

# RANGERS NEWS

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● **SILVER LINING . . .** Rangers chairman David Holmes accepts the Skol "Team of the Year" award from Alloa Brewery Managing Director John MacKenzie last week. Looking on are secretary Campbell Ogilvie and assistant-manager Walter Smith.

## High standards must be kept up at Kirkcaldy

RANGERS fans going to this Saturday's Scottish Cup tie against Raith Rovers at Stark's Park should take note of the following points to emerge from Alistair Hood's discussions with Chief Superintendent Dick Borrer of the Fife Constabulary (Central Division).

The match is all-ticket, a complete sell-out and the police insist that no tickets will be on sale at the ground. No-one should turn up at Stark's Park without a ticket.

### Route

Supporters' buses travelling to Kirkcaldy should follow the following route after crossing the Forth Road Bridge:

Straight on A90; Straight on M90; Leave M90 at Junction 3 (Halbeath); Turn right at roundabout on to A92; Leave A92 at Cowdenbeath Junction; Turn right on A909; Turn left on B925 at Beverkae Roundabout; Straight on to Kirkcaldy; Turn right at first roundabout to parking in Beveridge Park as directed.

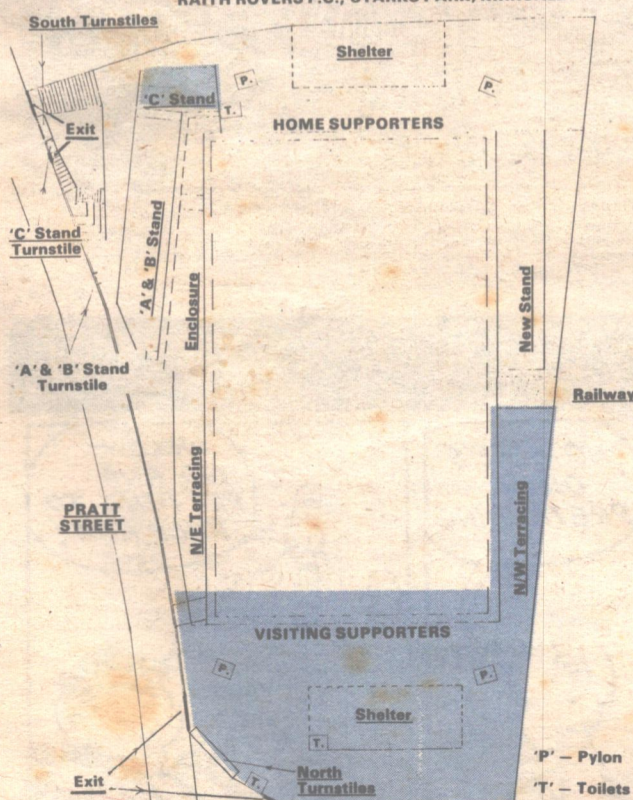
As soon as they leave their buses, supporters should proceed in good time for admittance to the ground by the North turnstiles in Pratt Street.

Rangers supporters in possession of stand tickets will be accommodated in 'C' Stand, as shown on the plan of the ground and after the final whistle will be required to remain in their seats until the home fans disperse from the enclosure.

As this is Rangers' first visit to Kirkcaldy for some time, it's vital that the supporters maintain their good standard of behaviour and abide by the instructions of the local police.

Once again, they are reminded of the ban on alcohol and the prohibition of missiles in any shape or form.

RAITH ROVERS F.C., STARKS PARK, KIRKCALDY



## Youngsters in search of glory

RANGERS under-21 squad fly out to Italy next Monday morning in search of more continental glory.

The young Light Blues side have lifted two trophies, one in France and the other in Italy, in the past year but coach Peter McCloy knows this latest trip will be harder than the others.

It's the Viareggio Tournament with 16 of the

world's top under-21 sides competing.

Rangers have been drawn in a section along with Fiorentina, Genoa and Santiago with the games taking place on the 4th, 6th and 8th of February.

If they finish in the top two in their section, they will progress to the quarter finals and hopefully to the final on February 15.

Goalkeeper Colin Scott has been recalled from Dalry Thistle for the tip and Aberdeen's Robert McRobb will travel as a guest player.



● **STRAIGHT AHEAD . . .** there's no stopping Ian Durrant as he bursts through the Falkirk defence. For more action see pages eight and nine.

# JINXED!

GRAEME Souness is out to end a personal jinx this Saturday when Rangers travel to Kirkcaldy to begin their Scottish Cup campaign against Raith Rovers.

The Ibrox player-manager, despite all his seasons of glory with Liverpool, has never managed to win a national cup medal in England or Scotland.

The "jinx" followed him to Glasgow last season when he described the shock third round defeat by Hamilton Accies as the worst moment of his career.

With Rangers not having lifted the Scottish Cup since 1981, Graeme is doubly determined that his men will go all the way this time around.

He told the "News": "The cup in England and Scotland hasn't been a happy competition for me. It was the only thing I never won with Liverpool and I don't want it to be the same with Rangers.

"A lot of people might think Saturday's match will be easy for Rangers but the only good draw in cup football is one that you get through.

### Determined

"My players are determined to win everything this season and the Scottish Cup gives them a break from the championship race. They will take nothing for granted against Raith Rovers.

"Big clubs are on a hiding to nothing in games like this and I saw it so many times with Liverpool. It's at times like this that you have to be completely professional."

Graeme's selection for the tie will not include full back Scott Nisbet who begins a two-match suspension on Saturday and Northern Ireland international Jimmy Nicholl is likely to make a comeback.

With Stark's Park filled to its 10,000 capacity for the first time in years, it promises to be an intriguing tie with former Rangers players Cammy Fraser and Gordon Dalziel in the Rovers line-up.

SCOTTISH CUP SPECIAL — PAGE 6.

## Souness out to end his cup hoodoo



● **GRAEME SOUNESS . . .** out to end a cup hoodoo this season.



● **IAN DURRANT . . .** new four year contract with Rangers.

## Durrant signs a new deal

IAN Durrant has committed himself to Rangers until 1992 at least by signing a new four-year contract with the club.

### Ability

The 21-year-old midfielder has overcome off-the-field problems this season and he delighted the Ibrox management by putting pen to paper on a new deal at the weekend.

Graeme Souness told the "News": "Any club

would want to hold onto a player of Ian's ability and we are very pleased that he wants to stay with Rangers.

"We never had any doubts about his commitment to the club and he has been given an excellent deal."

Ian said: "I'm very happy with the contract. Rangers are the only team I've ever wanted to play for, despite the upset I had earlier this season and now I just want to win as many trophies as possible with the club."

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### Good support

Archie Hogg, 4 Staffhouse, Elvanfoot, writes...

I WRITE to you hoping that I could thank the Nith Valley RSC through the 'News' for conveying me to and from Parkhead on January 2.

As I was staying with friends in Kirkcubbin, Dumfriesshire at New Year, I couldn't travel as normal

### Try page 15

Mr David Miller, 17 Barons Well, Wick, Caithness, writes NOT everyone can visit the Rangers Shop to see the goods on sale.

So I think I speak for most fans when I say it's about time you had a catalogue which displays the items in stock.

THE EDITOR REPLIES: Sure you're reading the correct paper, Mr Miller? Try looking at page 15 of the 'News' every week!

## ... the column that lets you voice YOUR views

### No offence intended

James Wyper, 52 Hill Street, 2/R' Garnethill, Glasgow, writes

I FELT I had to write and apologise for any offence my letter may have caused to our female readers.

I must admit, it did appear to be rather sexist but this was not my intent.

I feel it was misinterpreted as I

wasn't having a go at every female supporter, only a small group beside me that day who clearly had no interest in the game whatsoever.

I would like to add in my defence that I certainly made no mention of the fact that females knew nothing about football or that Rangers and football knowledge is a male prerogative.

### Thanks for the help

Mr Ian Ramsay, 112 Craigmount, Kirkcaldy, Fife, writes

COULD you please express my thanks and regards to the committee and fellow supporters from the Fife Loyal RSC.

Following the death of our youngest son Lee, they presented my wife and I with a beautiful floral teddy bear adorned in red,

white and blue ribbons which was very much appreciated

Although he was only two, Lee managed to see his favourite team win and his hero Super Ally score two goals against Dundee at Ibrox two weeks before he died.

Thanks also to all friends, Rangers and Celtic supporters alike, who gave us much comfort and helped us kindly through our sad times.

# OVERPOWERED!

### STAR LETTER

Scott Halbert (aged 13), 29 Sharpe Avenue, Dreghorn, Irvine, wins £10 for this letter...

I TAKE Latin at my school and everytime the word 'superavit' pops up, everyone in the class starts singing "Super Ally" as it sounds the same.

I later found out that this word means overpowered

## Latin lesson gives Ally new meaning

and I guess that Ally overpowers everyone with his skill and ability to score goals!

THE EDITOR REPLIES: Nice one, Scott. True enough, anyone who meets Ally for the first time will tell you it's pretty overpowering!

## Rangers on tour

W. M. McWilliam, 25 Hutton Drive, Glasgow, writes...

OVER the weeks I have enjoyed seeing the old photos in the 'News' and thought the enclosed may be of some interest to the readers.

It was taken just before the tour of Canada and the United States in 1954.

I would also like to say how disappointed I was with the press when, after the tremendous gesture by the players, and management of the club to the disabled fans on the day of the Dundee game at home, I didn't get a mention in the 'News'.

These papers never fail to report on a player who is booked or sent-off for Rangers.



• SUPERAVIT ... no it's not a misprint - see this week's star letter for an explanation!

## NO EXCUSE FOR ABUSE

Garry Smylie, 87 Windhill Road, Manswood, Glasgow, writes...

I WOULD like to express my view of the banning of Kenny Craig of the St Andrews (Drumchapel) RSC over the Mark Walters issue.

Mr Craig paid £10 for a season ticket and should be able to see the team play, or at least be able to see the players.

### Incident

The Rangers Football Club have received a number of complaints in the past about the behaviour of some supporters.

I feel that in this incident it was the exaggerated behaviour of the fellow supporters which caused the banning of Mr Craig.

If everyone couldn't freely criticise players during a game, then we would lose its renowned atmosphere. I am not saying he was right in what he said - far from it.

But I'm sure he is sorry for what was said and as a gesture to his years of loyalty to Rangers through the good and bad times, he should be given a second chance.

THE EDITOR REPLIES: There is a world of difference between criticism and the kind of abuse Mark Walters has been on the receiving end of. Anyone who indulges in the latter can expect no sympathy or leniency from Rangers.

## Hot property

Alan McPhail, 23 Randyford Street, Falkirk, writes...

ON behalf of thousands of Rangers supporters I would just like to say one thing to Mark Walters.

Don't bother about the taunts from idiot supporters. You are, without doubt, one of the hottest properties in Scottish football and have the support of most of the footballing public.



RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB-CANADIAN & U.S. TOUR, 1954  
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Front Row--W. Waddell, S. Cox, E. Caldwell, G. Young (Captain), W. Thornton, J. Shaw.

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● **WALTER'S WORRY** . . . in the dug-out at Tynecastle. But he played well, for once, in training last week!



● **AIR FORCE** . . . Sandy Clark in action against Richard Gough last weekend. His goal was a bad one for us to lose.

# IT'S THAT SEVEN YEAR ITCH!



## The Roberts Report

**WE'RE** out to end a seven year itch for Rangers by bringing the Scottish Cup back to Ibrox for the first time since 1981.

Our campaign begins this Saturday at Starks Park in the third round against First Division Raith Rovers and we know that we will have to be at our best to go through.

### Respect

Of course, we'll be hot favourites to win but the Kirkcaldy side will be treating the match as a Cup Final and we simply can't afford to treat them with anything else but respect.

I've been asked if the shock defeat at this stage of last season against Hamilton Accies will prey on the minds of the players, but that is firmly in the past.

### Memory

We certainly want to completely wipe out the memory of that day by going all the way to Hampden this time around and bringing the Cup home.

I enjoyed some marvellous moments in the FA Cup in England with Spurs and it was always a special competition as far as we were concerned at White Hart Lane.

My two winners medals are very precious to me and now I want to add a Scottish Cup one as soon as possible.

Seven years is far too long



● **A RANGER TO STAY** . . . I'm delighted that Ian Durrant has signed a new contract.

for a club like Rangers to go without winning a major domestic trophy and the team proved last season we can end that kind of famine when we won the Premier League after nine years.

I've never played at Starks Park before but from all accounts it's a tight little ground and I'm certain Raith Rovers will do their very best to unsettle us in the early stages.

### Composure

We'll have to keep our composure as much as we can but if it comes down to a hard slog, we are more than capable of rolling up our sleeves and matching any side for effort.

Cammy Fraser will make sure Rovers give it everything they have got and it will be interesting to see how he performs against us.

We should come through at the end of the day but we also know that nothing can be taken for granted in cup football.

Having said that, I don't see too many shocks happening this Saturday the way the draw has worked out, although Hearts will find it very hard going against Falkirk at Brockville.

Our own game against Hearts last weekend was encouraging in some ways and disappointing in others.

After they had been on top for the first 20 minutes or so, we came right back into it and I felt we dictated things in the second half.

Mark Walters was tremendous and showed what a magnificent asset he can be to Scottish football. It was only justice when he won us the penalty-kick for Ian Durrant to open the scoring.

His piece of skill in bringing down Nicky Walker's kick-out a few minutes later was as good as anything I've seen for a long time and only a fine save from Henry Smith prevented us getting a second goal.

What a pity he should have to suffer abuse from some idiot spectators!

He's emerging from the whole thing with his reputation enhanced and the abuse simply doesn't both him one little bit. It still sickens me, though, and I just wish the morons responsible would give it a rest.

It was disappointing to only take a point from Tynecastle after having taken the lead and the goal that Sandy Clark got for Hearts was a bad one to lose from our point of view.

### Result

However, looking back on it, a point from Tynecastle can never be regarded as a bad result and both Aberdeen and Celtic have still to go there.

A great boost for us was the news that Ian Durrant has signed a new four-year contract with Rangers.

He is a marvellous young player, on a par with any midfielder in Britain, and his potential is still unfulfilled.

Ian has worked terrifically hard for the team up front in recent weeks and his willingness only shows how important it is for him to be a Rangers player.

There was never any question about whether or not Ian wanted to play for Rangers. It was simply a question of the circumstances being right for him and his problems have now been sorted out.

