

**RANGERS**

SCOTTISH  
LEAGUE  
CUP  
AUGUST 25, 1976

**V**  
**HIBERNIAN**



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**CHAMPIONS—1972**  
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**LEAGUE CHAMPIONS (36)**

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, 1975,  
1976.

**SCOTTISH CUP WINNERS (21)**

1894, 1897, 1898, 1903, 1928,  
1930, 1932, 1934, 1935, 1936,  
1948, 1949, 1950, 1953, 1960,  
1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1973,  
1976.

**LEAGUE CUP WINNERS (8)**

1947, 1949, 1961, 1962, 1964,  
1965, 1970, 1975.

**OTHER STATISTICS**

Glasgow Cup (39); 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 (28);  
2nd XI Cup (23); Reserve League Cup (7).

\* In 1891 the championship was shared with  
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# ALL-ACTION SEPTEMBER!

## ...SEVEN CRACKERS IN A MONTH

# MATCH MAGAZINE SLANT

**THE new football season has got away to a fast and furious start for Rangers fans.**

And the good news is that there is even better in the way of great games and excitement to come next month.

Yes, it looks like being a super September for the Ibrox supporters.

For there are SEVEN great games crammed into the next month... featuring three different competitions.

There's the remaining League Cup section tie against St. Johnstone at Perth on September 1 (and, it is hoped, a Quarter-final tie later in the month if Rangers can clinch the section).

This is followed by two cracking Premier League games against Celtic and Kilmarnock, the opening of the European Cup campaign against F.C. Zurich, two more great Premier games and ending the month back on the European front again.

Here's the full run-down of the magnificent seven:

- Sept 1 St. Johnstone (Perth) League Cup
- Sept 4 Celtic (Parkhead) League
- Sept 11 Kilmarnock (Ibrox) League
- Sept 15 F.C. Zurich (Ibrox) European Cup
- Sept 18 Hibs (Easter Road) League
- Sept 25 Hearts (Ibrox) League
- Sept 29 F.C. Zurich (Switzerland) European Cup.

What a line-up, and what a month it will be for Rangers if they can come through it all showing the same style and confidence which brought the treble last season.

There could, of course, be one more game to fit into sizzling September.

The first of the League Cup quarter-final legs is due on September 22—Rangers can add that date to the calendar if they win through in the section.

And a victory tonight would go a long way towards making sure.



Martin Henderson coolly heads the ball home for Rangers 5th goal against St. Johnstone at Ibrox . . . the Light Blues' 650th goal in the history of the League Cup.



Rangers sweeper Tom Forsyth gets well up to this high ball against St. Johnstone but the big man's effort was cleared out of danger.

# MEET RANGERS OPPONENTS

**NOT for the first time Rangers and Hibs find themselves face to face in a 'big one'.**

Although there is still one match to go in the League Cup section, there is no doubt that tonight's match can safely be given a 'crunch' tag.

**The winner is almost certain to go through to the quarter-finals.**

And this should mean yet another cracker of a game in a seemingly endless series of great Rangers-Hibs matches.

Last Wednesday's 'first leg' encounter at Easter Road certainly matched the normal standards—a fast, furious battle with plenty of good football, a lot of thrills, two fine goals and a draw which left everyone satisfied.

It was fiercely fought, as the five bookings in the match underlines. But it was no needle game—just typical of the

determination both teams give to beating the rivals.

Last week's match had the unusual touch of having ex-Hib Iain Munro slot in the goal for Rangers... and former Ibrox man Ally Scott, who went to Easter Road as part of the transfer deal involving Munro netting the equaliser for the Edinburgh side.

Both players enjoyed the experience—and will be aiming to repeat it tonight. And naturally new Ranger Munro is hoping he can even go one or two better.

Also in the Hibs line-up is another man familiar to Rangers supporters—forward Graham Fyfe, who also went to Easter Road in the Iain Munro deal.

Scott and Fyfe are just two of many players Hibs have bought in recent times. For like all ambitious clubs they knew that while it is fine to raise your own talent, when the time comes you have to go into the transfer market to strengthen the pool.

## *It's always a thriller with Hibs*

Hibs boss Eddie Turnbull has done just that. Big goalkeeper Mike McDonald, ex-Clydebank, was bought for £30,000 from Stoke City last season and the 6ft 3in Glasgow man has settled in well.

