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GREIG'S EURO WARNING



● JOHN GREIG

Players must forget Porto

RANGERS manager John Greig flew back from Lisbon on Monday afternoon after watching Euro opponents FC Porto in action against Benfica — and then declared he was more interested in his team's domestic form.

"We've got to forget all about the Portuguese tie for the moment," he said.

Chance

"I had to fly out to Portugal at the weekend because it was the only chance I would get to see Porto playing away from home.

"But I don't want the players thinking about the Cup-Winners' Cup match until after our game against Dundee at the weekend."

The Ibrox manager has been pleased with Rangers recent string of good results, which has seen them net 25 goals in five successive victories.

The latest win was on Saturday when the Light Blues beat Hibs 1-0, a victory that was really more convincing than the scoreline suggests.

Pleased

"We should have had the match tied up by half-time," commented boss Greig. "However, no team can expect to dominate a match for 90 minutes and although Hibs came at us for a short spell, we weathered the storm.

"Earlier in the season we might have lost that kind of game, so I was pleased we took two points against Hibs."

Tribute

The Ibrox boss also paid tribute to the fans who turned out to see his team. "It was a marvellous crowd on such a wet day, but they certainly saw a great winner well worth the admission money."

● Prices for Rangers' Euro tie against Porto on October 19 are:

Main Stand and Govan Stand: £4 (front), £3.50 (rear); Copland Road and Broomloan Road stands: £3 (rear) and £2.50 (front); Enclosure: £2.50 and £2. Parent and child gates will be in operation. It will be cash at all turnstiles.

Cash at Dens Park

● It will be cash at all turnstiles for this week's league match between Dundee and Rangers at Dens Park. Prices are: Stand and Enclosure £1.90 (Children £1); Wing Stand £3 (Children £1.50); Reserved Centre Stand £3.50.

Ibrox fans not going to these areas, should go to the East Enclosure end of the ground. Admission here is £1.80 (children £1).

A NEW CUP OF CHEER

● SO COOL . . . that's Ally McCoist, John McClelland and Davie Cooper who attended the launch of the new Rangers drinks last week. More details on page 3.





● NEARLY, BUT NOT QUITE . . . David Mitchell just fails to connect with a Sandy Clark cross at Ibrox on Saturday. Match slant and more action on pages 10 and 11.

An ice-cool win for Mrs Hunter

MRS SADIE HUNTER is the lucky person who has scooped the biggest win of the season so far on the Rangers Pools.

Mrs Hunter, of Dalrymple in Ayrshire, picked up £30,160.20 as a result of the prize money from Pool Two being added to pool one. And Sadie, an ice-hockey fan, is naturally delighted.

"I heard about the win on Sunday from the wife of my agent. I'm going to buy myself a car and get one for my daughter, Linda, as well. I'll put the rest in the bank."

Mrs Hunter, who has been a widow for the last 11 years, is "not really" a Rangers fan. She gets her sporting enjoyment watching Ayr Bruins on the ice rink.

● Once again, Pool One of the Rangers Pool was won outright this week. Details of the win and the rest of the pools results on page 8.

BELL'S SCOTCH WHISKY BELL'S

YOUR TV AND RADIO GUIDE

Television

TONIGHT – INTERNATIONAL SPORTSCENE (BBC 1 9.55 p.m.): Highlights of this evening's Scotland v Belgium match and reports of Turkey v Northern Ireland the other European Championship matches. You'll also have to settle for recorded highlights of Hungary v England, despite the fact that south of the border they will have seen the match "live" from 6 p.m. onwards.

FRIDAY – SPORTS EXTRA (STV 6.30 p.m.): The familiar faces of Graham Stuart and Arthur Montford with previews of Saturday's league matches.

SPORTSTIME (BBC 1 to 6.30 p.m.): Desmond Lynam with the BBC preview of the fixtures, mainly English coverage.

