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A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GIFT FROM IBROX...

SINCE we started the Young Rangers Club some five years ago, it has grown into one of the most popular features in the 'News'.

We have run numerous competitions and special offers exclusively for our members and now there's an extra incentive for youngsters who are in our club.

Every week we carry a 'Birthday Greetings' column where best wishes are extended to the members of the club. Now Rangers have started a scheme whereby two younsters whose names are published in this list will receive a special gift.

The two names will be selected and read out over the Ibrox loudspeaker system before a home match and a record will be dedicated to them. In addition to the special gifts which will vary from week to week.

So if you are a member and have a birthday coming up shortly, then now is the time to write in and tell us. If you are not yet a member then you can find details of how to join on the special coupon on page nine of this week's issue.

RANGERS CUT THEIR PRICES

THESE days everybody is doing their best to try to save money and help the country's inflation problem. This Saturday, against Aberdeen at Ibrox, Rangers will do their bit to help out.

The Light Blues have decided to REDUCE the price of the rear section seats in the Main Stand by 30p for adults, and by 50 pence at the parent and child gates.

In these days of almost continual price rises that is surely one of the best pieces of news the fans have heard for a long time.

And the even better news for Ibrox supporters is that the reduced prices will apply FOR THE REST OF THE SEASON!

● Encourage

The new charge to enter the rear section of the Main Stand will now be £2.50, instead of the £2.80 which has been the normal charge at the turnstiles since the start of the season.

And at the Parent and Child entrances for the same section the new charge will be just £4 instead of the £4.50 price previously.

That, obviously, is a big saving to fans and is yet another indication of Rangers attempts to try to help their fans.

The plan is also to try to encourage more supporters to use the seating accommodation, another factor which is obviously important to the Club in their crowd control plans.

AND IT HAS BEEN PROVED BEYOND A SHADOW OF A DOUBT THAT HAVING SUPPORTERS SEATED HELPS PREVENT TROUBLE.

● Bargain

Some people may suggest the Light Blues are lowering the prices in a bid to try and draw crowds. While, obviously, every club in the country wants to have as many fans as possible coming through their turnstiles, it is a fact that RANGERS ATTENDANCES THIS SEASON HAVE RISEN DRAMATICALLY.

The crowds for the games against Arsenal and Spurs totalled 61,000. That's 41,000 more than Rangers' two games in the Tennent Caledonian Cup at the same stage of last season!

In addition, the 33,000 crowd last week against Aberdeen was the biggest attendance against the Dons in four years — and there may well be a repeat of that size of crowd this Saturday when the teams meet again.

Obviously, if Rangers kept the old prices they would make considerably more money. But the prices WILL BE REDUCED and that's why you won't find a better bargain this weekend — or the rest of the season for that matter — than the game against Aberdeen.

Pittodrie match is all-ticket

Aberdeen have decided to make their Bell's League Cup, Third Round, second leg game against Rangers at Pittodrie on September 24 all ticket. The crowd limit will be 24,000 but details of how to obtain tickets are not yet available.

First come, first served

THE Kilmarnock-Rangers game in the Premier League on September 20, will be on a 'First come, first served' basis, as there will be no tickets for any section of Rugby Park.

The usual prices will apply.



● Colin McAdam in action at Tannadice on Saturday, but this time the big fella is beaten to the ball by goalkeeper McAlpine, whose defenders Kopel and Hegarty are on hand to help. Colin scored Rangers second goal of the match and you can see all the big game pictures on pages six and seven.

Boss Greig in Sweden

RANGERS boss John Greig flew out to Sweden earlier this week to see the Scotland Under-21 side in action. The Light Blues had three players in the squad for the game in Degerfors, which is about 250 miles from Stockholm, and manager Greig wanted to see how they fared.

John won't be staying over for the World Cup qualifying tie at full international level tonight and will fly back to Glasgow later today (Wednesday).

Jim misses an 'ace' — then collects £23,381

GOLFING enthusiast James Scullion didn't quite manage to achieve the golfer's dream of a hole in one at the weekend, but he did finish his round with a broad smile — and a far bigger prize.

For Jim, who lives at 12 Logie Park, East Kilbride, was the sole winner in pool one of this week's Rangers Pool and as a result, collects a cheque for £23,381.90, which is the biggest payout of the season far.

Lucky Jim, who is a tool-maker at Rolls-Royce's Hillington plant was told of his win while playing golf in the Rolls-Royce doubles competition and his good fortune continued during the day for he and his partner went on to win the first prize in that too!

The money will enable 46 year old Mr Scullion to buy a good few celebratory drinks at the "19th hole" and that is one round he probably won't mind losing.

His nestegg win certainly puts those golfing birdies in the shade.

FIRST SIGNING BIDES HIS TIME

STEVE SETS THE TARGET

THIS time last year, one name which was on the lips of most Rangers fans was that of Steve Richardson, the young man who had stepped into the team at the start of the season and impressed everyone with his wholehearted endeavour and stout defensive play.

But Steve disappeared into the background until the end of the season when he was a late inclusion in the Light Blue's pool for the Red Leaf Cup tourney in Canada and, after playing in two of the Canadian fixtures, Steve looked set to bid for a regular first team place.

However, with the season now under way there has been no mention of the boy who was John Greig's first signing as manager, and one could picture Steve being somewhat disgruntled at being left out of the first team's plans.

"Not at all," says Steve. "I'm only 19 and, while I'd love to be in the first team, I've got plenty of time to make my presence felt at the Club.

"I'm hoping to get a break sometime this season and, if that happens, it's up to me to make sure that I don't drop out of things again."

The indifferent start which the Ibrox Reserves have made to the season hasn't helped Steve much because, with so many young players in the team, the young Rangers have struggled against teams who have obviously risen to the occasion when playing the Light Blues.

"That's something we often find," says Steve, "but that's also the case in first team games and, if we want to prove ourselves capable of holding a place in the top team, we've got to learn to overcome such things.

"Our results to date look worse than they really are because no team has outplayed us to any extent and our main failing has been not making the most of the spells when we've been in control of a game."

That's something which coaches Stan Anderson and Davie Provan have impressed on the Ibrox colts and Steve has no doubt that the team are due to come good very shortly.

"We're all very keen for success and winning nothing last year puts extra pressure on us to do something really worthwhile this season.

"A couple of good results will work wonders for our confidence and we're all sure that we can get among the trophies this year."

Steve is no stranger to silverware, having captained the youth team to the Croix Festival Trophy in 1979 in addition to winning Second Eleven Cup and Reserve League medals in that season.

And in his brief first team career, Steve won a Drybrough Cup tankard, although he did not play in the 3-1 final win over Celtic, he played in both previous rounds and he appeared in the finals of both the Tennent Caledonian Cup and the Red Leaf Cup.

"I aim to add to that tally in the not too far distant future," says the Edinburgh youngster, "but, the meantime, I'm just taking each game as it comes and hoping that I perform well enough to justify consideration for a place in the first team."

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● Steve Richardson fires a shot for goal in a training session at the Albion last week. The Ibrox starlet hopes to be doing the same in first team colours in the near future.

Light Blue Starfile



NAME: Steve Richardson.
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: Edinburgh 12/5/61.
HEIGHT: 6ft. ½ins. (1.84 metres).
WEIGHT: 11st. 8lbs. (73.5 kg.).
BOOT SIZE: 9.
JOINED RANGERS: 1978 from Tynecastle B.C.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: My father.
HIGH POINT OF CAREER TO DATE: Going to Canada for the Red Leaf Cup Tournament in June.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: I've only been involved in the game for a few years and gladly I've not had any great disappointment so far.
MOST MEMORABLE GAME: I'll never forget the two games I played in Canada, against Botafogo and Ascoli.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: They all pose problems of a different nature and it's very hard to define any one player as being more difficult than any other.
HONOURS WON TO DATE: Second Eleven Cup Medal, Reserve League Medal, Croix International Festival Youth Trophy Medal, Drybrough Cup tankard, Tennent-Caledonian Cup runners-up medal.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To secure a regular place in Rangers' first team.
PRE-MATCH MEAL: I don't have a set routine but usually I settle for nothing more than a plate of soup.
AFTER-MATCH ROUTINE: I just go home, have a meal then put my feet up.
LIKES AND DISLIKES IN FOOTBALL: I enjoy being involved in the game as a whole, as for dislikes, the only thing which really annoys me is inconsistent refereeing.
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Hearts.
FOOTBALL HERO: Franz Beckenbauer.
HOBBIES OUTSIDE FOOTBALL: I play the drums.
TASTES IN MUSIC: Anything 'heavy'.
FAVOURITE CAR: Ford Capri.
FAVOURITE TV PROGRAMME: Fawlty Towers.
IF YOU WEREN'T A FOOTBALLER, WHAT WOULD YOU BE: Probably a motor mechanic.

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"WE'LL STAND BY WILLIE"

. . . as we would with any of our other players

WILLIE Johnston's ordering off in last week's Bell's League Cup match against Aberdeen made headline news in all the papers for the next few days and with Rangers and the Dons due to meet again twice in the next two weeks, it is almost certain there will be further publicity concerning the incident.



