

SCOTTISH SPECIAL

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Dundee make their first Scottish Cup Final appearance at Hampden Park since 1925. Alf Boyd beats Willie Kilmarnock for the toss and gives Dundee the benefit of a strongish wind. And with 136,000 watching, Dundee attack rightaway to get that vital first goal. The ball goes to Burrell. Here he goes. Dundee are League cup-holders, with a 5-1 victory over Motherwell to inspire them. They look dangerous right now.

But the attack's broken up. Five times finalists since 1931, Motherwell come back with Aitkenhead running through.

Cowie bowls him over - and there's an appeal - I don't know what for - but play continues and it's Dundee attacking again now. Centre-forward Flavell shoots but Kilmarnock kicks off the line to save a certain goal. That's the first of three saves by Willie. Here comes another!

Plenty of thrills but no score is the report at half-time and maybe Motherwell supporters wondered if there'd be some more replays! But a two-minute spell in the second-half settled that.

Watson snaps up the ball. He's running through ... and he's scored!

Now for the second. Aitkenhead centres. The ball is cleared and there's no sign of danger - till Redpath fires a snorter. Henderson is unsighted and the ball ricochs into the net, to put Motherwell two up.

It's a shaker for Dundee - but here they come fighting back. Johnstone dives to Christie's feet and danger passes, as the ball is scrambled away. Back come Dundee again. Across comes the ball and Pattillo is there. He shoots and it's in but the ref's "whistled up" for offside. Tough luck for Dundee. But now Motherwell are off again. Humphries shoots and it's a third goal for the Fir Park Club.

Just to make sure, Kelly added a fourth. At last Motherwell have won the Scottish Cup! And here they go to collect ... and no-one better deserves the right to receive it than skipper Willie Kilmarnock but for whose goal-line saves, Dundee might have won.