I had a great night last Saturday when I was the guest of the Stewarton Rangers Supporters Club, accepting their 'Player of the Year' trophy.

They presented me with a beautiful portrait of myself and it was a pleasure to spend the evening with them.

David McPherson also went along and he was given a ter-



● **AWARD WINNERS** . . . Mark Walters and John Brown collected the "Goal" and "Miss" weekly prizes in training.

rific reception. Once a Ranger, always a Ranger!

These supporters clubs functions are something new for me — with Spurs there was only one Player of the Year award from the fans while with Rangers there are hundreds.

I've received or been told of around 20 so far this season and it's quite overwhelming. I can't possibly attend all the functions but I get in touch with every club who ask me along.

One night next month, I'm supposed to be accepting EIGHT different awards at different venues. As you can see, it's just not possible for me to please everyone.

I have to be as fair as I can and I just hope the fans of the clubs which I can't make it along to understand the position.

Anyway, here are my weekly awards to once again cause pain and embarrassment in the dressing room —

**GOAL OF THE WEEK:** A 25-yard rocket from John Brown into the top corner of the net which gave 'keeper Nicky Walker no chance on Friday morning.

**MISS OF THE WEEK:** Mark Walters gets this one for the first time. With Nicky stranded on the ground, Ray Wilkins set Mark up perfectly only for him to decide to flick the ball over the bar from two feet.



● **YER STAR MAN** . . . Jimmy Nicholl easily wins the "Most Valuable Player" award this week.

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER:** Jimmy Nicholl by a mile. The old dog showed the enthusiasm of an 18-year-old. Walter Smith, by the way, rates an honourable mention — he's actually been playing well

which is what I was looking for from the lad!

*Alan Roberts*

# STAR FILE

## ... All the facts about Jimmy Phillips

**FULL NAME:** James Neil Phillips.

**BIRTHPLACE AND DATE:** Bolton, February 8, 1966.

**HEIGHT AND WEIGHT:** 6ft., 12st. 8lbs.

**MARRIED:** No.

**CAR:** Astra.

**PREVIOUS CLUBS:** Bolton Wanderers.

**JOB OR TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO:** I joined Bolton from school.

**CLUB NICKNAME:** "Wullie" or "Bubble Eyes".

**WORST EVER INJURY:** A broken wrist in early days with Bolton.

**FAVOURITE OTHER PLAYER:** Glenn Hoddle (Monaco and England).

**FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM:** Bolton Wanderers.

**FOOTBALL HERO OF CHILDHOOD:** Kevin Keegan (Liverpool and England).

**OTHER SPORTS PERSON YOU MOST ADMIRE:** Cricketer Ian Botham.

**FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND:** Hillsborough.

**FRIENDLIEST AWAY FANS:** Bristol City.

**BEST GOAL SCORED:** My 30-yard free-kick against Stirling Albion recently.

**BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED:** Frank Worthington's brilliant individual effort for Bolton against Ipswich a few years ago.

**MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT:** Winston White, a tricky winger with Bury, who gave me problems in one of my first games for Bolton.

**MOST MEMORABLE MATCH:** The 1985-86 Freight Rover Trophy Final for Bolton against Bristol City at Wembley in front of 54,000 fans.

**BIGGEST MOMENT IN FOOTBALL:** Beating Dynamo Kiev earlier this season.



● **A TOUCH OF CLASS** ... Glenn Hoddle, now starring for Monaco, is Jimmy's favourite player.



● **A WINNER** ... Jimmy, extreme right in the front row, celebrates with his team-mates after last season's Glasgow Cup triumph at Parkhead.



● **GREAT DAY** ... Jimmy dons a Rangers scarf as he savours the championship celebrations at Pittodrie last season.



● **BOYHOOD IDOL** ... Liverpool and England superstar Kevin Keegan was Jimmy's hero.



● **JIMMY PHILLIPS** ... signed from Bolton Wanderers for £75,000 in March, 1987.



● **SUPER STRIKER** ... Much-travelled Frank Worthington, scorer of the best goal Jimmy has seen.

**BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT:** Not being included in the Skol Cup Final team this season and losing that Freight Rover match 3-0.

**BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER:** My father, John McGovern at Bolton and Dave Bushell, coach to the England under-15 side.

**PRE-MATCH MEAL:** Chicken.

**INTERNATIONAL HONOURS:** None.

**CAREER AFTER PLAYING:** I'd like to be a PE Teacher.

**PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE:** Scott Nisbet (Rangers).

**BEST ALL-TIME WORLD XI:** The Dutch World Cup side of 1974.

**FUNNIEST MOMENT IN FOOTBALL:** In a match in England when the referee was knocked out flat when the ball struck him on the face.

**PROFESSIONAL AMBITION:** To play senior football into my 30s.

**PERSONAL AMBITION:** To be successful in business.

**MISCELLANEOUS LIKES/DISLIKES:** Golf/Smoking, slow drivers.

**FAVOURITE COLOUR:** Blue.

**OTHER SPORTS YOU**

**PARTICIPATE IN:** Golf, tennis, snooker, bowls.

**FAVOURITE TV PROGRAMMES:** The Young Ones and Bananaman.

**TV PROGRAMMES YOU SWITCH OFF:** Panorama.

**BEST FILM SEEN RECENTLY:** Lethal Weapon.

**FAVOURITE ACTOR:** Mel Gibson.

**FAVOURITE ACTRESS:** Kelly Le Brock.

**FAVOURITE NEWSPAPER:** Daily Express.

**FAVOURITE FOOD/DRINK:** Lobster/Light Mild.

**BEST COUNTRY VISITED:** Portugal.

**FAVOURITE HOLIDAY RESORT:** Albufeira.

**FAVOURITE ACTIVITY ON DAY OFF:** Sleeping.

**TASTE IN MUSIC:** Bruce Springsteen, Chris Rea and Chris De Burgh.

**SUPERSTITIONS:** None.

**WHICH PERSON IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET:** Christie Brinkley.

**WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH £1 MILLION:** Travel around the world.

**WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO THROW A CUSTARD PIE AT:** TV idiot Gyles Brandreth.

**WHAT ONE ITEM WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE IF STRANDED ON A DESERT ISLAND:** A beach buggy!

## PSV fail to win shocker!

IT finally happened last weekend — PSV Eindhoven failed to win a match!

The Dutch club's astonishing run of success in their domestic league was brought to a halt when they could on draw 2-2 with Twente Enschede at home.

### Fixture

It was their 18th league fixture of the season with PSV having won everyone of the previous 17!

Ajax won 3-0 away to Roda Kerkrade to remain in second place but they are still a massive SEVEN points behind PSV how have a game in hand.

Feyenoord's 1-1 draw at PEC Zwolle kept them in third spot and it really is a question of 'who's going to be second?' in Holland this season.

## Pastures new for Michael?

MICHAEL RUM-MENIGGE, star striker with European Cup hopefuls Bayern Munich, is currently involved in a transfer tug-of-war.

Bayern's great rivals SV Hamburg have stepped in with a bid for the younger brother of the great Karl-Heinz who may be keen to move to pastures new.

### Plunge

However, Bayern boss Uli Hoeness has slapped a £600,000 price tag on the player and Hamburg are currently debating whether to take the plunge and buy the striker.

To make matters more confusing, the Bayern board of directors have announced that Rummenigge will complete his contract at the club which runs until June 1989.

## ATTACKING ON THE REVERSE

JUVENTUS goalkeeper Stefano Tacconi has launched an amazing attack on the Italian football authorities.

He is protesting about the number of results in the Italian League this season which have been reversed as a result of firecrackers being thrown at players by supporters, of the winning team.

### Ridiculous

It happened to Juventus when their win over Cesena was turned over after just such a case.

Tacconi hit out, saying: "Decisions like that are ridiculous. Every Sunday five or six firecrackers land in front of me in the penalty area.

"Next time it happens, I'll fall down and not get up — then we'll see what happens."

### Joker

So far, Tacconi has not fulfilled his threat but he does have a reputation as a wild man and joker and has been described by Ian Rush as the life and soul of the Juventus dressing room.

Juve president Giampiero Boniperti filed an appeal against the Italian FA's decision, but it was rejected.

# POOR LITTLE RICH BOY!

## Czechs get a new Joe

JOSZEF Venglos has been named as the new national boss of Czechoslovakia.

Venglos will be in his second spell in charge, having taken the Czechs to the 1982 World Cup Finals in Spain.

This time around, he takes over from Josef Masopust who resigned after the country's failure to reach this summer's European Championship Finals.

Ironically, one of the first games Venglos has fixed up is against Denmark on June 1 — it was the Danes, of course, who edged out the Czechs in their qualifying section.

IF Diego Maradona is currently being outshone by Ruud Gullit, the pretender to his throne, the Argentine star isn't unduly worried.

And why should he be after sealing a contract with Napoli which borders on the obscene.

### Gas

The little striker recently tied up the deal which will keep him at Napoli until 1993 at least — and he certainly won't have to worry about paying the gas bill.

His basic weekly wage is now an astonishing £40,000. To put that in proportion, Ian Rush earns

## New Napoli contract lets Diego rake it in

around £6,000 a week with Juventus!

Maradona will also collect 25 per cent of all the profits from exhibition matches he plays in and the same percentage of every publicity or sponsorship deal clinched by Napoli in the next five years.

As if that wasn't enough, the poor lad will receive a dozen first class return tickets to Buenos Aires every season, a couple of luxury cars and all expenses paid on his luxury villa just outside

Naples!

Despite that, however, the 'News' is still sure that the silver tongue of Graeme Souness could persuade the superstar to chuck it all and play for Rangers!

While it's all going right for Diego, younger brother Lalo has been found wanting in the Spanish Second Division with Granada. He has been relegated to the reserves by coach Joaquin Peiro.

Still, he can always get a sub from big brother.



● DIEGO MARADONA . . . earning £40,000 a week.



● MICHAEL RUM-MENIGGE . . . wanted by SV Hamburg.

● BELOW RIGHT: IAN RUSH . . . four goal blast to critics.

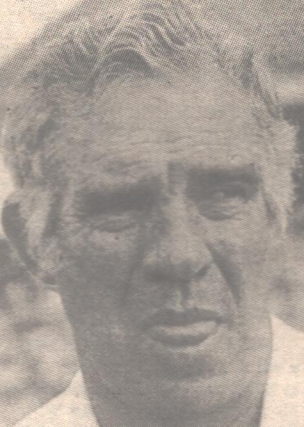
## Spotlight on Europe



## Loopy Luis at the end of his tether

IT looks like the brief career of Luis Aragones as manager of Barcelona is over.

We told you on this page about the strange behaviour of the former Atletico Madrid coach and his loopy antics haven't stopped since he took over as caretaker at the Nou Camp.



● LUIS ARAGONES . . . went mad in Monte Carlo.

Another point was dropped last weekend when Barsa could only draw 1-1 at Real Zaragoza and the club were rocked when Aragones was diagnosed as having suffered a nervous breakdown.

The warning signs had been there when, at Christmas, Luis popped off to Monaco for a short break and ended up losing £25,000 at the Monte Carlo casinos!

He'll still have no financial worries — he gets £165,000 a year in the Barcelona job.

But he has been told by the club to take a holiday and that is likely to be extended if either Johann Cruyff or Javier Clemente can be persuaded to become the new boss of Barcelona.

Cruyff is the most wanted man in Europe since his shock exit from Ajax, while Clemente has greatly impressed Barcelona officials with his success in Europe this season with local rivals Espanol.

Meanwhile, Real Madrid firmly halted the title charge of John Toshack's Real Sociedad with a 1-0 home win, Emilio Butragueno the man on target.

Madrid now lead the Spanish League by five points from Sociedad with Howard Kendall's Athletic Bilbao crushing third-placed Athletic Madrid 5-1 to go fourth.

## Rush in salvage operation

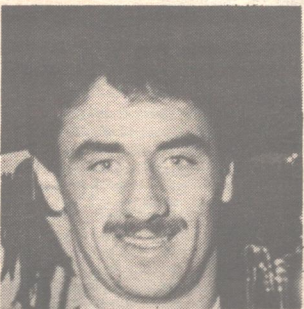
IAN Rush and Juventus are determined to salvage their season of disappointment by winning the Italian Cup for the first time since 1983.

Another dropped point in a 1-1 draw against Fiorentina last Sunday drove another nail in the coffin of their championship hopes and once more Rush was a lonely man up front.

### Smile

But three days later, the second leg of their Italian Cup tie against Pescara put the smile back on the former Liverpool star's face.

Leading just 1-0 from the first leg in Rome, the press and supporters were forecasting a shock result on the Adriatic



coast where Pescara are situated.

However, Rushy blasted away the worries by scoring four goals in a brilliant 6-2 win with his Danish strike partner Michael Laudrup weighing in with the other two.

Napoli, meanwhile, still lead the league by three points from AC Milan after Diego Maradona's late goal in rainy Genoa earned a 1-0 win over Sampdoria.

## Espanol get the Olympic ideal

ESPANOL, having more than matched city rivals Barcelona on the field this season, are now planning to become their equals off the park.

They currently play their home matches at Sarria Stadium which is a million miles away from the splendour and capacity of Barsa's world famous Nou Camp.

But Espanol plan to rectify that. They have applied to play their home games at the new Olympic Stadium when it is completed for the 1992 games in Barcelona.

It's a shrewd move from the club who have sent Inter Milan, AC Milan and Borussia Moenchengladbach packing in the UEFA Cup this season.

In addition to having a spanking new home venue, they will reel in £10 million from the sale of the Sarria Stadium.

## Gary well insured

FIFA are planning to look into the rules regarding players whose careers are finished by injury after the return to action of Gary Bailey.

The former Manchester United and England goalkeeper was told last year that his playing days were over due to a knee injury.

As he received an insurance payout when his career "ended," Gary cannot play professional football in Britain, unless he repays the sum if turning out for a Football League club.

However, back in his native South Africa, Gary has had a successful operation on the knee and has signed for multi-racial club Iwissa Kaizer Chiefs.

Spotlight on the Scottish Cup as Rangers face a . . .

# STARK CHOICE



Scottish Cup Preview

Coop's out to cause havoc

**DAVIE Cooper, fit again after his recent groin injury, aims to turn back the clock seven years this Saturday.**

Raith Rovers supporters are likely to wince if they see the winger trot out at Starks Park for the Scottish Cup third round tie.