● JOHN GREIG

Naturally, neither the clubs nor Johnston can speak publicly on the matter because of the SFA ruling which forbids them from doing so, but Ibrox manager John Greig last week said he would stand by the winger.

"Rangers received a lot of publicity when we signed 'Bud' for the second time and there is no way we will turn our back on the player because of this incident.

"WE STAND BY WILLIE JOHNSTON IN THE SAME WAY WE WOULD WITH ANY OTHER PLAYER."

Manager Greig has already spoken to Johnston about the incident and the result is that the winger has been disciplined by the Club.

"When 'Bud' came to Ibrox he was told the code of conduct we have and what the penalties would be if he made any breaches of that disciplinary code," Greig continued.

"The rules were laid down at the start of the season and he'll be dealt with accordingly."

As far as the Club are concerned, the matter is now closed. Johnston missed Saturday's match against Dundee United because he was automatically suspended for one game under SFA rules for an ordering off offence and in addition, he now has five penalty points to his name.

Four other Rangers players were also booked in the match against Aberdeen and manager Greig has taken action against them too.

★ Willie Johnston . . . disciplined by the Club.



KEEP UP TO DATE

SUNDAY

More than 13,000 fans turned out at Pittodrie for Joe Harper's Testimonial and paid more than £30,000 to watch an International select side play Aberdeen. The final score was 8-6.

MONDAY

Newcastle United, who sacked their manager Bill McGarry last week, were rumoured to be interested in Aberdeen boss Alex Ferguson, but Ferguson stated he was staying at Pittodrie.

Jock Stein names his International squad which will play Sweden in Stockholm on Wednesday, September 10 in the opening game of Scotland's campaign to qualify for the World Cup in Spain in '82.

The squad is:- ROUGH (P. Thistle), THOMSON (St. Mirren), BLYTH (Coventry), GRAY (Notts. Forrest), McLEISH (Aberdeen), HANSEN (Liverpool), STRACHAN (Aberdeen), ARCHIBALD (Spurs), ROBERTSON (Notts. Forrest), COOPER (Rangers), McGRAIN (Celtic), BURNS (Notts. Forrest), MILLER (Aberdeen), SOUNESS (Liverpool), GEMMILL (Birmingham), DALGLISH (Liverpool), GRAY (Wolves), NAREY (Dundee United), BURLEY (Ipswich).

Stein also announed the squad for his Under-21 side which will play Sweden's Under-21's the day before the game in Stockholm. They are: McCULLOCH (Kilmarnock), BROUGH (Hearts), STEWART (West Ham), CONNOR (Ayr United), NICOL (Ayr United), GILLESPIE (Coventry), FULTON (St. Mirren), McLAUGHLIN (Morton), BLAIR (Coventry), WATSON (Aberdeen), BETT (Rangers), REDFORD (Rangers), MacDONALD (Rangers), LOGAN (St. Mirren), NICHOLAS (Celtic), BRAZIL (Ipswich), McBRIDE (Everton), HOGGAN (Bolton).

TUESDAY

Result: Division Two: Queen of the South 1, Alloa 1.

WEDNESDAY

Results: Bell's League Cup, 3rd Round (first leg): Clyde 0, Hibs 2; Dundee 0, Kilmarnock 0; Hearts 2, Ayr United 3; Motherwell 2, Dundee United 1; Partick Thistle 2, St. Mirren 0; Raith Rovers 0, Clydebank 1; Rangers 1, Aberdeen 0.

Scottish First Division: Falkirk 6, Berwick Rangers 0; St. Johnstone 0, East Stirling 2.

Scottish Second Division: Arbroath 1, Montrose 4; Brechin City 2, Stenhousemuir 1; Cowdenbeath 1, Stranraer 1; East Fife 2, Meadowbank Thistle 1; Forfar Athletic 1, Queen's Park 1.

European Cup Winners' Cup Preliminary Round, 2nd leg: Diosgyeri Miskolc 2, Celtic 1.

THURSDAY

Bertie Auld, the manager of Partick Thistle, bans Andy Anderson from training with the rest of the Firhill players, because he has refused not only to re-sign with the Club, but also to sign a 28-day contract.

Auld says that he cannot meet Anderson's demands, and that they will post him his wages.

Falkirk sign 20-year-old striker William Herd from East Fife for a fee of £25,000.

FRIDAY

Clyde pay out their record transfer fee for Morton's Jimmy Miller. The Cappielow man cost Clyde £10,000.

St. Mirren receive a set-back to their U.E.F.A. Cup plans when it is disclosed that Jimmy Bone is ineligible to play for them against Elfsborg on September 17. This is due to the fact that the Canadian F.A., where Bone was registered with Toronto Blizzard, kept his registration until after August 15, which was the date all players had to be registered by in order to play in European competition.

BOBBY'S BIG BLOW



★ Bobby Russell . . . a cartilage operation.

Ibrox midfield star out for at least six weeks

RANGERS young midfield player Bobby Russell is out of football for the next six weeks.

That was the bad news for Ibrox fans last week after the Light Blue star had to be admitted to hospital for a cartilage operation.

Bobby had had an occurrence of a knee injury from last season and the Club felt it would be best if the trouble was diagnosed as quickly as possible.

He had the knee X-rayed last Thursday and the result was that the cartilage in his right knee was quickly removed.

"We felt it was in the best interests of the player and Club to have the job done as quickly as possible," said manager John Greig, "and unfortunately that means Bobby won't be available for a while.

The normal recovery rate for this type of injury is about six weeks, providing there are no complications. So Bobby should be back in training before that."

All the info on Rangers

The 'Wee Blue Book', the official Rangers handbook is now on sale and can be had from vendors outside Ibrox before this week's game against Aberdeen. Price is 15p.

Rangers fans might also be interested in a poster of their team which is now available. It contains an entire fixture list in a unique style which also enables you to fill in the scores of all the other Premier Division matches during the season.

There's also a detailed history of the Club as well as a full list of all the honours. The posters cost 90p (which includes post and packing) and can be had from P.O. Box 154, Anderston Quay, Glasgow.



MAESTRO BAXTER'S VIENNESE WALTZ!

How 'Slim Jim' broke those Austrian hearts

THE number one aim of any side playing at home in the first leg of a European tie is to establish such a lead which makes the return game a formality and, to do so, the target is a minimum three-goal advantage.

So when Rangers beat Rapide Vienna 1-0 in the Second Round, first leg game at Ibrox in November 1964, few fancied the Light Blues chances of surviving the second leg in Austria on December 8.

The game was played in the famous Prater Stadium and a crowd of 70,000 packed into the ground to see what was supposed to be a landslide win for the home side, but someone forgot to pass the script on to the Rangers players.

One particular player turned the formbook upside down. Rangers' skipper Jim Baxter, wearing the uncharacteristic number ten shirt, gave an exhibition of football which had the Austrian crowd, traditionally very partizan, applauding every move from the Light Blues.

Baxter strolled around the pitch, beckoning the Austrian players to him then casually waltzing past them as if they weren't there and the passes he sprayed all over the field were a joy to behold.

The only ploy the home side could offer to hamper Rangers was the tedious offside trap they had used so effectively at Ibrox, but there on their own ground they found themselves facing players who refused to be frustrated by such tactics.

With their one goal lead from the first game Rangers could afford to be patient and the Austrian fans, realising the folly of their heroes' strategy, turned against Rapide and sporadically pelted the Austrian players with snowballs.

In complete control of proceedings, it was only a matter of time before Rangers scored and the man who did all the damage believe it or not, was Jim Baxter.

Three times Rapide defenders lunged in to tackle him and three times "Slim Jim" evaded the challenges before slipping the ball to Jim Forrest who had the easy job of slotting the ball past the Austrian 'keeper Veres.



● *All eyes are on Jim Baxter as "Slim" struts onto the Ibrox pitch followed by Ron McKinnon who, coincidently, suffered a similar leg break in a European tie.*

That drained the fight from the Rapide players and seldom have an away team taken such a grip on a game as Rangers took control of that tie in Vienna.

Full backs Davie Provan and Eric Caldow, who was injured in the first half but refused to leave the field, had the Rapide wingers in their pockets while left half Wilson Wood, a tactical selection in the number six jersey, fulfilled the faith shown in him by manager Scot Symon.

Up front, Willie Johnston, playing in his first game on continental soil, had the home defenders in constant trouble with his speedy runs while old heads Jimmy Millar and Davie Wilson made their experience rub off on the players around them.

But, at fear of repetition, Baxter was the man who made it all happen. The elegant body swerve, the deceptively slow shuffle forward and the precise accuracy of every pass had the Austrian fans on their feet acknowledging a man who was undoubtedly a master of the principles of football.

The second half continued like the first, with "Slim Jim" conducting the orchestra which was playing "There's Not A Team Like the Glasgow Rangers" and proving it at the same time.