During the close-season manager Turnbull lashed out £40,000 to bring big centre-half George Stewart to Easter Road from Dundee.

Also bought in over the years have been men like Alex Edwards, Des Bremner and Arthur Duncan.

The money has been spent in a bid to give Hibs the elusive winning blend that has eluded them for several seasons, apart from their 1972 League Cup win.

There is ambition and drive at Easter Road, and it may be that this season the mixture will be right too.

Certainly the team has a combination of skill and strength.

Full back John Brownlie is one of the most attack-minded defenders in the country and has scored a lot of good goals for the club. His career—at international and club level—was interrupted by a broken leg a couple of seasons back but he is now back at his best.

Sweeper John Blackley is another Scotland man, and is one of the best readers of the game in the country.

In midfield the great skills of Alex Edwards are there to offset the youthful enthusiasm of Lindsay Muir and drive of Des Bremner.

And up front there is no doubt that big Ally Scott's height and pace has added welcome punch to the attack alongside ex-Ibrox colleague Graham Fyfe and the speedy Arthur Duncan.

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## FLASHBACK ...

● RANGERS and Hibs had a comparatively quiet season in 1975-76 when it came to facing each other—they only met four times, and that's way below normal for recent times.

● For Rangers, the record was quite satisfactory—two wins, a draw and one defeat.

● And the victory at Easter Road on April 4 as Rangers were heading for the title, was by far the most impressive performance from the Light Blues against Hibs for a long time.

● Right from the moment Alex MacDonald fired home a left foot shot from 20 yards in the 20th minute, Rangers coasted to a commanding win.

● Inspired by some tremendous forward running from Tom Forsyth—who raced through the defence to lay on the second goal for Martin Henderson—the Light Blues really socked it to Hibs.

● Derek Johnstone got a third goal in 55 minutes, two other efforts were disallowed, young Martin Henderson hit the bar with a header and both Forsyth and Tommy McLean missed easy chances.

● Derek Johnstone and Pat Stanton of Hibs were booked for a second-half flare-up.

● Rangers' other victory came at Ibrox on January 17 with a crowd of nearly 40,000 watching the Light Blues get a 2-0 victory through second-half goals from Derek Parlane and Tommy McLean.

● Parlane headed home a McLean cross in the 68th minute and wee Tommy went through on a MacDonald pass eight minutes from time to draw the keeper and score a neat second goal.

● Hibs had two great chances in the match—both missed from close range by Joe Harper when the score was 0-0.

● Earlier in the season the teams had fought out a 1-1 draw in the League at Ibrox on September 20. And it was a game in which Hibs had the edge for a long time.

● They went a goal down in the ninth minute when sweeper John Blackley, trying to clear as Derek Johnstone was poised to score, slammed the ball into his own net. Hibs took over in the second-half and Rangers defended valiantly, losing a goal when a long-range John Brownlie shot glanced off an Ibrox man on its way to the net. Johnstone and Greig of Rangers and Barry of Hibs were booked.

● The other meeting went to Hibs with a 2-1 win at Easter Road—both goals coming from Pat Stanton headers.

## HALF-TIME QUIZ

### When did Big John sign on?

1. From which team did Hibs sign forward Ally MacLeod last season?
2. Who are Hibs' opponents in the U.E.F.A. Cup next month?
3. Name the player Hibs sold to Aberdeen at the end of last season.
4. Who scored the only goal when Rangers beat Celtic in last season's League Cup Final?
5. In what year did skipper John Greig sign for Rangers?
6. Against which international team did Rangers forward Bobby McKean make a substitute appearance for Scotland last season?
7. Who is the Hibs trainer?
8. From which junior club did Rangers sign reserve full back Alan Boyd?
9. Which English League club plays at Deepdale?
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ANSWERS ON PAGE 17

# TENNENT'S



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# The long and glorious contest

**RANGERS and Hibs have been thrown together an astonishing number of times in recent years.**

In fact, the total is a staggering 43—comprising League, League Cup, Scottish Cup and Drybrough Cup games.

And to illustrate just how close the fight has always been between the clubs the statistics are split this way: 21 wins to Rangers, 14 wins to Hibs and eight drawn matches.

You couldn't get much tighter—certainly it proves that Hibs quite often pull out their best performances for a meeting with the Light Blues.