## Tatters

For when the clubs met, in a League Cup qualifying section in 1981-82, it was Davie who left the Kirkcaldy side in tatters.

Rangers won the Ibrox match 8-1 with goals from Ian Redford (4), Bobby Russell (2), Sandy Jardine and Colin McAdam — but it was Super Cooper who was the real star of the show.

He created no fewer than SIX of the eight goals the Light Blues rattled in and was desperately unlucky not to get on the scoresheet himself.

Davie is the only survivor of the Rangers side who played that day and he is determined to be involved as Rangers bid to win the Scottish Cup for the first time since 1981.

## Amends

Davie told the 'News': "I can remember that match at Ibrox very clearly — I couldn't put a foot wrong that day. We also won 3-1 at Starks Park in the return and went on to win the League Cup, with Ian

**DAVIE MacKinnon has a warning for Rangers as they approach this Saturday's Scottish Cup tie against Raith Rovers in Kirkcaldy.**

The 31-year-old former Ibrox star, now playing for Airdrie, was in action for the Lanarkshire club last weekend against Rovers at Starks Park.

## Cruise

And he reckons that if the toss of the coin goes in favour of Graham Roberts on Saturday, Rangers will cruise to the fourth round.

David told the 'News': "Most of the Rangers players will never have experienced Starks Park before and they must beware of the slope which the pitch has.

"It's not as pronounced as Easter Road, but when Raith played down it against us in the second half, they took a terrific lift from it and had us in trouble.

"If Graham Roberts wins

## Toss of the coin is vital says MacKinnon

the toss, I'd advise him to play up the slope first half and take the sting out of Raith early on. After that, I don't think Rangers should have too much trouble."

Not that Davie, who left Ibrox at the end of the 1985-86 season, is completely writing off the chances of the First Division promotion challengers.

## Tricky

He said: "The player who could cause Rangers problems is winger Steve Simpson. He is very tricky, flits from wing to wing and is the talk of the First Division at the moment.

"In fact, Raith's strength is definitely up front where Gordon Dalziel and Colin Harris make a good partnership.

"Gordon looks very sharp and has lost a lot of weight and

it was easy to see why he is the First Division's top scorer.

"In midfield, they are very stuffy and Ronnie Coyle, who they have just signed from Rochdale, works very hard.

## Defence

"I would say they are weakest in defence. Although Cammy Fraser does well, he hasn't got a lot of support and I can see the likes of Mark Walters and Ally McCoist causing them a lot of bother."

For Davie, his Scottish Cup dream is with Airdrie who take on East Fife this Saturday — but he's hoping for a meeting with Rangers in the next round.

He said: "I'm enjoying my football with Airdrie and under Gordon McQueen the club are very confident about the future. We would love to take on Rangers at some stage of the cup."



● DAVIE MacKINNON . . . the former Rangers star has a warning for the Light Blues.



● FLASHBACK . . . Davie Cooper in dazzling form in the 8-1 drubbing of Raith Rovers seven years ago. Bobby Ford is the desperate defender.

Redford and myself scoring in the 2-1 win over Dundee United in the final.

"Seven years is a long time for a club like Rangers to have gone without winning the Scottish Cup and after last season's disaster against Hamilton, we all want to make amends.

"We can't afford to take Saturday's match lightly and

Raith Rovers will battle all the way to cause a shock.

"I can remember having some real battles at Starks Park when I played for Clydebank and it certainly won't be easy for Rangers this time around."

David, in fact, was never on a winning side for the Bankies at Starks Park before breaking his duck in that 3-1 win with Rangers in 81-82.



● LOOKING BACK . . . Gordon Dalziel reflects on the glory days he enjoyed with Rangers — now he aims to dump them out of the Scottish Cup.

## Previous encounters between the clubs

**RANGERS and Raith Rovers have only been drawn together in the Scottish Cup on three previous occasions.**

The Light Blues are unbeaten in three visits to Starks Park, the first of which was a 5-0 victory in the second round in the 1931-32 competition.

## Favour

The teams were drawn together again in 1938-39 and this time only one goal separated them, again in Rangers favour, 1-0.

The last time the duo met in the Scottish Cup was in 1949-50 in a four round tie when it took three games to decide the winner.

Willie Findlay scored Rangers goal in a 1-1 draw at Ibrox, then Billy Williamson was on target as the scoreline was repeated in the Starks Park replay.

The game was finally decided at Ibrox with Willie Findlay and Sam Cox scoring in a 2-0 win for Rangers who went on to win the Scottish Cup for the third successive season.

● RANGERS and Raith Rovers last met in the third round of the Skol Cup at Ibrox on August 29, 1984.

Rangers won 4-0 in front of 7,000 fans with goals from Ally McCoist (2), Craig Paterson and Ian Redford. The line-ups were:

## Remaining

**RANGERS:** Walker, MacKinnon, Dawson, McClelland, Paterson, Redford, Russell, Fraser, I. Ferguson, McCoist, Cooper. Subs: McPherson (for MacKinnon), and Mitchell (for Cooper).

**RAITH ROVERS:** Blair, Robertson, Houston, Urquhart, Corstorphine, Phillip, Smith, Marshall, Ramsay, More, Wright.

Only Nicky Walker, Ally McCoist and Davie Cooper remain today from that Ibrox eleven.

## ALL YOUR CLUB NOTES

**CUMNOCK AND DISTRICT:** Bus v Raith Rovers leaves Cumnock 10 a.m., Logan 10.10 a.m. and Muirkirk 10.20 a.m. Contact Tom at 0290 24189 (after 6 p.m.).

**SPRINGHALL AND CASKIN:** Bus for Saturday leaves the 4 Seasons at 12.30, County Inn 12.35. All members going to Aberdeen please give names to Gordon Blake as soon as possible. For further details phone John McKillop between Friday until Sunday.

**BRIDGETON LOYAL:** Bus 1 o'clock Mermaid Bar.

**THORNIEBANK LOYAL:** Bus Saturday 12.30 p.m., Main Street, Thorniebank. Non-members welcome.

**BELLSHILL CHOSEN FEW:** Bus v Raith Rovers leaves 12.30. Would all members please note that the ballot for tickets will take place half hour before departure time. Would all members who do not have a ticket please have his name forwarded by 12 noon.

**HILLINGTON LOYAL:** Bus v Raith Rovers leaves Wallace Bar 12.30, then Thurston Road (shops) 12.40. Bus v Aberdeen leaves same venues at 8 a.m. and 8.10 a.m. Bus with toilet and video. All members note that all fund raising monies must be paid now. For seats and enquiries phone Gordon 883 6209 or Alex 427 3879.

**KILMARNOCK TEDDY BEARS:** Bus v Raith Rovers leaves swimming baths 11.45; bus v Aberdeen leaves same venue at 7.45. See Big Jack.

**ISLE OF BUTE R.S.C.:** Player of the Year Awards. Player of the Year, Graham Roberts. Young Player of the Year, Ian Durrant. Dance is on February 13.

**NITHSDALE:** Bus v Raith Rovers leaves Torrisdale Street 12 noon. Bus v Aberdeen, same venue 9 a.m.

**INVERNESS TRUE BLUE R.S.C.:** Scottish Cup v Raith Rovers ballot for tickets. Bus leaves Town Hall 10 a.m. Aberdeen v Rangers names and deposits taken for above at meeting in Cameron Club, Tuesday, January 26, at 7.30.

**RENFREW LOYAL:** Bus v Raith Rovers and Aberdeen may have to be cancelled due to lack of tickets from Ibrox. Any club with spare tickets for either match please contact J. Begg on 041 886 7743. Members contact D. McGregor on 886 2978 for confirmation

of bus arrangements.

**DENNY AND DISTRICT:** Bus v Raith Rovers leaves The Lion and Dragon 12.45. Non-members welcome seats only. Seats available on bus to Aberdeen, returning to Montrose until midnight. For details phone Jim on 0324 824798.

**THORNIEBANK TRUE BLUES R.S.C.:** Bus v Raith Rovers (A) leaves Eastwood Crescent 11.00, Coach House 11.10, Bay Horse (Shawlands) 11.20. Toilet and video on bus.

**JIMMY CLARK LOYAL:** Bus Saturday, 1 o'clock Loudon Bar.

**KINNING PARK LOYAL:** Bus for Kirkcaldy Raith Rovers leaves 10 a.m. Members note early departure. Strict ticket ballot. Non-members welcome with tickets. Aberdeen Bus February 6 leaves 8 a.m. Seats non-members with tickets welcome. Returning straight after game Kirkcaldy and Aberdeen buses. Wembley bus leaves Friday morning 9 a.m., arrive London 4 p.m., leaves Sunday 3 p.m., arrive 10 p.m. Video and toilet. Seats £20. All details phone Stuart, 041 429 5578, between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. only please.

**RANGERS WISHAW OFFICIAL BRANCH:** Bus for Saturday leaves Kennilworth Avenue at 1.15. For ticket information members should phone Neil at Motherwell 51261.

**MONIFIETH LOYAL:** Bus v Saturday leaves Vaults 10.45, usual pick-ups. Bus v Wednesday leaves 4.30 p.m. Phone Gordon (533 296). New and non-members welcome.

**TANNOCHSIDE (VIEWPARK):** Bus v Aberdeen 8 a.m. Bothel 4 library, 8.10 old club, 8.20 North Road, Belshill.

**IRVING AND DISTRICT:** Bus v Raith Rovers leaves Irvine Cross at 12 p.m., from Dregghorn at 12.15 p.m. prompt. For further details phone 213684 between 6 and 7 p.m.

**ABERDEEN:** Any club intending to visit Mitch's bar Torry, Aberdeen, on 6/2/88 must contact either Derek, 0224 573884/480898, or Gordon, 0224 647504, or entry will be refused.

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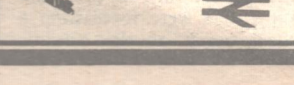
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# ... BOOK REVIEWS ... BOOK REVIEWS ...

**BLOWING THE WHISTLE** (By Toni Schumacher, W. H. Allen, £10.95).

BILLED as "sensational expose of European football," this autobiography from the famous Cologne and West Germany 'keeper lives up to that.

The man they called the 'Monster of Seville' after his dreadful tackle on French star Patrick Battiston in the 1982 World Cup Finals, tries to explain his cool, calculated footballing philosophy.

## Outcry

This book caused an outcry when first published in West Germany, causing Schumacher to be banned from the national team.

It has since been translated into almost a dozen languages and it is without a doubt anything but your run-of-the-mill footballer's life story.

## Victims

Schumacher takes on the controversial and thorny issues in the game and pulls no punches, leaving a trail of victims behind him.

There must have been a few lawsuits prepared against him after the book was first published!

The chapter when he deals with the Battiston affair is amazing reading. His struggle to defend himself while at the same time admitting how bad the tackle was displays the complex character of the man.

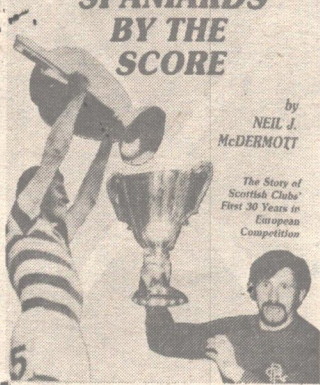
## Conscience

Says Schumacher: "I accept that millions of people think that I committed a foul. But in all conscience, I don't agree. Of course my character had something to do with it, my uncompromising tackling, my passionate commitment to everything I do."

He goes on to explain how Battiston eventually became a good friend but how he knows there are those who will never forgive him for the challenge.

It's just part of 214 pages of reasoned, controversial, illuminated and at times humorous thoughts and stories from Schumacher — a book not to be missed.

## BRING ON SPANIARDS BY THE SCORE



by NEIL J. McDERMOTT

The Story of Scottish Clubs' First 30 Years in European Competition

• SPANIARDS BY THE SCORE . . . a labour of love.

**BRING ON SPANIARDS BY THE SCORE** (By Neil J. McDermott, published by the author, £3.50).

THIS is the story of the first 30 years in European competition of Scottish clubs.

Clearly a labour of love by the Bishopbriggs-based author, a lot of research has gone into the 128-page volume which, of course, highlights the triumphs of Celtic, Rangers and Aberdeen.

A whole chapter, titled 'Glory Glory, Glasgow Rangers', is devoted in words and pictures to the Light Blues' Cup-Winners Cup success of 1972.

The only failing of the book is that its story ends in season 1984-85, therefore making the timing of its publication rather late.

However, the statistics and narrative are both very good and at the price it has to be considered a bargain. Available from the author at 134 Stirling Drive, Bishopbriggs, Glasgow.

**HEADING FOR GLORY** (By Paul Hegarty, John Donald Publishers, £5.95).

FROM inauspicious beginnings with Hamilton Accies, Paul Hegarty has built himself a reputation as one of the finest central defenders in the British game.

The Edinburgh-born Paul began life as a striker but it was Jim McLean at Tannadice who spotted his potential as a defender and switched him to the back.

## Admirable

With Dave Narey, he has formed one of the most respected defensive partnerships around with Dundee United and this book is his own story of an admirable career.

The book is perhaps a little too slim, and more detail of what happens behind the scenes at Tannadice and less of the blow-by-blow accounts from big games would have been welcome.

However, Paul's career is summarised in good detail and the statistics section is excellent.

**SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY — A COMPLETE RECORD 1867-1987** (By Keith Farnsworth, Breedon Books, £14.95).

THE thing of most obvious interest to Rangers fans in this book is a superb summary and tribute of Willie Henderson, the brilliant winger who left Ibrox in 1972 for Sheffield Wednesday.

Though he spent just two seasons at Hillsborough, Henderson clearly made a huge impact as the words of author Keith Farnsworth illustrate.

He says in the superb 384-page book: "The little man was still blessed with the old magic, his box of tricks was still full, and he captured the hearts of supporters hungry for flair and old-fashioned skill and entertainment."

Wee Willie is just one of the great players to have turned out for Wednesday in their illustrious 120-year history and they are all featured in another outstanding publication.

Their progress is charted from their very early origins, cataloguing each League, Cup, European and Wartime match in detail, as well as covering the players and the events that have shaped the Wednesday story.

Another one to interest all true football supporters, not just those who follow the famous Sheffield club.