Rapide were a beaten side and ten minutes after the interval the final nail was driven into the Austrian coffin.

Willie Johnston went off on a mazy run across the field, leaving four Austrians in his wake and, as he drew the goalkeeper from his line, he slipped the ball across the goal to the waiting Davie Wilson, who calmly shot into the empty net.

The cheer which went up was not only from the 200 or so Rangers fans in the crowd but from the 70,000 Rapide fans who, although disappointed at their side's defeat, applauded a superbly engineered piece of football.

The remainder of the game was no more than an exhibition as Baxter displayed all the skill and showmanship he had shown at Wembley in 1963 and went on to show at the same venue in 1967.



● *Jim Baxter in agony after the tackle which broke his leg in Vienna's Prater Stadium.*

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As the closing minutes approached, there was no mass exodus from the stands despite the humiliation which Rapide were suffering, the fans waiting to applaud Rangers from the field, but, sadly, there was to be an unhappy ending.

With no more than 20 seconds remaining, Jim Baxter picked up the ball on the touchline and shuffled along the line, looking up for a colleague to pass to, as Rapide's Skocik moved in to challenge.

Baxter nonchalanty pushed the ball past the Austrian and moved to pick it up when suddenly Skocik, who had chased a shadow all afternoon, lost his cool.

He lunged into a tackle with all the aplomb of an excerpt from the J. R. Ewing Book of Etiquette, catching Baxter just above the right ankle on which all of "Slim Jim's" weight was rested, and the Ibrox player collapsed in a heap.

Strangely, the referee did not award a free kick and as Baxter rose, gingerly putting his foot on the turf, he hobbled for a second before slumping into the touchline snow which had been swept from the field only an hour before the kick off.

The Rangers' bench raced to their stricken skipper and the first words Baxter uttered to them was that he had sustained a bad injury and his assessment was like his football . . . right on the button.

Jim's right leg was fractured just above the ankle and the man who had been the inspiration behind so many Rangers' triumphs was out of the game.

But, tragic though it was, Baxter's injury took nothing away from a superb Rangers' performance which brought nothing but praise from the Rapide officials and the Austrian Press.

The Ibrox men who supplied the goods were:

Ritchie, Provan, Caldow, Greig, McKinnon, Wood, Johnston, Millar, Forrest, Baxter, Wilson.

As for "Slim Jim," he returned to the game after his injury but he never produced the form for which he was known and, at his own request, he was transferred to Sunderland in the summer of 1965.

So, in actual fact, the Prater Stadium on that December day in 1964 was the scene of the last "vintage" performance of Jix Baxter in a Rangers' jersey and those who saw him that day were the first to acclaim the man who was, without a doubt, the one true genius which Scottish football produced in the 'Sixties.

● *Pics by kind courtesy of Daily Record/Sunday Mail.*

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● *Joy in Vienna . . . Davie Wilson prepares to embrace Jim Forrest after Jim had scored Ranger's first goal in their 2-0 triumph over Sportklub Rapide.*

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● Just after the winner is announced, there will be a cabaret appearance by none other than Glasgow's own Allan Stewart, who will be there with his backing group to treat everyone to a display of his hilarious impressions and marvellous singing.

● And, as in previous years, there will be a host of stars in the audience from football, television and theatre.

Tickets for the contest will be available soon and are priced at £9.50, not much when you consider what it costs to go to the cinema these days. And after all the excitement of the 'crowning' is over, you will be able to dance the night away to the sound of The Tommy Sampson Big Band.

This year Kensitas Club have been particularly generous with the prize money. In fact, apart from the "Miss Scotland" contest, no other beauty competition in this country comes close to matching the money Kensitas are offering.

For third place the prize is £150, the runner-up receives £350 and the winner £750. And what's more, as with sporting competitions, the real money starts to come to the winner after the event. All finalists on the 29th will also receive a super gift of Tabu perfume by Dana, including cologne and a travel pack of Tabu products.

The winner of the contest could go on to become a highly successful model, as did Gail Inglis, a past winner. And the most famous Miss 'Rangers News', Carol Grant, went on to become Miss United Kingdom, and later took third place in the Miss World contest.

So girls, why not take the plunge! EVEN if you don't thing you're potential beauty queen material, others might! **SEND US A PICTURE OF YOURSELF, PREFERABLY IN A BATHING COSTUME, TOGETHER WITH THE COMPLETED ENTRY FORM BELOW AND LET US BE THE JUDGES.**

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Late awards for the Light Blues

ALTHOUGH the 1980-81 season is now over two months old, some Rangers players have still to receive "Player of the Year" awards from last season.

Two will take place this Saturday before the home league match against Aberdeen. **DAVIE COOPER** will receive a presentation from the Larne True Blues Rangers Supporters Club and **SANDY JARDINE** will also collect an award from the Lochaber, Fort William RSC.

Another Ibrox star will also receive "Star Man" prizes shortly too, **JOHN MacDONALD** is the choice of the Greenock RSC and is scheduled to receive his award on November 29 before the game against Morton.

The Ayr RSC have also selected the youngster as their choice but the date for this presentation has still to be fixed.

RANGERS in COLOUR . . . it's a must!



A NEW football book was published last week and it really is a must for every football supporter.

It's called the Clydesdale Bank Scottish Football League Review and it has all the relevant details about every major club in Scottish football. And there is also a great colour picture supplement which includes a team photo of Rangers.

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There are also splendid pictures of each club's star players and manager, and a detailed summary of the club's history. Rangers fans can obtain their "Review" from the Stadium Ticket Office which is open from 9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

The 'News' camera

RANGERS TURN

ALL THE LEAGUE POSITIONS

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Rangers	4	3	1	0	11	4	7
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Hearts	4	2	0	2	6	6	4
Airdrie	4	1	2	1	5	7	4
St Mirren	4	1	1	2	7	7	3
Dundee Utd	4	0	3	1	6	8	3
Kilmarnock	4	1	1	2	3	6	3
Partick Th	4	1	0	3	4	11	2
Morton	4	0	1	3	3	13	1

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Hamilton	4	2	2	0	15	5	6
Ayr United	4	2	2	0	7	1	6
Clydebank	4	3	0	1	11	6	6
Hibernian	4	3	0	1	6	1	6
Dumbarton	4	2	1	1	10	5	5
Dunfermline	4	2	1	1	6	3	5
St Johnstn	5	2	1	2	4	3	5
Stirling Alb	4	2	1	1	2	2	5
Raith Rovers	4	2	1	1	3	4	5
East Stirling	5	1	2	2	6	9	4
Falkirk	5	1	1	3	7	10	3
Motherwell	4	1	0	3	5	10	2
Dundee	4	0	1	3	0	5	1
Berwick	5	0	1	4	3	21	1

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Forfar	5	3	2	0	12	6	8
Queens Park	5	3	1	1	11	5	7
Alloa	5	2	3	0	8	3	7
Clyde	4	3	0	1	7	3	6
Cowdnbth	5	2	2	1	8	7	6
Stenhsmuir	5	2	1	2	8	6	5
Albion Rvr	4	2	1	1	6	5	5
Montrose	5	1	2	2	6	6	4
East Fife	5	2	0	3	8	11	4
Qn of Sth	5	1	2	2	7	11	4
Stranraer	5	1	2	2	3	8	4
Arbroath	5	1	1	3	10	12	3
Brechin	5	1	1	3	6	10	3
Meadowbank	5	1	0	4	6	13	2

RESERVE LEAGUE

(West Section)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Celtic	5	4	1	0	13	2	9
Ayr Utd	4	3	1	0	8	2	7
Kilmarnock	5	3	0	2	9	5	6
St Mirren	3	2	1	0	7	3	5
Clydebank	5	2	1	2	8	8	5
Dumbarton	4	2	0	2	6	3	4
Airdrie	4	2	0	2	6	5	4
Rangers	4	1	1	2	3	5	3
Motherwell	4	1	1	2	4	7	3
Morton	5	1	1	3	3	8	3
Hamilton	5	1	1	3	4	10	3
Clyde	3	1	0	2	5	8	2
Partick Th	4	1	0	3	5	10	2
Queen's Park	3	0	1	2	5	10	1

FACT-FILE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Premier League.

DUNDEE UTD. 2, RANGERS 4

Scorers: Dundee Utd. Dodds (69 mins), Payne (76). Rangers: Cooper (5), McAdam (24), MacDonald (29), Hegarty (o.g. 44).

DUNDEE UTD.: McAlpine, Stark, Kopel, Kirkwood; Hegarty, Narey, Bannon, Sturrock, Payne, Addison, Dodds. Subs: Milne (for Bannon), Philip (for Addison).

RANGERS: McCloy, Jardine, Miller, T. Forsyth, Jackson, Bett, McLean, MacDonald, McAdam, Redford, Cooper. Subs: Stevens (for T. Forsyth), Dalziel (not used).

REFEREE: D. Ramsay (Edinburgh).

BOOKED: Sturrock, Milne (Dundee Utd).

SENT OFF: Narey (Dundee Utd.)