Not always mind you—for in the

midst of the series of hard battles, you find some astonishing wins for Rangers... like 6-1 in the League at Ibrox in 1968-69, 4-0 in 1973-74 and 3-0 at Easter Road last season.

Hibs have had a few good victories, too, of course—a 3-0 Drybrough Cup win in 1972-73 and home and away victories in the quarter-finals of the League Cup in 1974-75.

Mainly, however, the fight is fierce and close—there have been 19 matches where one or other of the teams has won through by a one-goal margin.

● **RANGERS Football Club**, in this new season, once again remind all fans of their duty to uphold the good name of the club. Ibrox is a trouble-free ground, and the club thanks the supporters for their splendid encouragement and behaviour. Rangers would like to see this standard of conduct carried forward to away matches as well. **BEHAVE . . . and enjoy the game.**

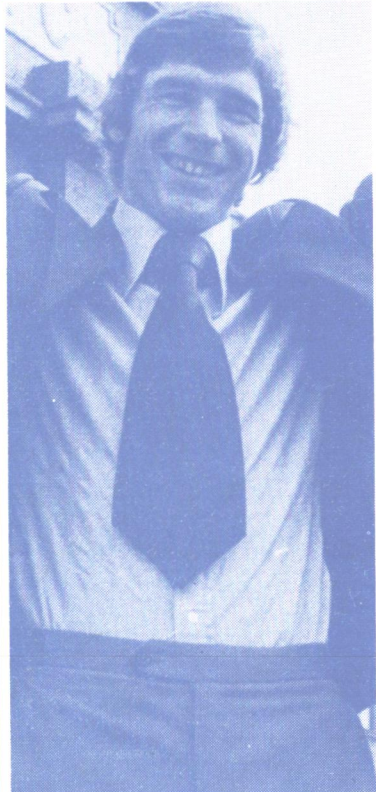
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  - 5 DENNY
  - 6 MacDONALD
  - 7 McLEAN
  - 8 JARDINE
  - 9 PARLANE
  - 10 JOHNSTONE
  - 11 MUNRO
- HENDERSON  
McKEAN

Referee  
Hugh Alexander  
(Kilmarnock)



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(Kilmarnock)  
*Centenary Stand side*  
R. C. Johnston  
(Strathaven)  
*Main Stand side*

## HIBERNIAN

- 1 McDONALD
  - 2 BROWNLIE
  - 3 SMITH
  - 4 BREMNER
  - 5 STEWART
  - 6 BLACKLEY
  - 7 FYFE
  - 8 EDWARDS
  - 9 SCOTT
  - 10 MUIR
  - 11 DUNCAN
- STANTON  
MacLEOD



● ALLY SCOTT

## TODAY'S SCORECHECK

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FULL-TIME

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**B** MOTHERWELL  
DUNDEE

**C** ABERDEEN  
ST. MIRREN

**D** AYR UNITED  
KILMARNOCK

**E** DUMBARTON  
CELTIC

**F** DUNDEE UNITED  
ARBROATH

**G** MONTROSE  
ST. JOHNSTONE

**H** AIRDRIE  
RAITH ROVERS

**J** CLYDE  
QUEEN'S PARK

**K** EAST FIFE  
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**L** STRANRAER  
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DUNFERMLINE

**N** ALLOA  
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# Because it's "Rangers News"



★ MARKET research people tell us that about fifty or sixty thousand people read "Rangers News" every week, summer and winter.

★ So we sought out about twenty of them recently and we asked them why they bought the paper every week. Give or take a word here and there, they all said the same thing. They said: "Because it's got all the things a Rangers fan wants to read about."

★ Well, there's not much to add to that except to remind you that as well as catering for Rangers fans the paper has a page devoted to the Social Club every week and it also gives lists of winners on Rangers Pools.

★ Then there's the Young Rangers Club. It's less than a year old yet it has close on two thousand members. These youngsters have their own page every week where they can win all sorts of prizes and get the chance to buy Rangers souvenirs at special discounts.

★ Unfortunately, "Rangers News" sells out quickly in the shops so if you want to be sure of a copy in the coming season tell your newsagent to keep a copy every week.

★ Even if he isn't a Rangers fan he'll be happy to take your order . . . because then he can have a fly look at the smashing pictures which are second to none!