A COMPLETE RECORD 1867-1987

KEITH FARNSWORTH

• SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY . . . tribute to Willie Henderson.

## ABERDEEN



A Complete Record 1903-1987

JIM RICKABY

• ABERDEEN . . . complete chronicle.

**ABERDEEN — A COMPLETE RECORD 1903-1987** (By Jim Rickaby, Breedon Books, £14.95).

JIM Forrest and Jim Bett are two men with a Rangers connection who appear in the Hall of Fame in this, Breedon's latest addition to their club history.

Throughout the 1980s, as Rangers have often known to their cost, Aberdeen have been at the top of the tree in Scottish football, with domestic success allied to their memorable Cup-Winners Cup triumphs in '83 spreading their reputation beyond the UK.

Here, for the first time, is a complete chronicle of the club's rise from its origins as three separate teams in the old Northern League to its place today amongst the European elite.

Among the features in the book are sections on the history of Pitodrie, an easy to follow season-by-season guide with teams, results, dates and scores which let you follow the Dons through their ups and downs over the past 84 years.

The A to Z Hall of Fame provides biographical detail of over 120 top players in the club's history and there is a special section covering all Aberdeen's friendly matches.

There has never been a more comprehensive guide to the history of the Dons and the book is a must for their fans.

**MANCHESTER CITY — COMPLETE RECORD 1887-1987** (By Ray Goble, Breedon Books, £14.95).

YET another fascinating and peerless collection of facts, figures and photos in Breedon Books series of statistical club histories.

Manchester City celebrated, or tried to in their current position, their centenary year in '87 and this publication is a perfect way to commemorate the 100 years.

From the day in 1887 when Gorton changed their name to Ardwick FC, City were born and despite their recent retreat into the Second Division, they remain one of the great names in English football.

This book charts the club's story through a concise narrative history, biographies of star players and managers, and a unique statistical section covering, in full, every competitive first-team game played by City since those early Ardwick days.

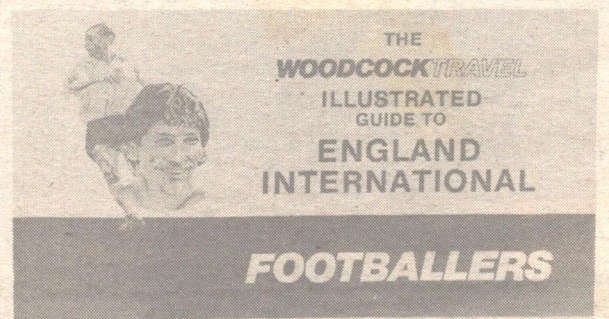
The Rangers connection is there, too, with Ralph Brand, Gordon Dalziel and Trevor Francis three of the men who have played for both clubs.

It's rather surprising, mind you, that Trevor, who cost City £1 million doesn't feature in their A-Z Hall of Fame in the book!

Nonetheless, this is a terrific publication, well up to the standard we have come to expect from Breedon.



• MANCHESTER CITY . . . fascinating collection of facts.



THE WOODCOCK TRAVEL ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO ENGLAND INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALLERS

• THE ILLUSTRATED GUIDE . . . amazing reference work.

**THE WOODCOCK TRAVEL ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO ENGLAND INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALLERS** (By J. M. Silk and M. D. James, Andromeda Press, £12.50).

THIS is a limited edition book of which kind has never been attempted before — an illustrated guide to England's footballers with year-by-year achievements for each of them.

Starting off with Captain W. J. Maynard of the 1st Surry Rifles in 1873, right through to Stuart Pearce, the 999th player to be capped by England, this unique publication is an amazing reference work.

## Statistics

Portraits of the players have been drawn freehand by M. D. James, one of the most experienced portrait artists in the country, and all the vital statistics of each star are, beside his mug-shot.

Terry Butcher, Graham Roberts, Chris Woods, Ray Wilkins and Trevor Francis are all there, of course, in the 146-page volume which doesn't make for bedside reading but is certainly a marvellous and unequalled record of the individuals who have contributed to England's international history.

It's available from the publishers at 10 Highwood Place, Sheffield S31 9GP.

**LINEKER GOLDEN BOOT** (By Rob Hughes, Willow Books, £8.95).

IT would have been nothing short of a miracle if a book on England's goalscoring sensation hadn't been published yet.

Bearing that in mind, this 144-page volume from the highly professional Willow Collins company at least gives Lineker's fans something worth having and at a price that is far from deadly.

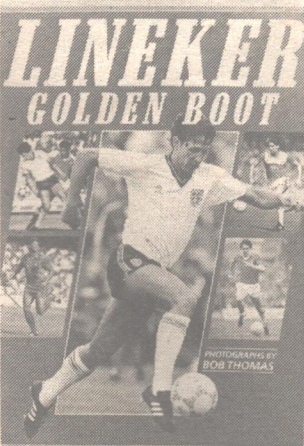
Photos in the book are

taken by Bob Thomas, guaranteeing a high standard, and Rob Hughes' text very nicely tells the tale of his journey from Filbert Street to the Nou Camp.

Starting out at Leicester City under Jock Wallace certainly prepared Gary for anything the game could throw at him and his sensational season with Everton established himself as the game's most sought-after striker.

His fortunes with Barcelona have, of course, been mixed but he has always kept his feet firmly on the ground and remains one of football's genuinely likeable blokes.

The pictures, in which Graham Roberts and Terry Butcher feature, are the highlights of a book well worth owning.



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# Extra -time agony!

St Mirren . . 1  
Rangers . . . 0

(a.e.t.)

A GOAL from Mark McWalters in the last minute of extra-time sent Rangers out of the Reserve League Cup at Love Street on Saturday.

It was a disappointing end to an excellent match which was great for the neutrals but agonising for Rangers coach Peter McCloy.

He said: "I feel there are a lot of players who are finding it hard to come into the reserve team after having been in the first team at some stage of the season.

## Unacceptable

"They don't play to anything like their potential and that's really unacceptable.

"John McGregor, Jimmy Phillips and Stuart Munro are exempt from that criticism."

"They always do well for me and it was no different on Saturday with McGregor in particular having an outstanding match.

"We were very disappointing in the final third of the park and that was where we lost the match."

## Chances

The normal 90 minutes had seen both sides have a similar amount of chances but goalkeepers Les Fridge and Lindsay Hamilton were both on top form.

The game went into extra-time and seemed set for a penalty shoot-out when in the very last minute St Mirren scored.

David Kirkwood was caught out at a free-kick and the ball fell kindly for Mark McWalters who gave Lindsay Hamilton no chance at all.

**RANGERS:** L. Hamilton, McPherson, Munro, McGregor, Phillips, Nicholl, McCall, Kirkwood, McSwegan, Spencer and trialist. Subs: P. Hamilton (for McGregor 112 minutes), Thomson (not used).

Angus McPherson won the young man of the match nomination from Peter McCloy.



● GREAT DANE! . . . Debut boy Jan Bartram gets off to a great start as he blasts the ball home.



● LAP OF HONOUR . . . Bartram knows how to celebrate as well as he is mobbed by his team-mates.

# FAN-FARE!

RANGERS had 41,088 good reasons for winning two points on Saturday to push themselves into second place in the Premier League table.

That figure represents the amazing crowd who turned up at Ibrox on a freezing day to see the Light Blues take on Falkirk.

The attendance once again amazed Rangers boss, Graeme Souness. He told the "News": "With every respect due, Falkirk are not the greatest crowd pullers in the Premier League."

## Unbelievable

That kind of attendance is unbelievable. I couldn't possibly wish for better support than we've had this season — they have been out of this world."

The crowd was the big-

**Rangers . . . 3**  
**Falkirk . . . 1**

gest of the day in Britain by a long way — next best was 28,000 Charlton v Liverpool.

Rangers survived an early second-half scare to take the points comfortably in the end against the Brockville side.

## Pressure

The first 45 minutes had seen non-stop pressure on Gordon Marshall's goal but

## Souness salutes support as Rangers romp home

Rangers had only one goal to show for it.

With Derek Ferguson taking a firm grip on the midfield, Rangers had chances galore but almost all of them went begging.

## Chances

The one that didn't was a personal triumph for debut boy Jan Bartram who's adventure and enthusiasm won him a place in the hearts of the fans.

It came in the 17th

minute when he charged into the penalty area, exchanged passes with Ally McCoist, then drove the ball into the roof of the net from 10 yards.

Rangers had no fewer than ELEVEN other chances to score in that first half!

## Brilliant

As so often happens Falkirk took advantage with a shock equaliser four minutes into the second

half when Crawford Baptie turned in a Sammy Conn cross from the left.

Rangers had it all to do again but they regained their lead in the 70th minute when Derek Ferguson played a brilliant pass for John Brown to run onto and he drove a perfect low shot into the far corner from the left hand side of the box.

Six minutes later Rangers wrapped up the points when the impressive Mark Walters was brought down by Conn as he sped into the box and for the second Saturday in a row Ian Durrant made no mistake from the spot.

● LEFT: ON TARGET . . . John Brown gets into the act as well as he slides the ball home.

● BELOW LEFT: EASY DOES IT: Ian Durrant makes no mistake from the penalty spot.

## Weekend fact-file

### PREMIER LEAGUE

Scorers: Rangers — Bartram (17 minutes), Brown (70 minutes) and Durrant (pen. 76 minutes). Falkirk: Baptie (49 minutes). Att: 41,088.

RANGERS: Walker, Nisbet, Bartram, Roberts, Wilkins, Gough, Ferguson, Brown, McCoist, Durrant, Walters. Subs: Cooper (for Roberts 65 minutes) and Souness (not used).

FALKIRK: Marshall, MacLeod, Dempsey, Romaines, Burgess, Manley, Hill, Nicol, Baptie, Conn, McWilliams. Subs: Stewart (for Romaines 74 minutes) and McNair (not used).

REFEREE: Kenny Hope (Clarkston).

RANGERS NEWS MAN OF THE MATCH: Derek Ferguson.



● HEAD BOY . . . Mark Walters shows he has aerial power as well as dazzling dribbling skills.

# Scoreboard



## HOW THEY STAND IN THE LEAGUES . . .

Premier League						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pt
Celtic . . . . .	30	19	9	2	56	19 47
Rangers . . . . .	31	19	6	6	58	21 44
Aberdeen . . . . .	31	16	12	3	44	17 44
Hearts . . . . .	30	16	11	3	53	23 43
Dundee . . . . .	30	14	6	10	57	38 34
Dundee Utd. . . . .	30	10	9	11	31	35 29
Hibernian . . . . .	31	7	13	11	27	34 27
St Mirren . . . . .	30	7	11	12	33	39 25
Motherwell . . . . .	31	9	6	16	26	43 24
Falkirk . . . . .	30	5	8	17	24	59 18
Morton . . . . .	31	2	9	20	22	73 13

Second Division						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pt
Ayr Utd . . . . .	24	19	3	2	65	18 41
St Johnstone . . . . .	23	15	6	2	45	13 36
Queens Park . . . . .	24	13	5	6	41	29 31
Brechin . . . . .	24	13	5	6	34	23 31
Stirling Alb' . . . . .	24	10	7	7	35	35 27
Albion Rov . . . . .	24	8	9	7	30	35 25
E. Stirling . . . . .	24	7	10	7	31	32 24
Montrose . . . . .	24	9	5	10	31	31 23
Arbroath . . . . .	24	7	9	8	39	41 23
Alloa . . . . .	23	9	3	11	31	30 21
Cowdenbth. . . . .	24	4	9	11	34	52 17
Stenhousemuir . . . . .	24	5	5	14	24	43 15
Stranraer . . . . .	24	3	5	16	24	48 11
Berwick . . . . .	24	3	3	18	20	54 9

English First Division (top ten)						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pt
Liverpool . . . . .	24	19	5	0	59	11 62
Notts For . . . . .	24	13	6	5	46	21 45
Everton . . . . .	25	12	7	6	36	16 43
Arsenal . . . . .	25	12	6	7	36	23 42
Man Utd . . . . .	24	11	9	4	36	24 42
Wimbledon . . . . .	25	11	7	7	39	30 40
QPR . . . . .	25	11	7	7	30	28 40
Luton . . . . .	24	10	5	9	32	26 35
Sheff Wed . . . . .	25	10	4	11	31	38 34
Tottenham . . . . .	26	9	6	11	26	31 33

First Division						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pt
Hamilton . . . . .	30	17	7	6	51	26 41
Raith R. . . . .	30	16	4	10	64	47 36
Meadowbank . . . . .	30	14	8	8	50	38 36
Forfar . . . . .	30	10	12	8	47	39 32
Airdrie . . . . .	30	11	10	9	49	47 32
Clydebank . . . . .	30	14	4	12	39	43 32
Clyde . . . . .	29	12	4	13	59	51 28
Queen Sth . . . . .	30	8	12	10	38	52 28
Dumbarton . . . . .	31	10	7	14	39	53 27
Kilmarnock . . . . .	31	10	6	15	41	45 26
Partick . . . . .	31	9	8	14	44	54 26
East Fife . . . . .	30	6	6	18	40	66 18

Premier Reserve League						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pt
Dundee Utd. . . . .	22	19	1	2	66	14 39
Celtic . . . . .	23	16	2	5	60	35 34
Aberdeen . . . . .	22	14	4	4	59	27 32
Motherwell . . . . .	22	11	5	6	42	29 27
Rangers . . . . .	22	11	5	6	45	38 27
Dundee . . . . .	22	11	2	9	56	39 24
Hibernian . . . . .	22	10	2	10	41	47 22
Hearts . . . . .	23	8	5	10	32	31 21
Morton . . . . .	22	4	3	15	22	48 11
St. Mirren . . . . .	22	4	3	15	17	47 11
Falkirk . . . . .	22	3	4	15	21	64 10
Dunfermline . . . . .	22	2	4	16	30	72 8

English Second Division (top ten)						
	P	W	D	L	F	A Pt
Aston Villa . . . . .	30	16	10	4	48	24 58
Crystal P. . . . .	29	16	4	9	63	46 52
Middlesboro . . . . .	29	15	7	7	40	23 52
Millwall . . . . .	29	16	4	9	49	36 52
Blackburn . . . . .	28	14	9	5	40	27 51
Bradford . . . . .	28	14	6	8	42	35 48
Hull . . . . .	28	13	9	6	41	34 48
Ipswich . . . . .	28	13	7	8	40	27 46
Leeds Utd. . . . .	29	12	8	9	38	37 44
Man City . . . . .	29	12	6	11	57	43 42

## Player of the Year table

Derek Ferguson moves clear in the third position spot in the Rangers News 'Player of the Year' table after his superb comeback on Saturday.

