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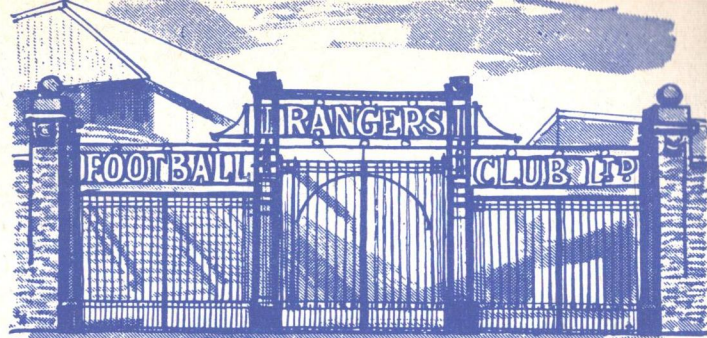


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SCOTTISH LEAGUE CHAMPIONS
(34 TIMES)

• 1891, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902,
1911, 1912, 1913, 1918, 1920,
1921, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1927,
1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1933,
1934, 1935, 1937, 1939, 1947,
1949, 1950, 1953, 1956, 1957,
1959, 1961, 1963, 1964.

* In 1891 the championship
was shared with Dumbarton.

SCOTTISH CUP WINNERS (19)

1894, 1897, 1898, 1903, 1928,
1930, 1932, 1934, 1935, 1936,
1948, 1949, 1950, 1953, 1960,
1962, 1963, 1964, 1966.

LEAGUE CUP WINNERS (7)

1947, 1949, 1961, 1962, 1964,
1965, 1970.

OTHER STATISTICS

Glasgow Cup holders 37 times;
Charity Cup (32) Southern
League, (4); Southern League Cup
(4); Emergency War Cup and
Scottish Regional League (1939-
40) Victory Cup 1946. Reserve
League champions (25) 2nd XI
Cup (23); Reserve League Cup (5).
In Europe—Runners-up European
Cup Winners' Trophy 1961, 1967.

FRONT PAGE PICTURE: Graham Fyfe is grounded, but he's happy to see his shot go into the net for Rangers' fourth goal against Motherwell at Ibrox last week.

TODAY'S TEAMS

Rangers

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Referee — A.F.J. Webster, Falkirk.

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R.C. Johnstone, Strathaven (red flag)

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

Rangers News, the official club newspaper for the fans, continues to soar in popularity. And little wonder. Packed into its 12 pages are plenty of stories, pictures and features to delight the Ibrox fans — including a special boys page, competitions and a coaching column from Jock Wallace. Demand is great — so make sure you get your copy by making a permanent order with your newsagent.

INTO ACTION—FOR THE 42nd TIME IN EUROPE

When Rangers step on to the pitch at the Jose Alvalade Stadium in Portugal on Wednesday night for the return leg of their second round European Cup Winners' tournament tie against Sporting Lisbon, it will be their 42nd match played away from home in European competitions.

This includes three play-offs (two in London, one in Paris) and a 'home' game against Vorwaerts of East Germany in the second round of the 1961-62 European Cup which had to be played in Sweden because the East Germans couldn't get entry visas to enter Britain.

And the Ibrox club's record over the years is good enough to make them approach Wednesday night's tie in Lisbon with every confidence in the 3-2 lead the Light Blues hold from the first leg at Ibrox.

In only a dozen of the 41 ties played away so far have Rangers failed to score.

An impressive performance which justifies manager Willie Waddell's belief that his men are capable of scoring one or two goals in Lisbon next week.

Indeed, in the tie played against Vorwaerts in Sweden Rangers scored four goals. And seven times (including the two London play-offs) they have netted three goals in away European games.

Rangers have won 13 times in these away ties, and drawn another five.

Four times previously the Light Blues have gone abroad with a one goal lead over the opposition. Only once have they failed to get through and even that time it took a 3-1 victory in a Paris play-off to put Nice through at Rangers' expense.

Rangers held a 2-1 lead when they went to Nice, and the French team won at home by the same score.

In the 1959-60 European Cup Rangers beat Red Star Bratislava 4-3 at Ibrox, and got a 1-1 draw Czechoslovakia which was good enough to see the Light Blues through. Then in the 1964-65 European Cup, Rangers went to Austria with a 1-0 lead over Sporklub Rapid . . .

and gained a great 2-0 win over the Austrians.

Four years ago in the European Cup Winners competition the Ibrox team had to take on crack German side Borussia Dortmund with only a 1-0 lead after the first leg in Glasgow. A 0-0 result in Germany was good enough to put Rangers in the next round.