● It's the Match Magazine's popular 'Heads You Win' feature, which presents a chance for every fan at a home game to win free Stand seats . . . if the photographer puts them in the picture. Study the pictures on this page. If you have been featured inside one of the white circles, then you have won two free Stand seats. Prizes can be collected at the main entrance after the match once suitable identification has been established.



## HEADS YOU WIN!





# STARSPOT



## The non-stop Action Man!

**WEE Alex MacDonald is the nearest thing to perpetual motion on a football field—a non-stop, 90-minute runner. But instead of making him tired, Alex maintains all that galloping just makes him want more football!**

"I'm always sorry when a game is over," says Alex. "I just love playing, and I can't wait until the next match.

"I would be quite happy to play every day in the week".

The wee red-haired Glasgow man admits that he prefers the big matches—and enjoys his habit of producing goals on the big occasion.

And although he hasn't hit the goal trail this season (not counting Saturday's game against Montrose) he is still very happy with his performance to date.

"With Sandy Jardine in midfield as well doing the running with the ball, I'm more

inclined to hang back a bit at the moment" says Alex.

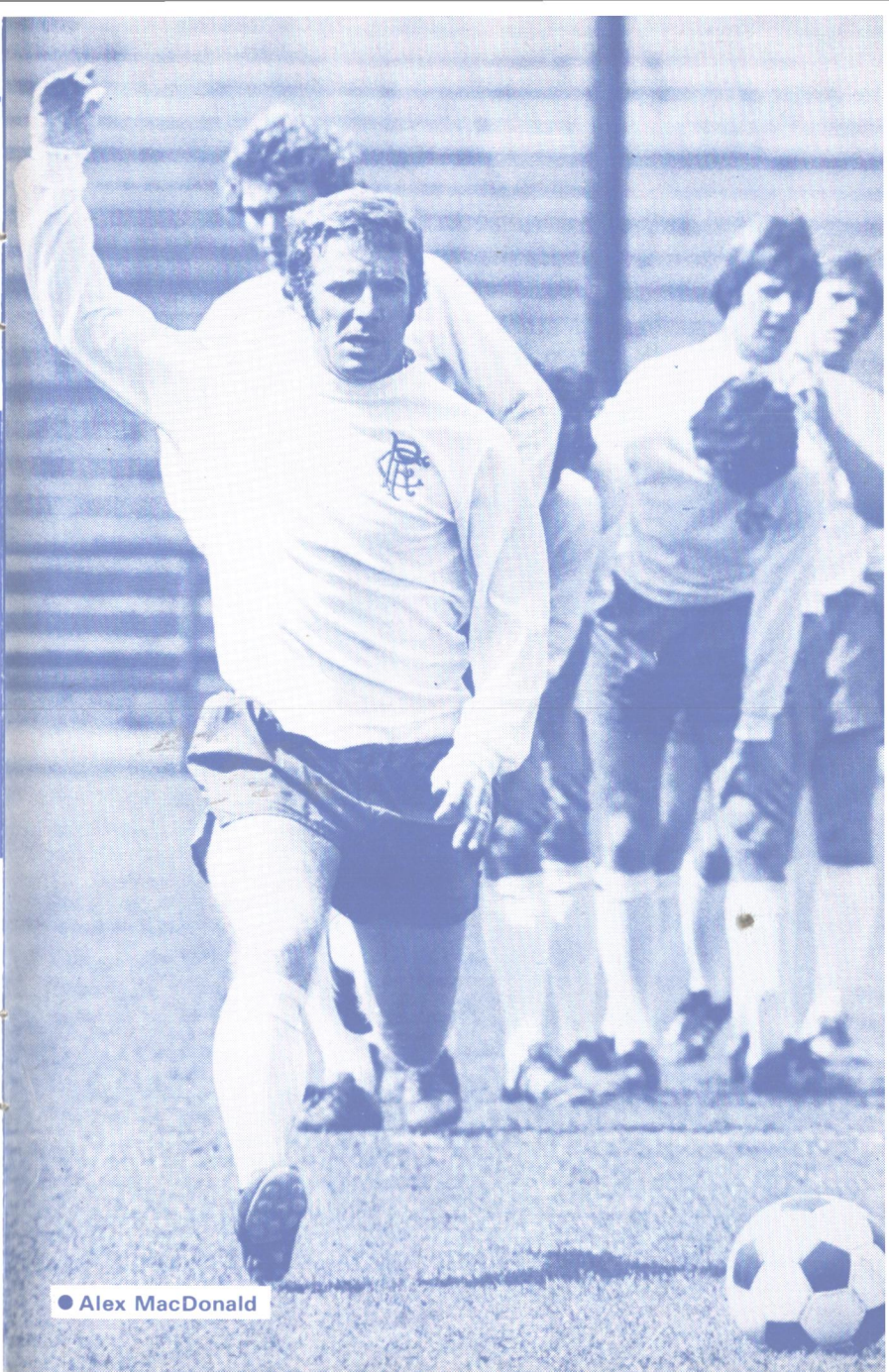
"That means goals might be harder to get. But I'm not worried—I'm just as content to set them up for others. I've got to realise I'm the experienced midfielder man in the side and discipline myself to covering in case an attack breaks down."