In the reserves Angus McPherson collected his second 'Young man of the match' nomination of the season.

The full tables are:  
FIRST TEAM  
Ian Durrant . . . . . 21  
Graham Roberts . . . . . 18  
Derek Ferguson . . . . . 15  
Ally McCoist . . . . . 12  
Graeme Souness . . . . . 9

Terry Butcher . . . . . 6  
Richard Gough . . . . . 6  
Chris Woods . . . . . 6  
Ray Wilkins . . . . . 6  
Mark Walters . . . . . 6  
Stuart Munro . . . . . 3  
Trevor Francis . . . . . 3  
Ian McCall . . . . . 3  
Jimmy Nicholl . . . . . 3  
Davie Cooper . . . . . 3  
Scott Nisbet . . . . . 3

SECOND TEAM  
Scott Nisbet . . . . . 9  
David MacFarlane . . . . . 9  
Sandy Robertson . . . . . 6  
Paul Hamilton . . . . . 6  
Angus McPherson . . . . . 6  
John Spencer . . . . . 6  
Mark Thomson . . . . . 3



● IAN DURRANT

## 1st XI scorers

Ally McCoist . . . . .	42
Robert Fleck . . . . .	14
Ian Durrant . . . . .	12
Mark Falco . . . . .	10
Graeme Souness . . . . .	4
John McGregor . . . . .	2
Derek Ferguson . . . . .	2
Richard Gough . . . . .	2
Graham Roberts . . . . .	1
Neil Woods . . . . .	1
Davie Cooper . . . . .	1
Terry Butcher . . . . .	1
Ian McCall . . . . .	1
Jan Bartram . . . . .	1
John Brown . . . . .	1
Own goals . . . . .	4

## 2nd XI scorers

Gary McSwegan . . . . .	16
John Spencer . . . . .	14
David MacFarlane . . . . .	8
Mark Falco . . . . .	8
Robert Fleck . . . . .	6
Colin West . . . . .	5
Sandy Robertson . . . . .	4
Scott Nisbet . . . . .	3
Jim Milligan . . . . .	2
John McGregor . . . . .	2
Avi Cohen . . . . .	2
Davie Cooper . . . . .	2
Ian McCall . . . . .	2
Ally Dawson . . . . .	1
Ally Edwards . . . . .	1
Stuart Munro . . . . .	1
Jimmy Phillips . . . . .	1

## Weekend results

FINE FARE LEAGUE — PREMIER DIVISION		Morton . . . . . 1	Hibernian . . . . . 1
Motherwell . . . . . 2		Aberdeen . . . . . 1	Falkirk . . . . . 1
Rangers . . . . . 3		Falkirk . . . . . 1	
FINE FARE LEAGUE — DIVISION ONE			
Dumbarton . . . . . 1		Kilmarnock . . . . . 0	
Meadowbank . . . . . 3		Partick Th. . . . . 1	
FINE FARE LEAGUE — DIVISION TWO			
Albion R. . . . . 2		Brechin C. . . . . 0	
Ayr United . . . . . 3		Stenhousemuir . . . . . 0	
Berwick R. . . . . 1		Stirling A. . . . . 4	
E. Stirling . . . . . 3		Stranraer . . . . . 1	
Montrose . . . . . 3		Stranraer . . . . . 1	
Queen's P. . . . . 3		Cowdenbeath . . . . . 2	
BARCLAYS LEAGUE — DIVISION ONE			
Charlton . . . . . 0		Liverpool . . . . . 2	
Chelsea . . . . . 0		Portsmouth . . . . . 0	
Newcastle . . . . . 2		Tottenham . . . . . 0	
Southampton . . . . . 0		Norwich C. . . . . 0	
Watford . . . . . 0		Nott'm F. . . . . 0	
BARCLAYS LEAGUE — DIVISION TWO			
Man. City . . . . . 0		Aston Villa . . . . . 2	
Midd'sbro' . . . . . 2		Crystal P. . . . . 1	
Reading . . . . . 1		Shrewsbury . . . . . 0	
BARCLAYS LEAGUE — DIVISION THREE			
Gillingham . . . . . 0		Wigan Ath. . . . . 1	
BARCLAYS LEAGUE — DIVISION FOUR			
Carlisle . . . . . 0		Exeter . . . . . 0	
Leyton O. . . . . 1		Stockport . . . . . 1	
Swansea . . . . . 1		Halifax . . . . . 1	

## This week's games

### FRIDAY

BARCLAYS LEAGUE, DIVISION FOUR: Crewe v Rochdale, Stockport v Newport.

### SATURDAY

SCOTTISH CUP, THIRD ROUND: Arbroath v Dundee United, Celtic v Stranraer, Clyde v Cowdenbeath, Dundee v Brechin City, Dunfermline v Ayr United, Dumbarton v Hibs, East Fife v Airdrie, Falkirk v Hearts, Forfar v Partick Thistle, Gala Fairydean v East Stirling, Motherwell v Kilmarnock, Queen of the South v Morton, Raith Rovers v Rangers, St. Johnstone v Aberdeen, St. Mirren v Clydebank.

FINE FARE LEAGUE, SECOND DIVISION: Albion Rovers v Berwick Rangers.

ENGLISH CUP, FOURTH ROUND: Barnsley v Birmingham City, Blackpool v Huddersfield Town or Manchester City, Bradford City v Oxford United, Brighton v Arsenal, Coventry City v Watford, Leyton Orient v Nottingham Forest, Luton Town v Southampton, Manchester United v Chelsea, Mansfield Town v Wimbledon, Newcastle United v Swindon Town, Plymouth Argyle v Shrewsbury Town, Portsmouth v Sheffield United, Port Vale v Spurs, Queen's Park Rangers v West Ham United, Sheffield Wednesday or Everton v Middlesbrough.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE, DIVISION THREE: Brentford v Grimsby Town, Bury v Chesterfield, Chester v Rotherham, Doncaster Rovers v Aldershot, Notts County v Fulham, Preston v Southend United, Sunderland v Gillingham, Walsall v York City.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE, DIVISION FOUR: Cardiff City v Cambridge United, Exeter v Tranmere, Halifax v Wrexham, Hartlepool v Swansea City, Hereford v Carlisle United, Peterborough v Bolton, Scarborough v Colchester, Scunthorpe v Wolves, Torquay United v Darlington.

### SUNDAY

SCOTTISH CUP, THIRD ROUND: Hamilton Accies v Meadowbank Thistle.  
ENGLISH CUP, FOURTH ROUND: Aston Villa v Liverpool.

## ★ YOUR COMPLETE POOLS CHECK

Weather conditions wiped out more than half the matches on this week's list, so in accordance with rule 12, there has been a draw in the office to determine the winners.

COMPETITION ONE: Winners are 8, 12, 15, 21 and 34 — Frank McPaul (Dundee); 04, 05, 14, 25 and 29 — Graham Wilson (Maryhill).  
Winners share £3,840.

COMPETITION TWO: Winners are 3, 5, 18, 19 and 34 — L. McKay (Crieff); 2, 8, 9, 18 and 36 — Miss Rhona Thomson (Fife).  
Winners share £3,840.

COMPETITION THREE: Winners are 1, 3, 15, 32, 33 — R. Miller (Bargeddie); 12, 19, 23, 24 and 31 — J. Rankin (Falkirk).  
Winners share £3,840.

COMPETITION FOUR: Winners are 10, 12, 13, 19 and 26 — Colin Campbell (Drumoyne); 7, 14, 24, 26, 29 — R. McCall (Forth).  
Winners share £3,840.

COMPETITION FIVE: Winners are: 4, 9, 12, 17 and 34 — D. Fraser (Inverness); 17, 18, 22 and 28 (Renfrew).  
Winners share £3,840.

### SPACESHOT

Best possible entry: 10pt, Picture A: 3 and 34; Picture B: 8 and 11. 10pt jackpot was won by Paul Ogilvy of Glenrothes. He picks up £10,700. Any of the following combinations will also qualify for a prize — Picture A: one from 2, 3, 4, with one from 33, 34 and 35. Picture B: one from 7, 8 and 9, with one from 10, 11 and 12.

### This week's teams

● Four-in-one match list for Saturday, January 30, 1988: 1. Q.P.R. v West Ham; 2. Reading v Leicester; 3. Brentford v Grimsby; 4. Bury v Chesterfield; 5. Sunderland v Gillingham; 6. Walsall v York; 7. Hereford v Carlisle; 8. Peterboro' v Bolton; 9. Celtic v Stranraer; 10. Clyde v Cowdenbeath; 11. St Mirren v Clydebank; 12. Albion R. v Berwick; 13. Brighton v Arsenal; 14. Luton v Southampton; 15. Portsmouth v Sheff. U.; 16. Port Vale v Tottenham; 17. Chester v Rotherham; 18. Notts C. v Fulham; 19. Motherwell v Kilmarnock; 20. Q. of S. v Morton; 21. Raith v Rangers; 22. St. Johnstone v Aberdeen; 23. Barnsley v Birmingham; 24. Bradford C. v Oxford U.; 25. Cardiff v Cambridge U.; 26. Exeter v Tranmere; 27. Halifax v Wrexham; 28. Hartlepool v Swansea; 29. Man. U. v Chelsea; 30. Mansfield v Wimbledon; 31. Preston v Southend; 32. Dumbarton v Hibernian; 33. Dundee v Brechin; 34. East Fife v Airdrie; 35. Falkirk v Hearts; 36. Forfar v Partick.

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## Drifters to perform

THE "News" can exclusively reveal that Tony Christie and The Drifters WILL be appearing at The Edmiston!

That great news for all members should give a rough idea of the club's ambition and its progress in tempting some of THE top cabaret acts to Ibrox.

### Delight

A delighted Ian Armstrong told the "News" - Everyone has heard of them and for The Edmiston to attract them both is marvellous. Tony will be appearing some time in April, whilst The Drifters will follow in the month of May.

**"IT SHOULDN'T TAKE TOO LONG TO FIX UP DEFINITE DATES TO FIT IN WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE SCHEDULES. I CAN PROMISE ALL THE MEMBERS THAT THERE WILL BE MORE BIG NAMES COMING TO THE CLUB."**

## Best Wishes

CASCADE, the excellent resident band at The Edmiston, would like to pass on their best wishes to Rab 'Scarlet' O'Hara on his retiral.

Another man coming in for sincere wishes is William Burnett of the Edmiston Loyal Rangers Supporters Club. He donated the sum of £85 for the Desmond Barkley Appeal - the son of Des Barkley Snr who is the drummer of Cascade. Des' little boy is unfortunately brain damaged and needs money to fund vital treatment at a clinic in Somerset.

Des was touched by William's generosity and would like to make clear his gratitude for the gesture.

# BARGAIN BUY!

EDMISTON members have probably never had it so good!

Twenty eight acts for the total fee of £3.

Tonight (Tuesday) and tomorrow 14 entertainers are appearing on each night in a special showcase of first class talent.

Top agents will be attending from the length and breadth of Britain with the hope of signing up some of the performers.

This alone should guarantee that the acts on stage will be on top form, something Ian Armstrong (General Manager) has no doubts about whatsoever.

He told the "News" - "If you miss the first of the nights make sure you see the second one. I guarantee everyone that this will be an excellent night of entertainment.

Each act will be given 20 minutes.

The following is a list of who will be appearing and when.

**TUESDAY:** Jacky Clarke (vocalist), James Joel (vocalist), Bert Allan (comedy vocalist), Gerry Martin (comedy vocalist), Chris Clarke (vocalist), Anne Francis (vocalist), Linda Morrison (vocalist), Nicky Allan (female comedy), Helen Morgan (vocalist), Peter Mayne (vocalist), Eleanor Thomson (vocalist), George Carlin (vocalist), North and South (vocal/comedy), Splitz (dance group).

**WEDNESDAY:** Jacky Clarke (vocalist and compere), Eddie Devine (comedy), Ray Thomas (vocalist), Ross Jordan (vocalist), Diane Fields (vocalist), Steve Kane (vocalist), Robert Craig (vocalist), Charisma (female duo), Paul Stevens (vocal instrumental), Shona Stevens (vocalist), Daany Eckstine (vocalist), Kay Dean (vocalist), Billy Watters (vocal instrumental), Splitz (dance group).

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### THE KEYS TO FOUR MAGNIFICENT WHEELS . . .

Mark Beattie, of Deans in Livingston, was the person whose name was drawn out by Mrs Betty Holmes, wife of the chairman of Rangers FC, thus giving him the star prize of an Austin Metro. The car was kindly donated by Taggarts. And, what better way to celebrate the news than with a couple of kisses from the two gorgeous models who helped on the night.

FRIDAY, January 15, will be a date remembered for a long time by anyone who was lucky enough to be present at The Edmiston.

For, it represented the very first BIG night out for Premier Club members - 150 of whom were chosen at random and given a chance to win one of many super prizes from a car to 366 cans of lager!

The "News" was there in force and you can see just a few of the pictures taken on the night and then read our report on page 14.



I'M GOING ON A SUMMER HOLIDAY . . . John McDonald from Chapelton in Lanarkshire is on his way to a super holiday after winning the prize for two, kindly donated by Dixon Travel. Robin McWilliams of Dixon's was only too pleased to hand over the prize.

BELOW RIGHT: MANY THANKS . . . Ian Armstrong (general manager), presents Mrs Betty Holmes with a beautiful bouquet of flowers to thank her for helping out with the prize draw and for attending.

<b>THE PRIDE ...</b> 	<b>THE PASSION ...</b> 	<b>THE DISAPPOINTMENT ...</b> 
<b>THE DRAMA ...</b> 	<b>THE EXCITEMENT ...</b> 	<b>THE FINAL TRIUMPH ...</b> 

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## Association Boys Club

Rangers . . . . . 3  
West Park . . . . . 1

RANGERS Under 10's lifted their first major trophy of the season at Tinto Park on January 10

West Park opened the scoring against the run of play in the 10th minute but it didn't take Rangers long to equalize. Four minutes later Scott McDavid scored from a cross

In the second half the Light Blues moved up a gear and proceeded to score two more. Alan Simpson netted from a seemingly impossible angle in 41 minutes and then in the 59th minute Scott McDavid headed his second

RANGERS: Godfrey, Hearty, Rodden, Davidson, Henderson, Simpson, Edgar, Archibald, Bracher, Harper, McDavid. Subs. were Woods (for Hearty), Bingham (for Edgar) with Drennan, Freeman and Muir not used.