SATURDAY – FOOTBALL FOCUS (BBC 1, 12.20 p.m.): Bob Wilson looks back at the midweek games and ahead to the day's fixtures.

ON THE BALL (ITV 12.50 p.m.): Ian St. John and Jimmy Greaves still trying to keep the fun in football, but alas their patter is beginning to sound much the same.

SPORTSCENE (BBC 1 10.10 p.m.): Full marks to the "Beeb" for this high quality programme. Dougie Donnelly introduces the action with Archie McPherson providing the commentary and analysis of the Scottish match.

SUNDAY – SCOTSPORT (STV 4.30 p.m.): Arthur and Graham again, this time with coverge of Saturday's match.

Radio

TONIGHT – SCOREBOARD INTERNATIONAL SPECIAL (Radio Clyde 7.45 p.m.): Richard Park commentates on this evening's meaningless Scotland v Belgium match. Fan phone-in at around 9.40 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL SPORTSOUND (Radio Scotland 8 p.m.): Jim O'Hara introduces the programme while David Francey does the commentary from Hampden. Roy Small provides the on the spot analysis.

SOCCER SPECIAL (Radio Two 5.55 p.m.): Full "Live" coverge of Hungary v England from Budapest. Peter Jones is the commentator.

SATURDAY – SCOREBOARD '83 (Radio Clyde 2.02 p.m.): The programme is officiall called super scoreboard, but that's their definition, not ours. Richard Park does the introductions, might do the commentary and will take charge of the fan phone-in at 5.30 p.m.

SPORTSOUND (Radio Scotland 2.02 p.m.): Another disc jockey, Tom Ferrie, does a part-time job, introducing this programme

SPORT ON TWO (Radio Two 1.30 p.m.): Nothing gimmicky about this programme, which is introduced by Mike Ingham. Scottish preview at 1.50 p.m. approximately and review at 5.2 p.m., both from Roddy Forsyth. English match "live" at 3.50 p.m.

● Radio Clyde has a daily bulletin at 1.50 p.m., where Jimmy Sanderson discusses the headlines with Richard Park. He'll also remind you of a few of the countries he has visited and give one word answers that last two minutes!

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All our winners

ANDREW Simpson is the lucky young Rangers fan who will be keeping warm at our expense this winter.

Andrew, of Willowvale, Archiestown in Morayshire, has won the thermal bomber jacket with the Rangers colours and crest we offered in our competition in issue 609. He correctly said Robert Prytz scored Rangers second goal in the 2-1 win at Pittodrie last season with Strachan netting for Aberdeen.

The Rangers jersey we offered in issue 610 goes to Michael Hudson, 37 Stanley Hill, in Lerwick. He identified Davie Cooper as the player in our picture and correctly said the score of the match was Dundee United 4, Rangers 2.

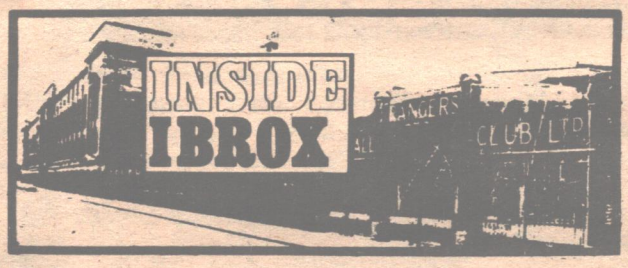
Sitting in the stand for Saturday's match against Hibs at Ibrox was Douglas Sproull, 11 Park Street, New Stevenston.

He won our competition in issue 611 in which you were asked to identify two ex-Motherwell players now with Rangers and Hibs. The men were Gregor Stevens and Willie Irvine.



● Dave MacKinnon received the 'Player of the Year' trophy from the Tradeston Rangers Supporters Club recently. Allan Kinloch, Ian Johnston and David Boyde made the presentation. Davie McPherson is also in the picture.

Fergie's Russian dream is over



ONE member of the Rangers squad was in European Championship action last week and returned to Ibrox a very disappointed player indeed.