Attendance: 16,269.



● Five minutes played and Rangers go one up as Davie Cooper outpaces Kopel and slams the ball past McAlpine.



● Goal number three . . . a superb header by John MacDonald after Colin McAdam had nodded an Ian Redford cross into the wee man's path.



● A celebratory cigar perhaps? Rangers' manager John Greig lights up his smoke while coach Joe Mason closely watches the action.

IT'S COMMONLY acknowledged that Rangers' current form is a marked improvement on that of last season and nowhere is that more apparent than in the Light Blues' away record.

Saturday's 4-2 win over Dundee United at Tannadice took the Ibrox men's points tally to seven, five of which have been acquired away from home, and, when one realises that it was December before Rangers had won a similar number of points on opponents' territory last term, the upsurge in John Greig's team's fortunes is there for all to see.

Remembering that both of last season's visits to Tannadice ended in goalless stalemates, it was a pleasure to see Rangers adopt such a positive attitude.

Goals from Davie Cooper, Colin McAdam, John MacDonald and an 'o.g.' from Hegarty gave the 'Gers a four goal interval lead and each of the goals had 'Quality' written all over it.

Cooper's positive run, with United claiming offside, was the hallmark of the first and McAdam's determination in heading home a Peter McCloy clearance resulted in the second. The third showed the great understanding between MacDonald and McAdam when the 'wee man' nodded the 'big man's' header into the net and the fourth was a combination of Cooper's fighting spirit, McLean's accurate cross and McAdam's threatening presence which forced Hegarty to misguide his headed clearance past his own keeper.

No team can hope to live with Rangers in such a devastating mood and the Dundee United players had no answer to the application, understanding and no little skill shown by the Light Blues.

Rangers relaxed somewhat in the second half, but the home side found the Ibrox defence a hard nut to crack and when Peter McCloy saved a Sturrock penalty kick, the Tannadice players could have been excused if they'd packed up and gone home.

Lack of concentration in the Rangers' rearguard allowed United to score twice in the last quarter of the game but there was never any danger of the Light Blues letting victory slip from their grasp.

It's worth remembering that on only two occasions in the past decade have Rangers made such an impressive start to their league campaign AND BOTH TIMES THE CHAMPIONSHIP FLAG ENDED UP FLYING FROM THE IBROX STAND!



● Colin

● C

aptures the action

ON THE STYLE



dam receives treatment from Ibrox physiotherapist Tom Craig after the big striker had been injured when scoring the Light Blues' second goal. Davie Cooper looks on.



rs go 4-0 ahead . . . and it's Dundee Utd's Hegarty who does the damage as he beats Colin Adam to a Tommy McLean cross but only succeeds in diverting the ball into his own net.



Adam calls for the ball in this second half attack but United defenders Kirkwood and Hegarty stick closely to the Ibrox player.



● 'Super-Macs' MacDonald and McAdam celebrate John's well taken goal.



● United's Addison keeps a sharp eye on Davie Cooper as Rangers prepare to mount another attack.

ALL THE WEEKEND RESULTS

Scottish League
Premier Division

Aberdeen	6	Morton	0
Celtic	4	Partick Th.	1
Dundee Un.	2	Rangers	4
Kilm'rn'ck	0	Hearts	1
St. Mirren	2	Airdrie	2

Division One

Berwick R.	1	Ayr Un.	2
Clydebank	3	Dundee	0
E. Stirling	3	Dunf'mline	4
Hamilton	1	Dumb'rton	1
Hibernian	1	Moth'rwell	0
Raith Rov.	0	St. J'nst'ne	0
Stirling A.	1	Falkirk	0

Division Two

Alloa Ath.	2	Clyde	0
Cowd'nb'th	2	Brechin C.	1
Montrose	0	Albion R.	1
Queen's P.	5	Q.O.S.	1
Stenh'muir	2	East Fife	0
Stranraer	0	Forfar A.	4

Reserve League
West Division

Airdrie	1	St. Mirren	4
Clyde	4	Queen's P	3
Dumbarton	1	Hamilton	1
Morton	1	Clydebank	0
Motherwell	1	Kilmarnock	4
Rangers	0	Ayr United	0

EAST DIVISION

Arbroath	1	Aberdeen	1
Falkirk	6	Hibs	1

SCORERS

COLIN McADAM'S header against Aberdeen last Wednesday took him to the top of the Light Blues' scorers table and the big striker confirmed his position in the lead



● Colin McAdam

by netting at Tannadice on Saturday. But John McDonald came back into the reckoning by also scoring against Dundee Utd. and the McAdam-MacDonald double act have pulled away from the rest of the field. The full table reads:

Colin McAdam.....8
John MacDonald.....7
Davie Cooper.....2
Sandy Jardine.....2
Alex Miller.....2
Jim Bett.....1
Derek Johnstone.....1
Ian Redford.....1
Bobby Russell.....1
Own goals.....1

. . . and the Results in Europe

WEST GERMANY: 1860 Munich 2, FC Cologne 1; SV Hamburg 3, Eintracht Frankfurt 1; YFB Stuttgart 4, Borrussia Munchen Gladbach 2; Schalke 04 1, Borussia Dortmund 2; FC Karlsruhe 3, Fortuna Dusseldorf 0; Bayer 04 Leverkusen 4, Bayer Uerdingen 1; Arminia Bielefeld 1, Bayern Munich 2; MSV Duisburg 2, FC Nuremberg 0; VFL Bochum 0, FC Kaiserslautern 0.

LEADING POSITIONS

	P	W	D	L	Pt
SV Hamburg	5	4	1	0	9
Bayern Munich	5	4	0	1	8
MSV Duisburg	5	2	3	0	7
FC Kaiserslautern	5	3	1	1	7
Borussia Dortmund	5	3	1	1	7
YFB Stuttgart	5	3	0	2	6

EAST GERMANY: Rot-Weiss Erfurt 0, Dynamo Dresden 1; Karl-Marx-Stadt 0, Wismut Aue 0; Hansa Rostock 1, Magdeburg 0; Chemie Boehlen 3, Vorwaerts Frankfurt/Oder 2; Dynamo Berlin 3, Lok Leipzig 0; Stahl Reisa 0, Sachsenring Zwickau 0; Carl Zeiss Jena 3, Halle Chemie 1.

AUSTRIA: Rapid 4, Voest Linz 2; Eisenstadt 0, Grazer AK 2; Vienna 2, Austria Salzburg 0; Sturm Graz 1, Austria Vienna 1; Lask 1, Admira Wacker 1.

POLAND: Wisla Krakow 3, Lech Poznan 1; Zabiebie Sosnowiec 1, Odra Opole 0; Ruch Chorzow 3, Arka Gynia 1; Motor Lublin 1, Ilks Lodz 0; Widzew Lodz 3, Stal Mielec 1; Legia Warsaw 4, Slask Wrocaw 0; Baityk Gdynia 1, Gornik Zabrze 0; Zawisza Bydgoszcz 2, Szombierki Bytom 0.

SWITZERLAND: Bellinzone 0, Grasshoppers Zurich 2; Chnoise 0, Sion 0; Lausanne 2, Servette 0; Nordstern Basle 1, Lucerne 3; Saint Gall 1, Chiasso 1; Young Boys Berne 3, Neuchatel Xamax 1.

GREECE: Aek 5, Kavalla 1; Ethnikos 2, Panahaiki 0; Apollon 2, Atromitos 1; Aris 3, Corinthos 0; Ioannina 2, Panathinaikos 1; Panserraikos 1, Olympiacos 3; Doxa Drama 3, Panionios 3; Larissa 1, Ofi Crete 0; Kastoria 1, Paok 1.

BELGUIM: Anderlecht 4, Waregem 0; Beerschot 1, Winterslag 2; Waterschei 2, AA Gent 0; Kortrijk 3, Leirse 1; FC Liége 2, Cerkel Brugge 2; Beringen 0, Berchem 1; Lokeren 2, Beveren 0; FC Bruges 1, Standard Liege 7; Antwerp 0, Rwdm 2.

PORTUGAL: Braga 0, Benfica 3; Varzim 0, Portimonense 2; Boavista 2, Amora 1; Espinho 1, Academoco Coimbra 1; Setubal 1, Porto 0; Belenenses 0, Academico Viseu 0; Sporting 3, Mariitmo 1; Penafiel 0, Guimaraes 2.

COMPETITIONS AND FUN — EVERY WEEK!

WATCH RANGERS AND SAINTS IN ACTION — FREE!

RANGERS play St. Mirren in the first Premier Division clash between the two clubs this season on September 27 at Ibrox, and you could be there. That's the prize the 'News' is offering in this week's competition.

Two Main Stand tickets from where to watch what promises to be a most exciting game . . . and all for free!

And the question we have set for you to answer concerns a Rangers-St. Mirren game in the past, or to be more precise, in September, 1977.

Look at this 'News' photograph on the right.