Rangers . . . . . 5

Eastercraigs . . . . . 0

RANGERS Under-12s centered to victory in this league game at Strathallan Park on January 17.

Top player was Stuart Ayton who notched a fine hat-trick in the 2nd, 15th and 45th minutes. Other scorers were Charles Miller in 3rd minute from the penalty spot and Robert Martin in the 53rd minute.

RANGERS: Brown, Kerrigan, Purdie, Caldwell, Blair, Black, Freedman, Miller, Ayton, Orr, Adams. Sub. was Martin (for Orr).

Rangers . . . . . 5

Hillington . . . . . 0

HILLINGTON were never in this league match at Toryglen on January 17 as the Under-13s were operating cruise control.

Muir Campbell stood out for the Light Blues with an impressive hat-trick with a goal from 30 yards, one from 25 yards and a penalty in the 26th, 47th and 60th minutes.



## Book a visit

COME on all you Dundonians or Granite City inhabitants, book a visit to The Edmiston and see the best in cabaret for a small sum - and then enjoy the excellent accommodation provided by The Swallow Hotel, across from the club.

For the paltry sum of £15 members can spend a night in the luxurious hotel, formerly known as 'The Bellahouston'.

However, the above price applies only with a party of 20 or more people and stands until the end of the season.

Iain Anderson, Manager of the Swallow, told the "News" - "If there happens to be a party of less than twenty visiting the Club then I will be only too delighted to come to some arrangement with them."

The Edmiston is there to be used and enjoyed by all members and, with this excellent deal with one of the best equipped hotels in the city, now's your chance to take full advantage of it all.

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**LIGHT BLUE LOOKBACK . . . the news from 15, 25 and 50 years ago**

**NOT FROSTS JUST FLOODS**

**January 27-February 2, 1963**

THE frustrated squad of Rangers players and management became even more agitated this week 25 years ago.

Once more the weather killed off any hopes they had of coming in from the cold and enjoying some match action.

**AND THAT WAS EVEN AFTER A THAW!**

The frost and ice disappeared only to be replaced by heavy rain which duly caused flooding. Ibrox was like a boating pond and the ref had no option other than to call off the league match with Queen of the South.

Rangers, who had still to play their second round Cup tie against Airdrie or Stranraer, were told who they would face in the third round if successful.

**Bizarre**

The draw, which was made in Glasgow, brought them together with East Stirling OR Motherwell. It was a bizarre situation to say the least.

The Scottish football authorities were literally biting their nails and praying for good weather.

One example of the horrific fixture pile-up was the Partick Thistle, Morton FIRST round Cup-tie. It had been postponed no fewer than TEN times!

Celtic, who were also becoming a little bit annoyed at the situation, had further cause to express dismay when their international right-half, Pat Crerand, handed in a shock transfer request. Crerand then wasted no time in declaring that he wanted to join Manchester United.

**Rated**

He was rated at £50,000 by Celtic.

One of the great Rangers players, Tom (Tully) Craig, sadly died that week. Tom, who passed away in Halifax, was in his 60s and joined the Light Blues from of all teams — Celtic — in the 1920's.

He had several Scottish caps.

Down south, Jackie Milburn, former Newcastle and England superstar, was appointed manager of Ipswich Town.

**Plans**

And, finally, the English FA announced detailed plans to form their own Pools set-up.

The full FA council unanimously decided to appoint a six strong committee to hammer out further details.



● **JOCK WALLACE . . . extolling the virtues of hard work 15 years ago.**

**TOP DOGS!**

**January 27 — February 2, 1973**

RANGERS sat proudly at the top of the league this week 15 years ago thanks to some fine form and a last minute goal.

Whilst the Light Blues were defeating Morton at Cappielow on January 27, Celtic were going down 2-1 to Airdrie at Broomfield in the shock result of the day.

**Result**

It was an excellent result for the Ibrox side and one which totally opened up the title race.

Kevin McCann was the hero for the "Diamonds" with a goal in the dying seconds. Celtic could hardly believe it all and neither could McCann's family — all of whom were

**Rangers league leaders**

staunch Parkhead supporters!

Meanwhile, down in Greenock, Rangers resisted a late Morton surge for an equalising goal. Alex MacDonald, in the 5th minute and Quinton Young in the 23rd minute had given the Light Blues first half two goal lead.

Gillies, however, pulled one back for Morton from the penalty spot in the 64th minute.

**MORTON:** Baines, Hayes, Shevlane, Lavelle, Anderson, Clark, Osborne, Townsend, Gillies, Murphy, Armstrong.

**RANGERS:** McCloy, Jardine, Mathieson, Greig, Johnstone, Smith, McLean, Forsyth, Conn, MacDonald, Young.

**Defeat**

Rangers manager, Jock Wallace, was naturally delighted to be in the top position and said: "It's all down to hard work. I feel if you put enough effort into anything the rewards are bound to follow."

The Light Blues had now played eight games since December 30 and, forgetting the defeat to Ajax, had not lost a match. Next on the agenda for them was the Scottish Cup tie with Dundee United at Ibrox the following Saturday.

United manager, Jim McLean, was in no doubts as to who would be the danger-man for his side. His brother!



● **ALEX FERGUSON . . . taking the first steps to becoming a Manager 15 years ago.**

"Tommy will be the big danger man. He is the one I'm really worried about stopping on Saturday."

At the eleventh hour in both teams' preparations Rangers and United discovered that they could be minus influential players through a tragic circumstance.

Dave and Dougie Smith were informed of their mother's death. All of a sudden there was a question

over whether they would play or not.

Elsewhere, Alex Ferguson was appointed player/coach of Falkirk — to assist manager Willie Cunningham. The former Ibrox star was delighted about his appointment.

**Giant**

In the boxing front Ken Buchanan and Jim Watt came face to face in the fight for the British light-heavyweight title at The Albany Hotel, Glasgow.

Buchanan edged out Watt in a great fight and won on points.

Finally, one of the giant company's of America put hundreds of jobs in jeopardy after knocking back an option to buy into the anglo-French Concorde Project.

Pan American and Trans World refused to go ahead with plans to buy the aircraft. Over 300 firms were dependant on the success of Concorde.

**Thornton with the lethal touch**

RANGERS had no problems chalking up two valuable league points this week 50 years ago with Third Lanark suffering.

The Cathkin Park side travelled to the South side of the city on January 29.

**Deputants**

Rangers were still without Jerry Dawson in goal, and Bob McPhail was also absent. But deputants Robert Jenkins and Bert Harrison both performed well.

Rangers were two goals up in the first eight minutes.

**Lethal**

Willie Thornton was the man of the moment and with the lethal touch. In the 6th minute he made it 1-0 with a blistering header from a Jimmy Smith cross.

**Amazing**

Then, two minutes later, an amazing goal — a freak almost — gave Thornton his second. His cross from the right appeared harmless enough until, that is, the wind de-

**January 27 — February 2, 1938**

ceded otherwise. Muir in the Thirds goal could only watch from the edge of his six yard box as the ball suddenly took a different course, AND INTO THE NET!

In the 18th minute Bert Harrison added a fine third when he strode through the defence, shot against the keeper, and then fired home the rebound.

**Moments**

Thirds seemed to re-group after this disappointment and gave the Light Blues a few worrying moments. Thankfully, Robert Jenkins was up to the task in the Rangers goal with some fine saves.

**RANGERS:** Jenkins, Gray, Winning, McKillop, Simpson, Brown, Thornton, Venters, Smith, Harrison, Reid.

**THIRD LANARK:** Muir, Carabine, Johnstone, Blair, Black, McInnes, Simpson, Mason, Dewar, Kennedy, Kinnaird.



● **TOMMY McLEAN . . . the man feared most by his brother, Jim, manager of Dundee United.**

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# GRANDSTAND VIEW



**TWO** of the best seats in Ibrox are up for grabs this week in yet another great "News" competition — open only to Young Rangers Club members.

St. Mirren come to the Stadium on February 13 for a Premier League match — and if you win our contest you will be able to take a friend or relative to a match which has all the hallmarks of a fine 90 minutes.

## Challenge

Rangers will be all out to maintain their strong challenge for the title whilst the Paisley side have not yet given up hope of a place in one of the European competitions.

All you have to do is answer three simple questions taken from a picture featuring Rangers in action against St. Mirren at Ibrox in the month of January 1986.

## Top seats in stand are up for grabs

1. Can you name the two players featured?
2. The Rangers players featured is now with another club — can you name that side?
3. What was the final score?

## Date

Once you have your answers jot them down on a postcard, or the back of a sealed down envelope, addressed to ST. MIRREN TICKETS, Rangers News, 2 Park Gardens, Glasgow G3 7YE.

Entries should be in for the closing date of February 5 and MUST contain your YRC number. Remember, the editor's decision will be final in all matters with no correspondence entered into.

## Quick Quiz

1. Imri Varadi is a striker with which team?
2. What title does Colin Moynihan hold within sport?
3. Ron Atkinson is the manager of which team?
4. If you were to see Nigel Winterburn tackle Larry May which two teams would be in action?
5. From which club did Rangers sign Nicky Walker?

• ANSWERS BELOW

## Club match

• Take a look at the following jumble of football players and try and put them with their right clubs.

**CALIN CLARK LIVERPOOL**  
**PAT NEVIN SOUTHAMPTON**  
**NIGEL SPACKMAN ARSENAL**  
**GUS CAESAR CHELSEA**

• ANSWERS BELOW

## Pen-pal

• I AM 15 years old, my favourite groups and singers are T'Pau and Sinitta. My favourite football team is Rangers and my favourite players are Ally McCoist and Terry Butcher. I would like a pen-pal between the ages of 14-16, male or female. My name and address is: Eric Galloway, 9 Station Road, Forfar, Angus, DD8 3EP.

• IF you have applied recently for a membership of the Young Rangers Club, please do not worry if you have not heard from us in the past few days. A delay at the suppliers has held up the despatch on membership pens and badges, but your membership documents should reach you in the next ten days.

## ANSWERS

• QUICK QUIZ: 1. Manchester City; 2. Minister of Sport; 3. West Brom; 4. Arsenal and Sheffield Wednesday; 5. Motherwell.  
• CLUB MATCH: Colin Clarke (Southampton), Pat Nevin (Chelsea), Nigel Spackman (Liverpool), Gus Caesar (Arsenal).

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR MEMBERS

**TODAY, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27**  
HEATHER BROWN, 1 Avon Drive, Mossend, Bellshill, is 12.  
JAMES SNEDDON, 27 Newtown Street, Bo'ness, is eight.  
STUART ROBERT, 3 Lember Drive, Clarkston, is 13.  
WILLIAM JAMES CHISHOLM, Littleburn Farm, Munloch, Ross-shire, is three.  
CLINT HERDMAN, 5 Cannon Lane, Stapsley, Luton, Beds., is eight.  
DAVID A. DICKSON, 28 Grange Grove, Prestonpans, is seven.  
DAVID ANDERSON, 43 Mount View, Dreghorn, Irvine, is two.  
THOMAS J. BOYD, 13 Grahamstown Park, Ballyclare, Co. Antrim, is two.  
IAN McFADDEN, 9 Church Street, Uddingston, is 16.  
DAVID G. MACKENZIE, 64 Princes Street, Thurso, Caithness, is nine.  
DAVID TANSEY, 10 Niddrie Marischal Drive, Edinburgh, is 16.  
SANDY KILPATRICK, 110 Dalry Road, Ardrossan, is 17.  
JOHN DOWN, "Robmar," Soroba, Oban, is five.  
KENNETH KNIGHT, 150 St. Kilda Road, St. Mary's, Dundee, is 16.  
GREG WILKES, 45 Maple Drive, Johnstone Castle, is eight.  
BARRY CORR, 16 Potterhill Road, Pollok, is 14.  
DEREK GASTON, 48 Deerfield Drive, Manchester, is 16.  
ALAN McLUCKIE, 6 Edderton Place, Easterhouse, is seven.  
JOHN McDONALD, 39 Boylestone Road, Barrhead, is 12.  
DAVID McAINSH, 7 St. Mungo Place, Townhead, is 14.  
STEVEN McGHEE, 10 Sunnyside Place, Holytown, is 14.  
CAMPBELL G. FRASER, 39 Jubilee Drive, Tain, Ross-shire, is one.  
**THURSDAY**  
BRIAN REILLY, 46 Gairbraid Place, Maryhill, will be two.  
NIGEL GILLSON, 18 Sinclair Street, Halkirk, Calthness, will be 11.  
JULIE TAYLOR, Machrimore Southend, Argyll, will be 14.  
GREG MALVENAN, 6 Wilson Street, Lochgelly, Fife, will be 14.  
DEREK McINTOSH, 57 Deveron Road, Bearsden, will be 12.  
STUART GURNEY, 54 Nevis Court, Greenock, will be eight.  
DAVID J. EDWARDS, 31 Glen Tarbert Drive, Neilston, will be five.  
EWAN ROBERT OGILVIE, 26 Land

