter on his glittering UEFA Champions League career after all.

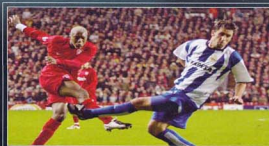


**GUNNER GET YOU:**

Rebrov (top and right) says Shakhtar's display in the 3-0 home defeat of Arsenal was the best – but they are featured here losing 3-2 at Highbury

"I WATCHED THE AC MILAN MATCH AND I HAVE NOT SEEN A UKRAINIAN TEAM DOMINATE ITALIAN OPPOSITION TO THE EXTENT THAT SHAKHTAR DID THAT NIGHT"





UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP A

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Monaco	3	2	0	1	4	3	6
Olympiakos	3	1	1	1	2	2	4
Liverpool	3	1	1	1	2	1	4
D Coruna	3	0	2	1	0	2	2

Wednesday's fixtures (03/11/04)  
 Olympiakos v Monaco  
 D Coruna v Liverpool



UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP B

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dynamo Kiev	3	2	0	1	7	3	6
Bayer Leverkusen	3	2	0	1	8	5	6
Real Madrid	3	2	0	1	5	5	6
Roma	3	0	0	3	3	10	0

Wednesday's fixtures (03/11/04)  
 Dynamo Kiev v Real Madrid  
 Roma v Bayer Leverkusen



UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP E

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
PSV	3	2	0	1	3	2	6
Arsenal	3	1	2	0	4	3	5
Panathinaikos	3	1	1	1	4	4	4
Rosenborg	3	0	1	2	3	5	1

Tonight's fixtures  
 PSV v Rosenborg  
 Arsenal v Panathinaikos



UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP F

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AC Milan	3	3	0	0	5	1	9
Barcelona	3	2	0	1	6	2	6
Shakhtar Donetsk	3	1	0	2	3	4	3
Celtic	3	0	0	3	2	9	0

Tonight's fixtures  
 Celtic v Shakhtar Donetsk  
 Barcelona v AC Milan

# CELTS' GROUP OF DEATH CAN SPRING INTO LIFE

Nothing has been decided yet in Group F of this season's Champions League but despite Celtic's lowly position at this halfway stage, Martin O'Neill's troops will be firing on all cylinders in a bid to pull in the points and move up the table in the home tie against Shakhtar Donetsk tonight



## UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP C

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Juventus	3	3	0	0	3	0	9
Bayern Munich	3	2	0	1	5	1	6
Ajax	3	1	0	2	3	5	3
Maccabi Tel Aviv	3	0	0	3	0	5	0

Wednesday's fixtures (03/11/04)  
Bayern Munich v Juventus  
Maccabi Tel-Aviv v Ajax



## UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP D

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lyon	3	2	1	0	7	4	7
Man Utd	3	1	2	0	8	4	5
Fenerbahce	3	1	0	2	4	9	3
Sparta Prague	3	0	1	2	1	3	1

Wednesday's fixtures (03/11/04)  
Man Utd v Sparta Prague  
Lyon v Fenerbahce



## UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP G

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Inter Milan	3	3	0	0	10	2	9
Werder Bremen	3	2	0	1	4	4	6
Valencia	3	1	0	2	4	7	3
Anderlecht	3	0	0	3	2	7	0

Tonight's fixtures  
Inter Milan v Valencia  
Werder Bremen v Anderlecht



## UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GROUP H

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chelsea	3	3	0	0	8	1	9
CSKA Moscow	3	1	1	1	2	2	4
PSG	3	1	0	2	2	5	3
FC Porto	3	0	1	2	1	5	1

Tonight's fixtures  
FC Porto v PSG  
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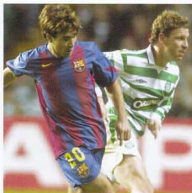
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**FIVE-STAR:** Murdo MacLeod slams home his goal in the stunning 5-0 victory over Sporting at Celtic Park while Paul McStay looks on



## On what was a memorable European night for Celtic supporters, Davie Hay's team defied a first-leg deficit to thump their Portuguese rivals

**CELTIC recorded one of the greatest ever results in Europe on this night in 1983 when they overturned a 2-0 deficit against Sporting Lisbon to win 5-0 on the night at Celtic Park.**

The first leg of the UEFA Cup tie in Portugal was a bitter blow for Davie Hay's side in what was his first European campaign as Celtic manager.

The former Motherwell boss had taken over in the summer from Billy McNeill and he had already seen his side defeat Danish team Aarhus 5-1 on aggregate.

This included a tremendous 4-1 victory away in Denmark, when goals from Roy Aitken, Murdo MacLeod, Davie Provan and Frank McGarvey added to Aitken's first-leg goal.