He's doing that job so well, that some people are convinced he is playing better than ever and can only keep on improving.

"Last season was a great one for myself and everyone at Ibrox" says Alex. "That's another reason I can't wait for the games to come round.

"Mind you, that success last season means that you get annoyed now whenever you don't win a game—like at Easter Road last week.

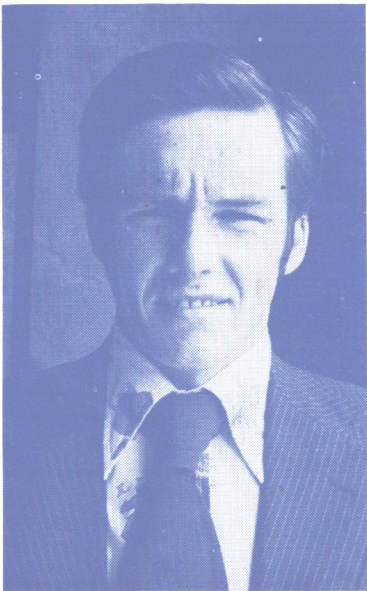
"We've grown accustomed to winning, and although many times in the past a 1-1 draw with Hibs would have seemed a good result I was actually a bit disappointed".



● Alex MacDonald

# Crunch game for Old Firm Colts

LIKE their first-team counterparts, Rangers Reserves face a 'crunch' game tonight in their bid to bring off a hat-trick of victories in the Reserve League Cup.



● KENNY WATSON

RESERVE



REVIEW

They are at Parkhead to face Celtic Reserves in the return leg of the section clash, following last week's 1-1 draw at Ibrox.

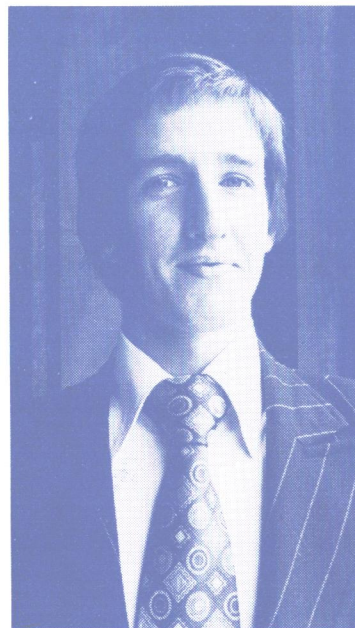
And coach Joe Mason is hoping that his boys can improve on last week's showing enough to get the result wanted.

"We should have won" says Joe. "We had the chances, but missed them—including a penalty.

"And Celtic goalkeeper Denis Connaghan was in great form. He had several great saves and his handling of cross balls was excellent. He played a major part in keeping us out".

That missed penalty—which was actually saved by keeper Connaghan—came early in the second half with the score still at 0-0. The Celtic keeper saved Alex O'Hara's shot after Chris Robertson had been brought down in the box.

"We got into the lead 10 minutes after this, so the penalty would have put us into a good position" says Joe.



● ALEX O'HARA

The Rangers goal came from young Gordon Boyd, who slammed home an angled left foot shot from 10 yards.

However, Brian McLaughlin got an equaliser for Celtic and that sets the section up for a really close battle.

Coach Mason was happy with the form of ex-Montrose man Kenny Watson, who was shifted back from his normal midfield role to play at the back.