Street, Keith, will be 17.  
DAVID EDWARDS, 11 Glendoll Road, Neilston, will be five.  
IAN TOWRIESS, 1 Meadowbank Road, Burrauch, Yell Shetland, will be 17.  
FIONA ROBERTSON, 20 Dumbreck Court, Flat 8, House 34, Glasgow, will be 17.  
PETER WATT, 48 Tormusk Road, Glasgow, will be eight.  
SCOT LAUDER, 17 Ward Avenue, Redding, Falkirk, will be 10.  
COLIN BURNS, 56 Moray Drive, Clarkston, will be 17.  
DAMIEN HENDRY, c/o Fenn, 23 Glasserton Road, Merryle, will be 13.  
DEREK McINTOSH, 57 Deveron Road, Bearsden, will be 12.  
JOHN D. MURRAY, 20A Newmarket, Laxdale, Stornoway, will be 17.  
IAN GIRVAN, 87 Main Street, Muirkirk, will be 14.  
WILLIAM J. McNEELY, 12 McLean Drive, Bellshill, will be 16.  
CHARLES McWILLIAM, 39 Horndean Crescent, Queenslie, will be 12.  
ROBERT BAIN, 34 Pevril Rise, Pedrigue, West Lothian, will be 14.  
LINDSAY C. McDOUGALL, 8 Margaret Street, Greenock, will be 13.  
MARTIN ROSEWEIR, 152 Chirnside Road, Hillington, will be 17.  
DARRYL ROSS, 1 Horcourt Terrace, Penrhawceiber, Mt. Ash, Mid Glamorgan, Wales, will be seven.  
NICOLA J. TOLERTON, 7 Silverbirch Gardens, Bangor, N. Ireland, will be 16.  
ROY McKENRICK, 68 Newhouse Road, Grangemouth, will be 17.  
STUART McLEAVE, 67 Andrew Avenue, Boghall, Bathgate, will be 16.  
LORRAINE STEWART, 121 Acreydeyke Road, Balornock, will be 15.  
RYAN McNEILLIE, 55 North Road, Lerwick, Shetland, will be one.  
KAREN WILKINSON, 7 Burngrange Court, West Calder, will be 17.  
**FRIDAY**  
RICHARD ADAIR, 27 Baisrow Street, Braigpool Central, will be 12.  
CRAIG AULD, 66 Hawthorn Court, Kilwinning, will be 14.  
DARREN KNOX, 18 The Avenue, Gorebridge, Midlothian, will be 11.  
ALISTAIR ABBOTT, 58 West Croft, Ratho, will be nine.  
KRISTINE BRANAGH, "Ibrox," 34 Ferndale Road, Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim, Ulster, will be one.  
DEREK BEATTIE, 9 Hardthorn Crescent, Dumfries, will be nine.  
ALAN SMITH, 2F Grieve Road, Seafar,

Cumbernauld, will be nine.  
GRANT MACKAY, 156 Charles Avenue, Arbroath, will be 11.  
PAUL SUTHERLAND, 4 Rowand Avenue, Giffnock, will be nine.  
JULIE GIBB, 1 Hough Rise, Portpatrick, will be 12.  
THOMAS J. E. WYLIE, 82 Carrick Knowe Avenue, Edinburgh, will be two.  
JAMES WALKER, 60 Buntine Crescent, St. Ninians, will be eight.  
JOHN DEANS, 9 Paterson Drive, Shieldhill, Falkirk, will be nine.  
CRAIG MILLIGAN, 92 Ardnahoe Avenue, Torgyle, will be 12.  
GARY STEWART, 219 Duncan Crescent, Dunfermline, will be 16.  
DEREK ELDER, 7 Rona Gardens, Ballykeen 2, Ballymela, Co. Antrim, will be eight.  
EUAN McSHERRY, South Cottage, Portencross, West Kilbride, will be 11.  
DEBBY STEVENSON, 17 Tweed Crescent, Riddrie, will be 16.  
DENNIS HAY JUNIOR, 13 Bellevale Avenue, Ayr, will be 17.  
JOE DRYSDALE, Lochmorcroft Lane, Wigtown, will be seven.  
ANDREW McLAREN, 7 Limecraig Avenue, Aberfoyle, will be 16.  
GEORGE ALLAN WRIGHT, 16 Clyde Court, Glenrothes, will be 13.  
GREG WILLIAM ROSS, 417 Tantallon Court, Glenrothes, will be eight.  
NATALIE McMECHAN, 19 Pennelton Place, Bo'ness, will be five.  
DEREK CARMICHAEL TRAILL, 40 Dunn Street, House 16, Bridgeton, will be three.  
JAMES FERGUSON, 101E Struan Street, Letham, Perth, will be five.  
NORMAN RITCHIE, "Karwattah," Main Street, Seafield, will be 13.  
JOHN STEVENSON, 238 Braes View, Denny, will be 12.  
ADRIAN BRADLEY, 15 Lambeth Way, Coleraine, Co. Londonderry, will be 12.  
JENNIFER McDONALD, 8/2, 6 Fountainwell Square, Sighthill, will be two.  
JOEL DRYSDALE, 1 Georgewell Drive, Newton Stewart, will be eight.  
ALLAN CROZIER, 14 Hazel Court, Dunbar, will be six.  
ROSS GLEN, 7/1 Caerketton Court, Firrhill Drive, Edinburgh.  
**SATURDAY**  
DREW McKILLOP, 43 Rossie Crescent, Bishopbriggs, will be 11.  
ADAM WILLIAMSON, 21 Castle Hill Crescent, Ferniegair, Hamilton, will be 14.  
STEVEN LAIDLAW, 11 Mossiel Road, Ardrossan, Ayrshire, will be 13.  
KERRY BOYD, Cremannan House, Balfour, will be 15.  
ROBERT ALEXANDER, 92 Sandaig Road, Barlanark, will be 12.  
DANIEL M. THOMPSON, 11 Ilay Court, Dreghorn, Irvine, will be 11.  
SCOTT WRIGHT, 3 Menteith Gardens, Bearsden, will be 13.  
ALLAN SCOTT, 22 Lyle Crescent, Bishopton, will be 14.  
SCOTT MAXWELL, 14 Kinloch Place, Grangemouth, will be 14.  
ERIC BRYDEN, 47 Fernhill Road, Rutherglen, will be 17.  
JAMES WATTERS, 31 Montrose Crescent, Lochore, Fife, will be 15.  
GORDON A. FERGUSON, Free Church Manse, Aulbea, Achnasheen, will be 15.  
STEVEN TEMPLE, 10 Barnes Street, Barrhead, will be three.  
LESLEY FIELDING, 17 Taymouth Road, Gilston Park, Polmont, will be 17.  
DANIEL TILBURY, 2 Cobblebrae Crescent, Bainsford, Falkirk, will be 15.  
ALAN YATES, 3 Ochil View, Shieldhill, Falkirk, will be six.  
STEVEN LAIDLAW, 12B Montgomerie Street, Ardrossan, will be 13.  
SCOTT NAREY, 59 Reelick, Quad, Glasgow, will be 13.  
ALAN BLACK, 32 Quarry Drive, Kirkintilloch, will be 13.  
DAVE KENNEDY, Tresdale, Canisbay, by Wick, Calthness, will be four.  
GARRY KELLY, 21 Blenheim Drive, Witney, Oxon, will be 15.  
MARK COPELAND, 72 Beech Avenue, Newton Mearns, will be 15.  
SCOTT BLACK, 7 Cambusdoon Road, Glasgow, will be 14.  
KYLE WILLIAM REID, 1045 Craigieburn Road, North Carbrain, will

be 12.  
THOMAS LAIRD, 5 Craighaw Street, Fairlie, will be 16.  
LEE CANNON, 3 Craignethan Crescent, Netherburn, Larkhall, will be 12.  
JOHN HOGG, 200 Provannmill Road, Provannmill, will be 13.  
**SUNDAY**  
MARK HUGHES, 32 Hillside Spa, Ballyhinch, Co. Down, will be 14.  
GEORGE SHEPHERD, 3 Hill Road, Ballingry, Fife, will be 11.  
JASON GRANT, 15 East Park Avenue, Mauchline, Ayrshire, will be 17.  
STEVEN DEWANS, 22 Mimosa Road, Bridge of Weir, will be 14.  
WILLIAM HEWITT, 82 Bank Street, Irvine, will be six.  
SCOT GRAY, 165 Morar Drive, Condorrat, Cumbernauld, will be 15.  
BOBBIE URQUHART, 114 Wyras Place, Inverness, will be 16.  
STEVEN S. RAE, 153 Croftfoot Road, Croftfoot, will be eight.  
ALEX McKEAN, 2 Gilchrist Court, Cochrane Castle, Johnstone, will be six.  
AMANDA KNUTSEN, 61 Burntscaithgreen, Locharbriigs, will be 13.  
DARRYL ROBERTSON, 61 Mabel Street, Rossettenville, Johannesburg, South Africa, will be 15.  
SHARRON CORBETT, 5 Villafield Avenue, Bishopbriggs, will be 15.  
STEVE DUNCAN, 21A Hillhead, Lerwick, Shetland, will be three.  
IAN PATRICK, 3 Albert Place, Nether Robertson, Stewarton, will be 13.  
ROBERT McKAY, 1E Culterhouse Crescent, Stirling, will be four.  
THOMAS WILSON, 4 Shelley Court, Glasgow, will be nine.  
PAUL KENNEDY, 18 Yew Place, Johnstone, will be 14.  
NATALIE TUNSTALL, 16 Mandela Way, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, will be seven.  
STEPHEN RICHARDSON, 18 Antonine, Kirkintilloch, will be seven.  
MATTHEW RIDGE, 30 Kirkliston Road, South Queensferry, will be 14.  
STEPHEN WOODCOCK, 9 Oakwood Drive, Beth, will be 16.  
GRAHAM CARGILL, 8 Shore, Arbroath, will be nine.  
AMANDA KNUTSEN, 61 Burntscaithgreen, Locharbriigs, will be 13.  
GAVIN JONES, 1 Barnston Road, Lochvale, Dumfries, will be seven.  
ANDREW I. JONES, 81 Pondtail Road, Horsham, will be nine.  
DAVID RICE, 28 Penzance Way, Moodiesburn, will be 10.  
KEVIN MILLER, 33 Seaforth Avenue, Wick, Caithness, will be 12.  
TONI OWENS, 15 Newtonhead, Girdle Toll, Irvine, will be three.  
**MONDAY**  
MALCOLM McNEISH, 1 Kinnoul Gardens, Bearsden, will be 11.  
SAMANTHA CRATE, 49 Mainholm Road, Ayr, will be 15.  
PHILLIP JACKSON, 26 Anderson Drive, Saltcoats, will be five.  
FRASER MONAGHAN, 1 Park Court, Musselburgh, will be 14.  
STEPHEN GILMORE, 16 Dartford Street, Hamiltonhill, will be 15.  
PAUL GARRETT, 45 Waleys Close, Marsh Farm, Luton, will be five.  
CHARLES GILMOUR, 2 Sutherland Street, Paisley, will be 11.  
NEIL CAMERON, 71 Arran Avenue, Coatbridge, will be 15.  
TERRI KERR, 15 Whamond Tower, Motherwell, will be two.  
MALCOLM McNEISH, 1 Kinnoul Gardens, South Balfraffray, Bersedn, will be 11.  
DAVID GIBSON, 80 Coronation Road, Ayrshire, will be 14.  
MARK MORRISON, 5 Herd Manflatt, Haddington, will be 17.  
IAN FLEMING, 62 Menzies Road, Balornock, will be 17.  
HELEN MacPHERSON, 41 Burnside, Brookside, Telford, will be 13.  
MURDO FRANK MORRISON, 25 Leverhulm Drive, Stornoway, will be 14.  
ROBERT MURPHY, 66 Buckle Street, Parkhouse, will be seven.  
DARREN GEMMELL, 11 Nyara Crescent, Perth, Australia, will be 11.  
CRAIG FUTON, 15 Spey Road, Bearsden, will be 14.

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# FIRST GLASS!

EVERYONE 'couldn't agree more - the very first Premier Club Cabaret evening was a huge success.

With the full compliment of Rangers FC directors, plus Assistant Manager Walter Smith, present on January 15, the evening was off to a great start right away.

Comic Eddie Devine, who did himself a few favours with a superb performance, and the excellent three-man group Cascade put the icing on the cake with a series of numbers which had the whole place foot-tapping!

Paul Cooney was his usual smooth self in presenting the big event of the evening - the Prize Draw - and Bill Smith, fellow DJ and Rangers Communication Executive, added his expertise too.

And, let's not forget the contribution made by the staff of The Edmiston led by Lesley Diamond (Manager) and Ian Armstrong (General Manager). They did a magnificent job in keeping a steady supply of drinks (most important) and laying on a sumptuous buffet.



There were quite a few going up for seconds!

However, most of the praise should go to Bob Reilly, Premier Club Chief Executive, whose job it was to organise the whole night. And that, it must be said, was no easy task!

He told the "News" with a great deal of modesty - "I could not have pulled off such a great evening without the help of many people. The Edmiston staff worked

wonders and my thanks go to Ian and Lesley also.

"I thank also Mr and Mrs David Holmes, along with the other directors and Walter Smith, for taking the time to attend and contribute to what was a wonderful night.

"Their courtesy and good humour shown towards the fans who queued up for autographs and pictures was highly commendable. In fact, I think they were obliging

• LEFT: HE'S WELL PLEASED... and so he should be! Ian Bett from West Lothian on the right has just won himself THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY SIX CANS OF LAGER! Delighted to present Ian with his prize is Alistair Wilson of Scottish and Newcastle Breweries.

• RIGHT: WHERE'S THE PARTY?... that could be the question that Jim Sneddy is asking as he appears to have a fine carry-out consisting of an official Rangers FC Cake and club wine. Walter Smith could be forgiven for being reluctant to hand it over!

The sponsors also played a very large part.

Many thanks from Bob go to Austin Rover, particularly Bob Lenton and Joe Nimmo; Dixon Travel and Robin McWilliams; Focus TV and Alex Murray, John Allen, Tony Draffen; Laing the Jewellers and Stuart Laing, Jim Graham; Blair Alston, Managing Director of Style Finance Services;



Alistair Wilson, Scottish and Newcastle Breweries; Paul Cooney and the Radio Clyde team.

The prizes were magnificent and ranged from the top prizes of an Austin Metro and a holiday to six memberships of the Premier Club and 366 cans of lager put up by S&N because it's a leap year!

Bob Reilly said: "The whole

event was a rip-roaring success and I know that Mr Holmes thoroughly enjoyed himself and was pleased at how it all went. Quite honestly, it surpassed all our expectations."

Probably the happiest note to end on, however, centres around the car winner, Mark Beattie from Livingston.

He's only just got his driving licence!

**ABERDEEN:** Secretary: Derek Watson, 36 Tillydrone Court, Aberdeen. Tel. 0224 879771/480898. President: Gordon Simpson, 46 Wales Street, Aberdeen. Tel. 0224 647504. Bus Convenor: Donald Grant, 33 Roslin Street, Aberdeen. Tel. 0224 636023. Membership Fee £10. Bus leaves Guild Street 9 a.m. to all matches except Dundee when bus leaves at 10.30 a.m. Pick-up points are Stonehaven bypass 9.15 a.m., Montrose Square 10 a.m. and Arbroath (opposite bus station) 10.15 a.m. For further details of membership, etc., contact club secretary.