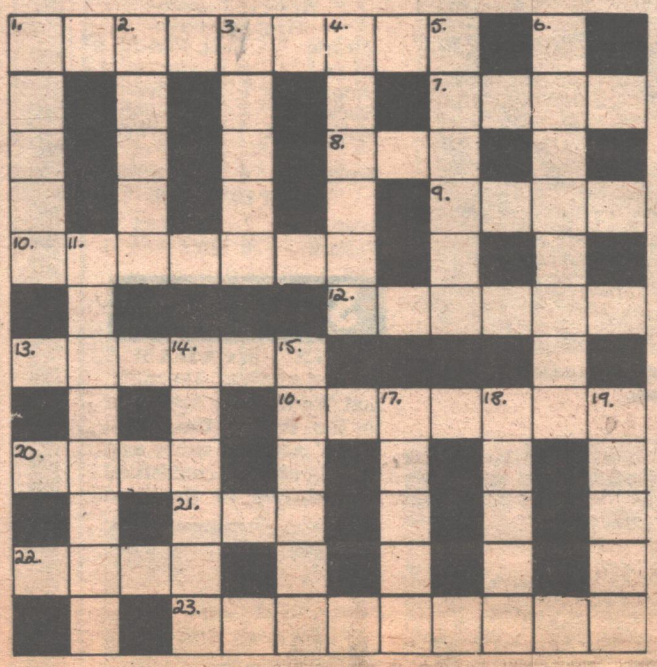
All you have to do is name the Ranger who put the ball into the back of the net.

When you think you have the answer, just jot it down on a postcard, along with your full name and address, and send it off to: "St. Mirren Contest", Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR.

The closing date for the competition is September 20, and the first correct entry drawn from our competition drum on that date shall receive the two tickets by return post.



'NEWS' CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. The holders of the U.E.F.A. Cup. (9)
7. Famous Madrid side. (4)
8. The manager who guided Arsenal to the 'Double' in 1971. (3)
9. All Rangers fans show this towards the Club. (4)
10. A forward who is tightly marked will struggle to get one of these during the match. (1, 4, 2)
12. Christian name of a Rangers defender. (6)
13. Raith, Albion and Blackburn to name only three. (6)
16. One of Rangers pre-season opponents. (7)
20. We regard each Rangers player as one. (4)
21. Number of goals conceded by Rangers in their recent pre-season friendlies. (3)
22. The sort of shot which may lead to a goal. (4)
23. Famous Chairman of Watford. (5,4)

DOWN

1. A popular musical associated with the country which holds the World Cup. (5)
2. Which end do Preston come from? (5)
3. Frenchman after whom the old World cup was named. (5)
4. Defenders don't know whether they're . . . or going against a good winger. (6)
5. Rangers have achieved this feat on four occasions. (6)
6. Argentinian who has been hailed as the 'New Pele'. (8)
11. Lisbon club who Rangers beat on the road to Barcelona. (8)
14. Nottingham Forest are the champions of this area. (6)
15. What a goalkeeper should do to a shot. (4, 2)
17. How many goals Rangers have scored against Partick Thistle at Ibrox this season. (5)
18. Russian player who captained his country to the European Nations Cup win in 1960. (5)
19. A current star at Love Street. (5)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

ACROSS: 2, Yellow. 8, Iran. 9, Ewing. 10, Lose. 12, Everton. 14, Sweden. 15, Placed. 18, Ireland. 22, Krol. 23, Irons. 24, Lato. 26, Werder.
DOWN: 1, Steve. 3, Eight. 4, Learns. 5, Willie. 6, F.A. 7, Nice. 11, Stein. 13, Valur. 16, Caldow. 17, Differ. 19, Elite. 20, A Don. 21, Dyson. 25, A.C.

When did Tom win his first cap?

1. Against whom did Billy MacKay make his first team debut as a Rangers player?
2. When did Chelsea win the European Cup Winners' Cup and what was the final score?
3. Which English club are nicknamed 'The Potters'?
4. Against which team did Kevin Keegan make his debut for Southampton?

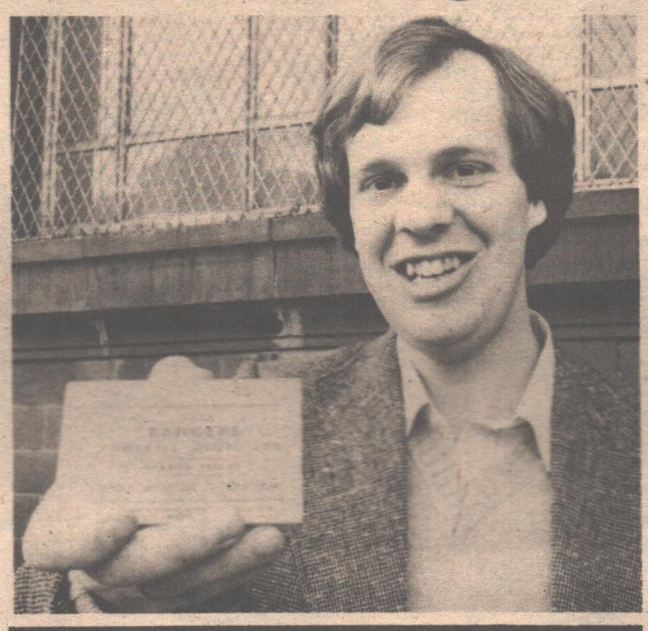
QUICK QUIZ



● **TOM FORSYTH . . . see question ten.**

5. What is Belgium's national football Stadium called?
6. When were goal-nets first introduced?
7. When did Martin Henderson play his last game for the Rangers first team?
8. When was Meadowbank Thistle formed, and what was their previous name?
9. When did Tom Forsyth win his first cap for Scotland?
10. Which English team play at Craven Cottage?

Now Ian doesn't want to miss a home game!



FOR ONE LUCKY GENTLEMAN, the need to wait in the queues outside the Ibrox Ticket Office in order to get his season ticket is over . . . because he has just won one in our recent Season ticket contest.

Ian Wright, of 16 Ballewan Crescent, Blanefield, is the man in question and his prize enables him to sit in one of the top seats in the Main Stand for every week from now till the end of the season.

Ian (pictured left) used his ticket for the first time at last week's Rangers-Forfar match at Ibrox and, as you can see from our photo, he was a very happy man.

Ian told the 'News' he had never had a better seat or view at Ibrox before, and he vowed that not one ticket would go to waste!

Best wishes Gordon

HERE is a small 'Get Well' wish for one of our Young Rangers Club members.

He is Gordon Roberts, of 18 Glen Nevis, St. Leonard's, East Kilbride, and everyone at the 'News' and all of your family hope you will be feeling better, and will be up and about soon.

PROGRAMMES

WANTED: Rangers News issue number 267 (15/9/76) to complete collection will buy or exchange as required. Contact John McGow, 10 Arkle Terrace, whitelawburn, Cambuslang, Glasgow. Telephone number 041-641-7897.

WANTED: Bell's League Cup Final programme Dundee United v Aberdeen (1979-80). Will pay asking price. Please contact: Andrew Simpson, Willowvale, Archiestown, Morayshire.

FOR SALE: Rangers programmes including European games and Cup Finals. Details from John Graham, 38 Hillcrest Road, Uddington.

PEN-PALS

WANTED: Female pen-pal, aged 20-25. Must be interested in football and be a Rangers suporter. I like listening to records. Please write to Kenneth Robertson, 2 Bell Terrace, Tyrie, Aberdeenshire.

WANTED: Female pen-pal, aged 16-18. Must be a Rangers fan. I suport Rangers and Vancouver Whitecaps. I like pop music, playing football and collecting football souvenirs. Please write, including a photo, if possible, to: Brian Livingstone, 4969 Manson Avenue, Powell River, B.C., Canada, U8A 3N6.

WANTED: Female pen-pal, aged between 19-21. Must be a Rangers suporter. Please contact: Albert Topping, 30 Slimno Close, Cregagh Estate, Belfast.

YOU CAN'T BEAT THE 'NEWS' PAGES FOR

BE A 'STAR' — IN OUR TRACKSUIT



IN THIS WEEK'S Young Rangers Club competition, we are offering you a great prize to win an official Rangers team tracksuit.

This is a replica of the tracksuits worn by your favourite team, and it is especially embroidered with the official Rangers crest.

And this is all you have to do in order to have a chance of winning this super prize. Look at the picture.

It is a great 'News' action shot of Sandy Jardine at his most explosive best, scoring a goal in an Old Firm game last season.

The goal was scored 27 minutes into the game to put Rangers 2-0 ahead. What we want you tell us is this. What was the final score in this match? What was the Cup being played for called? And, lastly, who scored for Celtic?

When you think you have the answers, just jot them down on a postcard and send it off to: "Tracksuit Contest", Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR.

Remember that this competition is for members of the Young Rangers Club only. When sending in your entry, please enclose the size of tracksuit you would wish should you win, and also your young Rangers Club membership number.

The closing date for the competition is September 20, and the first card drawn from our competition drum on that date will win this super tracksuit.

The Editor's decision is final in all matters.

How many Ibrox stars played v Uruguay in 1962?