And the victory set up the second round tie against the green and white hoops of Sporting Lisbon.

The first leg, on October 19, was a poor match for the Glasgow Hoops, with Jordao scoring both of Sporting's goals, in 30 and 68 minutes.

It meant a difficult task for Celtic in the second leg, but the team that night responded perfectly to the challenge in

front of a crowd of 37,183. Tommy Burns led the way, opening the scoring on 17 minutes, but it took until just before half-time for Celtic to get their second of the game.

Tom McAdam was the man who supplied that goal, and seconds later Brian McClair put Celtic ahead in the tie with the Bhoys' third of the night.

The second half did not herald a Sporting comeback, but instead saw more of the same as Celtic piled on the pressure. And strikes from MacLeod and McGarvey meant that, by the hour mark, Celtic were comfortably ahead 5-2 on aggregate.

There was to be no more scoring but the final whistle saw the Celtic fans acclaim their heroes for a tremendous performance and result.

The Third Round draw pitted Celtic

against Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest.

The first leg at the City Ground ended goal-less – a result that Celtic might have considered an unfair reflection of a match in which they were the better side.

And that inability to convert any of the chances they created was to prove costly in the second leg at Celtic Park.

Forest scored two second-half goals and a MacLeod strike 10 minutes from the end of the match was merely a disappointing consolation.

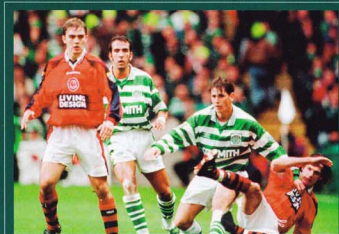
Domestically, Celtic finished runners-up in the league, seven points behind champions Aberdeen, while they were beaten finalists in the League Cup and Scottish Cup, losing to Rangers and Aberdeen respectively, both after extra-time.

**"THE SECOND HALF DID NOT HERALD A SPORTING LISBON COMEBACK, BUT INSTEAD SAW MORE OF THE SAME AS CELTIC PILED ON THE PRESSURE"**

# IT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY



- IN 1755 Marie-Antoinette Queen of France, famous for her "let them eat cake" quip was born.
- Actor Burt Lancaster was born on this day in 1913. Among his many films were *From Here to Eternity*, *Local Hero* and the excellent baseball film *Field of Dreams*
- And on this day in 1963 the Beatles played a concert at the Sheffield City Halls.



THE last time Celtic played on November 2 was back in 1996 when Aberdeen were the visitors. It took a Paolo di Canio goal 20 minutes from time to separate the teams. Jackie McNamara is the sole member of the Celtic team from that night who is still at Parkhead.

## Browning makes his first start for Celts and goes on to make 217 appearances but injury later ends his career prematurely

**OUTSIDE-LEFT** Johnny Browning made his debut for Celtic on this day in 1912 in a league match away to Third Lanark. Patsy Gallagher scored the only goal of the game that day. Browning's first goal for the club came at the end of the month, on November 30, in a 1-1 draw against Clyde.

Browning, who was born in Dumbarton on November 1888, joined Celtic in 1911 from Vale of Leven, having previously played for Glasgow Perthshire, Bonhill Hibernian and Dumbarton Harp.

In a Celtic career, which lasted until 1919, Browning played 217 games, scoring 65 goals. He was part of the successful four-in-a-row team between 1914-17 and also helped Celtic to a Scottish Cup triumph in 1914, scoring two of Celtic's four goals.

He joined Chelsea in 1919 but a serious knee injury effectively curtailed his playing career at the highest level.

He was jailed for five months in 1924 for his part in attempting to fix a match between Lochgelly United and Bonness.

## Hoops are quick on the draw at Hearts



CELTIC'S first game on November 2 was back in 1901. It was an away game against Hearts and the points were shared in a 2-2 draw. Scorers for Celtic that day were Jimmy Drummond and Johnny Campbell. The latter made 215 appearances for Celtic, scoring 109 goals, while the former only made four appearances, his solitary goal coming that day at Tynecastle.

# JOHN'S READY TO TAKE HIS CHANCE

John Hartson took defeat in Donetsk a little harder than most after passing up a first-half opportunity to fire Celtic ahead. Now he's determined to put the record straight

**WITH Celtic showing a record of played three, lost three in this season's UEFA Champions League, it might seem somewhat trite for John Hartson to speak of the importance of "making it count."**

It is, after all, generally accepted that anything less than a victory for Celtic this evening will leave Martin O'Neill's side facing their first pre-Christmas exit from Europe in four years, so it would surely go without saying that rising to the occasion will be required of every one of the club's players.