**ALYTH TRUE BLUES:** Newly formed club. Secretary: Ian Chapman, Loyal Road, Alyth, Perthshire. Telephone Alyth 2340.

**ARDROSSAN:** New club being formed. Anyone in Ardrossan, Saltcoats or Stevenston area interested in joining, contact Harry Herd at 73 Chapel Hill Mount, Ardrossan, or phone Ardrossan 0949 601596.

**ARMADALE:** Secretary, David Easton, 3 Forester Road, Armadale. Tel. Armadale 30762. Or contact Colin, John Kidd, Scott or Dickie at club premises, Armadale 32136 or 32137. Any supporters club welcome before or after matches. Organised parties welcome to Saturday night dancing or Sunday afternoon singings.

**CITY OF ARMAGH:** Secretary, Geoff Clarke, 1 Orangefield Drive, Armagh, Ulster. Chairman, Robert Armstrong. Meetings on first and third Saturdays of the month in "Tommy's", Linenhall Street, Armagh. Tel. 0861 524345. Club is interested in making contact with other supporters clubs in Scotland and have own club badge and pennant for exchange or for sale.

**AYR AND DISTRICT:** Secretary, Nan Paterson (Tel. 0655 82878). President, Alex Sweden (9 261263). Treasurer, B. Roney. Buses leave Vulcan Lounge, Crown Street. Meetings also held in Vulcan. Contact Nan Paterson or Alex Sweden regarding buses and information members and non-members require.

**CARSON STAR (AYR):** President, Bobby Lees, 29A Mackie Street, Ayr. Secretary, Neil Findlay, 62 Craigie Road, Ayr. Phone 0292 265290. Treasurer, John McWhinnie, 2 Heather Park, Ayr. Phone 0292 260394. All buses leave from and meetings held in Carson Star Social Club, 12 Limekiln Road, Ayr. Phone 0292 262038. New members always welcome.

**BAINBRIDGE LOYAL (ULSTER):** Contact George Mallen, 19 Edenderry Gardens, Bainbridge, County Down.

**BALLINRY LOYAL (COWDEN-BEATH):** Secretary, Davie Wilson, 9 Randolph Street, Cowdenbeath, Fife, or Colin Westwater, 7 Race Street, Cowdenbeath. Telephone: Davie - Cowdenbeath 512765; or Colin - Cowdenbeath 515457. Pick-up points: Ballinry to Dunfermline. Most willing to accommodate supporters from other areas.

**BALLYMONEY TRUE BLUES:** Secretary, Gary Tweed, 48 Eastermeade Gardens, Ballymoney, Co. Antrim, Northern Ireland. Chairman, Robert Connor, 29 Ashley Park, Ballymoney, Co. Antrim, BT53 7HG. Tel. 02656 63731.

**BALLYNAHINCH LOYAL:** Meetings held monthly in Stag's Head, Ballynahinch. First Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. New members welcome.

**JOHN BREGG (BANGOR):** Secretary, Ken Ferguson, 4 Windmill Road, Bangor, Co. Down, Northern Ireland, BT20 5RA. Tel. 0247 451507.

**BELLSHILL CHOSEN FEW:** Secretary, Ian Phillips, 90 Rockburn Crescent, Bells Hill. Telephone (748353 B/Hill). Bus leaves Swan Inn, Bells Hill, at 2 p.m. for home matches. Membership joining fees are £2 with £1.50 per week and £1 for junior and unemployed members. At the moment two buses leave for most home matches so we are welcoming new and non-members. Check club notes for away departure times. No alcohol allowed on buses.

**BELLSHILL:** New club forming in the Bells Hill and Motherwell area. Anyone interested in joining or helping to get club started contact Russell Youngson on Holytown 833982.

**BLACKBURN LOYAL (LAN-CASHIRE):** Secretary, Ian Gilmore, 18 Park Farm Road, Feniscowles, Blackburn, BB2 5HW. Telephone: Blackburn 28140. Pick up points: Blackburn Railway Station.

## CLUB DIRECTORY... How to contact a club

OWING to the huge response to our club directory we are now running this popular feature in two parts.

This week all Supporters clubs from A to K in the alphabet are listed, with the branches from L to Z being featured in next week's issue.

**MOFFATS LOYAL (BONNYBRIDGE):** Secretary, George Buchanan, 15 Braes View, Denny. Treasurer, Russell Marshall. Chairman, Nobby Clark. Bus leaves Cornhill Bar every Saturday.

**BRIDGEND AND DISTRICT TRUE BLUES:** Secretary, James Robinson, 4 Auldhill Place, Bridgend, Llanthony, EH49 6NP. Phone 0506 834050. Treasurer, Alan M. Inglis, 7 Outlands Park, Llanthony, EH49 6AS. Phone 0506 844573. Bus leaves from Winchburgh, Bridgend, Llanthony and Whitecross. New half-season memberships available. Adults £2.70, juniors £1.50. Non-members more than welcome.

**RICHARD GOUGH (BRORA):** New club formed in Brora area. Chairman, Kevin Mackay, 10 Academy Street, Brora. Phone 0408 21523. Secretary, Denise Stevens, 8 Victoria Crescent, Brora. Phone 0408 21724. New members most welcome. For buses see Rangers News.

**1st BROUGHSHANE (NORTHERN IRELAND):** Secretary, Thomas Mille, 61 Braidwater Gardens, Broughshane, Ballymena, County Antrim, N. Ireland. Phone Broughshane 861129.

**BROXBURN:** President, Robert Jack, 22 Nettiehill Road, Uphall Station. Phone Uphall 34406. Secretary, Dale Bruce, 4 Tippetknowes Park, Winchburgh. Phone 5 890401. Bus Convenor, Andrew Ashe, Rursart Cottage, High Road, Maddison. Phone 0324 716989. Club meetings 12 noon every home game at the Strathbrock Bar, Broxburn. Non-members welcome. Membership fees to be paid by last Saturday in August.

**BUCKHAVEN AND METHIL:** Secretary, David Thomson, 46 Taylor Street, Aberhill, or phone 0333 28295; or Ian Greig on 0333 23662. For games in the Glasgow area, bus leaves Golf Tavern at 11.20 a.m., picking up at Kennaway Shopping Centre, Douglas Arms, Toll Bar, Buck and Hind, Royal Hotel, Dysart, and Port Brea Bar, Kircaldy. Midweek matches, bus leaves 4.45 p.m. with same pick-up points. Bus times also printed in local press. Any non-members living or working in the area will be made welcome. For ticket matches, tickets must be booked 10 days in advance.

**BURGHHEAD LOYAL:** Secretary, Rony MacKenzie, 62 Fortleath Street, Burghhead, Morayshire, IV30 2XF. Tel. 835401. Vice-president, Leslie Crawford, 8 McKenzie Place, Burghhead, Morayshire. Tel. 835229.

**TERRY BUTCHER (BLANTYRE):** Secretary, Bryan Blackett. Telephone Blantyre 821738. Bus leaves Union Jack Club at 1.30 p.m. for home games. Membership £3. Members £2 to any game. We welcome new and non-members. No alcohol allowed on bus.

**CARLUKE:** Chairman, J. Black. Treasurer, P. Hamilton. Secretary, B. McCaig. Convenor, A. MacDonald (Phone 50234). Bus travels to as many games as possible.

**CARROWDORE (Co. DOWN):** Club meets in Woburn Arms, Millisle, Co. Down, every Monday night at 8 p.m. Club Secretary, Ronnie Ferguson, 18 Ashvale Park, Carrowdore. Club chairman, Robert Ennis, 91 Main Street, Carrowdore. Treasurer, Mark Addie, 67 Moat Street, Donagladie, Co. Down.

**CASTLEMILK TRUE BLUES (GLASGOW):** Convenor, Alex Patrick. Tel. 647 6255.

**CATHCART:** Club meets first Monday of each month in Couper Institute, Clarkston Road. Buses leave Napoleons, Merrylee Road, pick-up points Mount Florida and Bows, High Street. New and non-members welcome. Secretary, Alistair Kyle, 16 Kingspark Avenue Kings Park, Glasgow, G44 4UD.

**CENTRAL FIFE (LOCHGELLY, FIFE):** Secretary, Ian Patrick, Ardgilzean, 88 South Street, Lochgelly, Fife. Telephone: 0592 780155. Bus starts from Methil with pick-up points at Kircaldy, Cardenden, Lochgelly, Cowdenbeath, Dunfermline.

**1st CLOUGHFERN (NORTHERN IRELAND):** Club meets every Sunday at 5.30 p.m. in Rathfern Community Centre, Newtownabbey. Secretary, Roy McGivern, 20 Deerrin Park,

Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim. Current membership limited to 22 - prospective members contact secretary to be put on waiting list. We welcome correspondence with other Rangers Supporters' Clubs.

**DOUBLET LOYAL (CLYDEBANK AND DISTRICT):** Secretary, D. Russell, 223B Failliey Road, Clydebank. Phone Duntocher 78878. Bus leaves Doublet Bar, Failliey, for every game. Monthly meeting D'Lites Lounge, Doublet Bar, on second Tuesday of the month. Non-members are advised to book seats in advance.

**COVENTRY LOYAL:** President Tam McInnes. Tel. 0203-504327. Secretary, Les Stewart, 29 Usbridge Avenue, Stoke, Coventry. Tel. 0203-448208. We hold meetings at the Royal Warwick Club, Tower Street, Coventry, every second Friday. New members always welcome. Contact L. Stewart at above address.

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**KIRKCOUBRIGHT AND DISTRICT:** Joint Secretaries, T. Scott, The Flat, Tongland Power Station, Kirkcubright, DG6 4LT. Phone Kirkcubright 30560. D. Swan, 12 Merse Drive, Kirkcubright. Phone Kirkcubright 30941. Treasurer, K. T. Scott, The Flat, Tongland Power Station, Kirkcubright, DG6 4LT.

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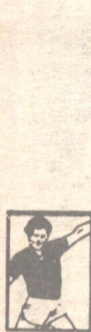
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**SCOTT** Nisbet has signed a new contract with Rangers which will keep him at Ibrox until at least the end of 1991.

The talented Scottish youth international will celebrate his 20th birthday this Saturday in the knowledge that his recent first-team breakthrough has secured him a future with the Light Blues.

Assistant manager Walter Smith told the "News": "Scott's recent displays have obviously delighted us and he's one of the best young players around."

One disappointment for Scott, though, is a two-match SFA suspension which sees him miss Saturday's Scottish Cup tie against Raith Rovers and the following week's Premier League crunch match against Aberdeen at Pittodrie.

Scott said: "The new contract is a great boost for me and I had no hesitation in signing. My present contract didn't run out until the end of next season, but the further two years gives me great security."

"I've really enjoyed being in the first team, learning so much from experienced and talented players and that makes my two game ban all the more frustrating."

"It was the booking against Hearts which put me over the limit and now I've just got to hope I can get my place back when the suspension is finished."

Because of the ban, Scott will now fly out with Peter McCloy and the under-21 squad next Monday for the prestigious Viareggio Youth Tournament in Italy.

He will captain the side, although he may have to be recalled before the final, if Rangers get there, which is on February 15.

# STATEMENT OF INTENT



**MARK** Walters has handed a title warning to Celtic, Hearts and Aberdeen.

The 23-year-old Rangers star, the talk of Scottish football at the moment, is confident he will pocket a Premier League winners medal at the end of this season.

Mark told the "News": "There was a lot of doom and gloom about Rangers chances when we lost to Celtic at Parkhead on my debut — but what I have seen so far makes me think otherwise."

"There's no way Celtic are going to get it all their own way and I'm very excited at being involved in such a great title race. It's a race I think Rangers will still win."

"The spirit among the players in the dressing room at Ibrox has been an eye-opener for me and they have made me feel like I've been a Rangers player for years."

"We all know we can't afford to drop any more silly points but there are still 26 of them to be won or lost between now and the end of the season."

"Any of the top four clubs can be champions and I think it will be Rangers. We have got the depth of quality players to come through in the final months of the season."

Mark was the star of the

**LEFT: OURS TO KEEP** . . . Mark Walters keeps a firm grip on the Premier League trophy which he intends to help Rangers retain.

show as Rangers earned a crucial point against Hearts at Tynecastle last weekend, but he was still disappointed with that match.

He said: "We should have won it after taking the lead in the second half. I thought I had clinched the points when Henry Smith made a great save."

"A draw away from home against one of the other title challengers isn't a bad result, but we know we have got to win almost every match, if not them all, between now and the end of the season."

"I've been quite pleased with my own form so far, apart from my debut at Parkhead when I didn't feel too well. I don't regret anything about my move to Scottish football and I know I won't be the last player to come here from England."

"The Premier League is where it's all happening right now and it's a pleasure to be a part of it."

● **RIGHT: SCOTT NISBET** . . . talented youngster  
● **FAR RIGHT: ANGUS McPHERSON** . . . new two-year deal



## McPherson given time to mature

**A SWITCH** in time has built a future for Angus McPherson with Rangers — he's just signed a new two-year contract at Ibrox.

The 19-year-old joined the Light Blues straight from school as a midfielder but this season has been playing as right back in the reserves.

His form there has pleased the Rangers coaching staff with the result being a new deal.

Angus told the "News": "With my contract coming up for renewal in the summer, I was very anxious about the future and this deal is the best thing that could have happened to me."

"I have been pleased with my form in recent weeks and I'm enjoying the switch to right back. It could be that I've found my true position."

"I'll be 21 when this new contract runs out and by then I hope to be in the first team squad. That has to be my next objective, although I know I've got a long way to go before I'm good enough for that."

Coach Peter McCloy has watched Angus's performances in the reserves this season with some satisfaction and believes the player can improve even further.

Peter said: "When Graeme Souness took over as manager, Angus not naturally suffered from a lack of confidence and a bit of uncertainty as to whether or not the new regime would want him in their plans."

"By getting a new deal now, he'll feel a lot better for it and he'll be able to get on with the many things he still has to learn without worrying about the future all the time."

"I've been happy with him this season. he's shown a great improvement and has the right attitude in games and in training. Boys like that will always have a chance of making the grade."

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