"He turned in a good performance" says Joe. "So did Ian McDougall in midfield. Ian had one great shot brilliantly saved by the keeper".

The Rangers team was: Kennedy; A. Boyd, Dawson; Armour, O'Hara, Watson; G. Boyd, McDougall, Robertson, Morris, Brand.

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5. Abide by Stewards' and Police instructions.

### QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Southampton. 2. Sochaux (France).
3. Joe Harper. 4. Alex MacDonald. 5. 1960.
6. Switzerland. 7. Tom McNiven. 8. Darvel.
9. Preston N.E. 10. Norway.

### FIRST TEAM SCORERS

- 5—Johnstone  
3—Jardine  
2—Miller (2 pens.)  
1—Henderson, Jackson, Parlane  
1—Munro.

### RESERVE SCORERS

- 2—G. Boyd  
1—Henderson, McDougall,  
Robertson, Stein

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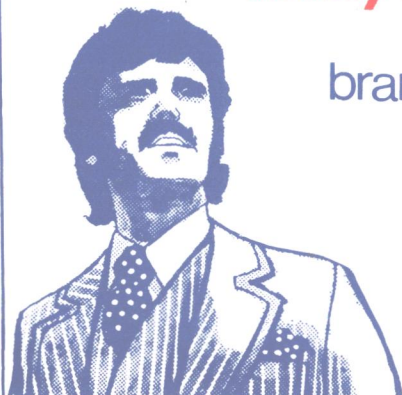
# RANGERS MATCH RECORD

Date	Opponents	Competition	Venue	F	A
Aug. 10	Celtic	Glasgow Cup Final	Parkhead	3	1
Aug. 14	St. Johnstone	League Cup	Ibrox	5	0
Aug. 18	Hibernian	League Cup	Easter Road	1	1
Aug. 21	Montrose	League Cup	Ibrox		
Aug. 25	Hibernian	League Cup	Ibrox		
Aug. 28	Montrose	League Cup	Links Park		
Sept. 1	St. Johnstone	League Cup	Muirton		
Sept. 4	Celtic	League	Parkhead		
Sept. 11	Kilmarnock	League	Ibrox		
Sept. 15	F. C. Zurich	European Cup	Ibrox		
Sept. 18	Hibernian	League	Easter Road		
Sept. 25	Hearts	League	Ibrox		
Sept. 29	F. C. Zurich	European Cup	Zurich		
Oct. 2	Ayr United	League	Somerset Park		
Oct. 9	Dundee United	League	Ibrox		
Oct. 16	Aberdeen	League	Ibrox		
Oct. 23	Motherwell	League	Fir Park		
Oct. 30	Partick Thistle	League	Firhill		
Nov. 6	Celtic	League	Ibrox		
Nov. 13	Kilmarnock	League	Rugby Park		
Nov. 20	Hibernian	League	Ibrox		
Nov. 27	Hearts	League	Tynecastle		
Dec. 4	Ayr United	League	Ibrox		
Dec. 11	Dundee United	League	Tannadice		
Dec. 18	Aberdeen	League	Pittodrie		
Dec. 25	Motherwell	League	Ibrox		
Jan. 1	Partick Thistle	League	Ibrox		
Jan. 3	Celtic	League	Parkhead		
Jan. 8	Kilmarnock	League	Ibrox		
Jan. 15	Hibernian	League	Easter Road		
Jan. 22	Hearts	League	Ibrox		
Jan. 29	<b>Scottish Cup 3rd round</b>				
Feb. 5	Ayr United	League	Somerset Park		
Feb. 12	Dundee United	League	Ibrox		
Feb. 19	Aberdeen	League	Ibrox		
Feb. 26	<b>Scottish Cup 4th round</b>				
Mar. 5	Motherwell	League	Fir Park		
Mar. 12	Partick Thistle	League	Firhill		
Mar. 19	Celtic	League	Ibrox		
Mar. 26	Kilmarnock	League	Rugby Park		
Apr. 2	Hibernian	League	Ibrox		
Apr. 9	Hearts	League	Tynecastle		
Apr. 13	Partick Thistle	League	Ibrox		
Apr. 16	Ayr United	League	Ibrox		
Apr. 20	Motherwell	League	Ibrox		
Apr. 23	Dundee United	League	Tannadice		
Apr. 30	Aberdeen	League	Pittodrie		

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