Yet Hartson's challenge is to himself alone. Haunted by the lingering memory of two missed chances in Donetsk, both of which he would normally have expected to convert in his sleep, the Welshman didn't require his manager to remind him that either could have changed the course of the match.

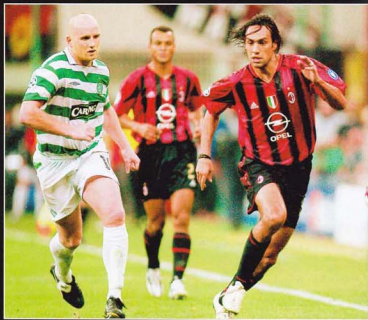
As it was, a game that appeared eminently winnable for Celtic ended with their most emphatic UEFA Champions League defeat this season and their worst since Porto triumphed by the same scoreline in October 2001.

That's why Hartson will be working this evening on the assumption that an unforgiving law of averages will apply, one that will demand that every chance worthy of the description is converted.

He said: "In the SPL, you always tend to get few bites at the cherry. For example, against Aberdeen last week, I had couple of early opportunities that I stuck over the bar and still got the chance later in the game to make up for it. In Europe, sometimes you only get the one chance.

"Out in Vigo during our UEFA Cup run, I had one chance and fortunately enough I stuck it away. It was the same at Liverpool when I had one half-chance in the whole game and managed to make it count. At that level, that's exactly what you need to do. That's why I was obviously so disappointed after the game in

Exclusive interview: **STEPHEN SULLIVAN**



Donetsk. I've been around long enough to know that it's so, so important that you stick your chances away in these games and, being honest, there were a couple over there that I would have expected to score.

"But there's no point in dwelling on it. All you can do is pick yourself up and look to put it right when you next get the chances, and hopefully that's what will happen tonight."

Recent evidence would suggest that it just might. Hartson has certainly been more like his old self over the past few weeks, with the rustiness and lack of mobility which blighted many of his early season

performances having all but disappeared. The big striker nevertheless insists that he never had any doubts that the qualities which have made him among the game's most respected and sought-after leaders of the line would return, and claims that all he required was patience.

He said: "I'm pleased with how things have gone recently, but then I always knew it would come. I've only had around a dozen competitive games since coming back from my second back up and, when you're returning after such a long time out, you always know it's going to take a bit of time to get properly into your stride. "But I've worked away hard and I'd like to think that I've shown people that I'm still the same player I was before the injury. I still love scoring goals, that goes without saying, and I've definitely felt a lot sharper and more like my old self recently."

**"IN THE SPL YOU TEND TO GET A FEW BITES AT THE CHERRY. IN EUROPE, SOMETIMES YOU ONLY GET THE ONE CHANCE – THAT'S WHY I WAS SO DISAPPOINTED IN DONETSK"**







**OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS:** Big John rifles home the crucial away goal as Celtic send Chelsea crashing out the 2002/03 UEFA Cup. He knows he has to capitalise on openings, tonight



The sight of Hartson back in form and back among the goals is, of course, just the kind of tonic his manager has required at a time when the club's injury list is as lengthy as at any stage during the his time in charge.

Yet, for all that the roll of casualties includes a clutch of players who would justifiably have hoped to feature this evening, the absence of one in particular is sure to be especially keenly felt. No prizes for identifying Chris Sutton as the Celt most fans would want off the treatment table and back in the starting XI, and Hartson, for his part, makes no attempt to diminish the significance of the Englishman's influence.

"There's no point in playing it down because he's a huge loss," he conceded. "Chris is a massive player for us and he's very experienced at this level, which is always a bonus. He's also one of those players who's held in particularly high regard in the dressing room; everyone has the most tremendous respect for him.

"I don't think it's any secret why that is - he never seems to have a bad game. His contribution is always terrific and I think that was seen in the way he cleaned up with the awards last season. He's been outstanding for us, especially in Europe, and you're always going to miss a player of his quality. It's a nightmare for him, too, because I know how much he enjoys these games, and he's had a frustrating little run of things recently with injuries."

**"IT WOULD BE A GREAT BOOST IF THOMMO'S FIT. HE HAS TREMENDOUS QUALITY AND THAT ADDED EXPERIENCE THAT CAN BE SO VALUABLE AT THIS LEVEL. BUYING A PLAYER LIKE HIM WOULD COST A LOT"**

If there's one consolation on which Celtic can draw in Sutton's absence, Hartson believes it's to be found in the return to fitness of the influential utility man's close friend, Alan Thompson. Indeed, with Henri Camara also on the mend and, while paying tribute to the contribution made by young Ross Wallace over recent games, the big Welshman admits to relishing the thought of once again having Thompson's inch-perfect crosses to prey on.