Young Derek Ferguson was a member of the Scotland Under-16 squad who lost 3-1 to England at Ayresome Park, Middlesbrough last Wednesday and went out of the tournament.

"Despite the scoreline, England really didn't deserve to win the game. I can hardly believe we lost. I haven't been so disappointed for a long, long time.

"It's the fourth time I have played against England and the first time I have lost. I was really sick. We took the lead with five minutes of the first half left through David Winnie and were well on top.

Grabbed

"We were all over them in the first half and the second half was fairly evenly matched. But they somehow grabbed three goals — it was incredible. They were playing like Watford, sending long balls up the park — we should never have lost.

"All the lads were upset. Apart from the fact we hate losing to England, we were all looking forward to going to Russia for the finals. That would have been some trip.

Annoying

"I was quite happy with my own form in the game especially in the first half, but losing by that score is a real sickener. Everyone has been saying to me 'I see you got gubbed,' which is annoying.

"Still, we are all the more determined to give them a real roasting at Motherwell later this month. **WE CAN'T QUALIFY NOW, BUT WE'LL GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO REMEMBER ON THEIR WAY TO RUSSIA!"**

Hugh gets Ibrox call



● DEREK FERGUSON



● HUGH BURNS

RANGERS full-time playing staff received another addition last week when 18-year-old Hugh Burns was called up from the ground staff.

Hugh has impressed boss John Greig in several reserve runouts and the defender will start his full-time duties this week.

★ ★ ★

A veil of intrigue and mystery hung over Ibrox last week as the culprit of the great fire extinguisher mystery remained unidentified.

A dressing room prank ended with several players being drenched with the fire dousing foam and a lot of mess on the floor. Several suspects are high on the wanted list, but no concrete evidence has yet come to light. Don't worry Mr X, your secret is safe with the "News."

★★★★★

Porto spy on Rangers

THERE were several interested faces at Ibrox last Wednesday evening for the League Cup match with St Mirren.

Porto assistant manager Antonio Morais was checking up on his club's European opponents and was, not surprisingly, impressed.

Also in the crowd was Scotland's international team boss Jock Stein, watching his under-21 players Ally McCoist and David McPherson and Dunfermline boss Tom Forsyth.

Another interested visitor to Ibrox last week was Australian Peter Welsh. Peter went to live Down Under when his parents moved from Glasgow when he was two years old.

He has remained a fervant Rangers supporter, though and was delighted to be given a tour of Ibrox last Tuesday.

Formerly a goalkeeper in Australian football, he now coaches State League side Brighton City

● Jack Davidson and his son Kurt from Stranraer wish to thank Stuart, Big Jimmy and the lads of the Kinning Park Loyal for taking them on their bus to Tannadice last weekend.

Reserve League (East)

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Aberdeen	2	2	0	0	7	2	4
Raith Rvrs	2	2	0	0	4	1	4
East Fife	3	1	1	1	4	3	3
Dundee Utd	1	1	0	0	3	0	2
Arbroath	2	1	0	1	4	3	2
St Johnstone	3	1	0	2	6	7	2
Forfar	3	0	1	2	1	9	1
Cowdenbeath	2	0	0	2	3	7	0

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TURKISH MARCH!



● ABOVE: DRINKS FOR THE BOYS . . . Paul McStay passes them round to brother Willie, Ally McCoist, Pat Bonner, John McClelland and Davie Cooper.
● BELOW: LAST STRAWS . . . 'Old Firm' rivals Ally McCoist and Willie McStay enjoy the new cola.



Irish need two points

JOHN McClelland is off on his European travels again this evening when he goes to Turkey with Northern Ireland — and the Rangers captain is looking for a repeat of the last time the countries met.

That, of course, was earlier this year at Windsor Park when John scored his first ever goal at international level to earn the Irish a so vital 2-1 victory.

Crucial

And tonight's match in Ankara is even more crucial. Billy Bingham's men must win if they are to retain a realistic chance of reaching the European Championship Finals in France next year.

