#### John Lunn Testimonial Fund

# DUNFERMLINE ATHLETIC v. CELTIC/RANGERS SELECT

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### John — Par extraordinary

ON BEHALF of the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity of expressing our deepest gratitude to everyone who has come along to this game tonight or who has contributed to the Testimonial Fund in any other way, and we know there have been many. It is now about a year since John died and it is our intention to close the fund very soon after tonight's match.

It is fitting that the fund-raising efforts should end with a game of football and it is a wonderful tribute to see such great clubs, managers and players taking time out to participate and therefore contribute on John's behalf at East End Park where he himself contributed so much to the game and club he loved. A special word of thanks is due to Celtic and Rangers for providing such attractive opposition in spite of the great demands that must be on them for such occasions.

Testimonial games are very much part of the football scene today but they usually have a much happier background and are usually staged for "big-name" players who have, as a rule, already done very well financially from the game.

This was never the case with John Lunn for he fell victim to his illness just at the time when he might well have begun to make an even greater mark in the game as a player. As it was, he battled on miraculously against all the odds just to be able to play at all and this he succeeded in doing for so long with such dignity and courage. It was by this example that he was destined to make his particular mark.

It is so heartwarming and encouraging to see so many people in the game and also its followers, doing something on such a scale for one of the ordinary club players, as some might put it.

But in our book John Lunn could only be described as a truly extraordinary young man and we must do honour to his memory tonight and in the future if the game of football in Scotland is to succeed in its own struggle for life. That would surely be the most appropriate memorial to this player par excellence, this PAR EXTRAORDINARY

CHAIRMAN

FRONT PAGE COVER — A fine action study of John Lunn as he covers Willie Renton against West Bromwich in the European Cup-Winners' Cup-tie.

## A player who only wanted to play

In this interview, Jim Thomson, team-mate and close friend, recalls John's career.

JOHN LUNN'S first game for the Athletic was when he played a trial for the club against Hearts at Tynecastle — as an outsideleft.

Jim Thomson remembers the game well because he scored. "I remember all my goals — there were not all that many and I particularly recall this one, it was a 20-yarder and John supplied the vital pass," said Jim.

John signed for the club soon after but his days as an outside-left were numbered and he was quickly converted to a left-back by Mr Jock Stein.

"I don't think he would have made it as a winger but he seemed a natural at leftback and hardly ever played in any other position after that.

"Always one of the fastest at East End over 100 yards, he was a strong tackler, quick in recovery with a firm grasp of all the basic skills. He was consistent, with a sense of adventure and he especially enjoyed playing against top wingers such as Jimmy Johnstone and Willie Henderson.

"He was good at all sports — golf, cricket, table tennis and even snooker, a good all-round athlete although he could not really be described as a willing trainer.

"In fact, his good-natured 'moans' about training schedules earned him the nickname of 'Happy' and I know he loathed cross-country running.

"Above all, he loved playing football. He was not one to talk about the game and, basically a home-loving person, he



Jim Thomson and John Lunn — pictured after the club had won the Scottish Cup in 1968.

preferred to stay in at times rather than travel to watch a big match. Although he played in many big games himself, I think his greatest thrill was the 1965 Cup Final, playing against Celtic before a crowd of 108,000.

"It was a memorable occasion for him to get a winners' medal in 1968 but, for the players, this match in front a much-smaller crowd was something of an anti-climax.

"Throughout the years he fought his illness, although he did not realise the full extent, John never complained nor expressed bitterness. In fact he frequently joked about it.

"When eventually it began to take its toll, it was heart-breaking for players like myself, who had played with him at his peak, to see him losing his fitness and struggling on the park.

"I always suspected that one day he would make a clean break from the game and, when the time came for him to stop playing, he did just that. Management, coaching and similar jobs had nothing to offer John. He just loved playing football."



ABOVE — Swimming at Dunblane before the 1968 Cup Final. Also in the picture are Alex Edwards, Jim Fraser, Jim Thomson, John McGarty and Pat Gardner.

