

# OPEN TO QUESTION



Victor Wanyama is in the hot seat as fans ask him everything from his favourite Celtic moment, his family's football connections and what he thinks of Scottish food

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW: LAURA BRANNAN

**T**HE words to the Victor Wanyama chant may not have the most original lyrics in the Celtic song book, but it's enough to show he is a fans' favourite. With the perfect mix of strength and grace, the Kenyan midfielder epitomises everything good about the beautiful game and it makes his performances a joy to watch.

With a league medal, a goal against Barcelona and qualification to the last 16 of the UEFA Champions League, 2012 has been a successful and highly enjoyable year for Wanyama.

And the *Celtic View* has been with him every step of the way, asking him all about the games he's played in, the games he hasn't played in, and the games he's looking forward to playing in.

But that's all got a little boring... so instead we turned to the supporters for questions and asked him what you've always wanted to know. And yes, that includes Superman's pyjamas...

**How does it feel when the fans sing your name?**

**Tony Boland**

It feels great when they sing your song. It helps drive you on and makes you a better player. It's always a special moment.

**Who is biggest joker in dressing room?**

**Kieran Doyle**

I would say Brownny. He dresses very badly but he doesn't see that, he thinks he has a good sense of dress. Emilio will come in with his Gucci or D&G and Brownny will hang it all up from the ceiling in the dressing room and says they are holy. He also puts shoes in the pool. He is a crazy man.

**I would like to know about your first meeting with Neil Lennon. What did you think of him?**

**Imondodi Mauro**

I knew he was a big player before and I thought he was a hard man. I thought he

demanded a lot and even now I think the same. He is a tough guy - I don't think he has a soft side! But he has passion, that is for sure.

**Do you think your brother, McDonald Mariga, would ever join Celtic?**

**Brendan Hill**

I don't know, you never know, maybe? He's never spoken to me about it but I hope one day we will play together.

**Why has your brother got a different surname?**

**John Wallace**

It is not his surname. Wanyama is the family name. My brother is MacDonald Mariga Wanyama and my name is Victor Mugabe Wanyama. We have the same third name, and I use that, but my brother uses Manga instead. That is normal but when I came here I chose to put Wanyama on my jersey instead because Mugabe is not a good name over here.