"We all know we are capable of wining, but we are equally aware that it's not going to be easy. They are not a great team, but they have nothing to lose and could be dangerous.

"They probably won't sit back in defence like they did in Belfast. They are in front of their own fans and will want to given them something to cheer. We'll have to watch their strikers, who are very pacy."

Caution

However, despite his canny Irish caution, John remains confident Northern Ireland will win the match and set themselves up for a thrilling 'decider' against West Germany on November 16.



● J O H N McCLELLAND . . . on duty with the Irish squad in Turkey.

"If we can play as well as we did against the Austrians last month, then I'm sure we will win. We're not looking for a barrowload of goals — a one goal victory will suit us fine.

Injury

"It's in our own hands now. Obviously, the West Germans beating Austria 3-0 last week has made them favourites, but we are used to having to upset the bookies odds and there's no reason why we shouldn't do it again."

Billy Bingham's plans have been hit by the withdrawal from the squad through injury of Gerry Armstrong. The Irish team boss had hoped to play the striker, now in Spanish football, against the Turks.

"Gerry is always likely to score goals for you when you need them, as he did in the World Cup Finals. But we are fortunate at the moment that we have one of our strongest squads for a long time.

"Norman Whiteside, Billy Hamilton and Ian Stewart can all do the same and will be looking for goals. It was good to see Norman at Windsor Park against Austria and he could well be a match winner again."

Sorry, Fergie!

APOLOGIES are due to Eric Ferguson for a discrepancy in last week's reserve report when it was stated that the young striker scored ONE of the goals against Dundee United with Derek Ferguson also netting.

Eric, in fact, scored TWICE and young Derek did NOT get a goal. Fergie's double put him at the top of the reserve scorers chart at that stage with six goals, one ahead of Andrew Kennedy.

A sparkling performer

AFTER a sparkling display last Wednesday evening against St. Mirren, Ally McCoist, Davie Cooper and John McClelland attended the launch of a new fizzy drink on Thursday.

The trio teamed up with Pat Bonner, Paul McStay and Willie McStay at Robertson's of Springwells in Blantyre to promote the new brand of cola produced by the firm.

Their traditional drinks, so popular in Scotland, are now available with Rangers and Celtic labels and should be in shops all over the country by the end of this week.

The Rangers version was on sale at Saturday's home match against Hibs and should be available at Ibrox for the rest of the season. The juice got a unanimous thumbs-up from the Ibrox trio.

Sweden's only worry



● ROBERT PRYTZ . . . in Italy with the Swedish squad.

WHILE Rangers are trying to grab two more precious Premier League points against Dundee on Saturday at Dens Park, Robert Prytz will be in Italy with Sweden for a crucial European Championship tie.

The Swedes will need to put on a magnificent display if they are to take two points from the World Champions in front of 82,000 fanatical fans in the San Paolo Stadium in Naples.

Confident

But the Light Blues midfield star, who will win his 16th cap in the match, is highly confident that Sweden can win.

"I have got to think we will win. We beat them well in Sweden 2-0 and the team is playing so well at the moment that I just can't see us losing. Everyone in the squad is very optimistic.

"We have only lost one of our last 19 games and there is great determination to reach the finals of the European Championship in France. Sweden have never done it before, so it would be a great boost for our football.

Fear

"Italy beat Greece 3-0 last week in a friendly, but we are much better than the Greeks. I think that is the only game the Italians have won since the World Cup Finals, so we have nothing to fear."

The only thing that does worry the Swedes is the prospect of an infamous "Iron Curtain carve-up" stopping them reaching the final stages of the tournament.

Beat

"Unfortunately, we have to rely on Rumania dropping a point, as long as we beat Italy, if we are going to qualify. They have two games left, against Cyprus and Czechoslovakia and the Czechs could fix it with them as they are out.

