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| Pat Bonner | 14-May-78 | Free | Free Agent | Jock Stein | GK | 17/3/79 -v- Motherwell | 24/05/60 | July '97 / 35 | Roses Rovers, Keadue Rovers | Previous season made no competitive appearance but was mainly GK Coach with occasional outings for the Reserves and Bench senior keeper. Retired from international football after the Euro Championship in England. He made no competitive appearances this season and spent the time as GK coach and helping coach the Reserves. Subsequently when finally out of contract 10/10/98 he left to join Tommy Burns at Reading on a free where he played for reserves and was listed as Asst Mangr to Tommy Burns. Was recently (2/02) connected w TB as Asst. Mngnr. If Burns had taken the managership at Kilmarnock again. And even more recently as R. o. l. coach following McCarthy's demise. Celtic Appearances 632, Eire 80. |
| Gordon Marshall | 12-Aug-91 | £270k | Falkirk | Liam Brady | GK | 23/11/91 -v- Airdrie | 19/04/64 | July '98 / 32 | Rangers Boys Club, East Stirling, East Fife | A very good previous season when he had been No1 GK all season. At the start of 96/97 he signed a new contract keeping him at the club to 5/98. Lost his place to Stewart Kerr after the Motherwell game on the 12/10/96 and this proved to be the start of the exit for Chunky. Regained the starting GK spot later in the season when Kerr dislocated a finger in training. Had an op. for varicose veins immediately after the end of the season. He saw out half the next season with Jansen, hardly playing with the arrival of Jonathon Gould before departing on loan to St Mirren then to Kilmarnock. |
| Stewart Kerr | 27-May-93 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Graduated to First Team | GK | 12/10/96 -v- Motherwell | 13/11/74 | July '97 then June '01 / 22 | Mill Utd Boys Club; Hibs S-Former | Was first team GK selection for most of the season after Marshall was sent off and injured against Motherwell; started new contract talks in November and signed a new contract 3/1/97 to keep him at the club till 6/01. Lost out at the end of the season after dislocating a finger during training. This was his season really as following this Jansen bought Gould who went on to occupy the No. 1 GK position. Became the second longest serving player after Tom Boyd content to sit on the bench finally leaving 23/8/01 for Wigan. Has now retired after suffering a back injury. |
| Tom Boyd | 06-Feb-92 | £250k / swap for Tony Casciarino | Chelsea | Liam Brady | Defender | 8/2/92 -v- Airdrie | 24/11/65 | Jun '01 / 31 | Motherwell | 96/97 proved to be the season for Tom Boyd; Finally signed a new 5-year deal thru to 6/01 after speculation that he might follow Collins away and links to Middlesbrough and Real Zaragoza; played in the previous summer Euro Championship games in England; He played regularly and was a major part of the team and kept his head down out of the spotlight. Promoted to club captain following the retirement of Paul McStay on 1/5/97. |
| Jackie McNamara | 04-Oct-95 | £500k | Dunfermline | Tommy Burns | R Back / Wingback / Midfield | 4/10/95 -v- Falkirk | 24/10/73 | Jun '00 / 23 | Gairdoch United | His second season for the Hoops after being acquired by Burns from Dunfermline. Previous season had been an excellent start for McNamara and he won the SPFA Young Player Award. Called up for his debut in Scotland senior squad this season. A good season for Jackie in a right-sided midfield / wing-back role and was pretty much the first pick after Boyd. |
| Tosh McKinlay | 02-Nov-94 | £350k | Hearts | Tommy Burns | Left Back | 5/11/94 -v- Dundee Utd. | 03/12/64 | July '97 / 32 | Dundee | Previously w Dundee; bought from Hearts after selling McKinlay the previous day to Hibs; the previous season had been an excellent one for Tosh winning high praise for his team performances and delivery of crosses and a Senior Scotland call-up. Required a cartilage op in mid September. Out of contract at the end of the season and offered nothing by January he was open to any offers from abroad and south of the border. Talks started on a new contract in March but by the end of the season he was looking at monthly deals. All in all had a pretty reasonable season being a pretty regular pick for the left side defense position; his discipline was a little lax but he gave everything in the games and his record looks poorer because of a red received after the game had finished at Pittodrie on 10/8. |
| Maliky MacKay | 06-Aug-93 | Free | Queens Park | Liam Brady | Centre Half | 13/5/95 -v- Dundee Utd | 19/02/72 | July '97 / 24 | None | The previous season saw Maliky mostly playing for the Reserves as captain after Barry Smith left. He was seen as on the verge of the first team. With John Hughes departure became a more regular and respected player. Out of contract at the end of the season reports linking him to teams down south, France and Germany (Werder Bremen & Freiburg) to the tune of £300k started to appear in late February. Talks started on a new contract in March when there were 5 teams interested in him. There was always a certain roughness about his play, witness his disciplinary record but he did a reasonable though error-strewn job and eventually left for Norwich in 98/99 season where he has proved to be the mature centre half bringing on the young ones. |
| Alan Stubbs | 10-May-96 | £3.5 mill | Bolton Wanderers | Tommy Burns | Centre Half | 10/8/96 -v- Aberdeen | 06/10/71 | Jun '01 / 25 | None | Was actually signed at the death of the previous season but his registration came into effect from 1/7/96. Wanted by Arsenal, Man Utd and Blackburn but a better deal from Celtic. Signed on a 5-year deal 3.5mill to Bolton. 2mill to Stubbs over the length of the contract - the most expensive Club signing to date. One England B cap. His signing was subject to a FIFA investigation as the agent used was unlicensed (though part of a Licensed Sporting management group). Following an investigation the Club were fined £42k (cut to £22k) and the player £28k (cut to £18k). McCann appealed to FIFA (hence reduction), paid the fine and then tried to pass half the fine onto the agent who was Bruce Rioch's (then manager at Bolton) brother Neil. Made his debut against Aberdeen conceding a penalty and getting sent off in the same game. Had a cartilage op. Immediately after the end of the season. Much heralded arrival to strengthen the back but admitted he'd had a "dog" of a season. |