A draw, scoring or otherwise, will again take Rangers through next week in Lisbon.

Of course, it won't be easy to get that kind of result. Manager Waddell rates Sporting as a top class team, and the Lisbon side won again away from home last weekend for their sixth successive victory in the Portuguese First Division championship — a performance which keeps them at the top of the table.

Sporting beat Guimares 2-1, and their other results in the League have been 4-1 v. Boavista, 2-1 v. Barreirense, 2-0 against Atletico 3-1 v. Leixoes and 1-0 v. Academica.

For the game next week, Sporting will have their international midfielder man Fernando Peres back in action. Peres, capped 17 times by Portugal, missed the game at Ibrox because of a U.E.F.A. suspension for an ordering off charge in last season's competition. He was banned for three games, missing the two games against Lynn of Oslo as well.

Peres, who came on as substitute in the second half for Portugal in the recent international against Scotland at Hampden, is rated a key player by Sporting.

But Rangers, who fly out on Monday, are still confident that the return of Peres will make no difference to the result.

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PRIZE PIX, the popular feature which carries stand tickets as prizes, continues today. Study the pictures on the opposite page. They were taken at a recent home game.

If you are featured inside one of the white circles . . . then you have won TWO free stand seats. Bring your magazine with you to the main entrance where, after suitable identification, you will receive your prize.

SPECIAL VOUCHERS are inside a number of today's magazines.

These can be exchanged for a copy of 'Rangers — The New Era' the book which contains the history and records of the club.

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PRIZE PIX



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G	MORTON ST. JOHNSTONE
H	MOTHERWELL DUNDEE
J	BERWICK STIRLING ALB
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RESERVE REVIEW

The Ibrox reserves had their first League draw of the season last Saturday against Motherwell at Fir Park. The score was 1-1.

"We were leading at the interval, but gave away a second half penalty" says coach Stan Anderson.

"It was a hard game. We played well against the wind in the first half, not so well with it after the break".

Jim Denny was the Ibrox scorer, with a cracking 20 yard shot.

The Ibrox team was: Neef; Miller, Alexander; Donaldson, McCallum, Morrison; Semple, Newman, D. Johnstone, Denny, Struthers.

"Gerry Neef has been playing really well in goal since he came back after injury" says coach Anderson. "He is very confident and efficient".

Rangers will be sending a team to compete in the Daily Express National Five-A-Sides at Wembley next week.

The team is:- George Donaldson, Alex Morrison; Billy Semple, Gus McCallum and George Struthers.

Reserve Placings

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Ayr Utd.....	7	7	0	0	23	5	14
Partick Th.....	7	6	0	1	13	1	13
Celtic	6	6	0	0	20	3	12
Motherwell	7	4	0	3	15	8	11
Dundee U.....	7	4	1	2	13	9	10
Hearts	8	4	3	1	23	8	9
Rangers	8	4	3	1	10	12	9
Kilmarnock	8	4	4	0	20	16	8
Aberdeen	7	3	3	1	10	9	7
Falkirk	7	2	3	2	6	12	6
Dundee	8	2	4	2	8	10	6
Dunfermline	7	2	4	1	6	13	5
Clyde	8	1	4	3	9	16	5
St. Johnstone	7	1	4	2	7	24	4
Hibernian	8	0	5	3	8	18	3
East Fife	7	0	5	2	5	12	2
Airdrieonians	8	1	7	0	4	19	2

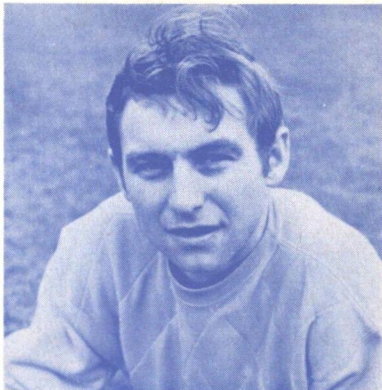
Reserve appearances

17 - Miller; 14 - Alexander, Denny; 13 - Smith; 12 - Parlane, Semple, Donaldson; 11 - Morrison (s3); 10 - Neef; 9 - Fyfe (s2); 8 - Johnstone, Struthers (s1); 7 - Penman, R. Watson; 6 - McCallum (s2) 5(s1) Pirrie 4 - Walker, Henderson; 2 - K. Watson, Conn; 1 - Hawker, Burke, Jackson, McLean, Mitchell.

