



*Rio Fergus McCann Celtic Supporters Club
 Newsletter No.04 2009/10*

Still no news from Smurftastic Jimmy Dunnet, Rotterdam's newest nightlife expert. So another week of VeePee nonsense.

1. THE FITBA

It all started very brightly with three good quality goals and little response from the sheep shaggers in the first half. As we all expected the team switched off and thoughts turned to Tuesday night's game. We seemed a little ponderous in the second half.

This allowed the sheep to get back into the game with a very well taken goal. There were a couple of scares but Celtic also came close at the other end. A deserved win and good to see no injuries although Sean did take a knock.

Two goals from McGeady and one for McDonald was more than enough for the three points.

2. THE RFMCSC / TIP

A decent turnout for the start of the SPL.

- Brucinho - Back with MaLu and a very early turn up for the treasurer. Must have been expecting loads of subs.
- Graeme - Another early starter but had a quiet game in the Chelsea Lounge.
- Drew - Looked rough. Was rough.
- Fidel - Rumoured to be window shopping in Rotterdam.
- Flavio - Working man Flavio brought his dad along for the Jamesons.
- Mariana - Summery dress and ice cream? But its still winter.
- Padraig - A late late show from the Corkonian. But the game was quite flawless after some early panicking.
- John - We are sailing.... Stormy waters?
- Semples - Couldn't manage two-in-a-row , even Strachan did that.
- Chris Dean - Fresh as a daisy after a night at the erm cinema, wasn't it Chris?
- Visitors - Denny arrived on Friday with two sets of strips for the Rio Celtic Bhoys. Fantastic work Denny. And the man drank pints from 9am to 4am on Sunday morning. What's Serbo Croat for stamina? Davie also turned up to watch the game. See the website for the fantastic effort Davie made in getting 50 Celtic tops to poor kids in Fortaleza. Pity he missed Erico by a week.

3. NEXT MATCH

Tuesday afternoon sees the final CL qualifying round first leg match against Arsenal. It'll be on live at 3.45pm in the TIP with a few lads managing to get away from work early. If possible we will show a delayed live transmission of the game at 7pm. Call the TIP or VeePee for confirmation if required.

Saturday we're back to SPL duty with a home game against St Johnstone. It's a Saturday 11am kick off for the TIP so a bit of a lie in for you Paddy. Hoping that the good turn outs will continue lads.

4. THE PLAYERS.

- Boruc 7 Good enough game, certainly not at fault for the goal
- Hinkel 6 Couple of scary moments from the German
- Loovens 6 Came off early for some reason
- ODea 7 Looked good with little to do
- Fox 7 Decent left back and getting better



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| Maloney | 7 | Good attacking game from Shaun although he took a knock |
| NGuemo | 8 | Very comfortable on the ball, looks like a good purchase |
| Donati | 6 | Seems to be more confident since BTM arrived |
| McGeady | 8 | Two well-taken goals, looking hungry again |
| McDonald | 7 | Quiet game but a great goal |
| Fortune | 6 | Good holding the ball and passing but needs a goal |
| Brown | 6 | Came on for Loovens – should play Tuesday |
| Samaras | 5 | Came on for McDonald – good work rate |
| Killen | 5 | Came on for Fortune – had a good chance too |

5. FUNDRAISING

Denny arrived with a huge holdall full of kit for the Rio Celtic Bhoys. A big thank you to the guys at Blackburn United and Denny for the kind donation. There were a few more subscriptions paid, thanks lads, and Chris won the 50:50 draw, the club banked R\$85.

The snowball returned from its summer holidays. Still no winner, R\$75 raised.

6. RIO CELTIC BHOYS TEAMS NEWS

The teams were playing on Saturday and we're still waiting for Gerson's report. As stated before we now have 5 teams and four of them are doing well after two rounds. We will attend the games on Saturday 29th in Santa Margarida. It's a 9am start and transport is available if you're interested.

7. OTHER NEWS

The annual club subs are well overdue but we are still waiting for a few of our members to renew their subs. Its only R\$75 and the money will go to some good causes. The status of membership of the RFMCSC is not to be missed out on! Foreign-based Tims are welcome to join at 25 quid a go.

We have received some more donations (fantastic stuff) and the CSC fund is looking very healthy. We do need another kit for the 11 year old team and we expect to resolve this situation soon. We will be in consultation with Gerson and handover Denny's kit later this month. The story will go on the website.

A barbecue was held at my place after the game on Saturday. Thanks to those that came along, sorry it was such short notice. It's a great thing to be able to meet so many fans passing through Rio, and the bbq was a chance to get to know some of them better. Denny and Davie have both made big contributions to the Celtic family in Brasil through helping poor kids with football kit. Davie's story is on the website and Denny's will be once we've handed over the kit to the bhoys.

We will have another RFMCSC race night next month. The Rolinson Condo is available again, or if anyone has other options on where to hold this event please put forward your suggestions ASAP. The last race night raised almost R\$1000 and was a lot of fun. We do need more participants and tickets will go on sale soon. All suggestions welcome.

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Match Schedule for the Rio Celtic Bhoys in the Copa Da Paz 2009

Campo Grande, RJ

Kick-off time is 9am and finishes around 2pm but we don't have the locations of the away games. Home matches will be played at the Santa Margarida pitches. Corresponding Celtic games in brackets – dates may change due to TV scheduling. There are five age groups taking part in the tournament.

- TABELA DE JOGOS DO 1° TURNO

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| <u>1° RODADA: 01/08/09</u> | KOMOS X CELTIC |
| <u>2° RODADA: 08/08/09</u> | CRUZADINHO X CELTIC (Man Citeh friendly) |
| <u>3° RODADA: 15/08/09</u> | BELA VISTA X CELTIC (Aberdeen away) |
| <u>4° RODADA: 22/08/09 FAUGA</u> | |
| <u>5° RODADA: 29/08/09</u> | CELTIC X BOTAFOGUINHO (Sunday game) |
| <u>6° RODADA: 05/09/09</u> | IMPERIAL X CELTIC (International week) |
| <u>7° RODADA: 12/09/09</u> | CELTIC X ZEBRA (Dundee Utd home) |

- TABELA DE JOGOS 2° TURNO

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| <u>1° RODADA: 19/09/09</u> | CELTIC X KOMOS (Hearts home) |
| <u>2° RODADA: 26/09/09</u> | CELTIC X CRUZADINHO (St Mirren away) |
| <u>3° RODADA: 03/10/09</u> | CELTIC X BELA VISTA (Huns, piggery) |
| <u>4° RODADA: 10/10/09</u> | |
| <u>5° RODADA: 17/10/09</u> | BOTAFOGUINHO X CELTIC (Murderwell home) |
| <u>6° RODADA: 24/10/09</u> | CELTIC X IMPERIAL (Hamilton away) |
| <u>7° RODADA: 31/10/09</u> | ZEBRA X CELTIC (Killie home) |