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| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Pat Bonner | |
| 11 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | Gordon Marshall | 0.28 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | Stewart Kerr | 0.03 |
| 31 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 1 | Tom Boyd | 0.21 |
| 30 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 40 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 2 | Jackie McNamara | 0.17 |
| 24 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 1 | Tosh McKinlay | 0.27 |
| 18 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 24 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | Malik MacKay | 0.41 |
| 20 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 2 | Alan Stubbs | 0.38 |



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| John Hughes | 07-Aug-95 | £380k | Falkirk | Tommy Burns | Central Defender | 19/8/95 -v- Ayr Utd. | 09/09/64 | July '97 / 32 | Newtongrange Star, Berwick Rangers, Swansea | Originally from Leith. Second season at the club. Acquired from Falkirk to replace Brian O'Neil who was a long-term injury at the time and did very well the previous season. With the acquisition of Stubbs in the closed season it was always likely that he would be sold. Was transferred this season on 9/1/96 by Burns to his beloved Hibernian for £250k. He went on to captain titles before being transferred to Ayr Utd. 15/7/00 again as captain. Remained there for Falkirk last season and now back playing for Falkirk as co-player/manager. |
| Enrico Annoni | 20-Feb-97 | £300k | AS Roma | Tommy Burns | R Back | 1/3/97 -v- Hearts | 10/07/66 | Jun '99 / 30 | Torino, Como, Sambenedettese, Seregno | Signed by Tommy Burns to strengthen the defense.; negotiations took the best part of a month starting first in mid-January but this reduced the signing fee for an out of contract at end of season player from £1 mill to £300k but on inflated wages; contract to 6/99; not an automatic start later but a reasonable squad player; carried on in the squad under Jansen, Vengjios and choosing to retire to Italy finally when Barnes arrived. Always pulled out his best against Rangers particularly against Laudrup. |
| Brian O'Neil | 02-Nov-89 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Graduated to First Team | Defender / Midfield | 4/8/91 -v- Tottenham Hotspur | 06/09/72 | July '98 / 24 | Old Kilpatrick | Had spent a great deal of the last season out recovering from cruciate surgery. When he came back he did not look match fit and was dropped to get back his fitness. Still looked half the player he might have been when played this season. Loaned to Forest 18/3/97 for 1 month as unable to get into the first team and get match fit; Sold to Aberdeen 1/7/97 for £750k. |
| Stuart Gray | 07-Jul-92 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Graduated to First Team | L Midfield | 1/5/93 -v- Aberdeen | 18/12/73 | July '97 / 23 | None | Previous season had won starting places in the first team towards the end of the season and picked up ankle ligament injury 95/96 playing for Scotland U21's. At start of 96/97 went down with a knee complaint which kept him out for a while. Most of the season played Reserve football with first team outings where he didn't really impress; out of contract at the end of the season, subsequently loan period 17/10/97 - 18/1/98 w Morton before being sold by Jansen on 26/3/98 to join Tommy Burns at Reading for £100k. |
| Phil O'Donnell | 09-Sep-94 | £1.75 mill | Motherwell | Tommy Burns | L Wing / Midfield | 10/9/94 -v- Partick Thistle | 25/03/72 | July '00 / 24 | None | The previous season had been broken by injury and between seasons he worked on a special fitness routine. Burns saw him as the potential replacement on the left of midfield of Collins. The routine didn't work. Injured for long periods at Celtic - 96/97 was no different; however he also picked up a couple of MOTM awards too; generally seen as an under-performer; subsequently left when out of contract and went on a free to Sheffield Wednesday |
| Peter Grant | 27-Jul-82 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Graduated to First Team | Midfield | 21/4/84 -v- Rangers | 30/08/65 | July '97 / 31 | None | Previous season had done well and Burns liked his inclusion as the talisman and fighter in the midfield. This was his Testimonial year with a game against Bayern Munich on 22/1/97. Like McSaty a one-club man to this point. Was the subject of enquiries from Mark McGee at Wolves in late '96. Talks started on a new contract in March but never looked like being settled again after the end-of-season rumour. Never the greatest or most exciting player but one who wore his Celtic heart on his sleeve and gave everything for the Club. Effectively this was his last season before departing to Norwich for £200k on 22/8/97 and then onward to link up again with Tommy Burns at Reading a season later. |
| Morten Wieghorst | 08-Dec-95 | £600k | Dundee | Tommy Burns | Midfield | 9/12/95 -v- Hibernian | 25/02/71 | July '98 / 25 | Lygby | His second season with the team and gradually becoming a respected member of the midfield. Previous season had seen him used sparingly and predominantly as a defensive midfielder but his passing ability gave an extra dimension to the play. Acquired a sort of Super-Sub tag but also seen at the same time by the fans as inadequate. By January there was talk of swapping him for Darren Jackson at Hibs - pure media speculation. Suffered a cartilage injury in mid-January requiring an op. which kept him out for a month and longer, never really coming back from this. |
| Chris Hay | 27-May-93 | Free | Giffnock North AFC | Graduated to First Team | Forward / Midfield | 7/5/94 -v- Partick Thistle | 28/08/74 | July '97 / 22 | None | Predominantly a reserve striker whilst at the Club; was injured at the start of the season and underwent an op for a hernia; given another 1 year contract. Talks started on a new contract in March but he was likely to be sold. Sold to Swindon on Macari recommendation by Jansen for £330k on 5/8/97. |
| David Hannah | 27-Dec-96 | £650k | Dundee Utd. | Tommy Burns | Midfield | 28/12/96 -v- Dunfermline | 08/08/73 | July '01 / 23 | Hamilton Thistle | Airdrie born; Acquired from Dundee Utd. mid-way thru the season by Tommy Burns to provide midfield depth and cover. Was out of contract at Dundee Utd. in dispute with the club and available which about sums up his signing. Fitted in well into the team and became a regular. Unfancied by Jansen who saw his lack of ability immediately the following season and played far less. Eventually returned to Dundee Utd. 5/2/99 for £500k. |
| Paul McStay | 20-Feb-81 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Graduated to First Team | Midfield | 23/1/82 -v- Queen of the South | 22/10/64 | Jun '97 / 32 | None | Was in the final year of his contract with the Club; had surgery in the previous close season and took another ankle knock on the pre-season tour of Holland; the season was injury plagued. Talks started on a new contract in March and broke down at the end with McStay going public saying he'd been offered half his salary on a pay-per-play deal. This was his last season before retiring on 16/5/97 due to the wear and tear of injury - an ankle injury (stress fracture) finally putting pay to continuing playings. Thought there was talk of him moving to coach the youths he eventually moved away to take his badges at Largs. 671 appearances, 6 subs, 72 goals - A one-club man and a Celtic legend. Scottish POTY 1988; Awarded an MBE in the '97 New Years Honours list. |