"It would be a great boost if Thommo's fit," said Hartson. "That's not to take anything away from Ross, who can ping in a great ball and who I'm sure has a massive future ahead of him at this club.

"But Thommo has tremendous quality and also that added experience than can be so invaluable at this level. Buying a player with his ability and experience would certainly cost the club a lot of money and,

as a striker, I can't speak highly enough of the quality of Thommo's delivery.

"And it will be good to have Henri back, too. We really missed him after he picked up that injury out at Livingston and that's no surprise to me because he's been brilliant for us. I know there were a few people at the start who didn't fancy him much, but I always thought he'd make an impact given time and, sure enough, he's been terrific."

Indeed he has, and yet there remains one significant gap in Camara's scoring record at Celtic Park. It is, of course, to be found in Europe, where the Senegalese striker has, along with his strike partner, failed to find the target in any of Celtic's three Group F fixtures thus far.

Nevertheless, Hartson believes tonight could be the night, not only for he and Camara, but also for a Celtic side he firmly believes to be capable of exacting revenge for that miserable defeat in the Ukraine two weeks ago.

"Absolutely," he said. "We felt we could have won over there to be honest with you and, although it has finished 3-0, I don't think that was a fair reflection on the way we played.

"Second half we were poor - no excuses for that. But I thought we did alright in the first half and had a few chances before they scored which could have put a different complexion on things. But goals change



**SORELY MISSED:** Chris Sutton's chest muscle injury means he'll sit out this evening's crunch match and Hartson knows that's a bitter blow for the Hoops

games and, once they went in front, we just weren't able to get back into it.

"I don't think we saw anything over there to terrify us, though. Shakhtar are a good side with some excellent individual players, but we're at home, we have the advantage of the crowd behind us and, if we play to our best, of course we can win.

"And we'll have to, it's as simple as that. I think it's obvious that, after our first three results, this is a must-win game for us if we're to have any chance of going forward in Europe. Obviously we still have AC Milan and Barcelona to play, but I think everyone can see that they're the best two teams in the group and, if we don't take all three points tonight, you'd have to say it's highly unlikely that we'll go through."

While adjudging three points to be an attainable target, Hartson is keen to stress that Shakhtar are deserving of both respect and perhaps even admiration from their hosts this evening for the manner in which they have pursued their lofty aspirations. Yet, while it was their £14million man, Matuzalem who set Mircea Lucescu's

side on the road to victory a fortnight ago, Hartson admitted to having identified midfield water-carrier Anotoliy Tymoshuk as the jewel in Shakhtar's crown.

He said: "For a start, you have to be impressed that they've been able to go out and spend £14million on one player, which is obviously something we're not able to do. And I suppose he (Matuzalem) has made the difference in the first game with his two goals.

"But, of all the Shakhtar team, I think the one who impressed me most was the big blond lad they had holding in midfield,

Tymoshuk. I thought he was a big player for them and he helped make things difficult for us right the way through."

Tonight, he believes it might just be the Ukrainians' turn to feel the heat. Yet, with Celtic sure to be inspired by an atmosphere which has long been unique to these floodlit European nights, the big striker knows the onus is on him and his

**LETHAL PUNCH:** Camara has been excellent domestically and will hopefully be available tonight

team-mates to produce a performance worthy of the fans' backing.

He said: "Obviously there have been some great nights over recent years, especially at home, and we're all hoping this will be another one. The Euro nights are a bit special here, there's absolutely no doubt about that, but we know it's down to us to ensure the fans don't go home disappointed.

"They always create a great atmosphere and generate that extra bit of noise for these games and it's always pretty inspiring for us to walk out in it all. I can only imagine how the other team feels.

"Tonight's game would be a big match anyway, but obviously with the results so far, it's made it one of the most important we've played for a long time. With the way things have gone for us in Europe over the past few seasons, the thought of not being involved after Christmas just doesn't bear thinking about, and we'll be going out tonight to make sure that doesn't happen.

"Shakhtar have good players, but so do we, and I'm sure this is a game we can win. The main thing from my point of view is that, if I get a chance, I have to make it count."



# the YOUTH ACADEMY

I WAS listening to breakfast TV on Monday morning prior to going into Celtic Park, and was dumbfounded by a story that they were carrying.

They were talking about the recreational behaviour of young children, and the upshot was:

- 33% of children do not venture more than 100 yards from home to play.
- 66% of parents/guardians feel anxiety when their child is out playing.
- Children now spend on average over three hours per day watching TV or playing computer games.