I WOULD like to know the Rangers line-up in the final of the 1966-67 European Cup-winners Cup against Bayern Munich. Who scored Bayern's goal? — T. Campbell, Corkerhill Gardens, Glasgow.

The Rangers team that night was: Martin, Johansen, Provan, Jardine, McKinnon, Greig, Henderson, A. Smith, Hynd, D. Smith, Johnston. The goalscorer was Roth, who netted the only goal of the game in extra time.

YOU ASKED FOR IT



● PETER McCLOY

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What was Rangers road to the League Cup Final of 1963-64 and who scored Rangers' goal in the final? — Alex Farquhar, Ardencraig Crescent, Glasgow.

They beat Celtic 3-0 at Parkhead, 3-0 at Ibrox; defeated Queen of the South 5-2 at Ibrox and 5-2 at Palmerston Park; drew with Kilmarnock at Ibrox and won 4-1 at Rugby Park. In the quarter-finals, Rangers played East Fife and won 2-0 at Ibrox after a 1-1 draw at Bayview. In the semi-final Rangers beat Berwick 3-1 at Hampden and in the final beat Morton 5-0, with Jim Forrest scoring four goals and the other coming from Alex Willoughby.

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I would like to know, if at all possible, who Rangers Reserves played in their first match of the season and what was the team? — Angela Smith, Craigie Terrace, Cambuslang.

It was against Alloa at the Recreation Park. The Rangers team was Marshall, Richardson, Clark, Davies, McIntosh, Miller, McLean, Robertson, Dalziel, K. Watson, Mackay. The subs were Stirton (for McLean), Lyall (for (K. Watson) and G. Watson (for Davies). The final score was 2-1 for the Colts and the scorers were Stirton and Dalziel.

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Who made the most appearances for Rangers first team last season? — George Hegarty, Lossiemouth Street, Glasgow.

Peter McCloy was tops with 63 appearances, second was Sandy Jardine with 59 and third was Derek Johnstone with 57 and three appearances as substitute.



● IAIN STIRTON

Could you please settle a long-running argument by telling me how many Rangers players were in the Scottish international side beaten by Uruguay 3-2 at Hampden in 1962? — Alex Clark, Sunnyside Road, Glasgow.

There were six "Light Blues" in that match. Caldow, Baxter, Scott, Brand and Wilson. Billy Ritchie came on in the second half for Eddie Connachan of Dunfermline. It was also two Rangers players who got Scotland's goals, Baxter and Brand.

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In season 1978-79 did anyone in the Rangers side score a hat-trick? I can't seem to recall anyone doing so. — Peter Smith, Langholm Street, Glasgow.

Bobby Russell got a hat-trick against Hearts that season. It was in April in the Premier Division, the final score was 4-0 and Derek Parlane got Rangers other goal. Derek Johnstone got four goals in the one match that season, also against Hearts in a 5-3 victory. Kenny Watson netted Rangers other goal.

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I would like to know the Rangers record when they undertook their 1930 tour of America and Canada, and also how many goals Jimmy Marshall scored? — Gordon Gregory, Paisley Road West, Glasgow.

Rangers played 14 games, won 14 games, scored 68 goals and lost just 20. Their highest wins were recorded against Victoria West and Calgary United, whom they both beat 8-1. Jimmy Marshall scored nine goals on the tour.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS, KIDS

The following Young Rangers Club members have celebrated birthdays recently, or shall be doing so in the coming week.

SUNDAY, August 31.
DAVID HENDERSON, Little Cauldnes, Muthill by Crieff, Perthshire, who was 12.
TUESDAY, September 2.
DAVID SPIERS, 167 Kingsmill, Elgin, who was 14.
WEDNESDAY, September 3.
STEPHEN LEES, 64 Mill Road, Fairhill, Hamilton, who was eight.
FRIDAY, September 5.
ALISTAIR NIXON, 6 Gibson Avenue, Dumbarton, who was 12.
SUNDAY, September 7.
JOHN CROSBIE, 22 Torbrex Road, North Carbrain, Cumbernauld, who was 13.
TODAY (September 10).
JOHN CARTIN, 5 Fulwood Avenue, Linwood, who is 16.
MARGARET SMART, 15 Marne Street, Dennistoun, Glasgow, who is 15.
LIANNE CALDER, 29 Cardowan Drive, Stepps, who is 12.
DAVID WRIGHT, Greenfield, Stranraer, who is 15.
DAVID SEGGIE, 21 Ronaldson Place, Cumbernauld, who is 13.
BERTIE STEVENSON, 2 Orr Park, Newtonstewart, Omagh, who is nine.
THURSDAY
JOHN FLEETING, 364 Ardencraig Road, Castlemilk, Glasgow, who is 16.
RAJVINDER BASSI, 2 Warwick Villas, Mill Road, Clydebank, who is nine.
IAIN COX, 17 Birch Quadrant, Airdrie, who is 13.
ALAN WILSON, 24 Springhill Road, Garrowhill, Baillieston, who is 11.
IAIN THOMPSON, 4 Dalilea Place, Glasgow G34, who is 10.
JIM JAMES HEEPS, 19 Merville Crescent, California, who is 15.
FRIDAY
ROBBIE PEPIN, 12 Glen Avenue, Largs, who is eight.
AUDREY WILSON, 95 James Nisbet Street, Glasgow, who is 16.
DANNY McEWAN, 6 Pendennis Road, Wallasey, Merseyside, who is 15.
JOHN MAITLAND, Glenellen, Glebelands, Rothesay, who is 11.
COLIN THOMSON, 147 Whinneyburn Place, Rosyth, Fife, who is 14.
GEORGE MONTGOMERY, Drumley House School, Mossblown, Ayr, who is 15.
MARTIN KOBIELA, 55 Achlonan, Taynuilt, Argyll, who is 13.
MARNA ELDER, 22 Hillside Road, Greenock, who is 17.
SATURDAY
DAVID DUNN, 28 Ballindalloch Drive, Glasgow, who is eight.
SHAW PATERSON, 195 Main Street, Holytown, Motherwell, who is 16.
WENDY HAMILTON, 132 Alder Street, Huddersfield, who is two.
DOUGLAS WILSON, 1 Davidson Street, Whitecrock, Clydebank, who is nine.
SCOTT CLARK, 34 Morar Road, Crossford, Fife, who is 11.
DAVID PEARSON, 69 Sempill Avenue, Bargarran, Erskine, who is 12.
SUNDAY
KEVIN BUNYAN, 4 Springbank Terrace, Brodick, Isle of Arran, who is 12.
BRIAN DAVIDSON, Kirkton, Dumfries, who is 15.
JAMES PATON, 22 Burnside Road, Polbeth, West Calder, who is 15.
JOHN REID, Taynuilt, Argyll, who is 10.
ROBERT KELLY, 38, Lilac Crescent, Viewpark, Uddingston, who is four.
DOROTHY WALKER, Upper Borlick, Killiechassie, Aberfeldy, who is 17.
AUDREY McNEE, 17 Marwick Street, Dennistoun, Glasgow, who is one.
ALEX MacKAY, 23 Ripon Road, Blackpool, Lancashire, who is seven.
IAIN GRAHAM, 36 Vatisker, Back, Isle of Lewis, who is three.
GRAEME BOAG, 79 Cardross Avenue, Broxburn, Lothian, who is 13.
MONDAY
IAN McCLUSKIE, 182 Camps Rigg, Carmondean, Livingston, who is 13.
JIM WILSON, 14 Kenmyre Way, Rutherglen, Glasgow, who is 13.
THOMAS BOWIE, 34 Wigton Place, Cumbernauld, who is 14.
GREIG REID, 48 Raemoir Avenue, Banchory, Kincardineshire, who is 13.
CHRISTOPHER TORBETT, 8 Redbrae, Maybole, Ayrshire, who is 12.
TUESDAY
SCOTT McDONALD, 22 McCorley Road, Toomebridge, County Antrim, Northern Ireland. who is four.
JANET COOK, 86 Arnprior Road, Castlemilk, Glasgow, who is 15.
DOUGLAS STEEL, 21 Callander Place, Cockburnspath, Berwickshire, who is 13.
DEREK SANDS, 15 Etive Crescent, Condorrat, who is 14.
ROLF HANSEN, 12 Rayburn Road, Mossbank, Shetland, who is 15.
ALEX McCLELLAND, 20 Highfield Drive, Belfast, who is 16.
COLIN HISLOP, 39 Downcraig Road, Castlemilk, who is nine.
LYNNE BROWN, 6, The Clachan, Wishaw, who is three.

If you have a birthday . . .

IF you are a Young Rangers Club member and would like to see your name mentioned in these columns, then all you have to do is write and tell us about your birthday.

Just jot down on a postcard, your full name and address, date of birth and what age you will be and send it off to: "Birthday Greetings", Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR.

Try and send them in at least two weeks in advance, and please, in your neatest hand-writing.