"But the Rumanians could still drop that point in Cyprus, just like Italy and Czechoslovakia did. All we know is that we are going out to beat Italy. That's all we can do and I think it will be enough."

ALL YOUR SUPPORTERS' NOTES

COATBRIDGE: Bus v Dundee leaves at 12.45 p.m.
RENFREW RED & WHITE: Bus leaves Queen Street Orange Halls at noon for Dundee game. Non members welcome.
DUNS AND DISTRICT: Bus v Dundee leaves White Swan at 10.30 a.m. Names for Aberdeen (Nov. 12). Phone Robert Elliot (0361) 83557.
KINNING PARK LOYAL: Dundee bus leaves Red Lion Bar at 11.45 a.m. Seats non members. Bus for Portugal leaves Sunday, arriving Porto Tuesday. Seats non members. Phone Stuart (041 429 5578). or Jimmy (041 427 1389).

PEN-PAL CORNER

WANTED: I am a 17-year-old Rangers and Manchester City fan and would be very pleased if I could find a female Rangers fan, preferably between the ages of 15 to 19. Write to Richard Rudd, 7 Oak Avenue, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK11 7VU.

STEVENSTON CROSS KEYS: Bus for Dundee leaves 10 a.m. Names now being taking for away game against F.C. Porto. Bus leaves Sunday and returns Friday.

CLARKSTON: Bus v Dundee leaves Eastwood Toll at 10 a.m. and Newlands at 10.10 a.m. Bus to Portugal — approx £58. For details phone Kenny on 881-4720 after 6 p.m.
IAN REDFORD (STRATHKELVIN): Mini-bus leaves Kilsyth Road, Queenzieburn at noon with stop en route for lunch.
DUNDEE LOYAL: Bus v Porto leaves Lindsay Street at 5 p.m. Names and deposits now being taken for trip to Porto. Bus equipped with video and toilet. Phone Dundee 730389 or Dundee 89715.
PLEAN: Bus v Dundee leave Torwoodlea Hotel at 12.15 p.m., picking-up at Plean, 12.30; Bannockburn, 12.35; St. Ninians, 12.45 p.m. and Denny Cross at 12.55 p.m. Non members welcome. Bus for Portugal leaves Monday, October 31 and returns Friday, November 4. Phone Alex Penman (Bannockburn 814778).
HILLHOUSE: Bus to Portugal — £65. Contact A. Wales (Blantyre 822991). Bus to Dundee leaves 'Lariat' at 10.45 a.m. Non members welcome.
WEST END TRUE BLUES (PAISLEY): Bus v Dundee leaves Kilbarchan 11.30 a.m. and Paisley 11.45. Bus for Porto. For seats and details telephone 884 6789.
SANDBANK: Bus for Dundee leaves at noon. Bus for Portugal. Phone Ian Stewart (427 4267).
JIMMY CLARK LOYAL: Bus v Dundee leaves at 11.45. Seats for non members. Bus for Portugal. Names and deposits to Jackie Clark (554 0153) or (511 9400).

KINGDOM TRUE BLUES: Bus to Portugal. Price — £66. Bus leaves Sunday at noon. Phone John Bean (Dunfermline 72738) for details.

EDINBURGH UNION JACK: Names and deposits for Portugal. Price — £66. Phone H. Smith, Penicuick (0968 72467) for details.

COWCADDENS: Bus leaves Toby Jug at 12.30 p.m. Non members £3.

ST. ANDREWS (DRUMCHAPEL): Bus v Dundee leaves Cloan Avenue at 9.45 a.m. Seats non members. Phone 944 9179 to arrange seats and pick-up points round scheme.

EDMISTON DRIVE: Bus leaves at 10 a.m. for Dundee.

CUMBERNAULD LOYAL: Bus to Dundee leaves Town Centre at 11.45 a.m., picking up at Abronhill at noon. Non members welcome. Names for Portugal trip. For full details phone 22505.