I think we all recognise that as not as many kids are playing football as in years gone by, but hearing these points really indicates the difficult situation we are in.

I do not believe there is a football pitch within 100 yards of every child's home, and I fear that if the average child is in front of a TV or a computer for three hours a day, then they will not be playing football as there will be little time left to do so.

This is serious. We are pontificating about how to structure elite "youth" football in Scotland at the moment – *The Herald* carried a huge spread about it recently.

Maybe we have taken our eye off the ball, figuratively speaking. Maybe the great and the good should be applying greater focus upon getting kids to play the game in the first place.

It is obvious from the breakfast TV article that lots of kids don't play anything, never mind football. Consequently we are developing a nation of children who have not developed the co-ordination, agility, endurance, and strength to play sports.

We are producing a nation of couch potatoes. We need to address this – the Government needs to address this. If they don't, our job of producing elite footballers for Celtic and perhaps for Scotland will be extremely difficult in the years to come.

I have said it many times – we can have the best programme possible within our Academy (and I believe that we do) but if we do not have the raw materials to work with (talented kids) then we will not produce top quality players.

**"WE CAN HAVE THE BEST PROGRAMME POSSIBLE BUT IF WE DON'T HAVE THE RAW MATERIALS – TALENTED KIDS – TO WORK WITH WE WILL NOT PRODUCE TOP QUALITY PLAYERS"**



**EARLY LEARNING CENTRES:** Additional facilities and schemes are needed to get more kids like these away from their TV screens and on to football parks

## New figures have hammered home the fact that Scots kids aren't active enough, and Academy Manager John Stephenson is concerned

There needs to be Government investment in providing safe and comfortable facilities, delivering sports programmes that kids want to participate in. They should be free to those who cannot afford to pay so as these programmes connect with all areas of society. If this happens then our chances of finding another Aiden McGeady or Ross Wallace is significantly enhanced.

If they don't address it then the likelihood of finding them is going to

diminish and we will be forced to apply greater effort in looking abroad for young talent.

Our community programme addresses some of the problems associated with getting kids to play.

We provide safe environments, and interesting and enjoyable programmes. We target all areas of society and provide free access to those that cannot afford it.

The work we are doing here is excellent, but more thought (and resources) is required from central Government to reverse the worrying trend brought to our living rooms by breakfast TV on Monday.

Enjoy the game.

*John Stephenson  
Youth Academy Manager*

**CELTIC POOLS - THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**

**JUMP LEAD:**  
The under-17s -  
pictured here in  
action - are preparing  
to host Aberdeen and  
have started looking  
ahead to going  
abroad in the spring



Match-ups with Hibs are enjoyed after washout while the club looks ahead to tourneys abroad

#### FIXTURES

**LAST** weekend our Academy teams from 11s-17s were all playing against Hibernian.

After all our games against Motherwell were cancelled the previous weekend, due to pitches being waterlogged, it was great to see the boys back in action.

Hibs are always a good test for us, and the weekend's fixtures proved to be no exception.

Last week we also managed a number of

**"WE HAVE BUILT A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH WALLSEND BC, AND WE HOPE TO CONTINUE THIS"**

closed door games against Wallsend Boys' Club from Newcastle.

This is the club where Alan Thompson started his career, and who are still producing quality players at all age groups.

Over the past few years we have built a very good relationship with Wallsend management, and hope to continue this, as they appear to have the pick of boys from the North East of England.

This weekend we are due to play Aberdeen at all age groups, with the 15s and 17s at home, and the 11s-14s going to Aberdeen. Like Hibs, games against the Dons are always difficult encounters and games that the boys look forward to.

#### TOURNAMENTS

**ALREADY** we have received a number of invitations for tournaments for the various age groups.

It is the intention of the Academy to ensure that each age group plays in one tournament abroad, to enhance the boys' development by playing against top-class opposition. Most of the tournaments we attend will take place around Easter and before the end of the season, ensuring there is minimal disruption to the children's education. The Easter holiday and last weekend in May are our usual times for going abroad, as the boys are on holiday from school. The 17s and 19s are different as the boys, in the main, are full-time.

Both age groups had a pre-season tournament and will also go abroad during the winter break.

The 19s will go to Lake Garda at the end of January, to help prepare for the second half of the season. This is one of the main tournaments in Europe, and again we will play against some of the top clubs.

The boys will have a break before Christmas, followed by a couple of weeks work similar to pre-season, and then fly out to Italy for the tournament.

We receive so many invitations each season, but unfortunately we have to decline a number of them, to allow us to fulfil our SPL Fixtures.

Information on the tournaments we are attending at each age group will be available in due course.

