

## TOGETHER AGAIN

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EXCITED Old Firm fans across Scotland are gearing up for a thrilling Celtic V Rangers Cup Tie.

The arch rivals have been drawn against each other in what is only the second meeting of the two Glasgow giants in over a year.

The last time these two legendary clubs met, it was an explosive tie as Celtic ran out 2-0 winners on the day, with goals coming from on form striker Leigh Griffiths and talisman Kris Commons.

However this time round it looks to be a closer tie, as Rangers are on form while rivals Celtic are struggling.

Ex Celtic, Chelsea and Norwich striker Chris Sutton said: "Where would I peg Rangers right now? I don't think they would be challenging Celtic."

The striker, who scored twice in Celtic's famous 6-2 defeat of Rangers in 2000, went on to say: "If Celtic don't pick up, it could be close, but if over the next five or six weeks Celtic get their backsides in gear, they should win the game."

Rangers manager, Mark Warburton, also shared his thoughts on this historic fixture. Warburton played down the excitement of the game, as he said: "Celtic are top of the league. They have had European competition for the last number of years, have a squad full of international players and we are very respectful of that.

"We are not under any illusion about the quality of Celtic. But, right now, we're in good shape as well. We are performing well, doing what we have to do within our league."

Old Firm fans will descend on Hampden on 17<sup>th</sup> April for the tasty Scottish Cup tie, the winner of which will go on to the Final.