I WANT YOU FOR MY TEAM



— says John Greig, Honorary President of the YRC

All you have to do to join the Young Rangers Club is to send off just 60p (by Postal Order only) to:— The Young Rangers Club, "Rangers News", 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR.

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★ Bell's League Cup Focus . . .

RANGERS IN FRONT!

IT took Rangers seven attempts to beat Aberdeen last season, but last Wednesday night the Light Blues secured a win in their first meeting against the Dons this term.

And that, more than anything else, is a confidence booster for the return match of their Bell's League Cup Third Round tie against the Pittodrie side on September 24.

The goal which decided the issue came from Colin McAdam after just 44 seconds, the big striker rising beautifully to reach a Tommy McLean free-kick as the Aberdeen defence stood still, but that vital counter —and that is most certainly what it is — was put into the background by most people because of the events which sadly followed during the rest of the game.

The final "crime-count" during the ninety minutes totalled eight bookings and one ordering off and those statistics gained more publicity than the match itself.

That was a pity because with so many skilful players in each side all the ingredients were there for a classic Cup encounter. Unfortunately, tempers boiled over on some occasions and, as a result, the referee finally became the busiest man on the park.

The blackest incidents, however, occurred in the final five minutes. It was in that period that Rangers winger Willie Johnston who came on a substitute ten minutes before, was sent off following an incident with John McMaster.

MATCH SLANT

Inevitably, these incidents will be more often recalled than the fact that Rangers won, but no matter what happens the Light Blues know they now travel to Pittodrie for the second leg with a goal advantage and Aberdeen will have to play well to cancel that out.

If Rangers can continue to show the form they displayed in the opening 15 minutes of last week's game, then Aberdeen boss Alex Ferguson won't be quite so happy in a fortnight's time.



● DAVIE COOPER

FACT-FILE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
BELL'S LEAGUE CUP

Third Round, First Leg.
RANGERS 1, ABERDEEN 0
Scorer: McAdam (44 secs.)
RANGERS: McCloy, Jardine, Miller, T. Forsyth, Jackson, Bett, McLean, MacDonald, McAdam, Redford, Cooper. Subs: W. Johnston (for MacDonald), Stevens (for McLean).
ABERDEEN: Leighton, Kennedy, Rougvie, Watson, McLeish, Miller, Strachan, McMaster, McGhee, Jarvie, Scanlon. Subs: Bell (for Scanlon), Hewit (for Jarvie).
ATTENDANCE: 33,000
BOOKED: T. Forsyth, McAdam, Jackson, Cooper (Rangers); Miller, Jarvie, Watson, McLeish (Aberdeen).
REFEREE: K. J. Hope (Clarkston).

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Following is the check for Saturday's results — Game .
01—2-2; 02—1-2; 03—3-0; 04—1-1; 05—2-1; 06—0-1; 07—2-0; 08—3-0; 09—0-4; 10—1-1; 11—1-0; 12—2-1; 13—2-0; 14—0-3; 15—4-1; 16—1-0; 17—0-0; 18—1-0; 19—2-0; 20—2-0; 21—0-2; 22—2-0; 23—1-1; 24—1-0; 25—2-0; 26—2-1; 27—2-1; 28—0-1; 29—3-0; 30—1-0; 31—1-2; 32—1-1; 33—6-0; 34—4-1; 35—0-1; 36—2-2; 37—1-0; 38—3-2; 39—5-1; 40—2-3; 41—2-4; 42—0-1; 43—4-1.

Following is official list of teams for Saturday, September 13 — 01 West Ham, 02 Wrexham, 03 Swindon, 04 Walsall, 05 Stockport, 06 York, 07 Dunfermline, 08 Falkirk, 09 Bristol R., 10 Cambridge Utd.
11 Barnsley, 12 Blackpool, 13 Bournemouth, 14 Bury, 15 Airdrie, 16 Hearts, 17 Cardiff, 18 Grimsby, 19 Brentford, 20 Carlisle.
21 Crewe, 22 Darlington, 23 Morton, 24 Partick Th., 25 Q.P.R., 26 Sheffield Wed., 27 Charlton, 28 Chesterfield, 29 Halifax, 30 Hereford.
31 Rangers, 32 Ayr, 33 Swansea, 34 Colchester, 35 Exeter, 36 Northampton, 37 Dumbarton, 38 Dundee, 39 Watford, 40 Newport.
41 Reading, 42 Peterborough, 43 Port Vale.

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UP IN THE AIR . . . THAT'S COLIN

— AND HE AIMS TO KEEP UP SCORING RATE

COLIN McAdam hasn't taken long to make his presence felt at Ibrox, making the most of his ability in the air by hitting the net with amazing regularity.

And it certainly didn't take the big striker long to let Aberdeen know that he was around when the sides met in last week's first leg League Cup tie.

With only 44 seconds on the clock, Colin rose above the Dons' defence to head a Tommy McLean free kick past Aberdeen 'keeper Jim Leighton for what turned out to be the only goal of the game.

● FACT

Last year, Aberdeen won the Premier League for the first time in their history. The last time they won the League Championship was back in season 1954-55, when they topped the old style First Division with 49 points.

That goal, Rangers' earliest this season, lifted Colin to the top of the Ibrox scorers' table and the big man will be looking to add to his goals tally when Rangers and Aberdeen meet on league business at the Stadium on Saturday.

"I'm very pleased at having made such a good start to my career with Rangers," says Colin," and it's good to see the ball hit the net so often.

● FACT

Aberdeen's top goalscorer last season was Steve Archibald, who is now enjoying success with English First Division side Spurs. He scored 21 league goals for his club. Archibald's transfer was a record, not only for Aberdeen at club level, but also because it was the first £1m transfer deal between a Scottish and an English club.

"The early one against Aberdeen last week set us up nicely but, unfortunately, we didn't capitalise on our good start.

● FACT

Aberdeen's record victory was against Peterhead in the Scottish Cup back in 1923, when they defeated them 13-0, and their record defeat was against Dundee, when they were beaten 9-2.

However we're all very confident of reaching the next round.

"And having beaten Aberdeen once, we're looking forward to doing it again on Saturday."

The fact that Rangers have beaten both Aberdeen and Celtic in recent weeks has pleased everyone at Ibrox, even more so when one realises that both victories were achieved with performances which were a little short of the best which the Light Blues can produce.

"Isn't that the sign of a good team?" asks Colin McAdam. "After all, if we can beat them when we're not at our peak, what would we do to them if we hit top form?"

● FACT

Aberdeen are the second youngest team in the Premier Division as they were formed in 1903. Dundee United are the youngest side. They were formed in 1910 as Dundee Hibernians, but became Dundee United in 1923.

That's a very valid point but the true testing ground for any team with aspirations towards the League Championship is when they face the defending champs and the task which Rangers face on Saturday is one which will be an accurate guide to the Light Blues' title hopes.

"Winning on Saturday is very important to us," says big Colin, "But winning the title is something which is done over the entire season, not on one Saturday afternoon.

"While Aberdeen are obviously a very useful side, there are so many teams in the Premier League who are capable of posing problems, so we can't allow ourselves to place too much emphasis on Saturday result."

But with one victory over Aberdeen already under their belts, Rangers have shown they're capable of beating the Pittodrie team and that must come as something of a relief to all Ibrox fans when one remembers that it was not until the seventh meeting between the clubs last season that the Light Blues registered a win.

Last week's win, albeit a narrow win, has done nothing but good for Rangers' morale and there will certainly be no lack of confidence among the Ibrox players when they take the field on Saturday.

And here's hoping that Colin McAdam goes on to increase his goals tally yet again.



● Colin McAdam and John MacDonald celebrate a goal by the big striker, this one being against Partick Thistle. But Colin got the vital goal last week against Aberdeen in the Bell's League Cup —and that's the fastest goal in the senior football this season.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

TONIGHT
WORLD CUP QUALIFYING MATCH
Sweden v Scotland (In Stockholm)

SATURDAY

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION
Airdrie v Dundee U.
Hearts v Celtic
Morton v Kilmarnock
Partick Th. v St. Mirren
RANGERS v ABERDEEN

FIRST DIVISION
Ayr Utd. v Hibs
Dumbarton v E. Stirling
Dundee v Berwick R.
Dunfermline v Stirling A.
Falkirk v Clydebank
Motherwell v Raith R.
St. Johnstone v Hamilton A.

SECOND DIVISION
Albion Rov. v Cowdenbeath
Arbroath v Alloa
Brechin City v Queens P.
Clyde v Montrose
East Fife v Stranraer
Forfar Athletic v Meadowbank Th.
Queen of S. v Stenhousemuir

HERE IS a complete results list of Rangers-Aberdeen matches in the Premier Division.

Season	Home	Away
1975-76	1-0, 2-1	0-1, 0-0
1976-77	1-0, 1-0	3-3, 1-2
1977-78	3-1, 6-3	1-3, 0-4
1978-79	1-1, 2-0	0-0, 1-2
1979-80	0-1, 2-2	1-3, 2-3

YOUR CLUB NOTES

PLEAN: Bus v Aberdeen on Saturday leaves Plean 1.00 p.m., Bannockburn 1.05 p.m, St. Ninian's 1.10 p.m. Non-members welcome.