NITHSDALE: Bus to Dundee leaves Torrisdale Street 11.30 a.m., picking up at Devon Street 11.45 a.m. Bus to Portugal leaves Sunday, October 30 at noon from Devon Street, arriving Porto noon on Tuesday. Bus leaves Porto Wednesday night, arriving back in Glasgow on Friday night. Video and toilet on bus. Price £70. Phone Brian (881 5674) or Billy (647 9805).

PARTICK LOYAL: Bus for Dundee leaves Merkland Street at 12.30 p.m. Seats non members. Phone K. McLean (647 5198).

PAISLEY ROAD WEST: Bus v Dundee leave Harvey Street at 11 a.m. New and non members welcome. Price — £2.50.

BISHOPBRIGGS: Bus v Dundee leaves Hilton Road at 10.30 a.m., The Cross, 10.35 and Hawthorn Street at 10.40. New and non members welcome. Bus to Portugal. Phone 336 3147 before 6 p.m. or 774 6765 after 6 p.m. for details.

TRADESTON: Bus for Dundee leaves Paisley Road Toll at noon. Bus for Portugal — £65. Flight to Portugal — £123. For details phone Monty (041 954 5568) or Eddie (041 778 9386).

IBROX LOYAL: Bus to Dundee leaves Ibrox Subway at 10.30. Seats £3.50 — Adults £2.00 — Boys. Non members welcome. Bus to Portugal. Seats —£58. Video and toilet on bus. For details phone Norman Banks (440 1226).

FIFE LOYAL: Bus v Dundee leaves Kincardine Square at noon, picking up at ex-servicemen's club, Rosyth, Milton House Burntisland and White Heather, Kirkcaldy. Names required for bus v Porto on Wednesday, October 19.

RUTHERGLEN TRUE BLUES: Buses for Dundee leave 20 club, RUTHERGLEN AST 11.30.

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● MIDFIELD STATESMAN . . . Ian McMillan, who made his first team debut for Rangers against Raith 25 years ago.

SUPER MAC!

Ian's debut display is simply magic

IAN McMillan was the centre of attraction at Ibrox as he made his debut for Rangers' first team against Raith Rovers.

The inside-forward had been purchased from Airdrie for £10,000 a fortnight previously but had only played in two reserve matches for the Light Blues because he hadn't fully recovered from an injury.

However, Ibrox manager Scot Symon decided the time was right for the international inside forward to step up. And the man who was to be dubbed the 'wee Prime Minister' proved an instant hit with the Rangers support.

In a thrilling match, McMillan opened the scoring in the 36th minute. He had stood out during the opening stages and it was no surprise when he lashed a superb 18-yard shot past Thorburn in the Raith goal.

Ease

Five minutes later, it was 2-0 to Rangers with McMillan turning to the role of goal maker. He sent Sammy Baird through the middle with a superb pass and the Rangers number ten slotted the ball home from 14 yards.

Raith, who had Jim Baxter in their team, fought back and, by half-time, had equalised. In the 42nd minute, Kerray went past Willie Telfer with great ease and ran on to slam the ball coolly past George Niven from six yards.

Sixty second later, terrible marking in the Light Blues' defence allowed Dobbie to rise unchallenged and nod home an Urquhart cross from close range. That sent the teams in level at the break.

Guns

Rangers, desperate for two more points to get their championship challenge back on the rails, came out with all guns blazing in the second half and soon re-established their two goal lead with Ian McMillan again the inspiration.

Fifteen minutes into the half, he set up Alex Scott to put Rangers 3-2 up. Then, in the 66th minute he scored his own second and the Light Blues fourth with a superb, if slightly fortunate, goal.

Picking the ball up in midfield, he moved forward and let fly with a scorching shot from 20 yards. It hit the post, rebounded from Thorburn's back, then trickled over the line with both Hubbard and Polland trying to reach it.

However, McMillan's great afternoon was spoiled when the Kirkcaldy side came storming back to leave the final score at 4-4. In the 71st minute, Niven could only parry a shot from McEwan and Urquhart finished from close range.