I will keep you informed as to who, where and when, as each year a number of fans from our European-based supporters' clubs, come along to lend their support and cheer on our players of the future.

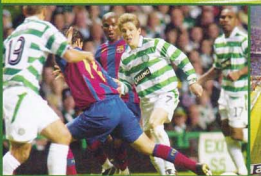
*Brian Meehan*

**CELTIC POOLS - THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**



# CELTIC SEASON STATS

Comp	Date	Opposition	Res.	Att.	TeamSheet
AUGUST	SPL Aug 8	H Motherwell	2-0	33,245	MENAMARA VARGA VALCAREN AGATHE LENNON PETROV SYLA THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
	SPL Aug 14	A Kilmarnock	4-2	10,500	MARSHALL MENAMARA VARGA VALCAREN AGATHE LENNON PETROV SYLA THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
	SPL Aug 22	A Inverness CT	3-1	8,758	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA VALCAREN AGATHE LENNON PETROV SYLA THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
SEPTEMBER	SPL Aug 29	H Rangers	1-0	18,915	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA MENAMARA AGATHE LENNON PETROV SYLA THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
	SPL Sept 11	H Dundee	3-0	52,976	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA MENAMARA VALCAREN LENNON PETROV SYLA THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
	CL Sept 14	H Borussia Dortmund	1-3	58,509	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA MENAMARA AGATHE LENNON PETROV SYLA THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
OCTOBER	SPL Sept 19	H Hibernian	2-2	13,500	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA VALCAREN SUTTON HARTSON
	CS Sept 21	H Fulham	8-1	24,345	DOUGLAS BALDE LAURSEN VALCAREN MANNING MCGEADY LAMBERT JUNHO PEARSON THOMPSON SYLA
	SPL Sept 25	H Duffelmeire	3-0	58,213	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA VALCAREN SYLA LENNON PETROV SUTTON JUNHO MCGEADY THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
NOVEMBER	SPL Oct 3	A AC Milan	3-3	52,648	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA VALCAREN AGATHE LENNON PETROV SUTTON JUNHO MCGEADY THOMPSON SUTTON HARTSON
	SPL Oct 16	H Hearts	3-0	58,869	MARSHALL SUTTON VARGA MENAMARA AGATHE LENNON PETROV SUTTON WALLACE JUNHO HARTSON
	CL Oct 20	A Shakhtar Don	0-3	30,000	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA MENAMARA MANNING AGATHE LENNON PETROV SUTTON JUNHO MCGEADY HARTSON
DECEMBER	SPL Oct 24	A Livingston	4-2	7,695	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA MENAMARA MANNING AGATHE LENNON PETROV SUTTON JUNHO MCGEADY WALLACE HARTSON
	SPL Oct 27	H Aberdeen	2-3	57,151	MARSHALL BALDE VARGA MENAMARA AGATHE LENNON PETROV JUNHO MCGEADY WALLACE HARTSON
	CL Oct 30	A Motherwell			
JANUARY	CL Nov 2	H Shakhtar Don			
	SPL Nov 6	H Kilmarnock			
	CS Nov 10	A Rangers			
FEBRUARY	SPL Nov 13	H Inverness CT			
	SPL Nov 20	A Rangers			
	CL Nov 24	A Borussia Dortmund			
MARCH	SPL Nov 28	A Dundee			
	SPL Dec 4	H Hibernian			
	CL Dec 7	H AC Milan			
APRIL	SPL Dec 12	A Duffelmeire			
	SPL Dec 18	H Dundee Utd			
	SPL Dec 26	A Hearts			
MAY	SPL Jan 1	H Livingston			
	SC Jan 8	Scottish Cup R3			
	SPL Jan 15	A Aberdeen			
JUNE	SPL Jan 22	H Motherwell			
	SPL Jan 29	A Kilmarnock			
	CS Feb 10	CS Cup semi-final			
JULY	SC Feb 5	Scottish Cup R4			
	SPL Feb 12	A Inverness CT			
	SPL Feb 19	H Rangers			
AUGUST	CL Feb 20/21	CL 1st/2nd leg			
	SC Feb 26	Scottish Cup QF			
	SPL Mar 2	H Dundee			
SEPTEMBER	Mar 5	A Hibernian			
	CL Mar 8/9	CL 1st/2nd leg			
	SPL Mar 12	H Duffelmeire			
OCTOBER	SPL Mar 19	A Dundee Utd			
	CS Mar 19/20	CS Cup Final			
	SPL Apr 2	H Hearts			
NOVEMBER	CL Apr 5/6	CL QF 1st leg			
	SPL Apr 8	A Livingston			
	SC Apr 10/11	Scottish Cup SF			
DECEMBER	CL Apr 12/13	CL QF 2nd leg			
	SPL Apr 16	H Aberdeen			
	SPL Apr 23	SPL Game 34			
JANUARY	CL Apr 26/27	CL SF 1st leg			
	SPL Apr 30	SPL Game 35			
	CL May 3/4	CL SF 2nd leg			
FEBRUARY	SPL May 7	SPL Game 36			
	SPL May 14	SPL Game 37			
	SPL May 22	SPL Game 38			
MARCH	CL May 25	CL Final			
	SC May 28	Scottish Cup Final			