KINNING PARK LOYAL: Few seats still available for Chesterfield. Price £8, Leave McLean Street at 8.00 p.m. Stop Sheffield return midnight. Phone for details to S. Daniels on 429-5578 or J. Finnan on 427 1389.

HELEN STREET: Meeting on Monday at 7-00 p.m. Seats available for Aberdeen game on September 24. Phone 440-2354 for details.

KINNING PARK LOYAL: Any club secretary who would be interested in his club and the Kinning Park club sharing the cost of a 57-seater coach to the Aberdeen-Rangers game on September 24, should contact either Stuart Daniels on 041-429-5578 or Jim Finnan on 041-427-1389.

CAMPBELTOWN: Anyone interested in travelling to games with the Campbeltown True Blues should telephone Bobby Flaws on 0586-3916 (after 6 p.m.) for details.

STONEHAVEN: Names required for games v. Aberdeen (Saturday) and v. St. Mirren (Sep. 27).

PROVANMILL: Bus v. Aberdeen leaves Provanmill Inn 2 p.m.

FIFE LOYAL: Bus v. Aberdeen leaves White Heather, Kirkcaldy 12 noon, picking up at Crown, Burntisland and Ex-Servicmens' Club, Rosyth. No more memberships accepted after this week.

GLENROTHES: Bus v Aberdeen (13/9/80) will leave C.I.S.W.O. at 12.30 p.m.

BALLINGRY: Bus v Aberdeen will leave Craigie Bar at 11.30 a.m., picking up at Lochgelly 11.35 a.m., Junction Bar at 11.40 a.m., Silver Birch 11.45 a.m., and the Royal Hotel, Dunfermline at 11.55 a.m. Non-members welcome.

BRIDGETON CROSS LOYAL: Bus v Aberdeen leaves McKenzie Bar 2.15; But to Pittodrie leaves 12.30 p.m.; Bus to Chesterfield seats available. Tel. 556 2839.

DUMFRIES AND MAXWELLTOWN: Bus to Ibrox v Aberdeen leaves Academy Street 10.30. Non members welcome. Names now required for Chesterfield to Big Rab in the Rob Roy.

SANDBANK: Bus v Aberdeen leaves 2.00 p.m. Names required for Aberdeen (September 24) and Chesterfield. Phone Robert O'Neill, 946-8388.

CLARKSTON: Bus for Chesterfield, price £8. Phone 041-644-3886 for details.

HUTCHESONTOWN: Bus for Chesterfield costs £8. Phone 423-2552.

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WHAT A BOOST FOR RANGERS INTERNATIONAL MEN

MOORLAND SCOTCH WHISKY
"The Pride of Perth"
MOORLAND SCOTCH WHISKY

IT'S EVERY FOOTBALLER'S ambition to gain International recognition for his country, and last week when Jock Stein announced his squad for the World Cup Qualifying match against Sweden in Stockholm tonight, and the Under-21's game with the Swede's yesterday, that ambition was realised for four 'Light Blues' pictured above.

Davie Cooper was chosen by Stein for the first team squad which will play Sweden tonight, and the Ibrox man was delighted by the decision.

★★★

"I've only played for Scotland at full International level twice before. Once was in the friendly with Peru last September, when I was substituted, and the other occasion was a month later, when I came on as substitute in the European Championship game with Austria.

"That means I've gone almost a year without an appearance in an International shirt. If I do play tonight, then I'll be out to impress the manager and then I might gain a regular team place."

The arena of World Cup football would seem the ideal place for a player of Davie's ability to show off his talents.

★★★

But Davie isn't the only Rangers' star who was picked for the international squads. Jim Bett, Ian Redford and John MacDonald were all chosen for the Under-21's squad which played Sweden last night in Degesfors.

Ian Redford and John MacDonald have both already been capped at Under-21 level, John gaining his only cap when he came on as substitute against West Germany in February. Compared to these players, Jim Bett is a novice on the international scene, but it has really been something of a fairy tale story in the last two months for Jim since he joined the Ibrox side in the close season.

One minute, he is a virtual unknown playing in Belgium, the next he is one of the main stars in the Rangers' first team, and then he is picked for the Scotland squad, all within the space of a few months.

"It has all happened really fast," said Jim. "But I feel I can cope with all the added pressure which has been put on me. Signing for Rangers was such a big thing to me, that nothing else could ever overshadow it.

"When I first signed for Rangers, I was up on cloud nine, but now I have calmed down a bit, and have settled in well.

The news that I was included in the Scotland pool was certainly a great confidence booster, but I never reached the state of excitement I was in when I signed for Rangers."

If our four "Dark-Light Blues" keep up the form they have been showing us recently, then it's really just a matter of time before they secure a regular place in Scotland's International sides.



● For Rangers and Scotland . . . Rangers' international delegation, John MacDonald, Ian Redford, Davie Cooper and Jim Bett fly the flag just before they flew out to Sweden on Monday.

Big game on 'live'

UNFORTUNATELY your 'News' went to press before the result of last night's Under-21 match was known but next week we will carry all the news about the Rangers' players involved in the game and their reaction to the result.

Tonight's World Cup clash may see Davie Cooper pull a dark blue jersey over his head for the first time for almost a year and those of us interested in the game (who isn't?) can see all the action on S.T.V. whose special 'Scotsport' programme kicks off at 6 p.m.

Young John helps out

Rangers youngster John MacDonald attended the Drumchapel Festival last week. The Festival is run to try and raise money for local amenities and John, who lives in the district, was one of the personalities who helped publicise the event. Celtic's Danny McGrain, who used to attend the same school as John, also attended.

● Jim Bett and Ian Redford both collected heavy knocks in Saturday's game against Dundee United, but the midfield men were both fit enough to join the international Under-21 pool for the match against Sweden.

'Gers' stars out to impress Swedes

OVER THE YEARS Rangers have made many trips to Sweden and a bond of friendship has been forged between many Swedish clubs and the Ibrox men but that friendship has to be put to one side this week.

The inclusion of Davie Cooper, Jim Bett, John MacDonald and Ian Redford in the Scotland pools for last night's Under-21 international and tonight's World Cup clash is evidence of the quality of the Light Blues' current form and should cause problems for the Swedes.

With four players in the two squads, Rangers, alongside Aberdeen, are the most represented club in the party and the Ibrox quartet were delighted at their inclusion in the squad.

And it has given each of the Light Blues' players the chance to further broaden their horizons and gain an insight into the continental game, something which is of obvious value with the Club missing out on Europe this term.

Of course, Jim Bett, having played in Iceland and Belgium before joining up at Ibrox, has experienced the continental approach to the game but being included in the international squad at this level can do nothing but good for the player's confidence and football education.

Scotland international team manager Jock Stein was among the spectators at last Wednesday night's Bell's League Cup tie against Aberdeen.

And it's good to see In Redford's improved form being recognisd at international level. The man who was signed from Dundee struggled a little in his early days with the Club but at no time did he allow his head to drop and the trip to Sweden is no more than he deserves for the application he has shown.

Having flown back from Sweden to Glasgow this morning, Rangers' manager John Greig, will be glued to his TV set tonight hoping to see Davie Cooper make an appearance against the Swedes.

All the play – but no win for the Colts

AYR UNITED RESERVES came to Ibrox on Saturday as an undefeated side and after their game against Rangers' second string, the Somerset Park side remained unbeaten, despite being subjected to almost non stop pressure from the Light Blues.

The match ended in a goalless draw so Stan Anderson's boys have now gone three weeks without hitting the net, much to the annoyance of the Ibrox coach.

"I was very disappointed to see us take so much control of the game without creating nearly enough scoring chances," says Stan.

"It's no use dominating the game if we're not going to make it count by putting the ball in the net.

"That's a part of our game which we'll have to work at because we simply can't continue to let teams off the hook."

In a game which the Ibrox colts never looked like losing, the nearest they came to getting the winner was in the early stages when clever play sent Graham Watson through with only the goalkeeper to beat, but Winker's shot was blocked by the keeper and the chance was lost.

If that shot had gone in, it may have been a different story but from then onwards the Light Blues lacked the penetration to break down the Ayr defence.

The Rangers team on Saturday was: Marshall, McIntyre, A. Forsyth, Davies, McIntosh, Clark, Mackay, Watson, Urquhart, Lyall, Robertson. Subs: Stirton (for Robertson), Richardson (for Davies).

QUIZ ANSWERS

1, Aberdeen. 2, Season 1971-72, 2-1 v Real Madrid, after 1-1 draw. 3, Stoke City. 4, Shamrock Rovers. 5, Centenary Stadium, in Brussels, otherwise known as the Heysel. 6, In 1892, in the English F.A. Cup Final. 7, v Twente Entschede, in September 1977. 8, 1974; Ferranti Thistle (who were founded in 1943). 9, June 9, 1971, v Denmark. 10, Fulham.

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