Reserve scorers

8 - Penman (3 pen); 6 - Parlane, Denny; 3 - Semple (1 pen); 1 - Fyfe, Mitchell.

N.B. Appearances, scorers and table do not include last night's match against Kilmarnock at Rugby Park.



'in great form'



'scored fine goal'

TALK ABOUT TURNING THE TABLES...

The two League tables printed on this page certainly make interesting comparing. The first is for Saturday, October 2 . . . and shows Rangers in second bottom place.

The second is for October 23rd . . . and the fact that the Ibrox club are in sixth top place is an indication of the tremendous recovery made by the team over the past few weeks.

A recovery which has brought not only three victories, but 12 League goals as well. Rangers have not just been winning - they have been doing it in style.

Five against Dundee United at Tannadice, four against Motherwell at Ibrox

and three against East Fife. Throw in the three netted in the Sporting Lisbon European tie and you have a 15-goal performance in four games - an average of nearly four per match.

Alex MacDonald has led the scoring revels with four over the four games. Colin Stein, Sandy Jardine and young Graham Fyfe have all bagged three a piece and singles have come from John Greig and Willie Henderson. So the scoring has been well shared out.

There has been no looking back since that defeat by Hearts at Tynecastle on October 2. Now the Ibrox fans look ahead in anticipation of more goals to come.

Scottish League

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Aberdeen.....	5	4	0	1	13	1	9
Hibs.....	5	4	0	1	10	3	9
Celtic.....	5	4	1	0	20	5	8
Hearts.....	5	3	1	1	8	5	7
Morton.....	5	3	2	0	12	5	6
Dundee.....	5	2	1	2	11	9	6
Ayr Utd.....	5	2	1	2	4	3	6
St. Johnstone.	5	2	1	2	9	8	6
Partick Th.....	5	1	1	3	8	9	5
Motherwell....	5	1	2	2	5	5	4
Falkirk.....	5	2	3	0	9	11	4
Dunfermline..	5	1	2	2	4	8	4
Dundee Utd...	5	1	3	1	13	15	3
Kilmarnock....	5	1	3	1	6	10	3
Clyde.....	5	1	3	1	6	15	3
Airdrie.....	5	1	3	1	2	16	3
Rangers.....	5	1	4	0	8	10	2
East Fife.....	5	1	4	0	4	14	2

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Clyde.....	8	2	5	1	7	19	5
Airdrie.....	8	1	4	3	7	22	5
Kilmarnock....	8	1	5	2	8	17	4

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THE GREAT GOAL RUSH (continued)

And still the goals pile up. Three against Sporting Lisbon on the Wednesday, four against Motherwell three days later. Another scoring Bonanza which is delighting the Ibrox fans.

Here, in pictures, some of the latest scores in the great goal rush of '71 are presented.

RIGHT: Sandy Jardine thumps Rangers' third past Motherwell goalkeeper Keith MacRae.

BELOW LEFT: Colin Stein comes flying in to head the first past Sporting Lisbon goalkeeper Damas.

BELOW RIGHT: Graham Fyfe, hidden by the keeper, slams in the first against 'Well.



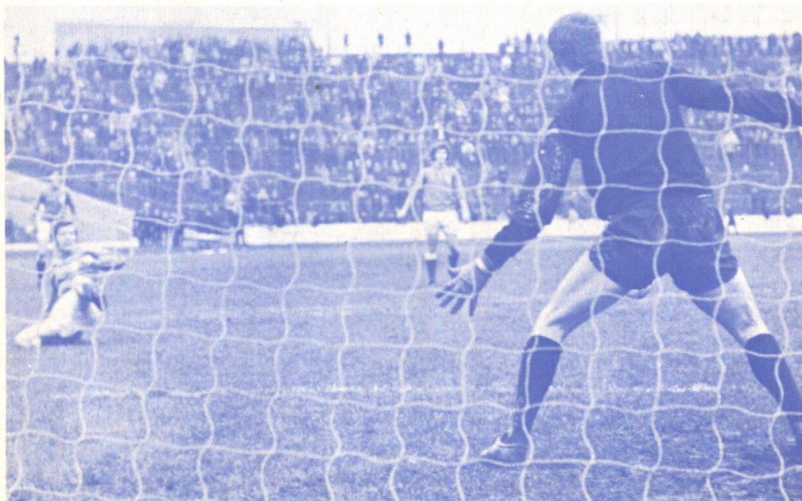
One that got away...