BELOW — At Dunblane again preparing for the European Cup-winners' Cup in season 1968/69. Other players (left to right) are Bert Paton, George McKimmie, Bill Duff, Jim Brown, Doug Baillie and Jim Thomson.



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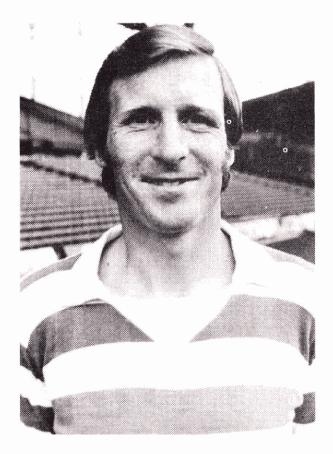
### SOCCER SUCCESS -

THE success story of Celtic makes palatable reading for Scottish football with a collection of honours that is the envy of every club in the country.

On their own admission, they had — admittedly by their own standards — a lean spell in the 20 years that followed the Second World War. Apart from a 1951 Scottish Cup success, a League and Cup double in 1954 and League Cup wins in 1956 and 1957, they were, so to speak, in the wilderness.

The arrival in 1965 of Mr Jock Stein as manager changed all that and the club went on to enjoy a record of success that has amazed soccer followers everywhere.

To be entirely accurate, Mr Stein returned to Parkhead for he was a player with Celtic before injury forced him to quit the game. He then became a coach before his managerial appointments with the Athletic and Hibs.



Billy McNeill

The Club itself was founded in 1888 to alleviate the great poverty that existed at that time in the east end of Glasgow. Organised to provide meals and clothing for children in need, Celtic have never forgotten the purpose for which the club was started and, to this day, generous annual donations are made to various charities.

An outstanding achievement — during their lean years incidentally, was the winning of the Coronation Cup in 1953 but, without question, the club's outstanding single achievement was in winning the European Cup in 1967.

They have in these recent years always been strong challengers in Europe while, on the domestic scene, they have virtually monopolised competitions.

They have won the League title for the past nine seasons, a remarkable record in itself and they have won the Scottish Cup five times out of the last eight years.

Already this season, as if to emphasise the point, they won the League Cup, the only trophy which had eluded them and then only since 1970.

On the field, the club captain and centre-half, Billy McNeill, has been the outstanding figure during this successful period. He has given magnificent service to Celtic over a long period, gaining as he did considerable international recognition.

The tricky Jimmy Johnstone, back in international reckoning again, also continues to play an important role at Parkhead, a winger who will always draw the football crowds as long as he plays.

Another forward, Bobby Lennox, who always seems to reserve his best

Billy McNeill has continued to enjoy playing football and it was a gesture much appreciated at East End Park that he volunteered to play in tonight's game such was his respect for John Lunn.

### THE CELTIC WAY

performances for when he plays against the Athletic, is another long-serving Celtic player in the true Parkhead mould.

Ex-Kilmarnock 'keeper Ally Hunter, a £45,000 signing, won international recognition then lost form but he has fought his way to the top place again.

Leading the Celtic attack, John "Dixie" Deans is an old-fashioned type of centre-forward. His hat-trick against Hibs recently in the League Cup final was a joy and recent form won him his first international cap against East Germany.

Midfield player Kenny Dalglish, a member of Scotland's World Cup team, is a brilliant player who is regaining his master touch, and lining up alongside him in the Parkhead team, Steve Murray joined Celtic from Dundee and quickly established himself in the first team.

Well-known to Pars' fans, Tommy Callaghan is also a member of the Parkhead first team squad while the experienced Jim Brogan still manages to find a first team spot after many years with the club.







Ally Hunter

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### RANGERS GO FOR

RANGERS are poised this season for their greatest assault on the League championship for many seasons following an excellent start to their campaign.