### Statistics:

Name - goalscorer

● - player booked

● - player sent off

Name<sup>1st</sup> - sub used

\* own goal scored

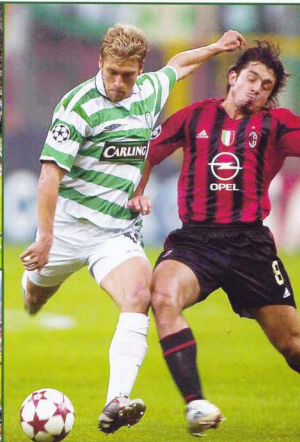
## FIRST TEAM STATS 04/05

	League	CS Cup	Scott Cup	Europe	Total	League	CS Cup	Scott Cup	Europe	Total
JOHN HARTSON	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
NIEL LENNON	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
DAVID MARSHALL	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
STILIAN PETROV	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
STANISLAV VARGA	11	0	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	0
BORO BALDE	8	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0
HENRI CAMARA	8	2	7	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
JUNHO	7	1	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
DIDER AGATHE	7	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
CHRIS SUTTON	7	0	4	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
JOOS VALCAREN	7	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
ALAN THOMPSON	7	0	3	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
JACQUE MENAMARA	7	0	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
ROSS WALLACE	4	3	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
AIDEN MCGEADY	2	3	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
MOMO SYLA	1	5	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
STEPHEN MANNING	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
ULRIK LAURSEN	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
STEPHEN PEARSON	0	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
PAUL LAMBERT	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
RAB DOUGLAS	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
CRAG BEATTIE	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
MAGNUS HEDMAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JOHN KENNEDY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SHAWN MALONEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DAVID FERNANDEZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BOBBY FETTA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
own goals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



## Substitutes

MCGEADY (Forward)	Hedman	Laursen	Sylla <sup>20</sup>	Pearson <sup>21</sup>	Wallace	Camara <sup>22</sup>	Beattie
SUTTON	Douglas	Sylla	Pearson	Wallace	Laursen <sup>23</sup>	Camara <sup>24</sup>	Beattie <sup>25</sup>
CAMARA	Douglas	Pearson <sup>26</sup>	Lambert <sup>27</sup>	Laursen <sup>28</sup>	McGeady	McManus	Cuthbert
CAMARA (Midfield)	Douglas	Pearson	Vijgeren <sup>29</sup>	Wallace <sup>30</sup>	McGeady	Sylla <sup>31</sup>	Cuthbert
CAMARA (D)	Douglas	Pearson <sup>32</sup>	Laursen <sup>33</sup>	Quinn	McGeady	Sylla <sup>34</sup>	Cuthbert
CAMARA	Douglas	Sylla <sup>35</sup>	Vijgeren <sup>36</sup>	Sutton <sup>37</sup>	Pearson	Lambert	McGeady
CAMARA	Hedman	Agathe <sup>38</sup>	Laursen	Wallace	Pearson <sup>39</sup>	McGeady	Cuthbert
WALLACE (D)	Hedman	Thompson <sup>40</sup>	Lennon	Petrov	Varga	Lambert	Cuthbert
CAMARA (D)	Douglas	Wallace <sup>41</sup>	McGeady <sup>42</sup>	Laursen <sup>43</sup>	Pearson	Lambert	Cuthbert
CAMARA	Douglas	Wallace	McGeady	Laursen	Juninho <sup>44</sup>	Lambert	Sylla <sup>45</sup>
CAMARA (Lambert)	Hedman	Sylla	Lambert <sup>46</sup>	McGeady	Wallace <sup>47</sup>	Cuthbert	Laursen <sup>48</sup>
CAMARA	Hedman	Sylla <sup>49</sup>	McGeady <sup>50</sup>	Lambert <sup>51</sup>	Pearson	Cuthbert	McManus
CAMARA	Hedman	Sylla	McGeady <sup>52</sup>	Lambert	McManus <sup>53</sup>	Wallace <sup>54</sup>	Pearson
CAMARA (Linnik)	Hedman	Sylla	McGeady	Lambert <sup>55</sup>	Juninho <sup>56</sup>	Pearson <sup>57</sup>	Beattie
SUTTON/Sylla	Hedman	Sylla <sup>58</sup>	McGeady <sup>59</sup>	Lambert	Pearson	Beattie	Petta