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| 5 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | John Hughes  | 0.73 |
| 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | Enrico Annoni  | 0.60 |
| 15 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | Brian O'Neill  | 0.15 |
| 7 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Stuart Gray | 0.00 |
| 19 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 3 | Phil O'Donnell | 0.12 |
| 21 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | Peter Grant | 0.28 |
| 11 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Morten Wieghorst | 0.00 |
| 4 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | Chris Hay | 0.06 |
| 14 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | David Hannah  | 0.13 |
| 14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 4 | Paul McStay  | 0.10 |



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| Brian McLaughlin | 07-Jul-92 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Liam Brady | R Wing / Midfield | 6/11/93 -v- Partick Thistle | 14/05/74 | Jun '99 / 22 | None | The previous season he had found it harder to get into the first team particularly with Donnelly dropping back to a right midfield role; when out of contract was linked to Hibs but signed a new 3 year deal to £99 on 21/7/96; Played Senior and Reserve team football through the season but clearly was not up to the standard that was going to be required; was loaned to Airdrie for a time post 96/97. Subsequently went on a free to Wigan and then onto Ayr. Utd and is now with Queen of the South where he thrives. |
| Simon Donnelly | 27-May-93 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Graduated to First Team | Striker / Midfield | 19/3/94 -v- Hibernian | 01/12/74 | July '00 / 22 | Clyde Boys Club, Queens Park (as amateur). | Previous season he'd made a comeback from the out-and-out striker to be used as an attacking right-sided midfielder and built a good partnership with McNamara. Won several MottM awards and Burns hoped he would do better this season. Not fully used in 96/97; subsequently went on a Bosman to Sheffield Wednesday with PoD when out of contract. |
| Andreas Thom | 28-Jul-95 | £2.2 mill | Bayer Leverkusen | Tommy Burns | Midfield | 19/8/95 -v- Ayr Utd | 07/09/65 | July '98 / 31 | TSG Herzfelde, Dynamo (Hertha) Berlin | Bought the previous season and had a very good previous season; was generally the factor that got the team ahead as far as it did, his goals and craft added. Burns started to push him in a midfield role as the season came to an end and it was thought that this is where he would start 96/97. He provided the maturity up front and in the midfield with McStay but was not an automatic choice on the team sheet. In fact by January there were rumours that Burns was looking to sell him. A possible move to Karlsruhe fell thru and he was allegedly told he could move at the end of the season if he found a club. Hertha Berlin then made a sustained bid for the player which came to nothing and was thought to be off anyway. Saw out 1/2 the next season with Celtic being under-utilised by Jansen before going back to Germany and Hertha Berlin his original club for £275k. |
| Pierre van Hoojdonk | 11-Jan-95 | £1.25 mill | NAC Breda | Tommy Burns | Striker | -v- Hearts | 29/11/69 | July '98 / 27 | Steenbergen, RBC Roosendaal | Excellent previous season scoring 32 goals. First linked with leaving stories before the start of the season firstly to Feyenoord. The Club attempted to restructure his wages through a contract extension at the start of pre-season. Was dropped prior to first OF game 28/9 due to increasing difficulties with both the Club and TB. 2/2 went to the papers again and stated he would only see out his contract; offered £7k/wk (double what he was on on arrival) but said this was more suited to the homeless. Linked to West Ham in January and then to Nott. Forest in Feb. Sold 10/3/97 for £3 mill to Nott. Forest. Great player in his time at the club but always a chancer and the first of the Trex Amigos w Cadete and di Canio. A goal poacher asked to do a variety of roles in this his final season which he became fed up with it. Fell out with Tommy Burns and Fergus and the management over money. |
| Tommy Johnson | 27-Mar-97 | £2.4 million | Aston Villa | Tommy Burns | Striker | 5/4/97 -v- Raith Rovers | 15/01/71 | Jun '01 / 25 | Notts County, Derby County | Signed as a back-up striker by Tommy Burns - his last signing - in the latter part of the season for £2.4 million from Aston Villa on a 4 1/2 year deal. Signed to offset the loss of van Hoojdonk. Only got a limited look-in at the end of the season but looked to be effective and much was expected of him for the next season. |
| Jorge Cadete | 24-Feb-96 30-Mar-96 | £880k (buying out contract) | Sporting Lisbon | Tommy Burns | Striker | 1/4/96 -v- Aberdeen | 27/08/68 | July '99 / 28 | Vitoria Setubal; Brescia (on loan) | Signed the previous season. 96/97 was his best season. At the start it was rumoured he was not coming back and was fighting for the custody of his child in Portugal. This was sorted and he duly appeared. Then it was stated that he wanted more money - agent talk - this too was settled. Allegedly the centre of a £4million bid from Leeds in January. Again rumoured to be off 3/97 which was discounted by the player but the Club went on record as stating they were prepared to offer him a better deal. He threatened to sue McCann over his contract at the end of the season claiming he paid £400k to buy out his contract at Sporting. Denied by the club with proof. He threw a robbard and refused to return to Scotland at the start of 97-98 - the first of many Jock Brown handled crises. He claimed mental breakdown etc and his wife's inability to settle in Scotland. Eventually sold to Colta Vigo. Great player but many "personal problems". |
| Paolo di Canio | 31-May-96 | £3 mill (£500k to AC Milan - the rest to Paolo over contracted time) | AC Milan | Tommy Burns | Striker | 20/8/96 -v- Kilmac | 09/07/68 | July '00 / 27 | Lazio, Ternana, Juventus, Napoli | New acquisition at the start of the season by Tommy Burns and the only full season he played. Superbly artful with a temper to match. Picked up SPFA POTY Award this season and following the loss to Falkirk in the SC semi started talking about "a leetle problem" with his contract at the award. Was suspended for the final 2 weeks of the season by the Club. Threatened to sue McCann over the contract at the end of the season. A great player for the Hoops who gave everything - sometimes too much to the point of getting sent off - who also fell foul of The Burnist or Jock Brown depending on where you stand. Definitely fell foul of the "massonic refereeing conspiracy". Of whom Fergus said "We don't want a player we can't control". Was sold on 7/8/97 by Jansen to Sheffield Wednesday for £3 mill plus Regl Blinker |
| Paddy Kelly | 01-Aug-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | R Back / Defender | Testimon. 26/11/96 -v- Bayern Munich Full 10/5/97 -v- Dundee Utd. | 26/04/78 | July '97 / 19 | None | From Kirkcaldy, previous season had continued captaining the U18 side with outings into the Reserves. This season he played Reserve football before being drafted into the senior squad; mostly played as a sweeper; never really given much chance in the seniors and the following season under Jansen was off on a free to Kevin Keegan and Newcastle. Joined Partick Thistle but presently untracked. |
| Marc Anthony | 25-Jul-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Liam Brady | Striker | 13/8/96 -v- Clyde | 28/03/78 | Jun '97 / 18 | None | Another youngster given a try out in the seniors but mostly a Reserve team man. The previous season he had scored a stack of goals with the U18's and stepped up to the Reserves this season. Won his senior debut against Clyde at the start of the season. Capped at U21 level for Scotland this season. Required a hernia operation 7/11/96 and this kept him out for quite a time. Subsequently with the arrival of Jansen was on month to month contracts 97-98; returned after loan period to Tranmere Rovers and Clydebank 1/12/98 - 1/5/99. Went to Berwick Rangers on a free 28/7/99 and used as a midfielder at Berwick Rangers. Now with Forfar. |
| John Paul McBride | 01-Aug-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Liam Brady | Midfield | 17/8/96 -v- Raith Rovers | 28/11/78 | July '97 / 18 | None | Ended the previous season in the U18's and out with knee-ligament damage; Debut season this season whilst still 17 in the senior squad against Raith Rovers; played as link between midfield and strikers for the Reserves. Played for Scotland U18 squad this season. Played across all 3 teams ie Youth, Reserve and Senior squads; Subsequently played for Scotland at U21 level; saw out Jansen before departing to St. Johnstone. |