In recent seasons, with Celtic dominating the League with nine successive championships, Rangers have been hampered by a sluggish start to their programme.

Although they were eliminated from the League Cup and made an

early exit from the Texaco Cup, they are setting a hot pace in the League and, to break Celtic's amazing sequence of League successes would, it is suspected, give more satisfaction to Ibrox than anything else.

Rangers have had their moments as far as the League is concerned and it should also be remembered that, since they last won the championship in 1964, the Ibrox club has only once been out of the top three.



Action from the recent game against Rangers.

### LEAGUE TITLE

In those ten seasons, in fact, they have been runners-up to Celtic on six occasions, they won the League Cup in 1970-71 and the Scottish Cup in 1973.

By Rangers' standards, however, their successes have fallen short of what is expected and this is why, under Manager Jock Wallace, there is a great upsurge of interest in the club this season.

Throughout the years, they have produced a succession of great players, many of whom have represented their country and indeed formed the backbone of the 'national side.

#### ADMIRED

They cannot surely have had a better servant, however, than the present skipper, John Greig, a player admired throughout Europe for his dedication, enthusiasm and loyalty.

John, born in Edinburgh, joined the club in 1960 and although for the most part a midfield dynamo, he operates equally well at full-back. He has captained the Scottish team and has over 50 international caps.

Following in his footsteps is Sandy Jardine, who had a magnificent'World Cup series earlier this year, establishing himself as Scotland's first-choice right-back.

Recently, he captained the Scottish side in the absence of Billy Bremner. Jardine is a versatile player, he played at inside-right in the European Cup-Winners Cup Final against Bayern Munich in Nuremberg and at right-back in the Rangers side which won the trophy in Barcelona.

Right-winger Tommy McLean was another member of the Barcelona

side, he has 11 international caps and is one of the most accurate passers of a ball in Scottish football. He joined the club from Kilmarnock.

#### YOUNG STAR

Derek Johnstone is one of the club's bright young stars. He is only just 21 and already has seven caps. He was brought in at centre-forward in the League Cup Final against Celtic and scored the winning goal in a 1-0 victory.

East End Park recently saw the ability of Derek Parlane when he scored five goals in a League match but he was originally a half-back at Ibrox and only established him as centre-forward two seasons ago.

He is the club's highest scorer and has six international caps.

Goalkeeper Peter McCloy won nine international caps although he has recently given way in the Rangers side to recent signing Stewart Kennedy, who was at East End for a spell before joining Stenhousemuir. He has made great progress at Ibrox and has held his place after being given his chance by Manager Wallace at the beginning of the season.

#### **BROKEN LEGS**

Defender Dave Smith, formerly an Aberdeen player, joined Rangers in 1966. He suffered two broken legs in 1970-71 but made a magnificent recovery to win a European Cup-Winners' Cup medal. He is a stylish player and former Scottish Footballer of the Year.

Although out of the team at the moment, Billy Mathieson has also given long service to the club. A Fifer, he went to Ibrox in 1960.

### Career Highlights

**Sept. 9, 1961** — John played a trial for the Reserves against Hearts at Tynecastle. The team lost 3-2 and the lineup was: — Herriot; Muir, J. Paton; Newman, Goodall, Duffy; McLindon, Stewart, R. Paton, Thomson, **Junior**.

**Sept. 25, 1961** — He played in another reserve game as a trialist against Raith Rovers. We won 6-2 and John was provisionally signed but he remained with Blairhall Colliery, his Junior club.

**Dec. 18, 1961** — He was called up from Blairhall to join the East End staff as a part-timer.

Jan. 12, 1962 — Played his first game for the Reserve team against Falkirk — at outside left. He continued to play for the Reserves mostly at outside-left but occasionally at centre-forward or inside-left. He continued throughout most of season 1962-63 in the Reserve team.