- 3 MOMO SYLLA Midfielder
- 4 JACKIE McNAMARA Defender
- 5 JOOS VALGAEREN Defender
- 6 BOBO BALDE Defender
- 7 JUNNHO Midfielder
- 8 ALAN THOMPSON Midfielder
- 9 CHRIS SUTTON Forward

- 10 JOHN HARTSON Forward
- 11 STEPHEN PEARSON Midfielder
- 12 DAVID FERNANDEZ Forward
- 14 PAUL LAMBERT Midfielder
- 15 BOBBY PETTA Midfielder
- 16 LULRIK LAURSEN Defender
- 17 DIDIER AGATHE Midfielder
- 18 NEIL LENNON Midfielder
- 19 STILJAN PETROV Midfielder
- 20 ROBERT DOUGLAS Goalkeeper
- 21 MAGNUS HEDMAN Goalkeeper
- 22 DAVID MARSHALL Goalkeeper
- 23 STANISLAV VARGA Defender
- 27 HENRI CAMARA Forward
- 29 SHAUN MALONEY Forward
- 33 ROSS WALLACE Forward
- 37 CRAIG BEATTIE Forward
- 38 ROCCO QUINN Defender
- 41 JOHN KENNEDY Defender
- 44 STEPHEN McMANUS Defender
- 46 AIDEN MCGEADY Midfielder

- 47 MICHAEL MCGOVERN Goalkeeper
- 49 SCOTT CUTHBERT Defender
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SPL	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
CELTIC	11	9	1	1	30	10	20	28
Rangers	11	7	3	1	18	4	14	24
Aberdeen	11	6	4	1	14	7	7	23
Hibernian	11	5	3	3	18	17	1	18
Hearts	11	4	4	3	8	8	0	16
Kilmarnock	11	5	1	5	15	17	-2	16
Motherwell	11	4	2	5	15	16	-1	14
Dundee	11	2	3	6	13	19	-6	9
Livingston	11	2	3	6	11	18	-7	9
Dunfermline	11	2	3	6	7	15	-8	9
Inverness CT	11	2	2	7	11	19	-8	8
Dundee Utd	11	1	5	5	12	22	-10	8

# half-time QUIZ

Put your football knowledge to the test with our super Celtic quiz



- In which city did Martin O'Neill win a European Cup medal with Nottingham Forest in 1980?
- Who was the first Celtic player to score a goal in the group stages of the UEFA Champions League?
- Which two European Players of the Year did Celtic face the last occasion they played a team from Ukraine in the Champions Cup?
- Who are the only three British players to win UEFA Champions League medals with foreign clubs?
- After Real Madrid which was the first club to retain the European Cup?
- Who was the last Scot to net a goal in the UEFA Champions League tournament?
- Since 1990 which five European Celtic matches have gone into extra time?

**8.** In which season did Shakhtar compete in the UEFA Champions League for the only occasion previous to this one?

**9.** Which Scot won two European Cup medals and yet was never capped by his country?

**10.** Which father and son have played in goal for Celtic in European competition?

**11.** Which three clubs have missed penalties in UEFA Champions League group stage matches against Celtic?



**12.** Which British side did Shakhtar Donetsk previously defeat 3-0 in the UEFA Champions League?

**13.** Who remains the only player to net four goals for Celtic in a European match?

**14.** Who are the only two men to win consecutive UEFA Champions League winners' medals but with two different clubs?

**15.** Under the management of Martin O'Neill, which two players have the unfortunate distinction of being ordered off while playing for Celtic in European competition?

## ANSWERS

- Madrid
- Silvan Petrov v Juventus 2007/2008
- Oleg Blokhin & Igor Belorousov Dynamo Kiev
- Sami Al-Jaber Borussia Dortmund
- Steve McClaren (Real Madrid)
- Owen Hargreaves (Bayern Munich)
- 1996/97
- 1996/97
5. Dennis 1961 & 1962 & Kenny Miller ( Rangers ) v Monaco 2000/2001 v Young Boys Bern 1997/98 v Valencia 2000/2001
- Porto
- 2002/2003
- 2000/2001
- 2001/2002
- London
11. Borussia Dortmund
- 1979 & 1980
10. Gordon Strachan
11. Borussia Dortmund
12. Tottenham
13. Robert Dwyer 2003/2004
14. Borussia Dortmund
15. Bobo

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