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| 8 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 16 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | Brian McLaughlin | 0.00 |
| 20 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 24 | 12 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | Simon Donnelly | 0.11 |
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| 30 | 1 | 25 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 42 | 1 | 33 | 8 | 2 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 4 | Jorge Cadete  | 0.07 |
| 25 | 1 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 35 | 2 | 15 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 13 | Paolo di Canio  | 0.35 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | Paddy Kelly  | 0.00 |
| 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Marc Anthony | 0.00 |
| 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | John Paul McBride | 0.00 |



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| Barry Elliot | 01-Aug-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Winger | 2/11/96 -v- Aberdeen | 24/10/78 | July '97 / 18 | None | From Carlisle; Predominantly U18 Team Player 95-96 - occasionally with the Reserves; Like McBride played across all three teams in Youth, Reserve and Senior games; another youngster with a debut season; drafted into the seniors and given 1 second half sub appearance; played most of the season in the Reserve team; played in Scotland U18 squad this season; Went on a free to Dundee after seeing out Jansen, Venglos and Barnes; |

Trialists

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| Jorge Amaral | 14-Oct-96 | Trialist | Free Agent | Not Signed | Midfield | 26/11/96 -v- Barcelona (Friendly) | 01/10/70 | / 26 | Felgeiras, Sporting Lisbon, Benfica. | Born in Mozambique; Portuguese; 8 years w Sporting Lisbon and then Benfica, though his last club was with Felgeiras and out of contract; despite the agent claiming he had 34 Portuguese senior caps, these were all in fact for youth sides; friend of Cadele's and the same agent and rated at £2million; was on trial with Leeds and failed to secure a place there; Came on trial in October pretty much for a month. Picked up a hamstring strain in training and returned to Portugal before reappearing and playing in the Barca friendly; he returned to Portugal after the game, Burns deciding he was no better than what he already had to work with; after a Reserve game against Hearts in early December; left not signed. Subsequently in 98/99 was playing for Belenenses in January '97, then Vittoria Setubal and CD Santa Clara in 99/00 |
| Gulseppe Fornaciari | 20-Nov-96 | Trialist | Free Agent | Not Signed | Defender | ? | 27/07/67 | / 28 | Foggia, Avellino | Known to Paolo di Canio; invited for 2 week trial in November; previously with Foggia for 2 years before dropping down to Serie B club of Naples, Avellino in '94; out of contract with them and a potential Bosman. Left after a Reserve game against Hearts in early December; Subsequently was playing for the side SPAL Ferrara in January '97 and Corsican side Puteo (Pozzo) in 02/03. |

Reserves, U18's, S-Forms etc.