**April 3, 1963** — Switched to left-back against Partick Thistle Reserves.

April 6, 1963 — Made first team debut at left-back against Kilmarnock at East End. Jim Kerray, signed from Newcastle, also made his debut and scored our goal in a 1-1 draw. The team was: — Connachan; Thomson, Lunn; Mailer, McLean, Miller; Edwards, Smith, Dickson, Kerray, Peebles. This is an extract from the "Dunfermline Press" report of that game: . . "Even if he started very quietly, John Lunn soon showed a conception of the defensive game

that gives great promise for the future. So it would seem that Jock Stein has backed another winner in blooding his young players..." He remained in the first team for the rest of the club's 12 games.

1963-64 — He topped the "appearances" list with 33 games and, during this season, scored his first League goal for the club.

Oct. 20, 1964 — John made his European debut against Orgryte in Sweden after being surprisingly dropped for the first game.

1964-65 — Played in his first Scottish Cup Final when we were defeated 3-2 by Celtic (Billy McNeill scored the winner eight minutes from time). Our team was Herriot; W. Callaghan, Lunn; Thomson, McLean, T. Callaghan; Edwards, Smith, McLaughlin, Melrose, Sinclair.

1967-68 — After recovering from illness he regained his first team place and won a Scottish Cup-winners' medal when we defeated Hearts 3-1 at Hampden.

1968-69 — He represented the club in both matches in the semi-final of the European Cup-Winners' Cup against Slovan Bratislava.

1973 — In the year of his death, John received an award which he perhaps coveted more than any other — the "Player of the Year" trophy presented by his fellow professional footballers and given annually to a retired player who had, in their opinion, best served the game.



ABOVE — John Lunn (showing typical determination) clears his lines. The other player is Bobby Collins then playing for Morton.

BELOW — The Athletic party bound for Czechoslovakia to play Spartak Brno in the Fairs Cup in 1965-66.

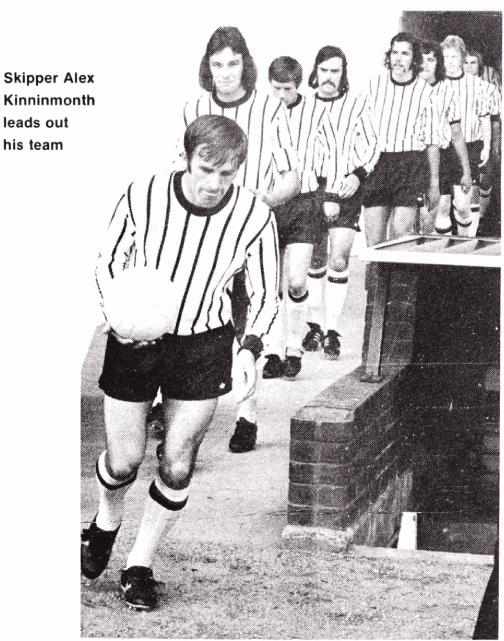




Jackie Sinclair.



Ken Mackie.



Skipper Alex Kinninmonth leads out



Top:— 1968 — Left to right, back row, Mr A. Stevenson (trainer), Pat Gardner, Tom Callaghan, John McGarty, Bent Martin, Bert Paton, Roy Barry, Jim Thomson, John Lunn, Manager George Farm. Front row, Dr. J. C. Yellowley, Mr R. Torrie, Ian Lister, Willie Callaghan, Mr A. Watson (chairman), Hugh Robertson, Alex Edwards, Mr L. S. Jack, Mr J. McConville.

Bottom — 1961 — Left to right, back row, Cammy Fraser, Ronnie Mailer, Eddie Connachan, Jim Herriot, George Miller, John Sweeney, Willie Cunningham; Centre, Dan McLindon, George Peebles, Alex Smith, Dave Thomson, Charlie Dickson, Harry Melrose, Tommy McDonald, Jackie Williamson. Front row, Mr J. Stevenson (trainer), Mr L. S. Jack, Mr R. Torrie, Mr D. Thomson, (chairman), Mr A. Watson, Mr J. McConville, Manager Jock Stein.