Rangers outside left Alex MacDonald peers hopefully over his shoulder as he tries a clever back-heel against Motherwell . . . but the ball lifts just too much and goes over the bar.

Picture by courtesy of Scottish Daily Record.

... and one that didn't



The elevation is right this time for Alex (left) as he cracks in Rangers second against Motherwell.

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Spotlight on...

Kilmarnock

Kilmarnock come to Ibrox today in what is for them a most unusual position – bottom of the First Division table. A strange place indeed for a team with Killie's proud record in the past decade.

Last term Killie finished in sixth bottom place, their worst placing for 10 years. From 1960 to 1970 Kilmarnock's record in the championship was: champions once (64-65 under Willie Waddell) runners-up four times, third once and never lower than seventh.

The past couple of seasons have seen a major team re-building job at Rugby Park however, and for this reason Killie have lost their consistency.

Many young players have been drafted in to replacing the old squad as manager Walter McCrae re-shapes his team.

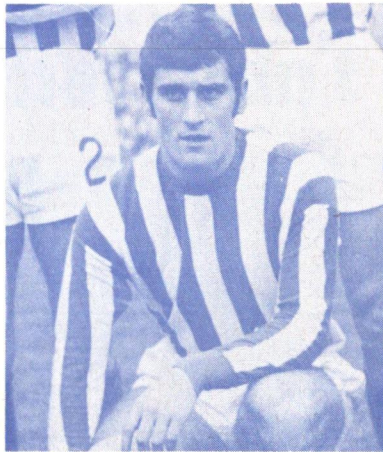
Goalkeeper Alistair Hunter is only 22 and a part-timer. This 6ft., keeper is a trainee accountant and is reckoned one of the most promising youngsters in the country. Signed from junior club Johnstone Burgh in 1969.

Right-back Jim Whyte is 26, and a former Aberdeen player. Jim who lives in Kilsyth, was freed from Pittodrie and quickly snapped up by Killie. A very experienced player and a man who likes to come forward in attack given a chance. Made his debut for Killie at Ibrox last season when Rangers won 4-2.

Left-back Alex Cairns. Twenty-year-old part-timer who is training to be a draughtsman. Was an inside forward originally when signed from Millerston Thistle. Has now turned out to be a very useful No. 3 man for Killie in the past month. Signed from Millerston Thistle.

Right-half George Maxwell. 21-year-old Physical Education teacher and a part-timer. From Stevenson in Ayrshire and has settled in to be a solid defender for Killie.

Everyone at Ibrox sends their good wishes for a speedy recovery to Kilmarnock's veteran player Frank Beattie and his wife who are in hospital recovering from a midweek car crash. The fans will undoubtedly echo this, for Beattie, a one-club man, has been a respected rival for many years.



Brian Rodman

Centre-half Brian Rodman is another part-timer . . . and also on his way to being a P.E. teacher. He's at Jordanhill College. 22, has been five years at Rigby Park.

Left-half Jackie McGrory. Veteran of the team. Plays double centre half role with Rodman. Jackie was signed from a

local amateur team back in 1960, starting as an inside man then graduating to pivot.

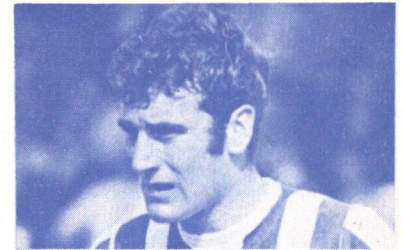
Outside right Jim McSherry. Just 19. Full-timer who was signed from Lesmahagow in 1970. The man with the job of replacing Tommy McLean, who was signed by Rangers from Killie earlier this year. Is doing a fine job, too.

Inside-right John Gilmour. Tall, deceptive midfielder man. Cost £5,000 from Hamilton Accies in 1967. John is 27.

Centre forward Ross Mathie. The ex-Cambuslang striker only got back into the first team last week against Hearts for the first time this term – and celebrated with the goal which gave Killie their 2-2 draw. A real enthusiast who never gives up chasing.

Outside left Jim Cook. A busy little character who is always on the look out for goals. A former Hearts man, he was signed on a free four years ago. Tricky little winger. Comes from Fauldhouse in Lanarkshire.

Danger Man



Stocky Eddie Morrison is the kind of player who needs to be watched all the way. Good in the air for his size, the 23 year old Greenock man had a cartilage operation in the close season. Links up well with Ross Mathie to form a dangerous double spearhead. They played together for the first time this season last week . . . and both got a goal.

POOLS – ANOTHER RECORD PAYOUT

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