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| Mark Bennett | S-Form pre 95/96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Midfield | ? | / 80 | / 16 | ? | Mentioned as a Celtic S-Former selected for the Scotland U16 squad this season. No information other than he played for the CBC U15 the previous season. | |
| Paul Borland | 12-Jul-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Left Defender / Midfield | ? | 28/07/79 | July '97 / 17 | Pollok Utd. | previous season had been curtailed thru tonsillitis; Youth & Reserve team 96/97; contracted appendicitis in December following time out with a thigh strain; released 21/6/99, signed for Queens Park as a part-timer 28/8/99; recently left to pursue career and play Junior football. | |
| Declan Boyle | ★ | £55k | Sligo Rovers | Tommy Burns | Defender | Friendly 26/5/96 -v- Rep of Ireland Mick McCarthy Testimonial | 12/02/74 | July '97 / 22 | St Catherine's, Finn Harps | Donegal born; won Republic Of Ireland Schoolboy caps and FAI schoolboy of the year award in 1992; Previous season had played the entire season with an outing to Mick McCarthy's Testimonial; 96/97 continued with Reserve team but appeared to win less starting slots and by earlier February he decided to accept a contract from Derry City and return to Ulster; was captain of Reserves before his release on 5/2/97 and joined Derry City; Reserve App: 42 + 3sub; presently either w Omagh Town. Was previously with Finn Harps. | |
| Mark Burchill | ★ | S-Form 94/95 Pro 3/7/97 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Striker | 19/8/98 -v- Airdrie? | 18/08/80 | / 16 | None | Previous season had been part of the elite U15/U16 set-up; Scotland U16 this season; Commonly reserve in Youth team player 96/97; first start 20/3/97 v Rangers and 6/4/97 scored a hatrick followed by another the following week in the Glasgow Youths Cup and a third in the Final against Partick giving the Bhoys the Cup; given more starts as every one moved up with injury to senior squad; Scotland U16 Int. 6/3/97 scored 3 in a 5 - 1 win; subsequently became fairly regular first team member; not fancied by MON. On loan to Ipswich Town after a loan spell at Birmingham during 90-01 season. 17 starts, 33 sub appearances giving 20 League goals. 24/8/01 moved with the arrival of Hartson and unlikelihood of holding a first team place. Now at Dundee. |
| Mark Coccozza | ★ | S-Former pre 95/96 Pro 3/7/97 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Left side defender | didn't make first team debut | 08/01/81 | / 15 | St Johnstone Boys Club | Previous season had been part of the elite U15/U16 set up; started to get some U18 games this season; Scotland U16 this season; moved on 7/11/01 when offered a short contract by Dundee Utd. Previously w St Johnstone Boys Club; capped by Scotland at every level from U15 - U19. Now plays for Forth. |
| John Convery | ★ | 28-Mar-97 | Free | Glenavon | Tommy Burns | Defender | 21/5/00 -v- Dundee Utd. | 01/04/80 | Jun '99 / 16 | St Johnstone Boys Club | From Portlerry, Co. Down; Signed aged 17 after being watched by scouts in Ireland and went straight into the Youth team and Reserves. Initially given a 2 year contract. In 01/02 a serious knee injury has kept him sidelined for 6 months; still well short of making a reappearance. Not sure of his future. Signed to Falkirk till the end of the season 22/2/02. 20/5/02 joined Portadown. |
| Barry John Corr | ★ | S-Form signing 94/95 Pro 3/7/97 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | GK | 14/4/99 -v- Hearts | 13/01/81 | / 15 | None | Previous season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squads; Scotland U16 this season; Youth GK debut on 29/4/97; presently still with U21 setup but unseen for a long time due to a serious back injury. |
| Marty Coughlin | ★ | 13-Jul-94 | Free | La Jolla Surf & Nomads, USA. | Lou Macari | Midfield | ? | / 77 | July '97 / 18 | San Diego Soccer Club | Was released at the end of the previous season but still had a year on his contract; he had played Reserve team football all the previous season with no chance of making the first team squad; After being released in '97 returned to San Diego area and is now a U11 youth team coach with Panasquitos Youth Soccer Assoc. San Diego S. California. |
| Stephen Crainey | ★ | S-Former pre 95/96 3/7/97 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | LS midfield / defender | 11/10/00 -v- Hearts | 22/06/81 | / 15 | None | Previous season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squads; Made his Youth team debut on 20/4/97; and got a few U18 games this season; still with the club; 01/02 signed a new 4-year contract. |
| Gerry Crossley | ★ | 01-Aug-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Forward / Midfield | Friendly 26/5/96 -v- Rep of Ireland Mick McCarthy Testimonial | 05/02/80 | July '98 / 16 | None | From Belfast; U18 and Reserve player the previous season; signed a new Pro deal this season and continued the same way but regularly being included in the Reserve team squad; 6 Rep. Of Ireland U16 app., & U18 app.; released fr contract 21/6/99; trial w Galway Utd and Derby Co.; linked w Reading; was at Hamilton Accies from 14/10/99; now playing for Cliftonville. |

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| Craig Culkin | S-Form 2/93 Pro 7/7/95 | Free | Jersey youth team | Liam Brady | Midfield | Didn't make first team debut | 31/01/79 | July '97 / 17 | None | Jersey lad; Taken on full time the previous season and had played mainly U18 football with occ. Reserve team appearances; This season was injured from October onwards and subject to specialist after a hernia injury proved difficult to correct; He saw a specialist but exact nature was difficult to treat; was released in August 98 and went to study Sports Science at Liverpool University; had a trial at non-League Atrincham whilst at University; now back in Jersey and still playing football for the island in 2001 anyway. |
| Peter Davis | At least S-Form 95/96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | GK | ? | / /80 | July '96 / 16 | ? | GK frm Ireland. U18 Team Player 95/96; in competition with McCondiche for starts but younger than him. A shoulder injury kept him out at the beginning of the season. He required a cartilage op in October but came back to hold the U18 GK spot with Jim Gallagher III Barry John Corr started to challenge both. Position on his contract is not clear. |
| John Paul Dow | ★ 01-Aug-96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns or Lou Macari | Striker | ? | / /80 | July '98 / 16 | ? | Attended St Stephen's School, Greenock. Playing for U15/U16 elite squad all previous season. 13 Scotland Schoolboy app.; had come thru from very successful CBC U14 and U15 teams; CBC U14 PotY '95; CBC U15 PotY '96; Youth & Reserve team this season but gradually tailed off in his appearances and performance to the end of the season - partly with the rise of Burchill?; 13 Scotland Schoolboy app. at start of season; released from the Club and now playing for Greenock Juniors. |
| Eamonn Duggan | S-Form 93/94 pre December Pro 1/8/96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Lou Macari | Left Midfield | Didn't make first team debut | / /80 | July '98 / 16 | Hillwood Boys Club | From Rutherglen. Youth & Reserve team; 7 Scotland Schoolboy app.; played U15 and U16 CBC season 94/95; previous season he played with the elite U15/U16 and made the U18's as well; this season played steadily for the U18's with occasional reserve squad inclusions; Was released from the Club 7/99; was a trialist at Rotherham 3/9/99; Currently residing in East Kilbride and playing Junior team football. |
| Paddy Fitzpatrick | X-Form 95/96? | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Forward | ? | / /80 | July '97 / 17 | ? | Originally from Wexford; Had already played for CBC U16 in 92/93; won BotY award '92; Previous season was taken on as a pro at some point though it appears that he still played most of his football in Ireland, called up to the Republic of Ireland U16. This season primarily U18 player and occasionally Reserve squad; time out injured in March. |
| Jim Gallagher | 30-Jul-96 | Free | Glenlea Utd. | Tommy Burns | GK | didn't make first team debut | 13/02/80 | July '98 / 16 | ? | from Letterkenny; signed at the very end of the previous season; U18 Team; 6 Rep. of Ireland Schoolboy app.; Youth GK with Davis and Corr; somewhat an injury-prone year with shoulder and knee injuries was released 6/6/01 by Kenny McDowell and had a trial with QPR; present whereabouts unknown. |
| Kevin Gilligan | 07-Jul-95 | Free | Guernsey Rovers | Tommy Burns | Midfield | ? | / /79 | July '97 / 17 | ? | Previously with the U18's; from Guernsey; required a cartilage op in late October which was followed later by a second knee op; these kept him out until late April and curtailed his development as a player; comeback 20/4/97 and scored but suffered a reaction after the game. |
| Jim Goodwin | 25-Jan-97 | Free | Waterford Boys Club? | Tommy Burns | Defender | 21/5/00 -> Dundee Utd. | 20/11/81 | / 15 | Waterford Boys Club? | joined as a 15 y.o. Irish schoolboy international this season and spent the season with the U15/U16 elite; has subsequently played international football up to U21 level; out of contract 6/02; came on as sub and scored for Irish U21 -> Estonia 00/01; played pre-season in Ireland 01/02; Released from contract 17/3/02 and now with Stockport County. |
| Joe Hayes | S-Former pre 95/96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | ? | ? | ? | ? | ? | ? | S-Former went to China this season as part of a Glasgow City team. This season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squad. |
| Hunter | | | | | | | | | | U16 elite one appearance. |
| Kevin Joyce | 01-Aug-96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Forward | ? | / /80 | July '98 / 16 | | From Vale of Leven; Youth Team the previous season but not often seen; only had 2 starts the previous season. Signed as a Pro at the start of the season and on a 2 year contract. Played for the U18's throughout the season. |
| Scott Kellacher | S-Form 94/95 Pro 1/8/96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Midfield | ? | 05/12/80 | / 16 | ? | Previous season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squad. Scotland U16 squad this season; played with U16's all season; released 10/5/99; previous loan spell with Inverness Caledonian Thistle from 20/3/99; now plays regularly w Highland Leaguers Hain County |
| Liam Keogh | 30-Sep-96 | Free | Aberdeen Lads Club | Tommy Burns | Forward | ? | 06/09/81 | July '98 / 15 | None | Signed as a Youth after fending off interest from Arsenal and Chelsea; played in the Youth Initiative League (U15/U16); subsequently suffered injuries at crucial times; Was on loan from 9/3/01 to Forfar. Played U21 football season 01/02. Now with Inverness Caledonian Thistle. |
| Gerry Lyttle | X-Form 10/10/94 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Midfield | ? | ? | July '97? | ? | From Belfast; signed to the Groundstaff the previous season; Played U18 football all 95/96. Moved up to the Reserves in 96/97. U18 N. Ireland player. Now playing for Cliftonville. |
| Peter MacDonald | S-Form 93/94 season X-Form 1/6/94 Pro 1/8/95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Lou Macari | Right Back / Centre Half | ? | 14/08/77 | July '97 / 18 | ? | from Bishopbriggs; had started the season with a broken foot. Came back to be a mainstay U18 player with occasional Reserve appearances in 95/96. Moved up to the Reserves in 96/97. Time out with a hernia and knee ligament injury. Subsequently had a trial with Clydebank at the end of 98/99 season. |
| Kevin McBride | S-Former pre 95/96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | ? | ? | ? | ? | ? | S-Former at least this season; Previous season played with the elite U15/U16 squad but was absent from the end of the season - possibly injured. 1 appearance this season with the U18 squad. Still with the Club as an U21. |
| Ross McCabe | S-Former pre 95/96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | ? | ? | ? | ? | ? | S-Former at least this season; previous season played mostly with the CBC U15's but also with the U15/U16 elite squad; missing from team sheets at the end of 95/96. |
| McCallum | | | | | | | | | | 1 appearance in the U16 team and no other records. |
| Brian McColligan | Full Squad 03/07/97 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Def / Midfield | 21/5/00 -> Dundee Utd. | 31/10/80 | / 16 | ? | Previous season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squad. Scotland U16 this season; started to make U18 appearances this season; Scotland U16 6/3/97; Released 6/6/01; Arrival date is for main team signing. Made 1 first team appearance '92 - '90. Season '00 - '01, made nine U21 appearances, five from the bench, before spending a period on loan at Stenhousemuir. Released 6/6/01 and now plays for Queen of the South. |

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| Andy McCordiche | 09-Jun-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | GK | 7/11/98 -> Dundee | 21/08/77 | July '96 / 18 | Liverpool Boys Club, East Kilbride | U18 GK all the previous season; Stepped up to the Reserves this season. Started the season well but left out more and more and fighting with Marshall for a spot. loan spells with Hamilton and Airdrie whilst at the Club; poor when on loan to Hamilton; 1 appearance for the Shovs 1st appearance 20/8/99 to Raith 1 appearance for Raith; released 17/9/99 to Albion Rovers; released 15/10/99 to Clydebank 1 appearance for Clydebank; presently playing Junior football with Maryhill. |
| Jon Paul McGovern | S-Form 94/95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | R Wing / Wing Back | Friendly 13/5/02 -> Arsenal Tony Adams Testim. | / /80 | / /16 | ? | Season 94/95 was playing CBC U14. Previous season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squad and continued with them thru 96/97. Still with the Club. |
| Tim McGrath | S-Form 94/95; Pro 95/96 | Free | ? | Tommy Burns | Defender | ? | / /80 | / /16 | Wexford Celtic | Mentioned as already signed by March '95; from Ireland; Previous season started late but was then a main stream U16 player; called up to the Republic of Ireland U16 squad 95/96; This season was out in September and October with a stomach muscle strain and subsequently had stomach op. Jan '97; possibly now playing for Waterford Utd. |
| Charlie McGuinness | 01-Aug-95 | Free | St Columba's Boys Club | Liam Brady | Midfield | ? | / /79 | Jun '97 / 17 | ? | New S-Form signing playing with CBC U16 in 93/94; from Bellshill. Previously U18 Team Player all of 95/96; injured knee ligaments in the first friendly of the pre-season tour of the Reserves; subsequently required a knee op. 14/3/97 that kept him out of the U18's BP Cup semi Final. Youth & Reserve team. |
| Phil McKeown | 01-Aug-96 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Lou Macari | Defender | ? | / /80 | Jul '98 / 16 | ? | From Carrickfergus; 93/94 had played CBC U14. Played for N. Ireland Schoolboys at U16 level this season. CBC BotY at U14 '95. U18 Team Player 95/96 but very rare appearances; Signed as a Pro at the start of the season and played U18 football the whole of the season; 14 N. Ireland Schoolboy app.+1 N Ireland U16 app at start of season. |
| Tadg Moriarty | S-Form 94/95 3/97 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Def / Midfield | ? | 28/09/80 | / /16 | ? | Previous season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squad. Scotland U15 previous season. Came on as a Youth team sub for first appearance 20/4/97; Released 6/6/01. Joined Stirling Albion 2 weeks before the start of the 01 - 02 season. Now plays for Edinburgh City. |
| Graeme Morrison | 05-Jun-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Centre Back / Midfield | Didn't make first team debut | 29/10/76 | July '97 / 20 | Gairdoch Boys Club | Previous season had played in the Reserves and needed a cartilage op in February; Continued with the Reserve team this season; released 10/5/99 after being on loan to Dundalk; 1/8/99 signed for Morton till released 31/5/00; trial Partick 28/6/01; signed for Stirling Albion 1/8/01 and made captain; released by them 7/02. |
| Ryan Morrison | 18-Jul-95 | Free | Kings St. Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Midfield | ? | 14/08/79 | July '98 / 17 | ? | From Aberdeen; rare U18 Team Player 95/96 as he played most of the time in the NE.; had knee surgery summer '96; signed as a Pro at the start of the season but played hardly any football due to a cruciate injury and op; 3 Scotland Schoolboy apps.; released 1/7/98 and went on a free to Stirling Albion; whereabouts now not known |
| Steven Murray | S-Form 94/95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Central Midfield | ? | / /80? | / /16 | ? | 94/95 signed an S-Form. 95/96 season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squad. Won CBC U14 BotY in '96. This season he made 2 U18 appearances and it looked as though he played most of his football elsewhere. |
| Andy O'Brien | 01-Aug-95 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Left Midfield / Winger | ? | / /78 | July '97 / 18 | ? | 93/94 with CBC U16 and stepping up to U18 squad at times; signed X-Form and onto Groundstaff 94/95 season; from Ballyeaston and nearly signed by St. Johnstone; was an U17 Scotland trialist and already had U15 and U16 caps. U18 player all 95/96 season. This season moved up to the Reserves and played out the season with them. Out of contract at the end of the season. |
| John Potter | 01-Aug-96 | Free | High Valleyfield Boys Club | Tommy Burns | Central Defender | ? | 15/12/79 | Jul '98 / 16 | None | From Dunfermline; U16 & U18 Team 95/96; won CBC U15 BotY Award in '96; signed as a Pro this season and walked straight into a central defenders slot for the U18's; not only that but he was used in the Reserve team also pushing out Declan Boyle who decided to move on.; a very good first season with the club as a Pro.; released from contract 21/6/99; went to Dunfermline; 29/1/02 told to find a new club after suffering a shoulder injury for much of the time. 27/3/02 joins Clyde. |
| Kevin Queen | 21-Aug-96 | Free | Hearts on S Form | Tommy Burns | Forward | ? | / /78 | July '98 / 18 | Hearts | From Airdrie; Signed in August after playing with the U18's as a trialist since the pre-season tour; previously 4 years as an S-Former and X-Form with Hearts who released him; played Youth & Reserve Team - mostly U18 and towards the end of the season more as a sub; out injured in March. |
| Jamie Smith | S-Former pre 95/96 X-Form 2/97 Pro 1/8/98 | Free | Celtic Boys Club | Tommy Burns | LS/RS midfield / defender / striker | 26/8/98 -> Cwmbran Town | 20/11/80 | / /16 | Duntocher Boys Club | Previous season he played the beginning part with an elite semi-pro under 15 and U16 squad. Scotland U15 95/96. Won CBC U14 PotY in '96; 96/97 Scotland U16 squad; joined the Club full time sometime in February '97 and played for the U16 Youth Team; gradually got more games that season with injuries to the senior squad and players having to move up; still with Club; Young and keen LH sided player starting to be given a chance in the senior side with quite a few outings and subs. A definite for the future. Has not looked out of place whenever he has played for the senior side whether on the left or right. |
| Brian Vaugh | 11-Aug-95 | Free | Rosario Youth Club | Tommy Burns | Left Wing | ? | 22/08/78 | July '97 / 18 | Rosario Youth Club | U18 player all previous season; Reserve team this season; broke his leg in the Reserve game -> Rangers on 2/12/96; released 10/5/99; 23/7/99 was playing for Waterford Utd.; trial w Cambridge Utd. 8/9/99; 10/3/00 signed for Cowdenbeath; released 31/3/00; signed for Hamilton Accies 22/7/00 and released 18/7/01; thought to be playing non-League for Killybeg Rangers. |

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| Graeme Morrison | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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The Board and Backroom

An extremely interesting season which saw Burns finally resign after being offered the Head of Youth job as opposed to Manager. As the season gathered pace and the desire to stop IAR became more imperative it all started to fall apart with first PVH then CAdele and finally Di Canio all acting up. Meanwhile Macari -v- Celtic case started up, the SFA was attacked and particularly Farry, and Haughey was fired and Keane resigned. McStay retired and in the end a new beginning was needed the next season.

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| Fergus McCann | | Assumed the role of Managing Director following the demise of the club post 25/2/94, stepped in with his alternative consortia and basically saved the Club from the Bank using his own money; started to sort out the debt and removed the old Board though initially had to work with them and Dempsey. Started with 70% of the shares which he reduced to 50%. A tetchy year for Fergus with player disputes all season as well as run ins with the SFA and Macari. | | | | | | | | Tommy Burns | ★ | Appointed Manager on 17th July '94 on a 3-year contract so this was his last contracted year. Received a touchline ban and £2000 fine for touchline charges after Marindale reduced to 7 months on appeal; |
| Dominic Keane | ★ | Secretary and Non-Executive Director; On-board with Low, Dempsey and McCann at an early stage and given an immediate place on the Board. | | | | | | | | Billy Stark | ★ | Appointed as Assistant Manager to Burns on 22nd July, having turned down the manager's job at Kilmarnock; the ex-Celt was his Assistant at Kilmarnock. |
| Eric Riley | | Brought into the new Board as an executive Financial Director; previously had been divisional executive for Somerfield; Experience of raising capital and his job was to all finance related, including contracts, personnel and Human Resources. | | | | | | | | Willie McStay | | Ex-Celt came from being player/manager with Sligo Rovers to take up position as Youth Development Officer after Tommy Craig departed. Assistant Scotland U16 manager this season. |
| David Kells | | Appointed Commercial Director in March following a 3 month trial. Executive Director. Background was as Director with United Biscuits. Remit covered hospitality, catering, retail, ticketing and all revenue producing areas. | | | | | | | | Paul McStay | | Captain |
| Willie Haughey | ★ | 38 y.o. Glasgow businessman (property, building, leisure) appointed as non-Executive Director to the new Board. Aimed to liaise with supporters groups and previously aligned with Gerald Weisfeld. | | | | | | | | Tom McAdam | ★ | Reserve Team Coach. Bobby Lennox was sacked to make way for McAdam. The ex-Celt (1977, 256 games) came from Aldrie where he'd been Player / Coach. Assured by Macari that there was still a place for him at the Club after Brady left and continued with the Youths / U18 players until appointed Reserve Team Coach. Continued under Burns after Macari's sacking. Was dismissed from the Club in the closed season between 96/97 and 97/98. |
| John Keane | | 58 y.o. Irishman from Co. Mayo, property and Construction Industry, appointed non-Executive Director; involved with the design and construction of the new stadium; long time business friend of Brian Dempsey and financial supporter of Celtic Boys Club for 20 years. Pleading guilty to massive tax fraud in '77 and held on remand in Saughton. | | | | | | | | Frank Connor | ★ | Brought in as Reserve Team coach, Ex-Celt came as a package from Hearts with JJ where he had been his assistant. When Brady and Jordan resigned he was asked to hold the team together till a new manager was found and he did this thru League and UEFA ties. Helped Macari into the new manager's job and retained his post under Macari as First Team Coach. Asked to stay on by Burns as Reserve Team coach. Was dismissed from the Club in the closed season between 96/97 and 97/98. |
| Michael McDonald | | 30 y.o. stepson of Gerald Weisfeld from Coatbridge with main skills in the retail trade, appointed as non-Executive Director to the new Board. Aiming to put his skill to marketing and retail of Celtic product. | | | | | | | | Jim McCafferty | ★ | Assistant to Head of Youth Development. His duties involved scouting and setting up training days as well as working with Celtic Boys Club. Resigned his post in the closed season before after allegations into outside incidents. |
| Brian Quinn | | Came onto the Board of the plc in March '96 as non-executive Director and Vice-Chairman. Originally from Gowan. Previously senior executive director with the Bank of England. Lifelong Celtic supporter. Awarded CBE in June '96. | | | | | | | | Jack Mulhearn | | Club Doctor |
| Sir Patrick Sheehy | | Appointed the same time as Quinn as non-executive Director on the plc Board. Previously ex-chairman of BAT. | | | | | | | | Brian Scott | | Long-term (since '79) Club Physiotherapist |
| Dermot Desmond | | Eminence gris of the flotation underwriting a large part of it; Director on the plc Board, rarely seen his presence made by third parties. | | | | | | | | Jim Henry | | Fitness Coach |
| Tom Grant | ★ | Stadium Manager with the new work at Celtic Park. Quit as stadium manager to pursue outside business activities in July '96. | | | | | | | | Graeme Quinn | | Masseur |
| Greg Middleton | | Appointed to aid Reilly with the share flotation | | | | | | | | Gerry McElhill | | Reserve team Physiotherapist; pit; also Scotland squad physiotherapist. Spongeman at games. |
| Charles Barnett | | Appointed Finance Adviser to the Board. | | | | | | | | Jim McCafferty | ★ | Appointed Kit Manager in March, duties coincidental with his responsibilities as Assistant Head of Youth Development. See Above. |
| Peter McLean | | Appointed Head of Public Relations by McCann | | | | | | | | Peter Weir | | Recruited as Tactical Scout to feed information in on opponents. |
| Davie Hay | | Brought back into the fold as Chief Scout on 22nd July after time as Assistant manager at Swindon and Coach with Tampa Bay Rowdies. | | | | | | | | Eddie Hunter | | The ex-Queens Park manager was recruited to work with the Club U15 and U16 squads as opposed to the CBC U15/U16. |
| John Hays | | Head Groundsman | | | | | | | | Tom McGuinness | | Celtic Boys Club Chairman |
| George Douglas | | Head of Security, appointed 2/1/92 previously a Chief Superintendent with Strathclyde Police and responsible with the Club for setting up Protective Security. | | | | | | | | Andy Ritchie | | Recruited by Burns to be Celtic Boys Club U16 Coach in 94/95 season. Also worked in a scouting capacity. |
| Frank McNally | | Corporate services manager | | | | | | | | Peter Weir | | This season appointed by McStay to work as coach of the CBC U16 - unsure whether Andy Ritchie left or Weir stopped being tactical Scout or whether they did the job together |
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