And, with eight minutes left, Raith salvaged their point when McEwan picked up a pass from Young and rammed the ball home from 20 yards to the disappointment of the Rangers fans in the 25,000 crowd.

25 YEARS AGO

The line-ups:
RANGERS: Niven, Shearer, Little, McColl, Telfer, Davis, Duncan, McMillan, Scott, Baird, Hubbard.
RAITH: Thorburn, Polland, Williamson, Ward, McNaught, Baxter, McEwan, Kerray, Dobbie, Young, Urquhart.

Rangers had been without Eric Caldow for the match. The left back was on international duty with Scotland as they beat Wales 3-0 in Cardiff. Leggatt, Law and Collins scored the goals.

Back on the domestic front, Hearts stayed at the top of the league with a 2-0 win over Partick Thistle at Tynecastle, with Motherwell in second place after a 1-1 draw against Falkirk at Brockville.

Aberdeen beat Hibs 4-0 at Pittodrie, Clyde defeated Dundee 3-2 at Shawfield, with Celtic also winning easily enough with a 4-1 victory against Airdrie at Broomfield.

Dangerous

Rangers reserve beat Raith 2-1 at Stark's Park, while Ayr United lead Division Two by a point following a 4-0 win over Brechin City at Glebe Park. In England, Bolton went two points ahead of the First Division with a 4-0 home win over Blackpool.

In a challenge match earlier in the week, Scottish champions Hearts had been beaten by Blackpool 2-1 at Bloomfield Road. Jackie Mudie scored twice for the home side with Willie Bauld netting for Hearts.

HOW TIMES CHANGE — JIMMY HILL, CHAIRMAN OF THE PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALLERS ASSOCIATION SAID TELEVISION WAS MORE DANGEROUS TO THE GAME THAN THE PRESS. He also accused the BBC of angling their highlights programme to the detriment of a certain unnamed player.

Crowned

Scottish boxer Peter Keenan won the Empire bantamweight title at Paisley Ice Rink by defeating Canadian Pat Supple. The week's big race, the Cesarwich at Newmarket, was won by the 15-2 favourite Morecambe.

In London, South African beauty, Penelope Ann Coelen, was crowned the new 'Miss World' at 18 years of age.

Pressure was growing on Britain's Minister of Employment Iain MacLeod, to do something to halt the 'dreadful' unemployment figures. Just released, they showed 476,000 people out of work.

SILVER LINING

THE FIRST silverware of the season arrived at Ibrox this week in 1933 when Rangers defeated Clyde 2-0 in convincing, if not brilliant style in the Glasgow Cup Final.

A crowd of 24,000 were inside Hampden to see the Light Blues dominate the match from midfield, with the most pleasing thing for the Ibrox support being the excellent form of young Torry Gillick at centre-forward.

Although he did not score, the former Petershill striker was behind most of Rangers dangerous moves and had a hand in the opening goal after 41 minutes.

Superb

A cross from Sandy Archibald was head flicked on 18 yards out by Gillick to the left. With the Clyde defence left for dead, Bobby Main rushed in to crash a low right foot shot past Stevenson from about 14 yards.

That was the only goal of the first half, but it was only a matter of time before Rangers stretched their lead and 13 minutes into the second half, the second goal arrived.

Sandy Archibald, again in great form on the right wing, beat McRitchie and swung over a superb cross from the byline to the back post. Bob McPhail was on hand to head home easily from close range

50 YEARS AGO

and yet another trophy was Ibrox bound.

The line-ups:
RANGERS: Dawson, Gray, McDonald, Meiklejohn, Simpson, Brown, Archibald, Marshall, Gillick, McPhail, Main.
CLYDE: Stevenson, Summers, McRitchie, Robertson, Wood, Mayes, Carroll, King, Boyd, Howieson, McCullouch.

For the rest of Scotland's clubs, it was league business as usual and Motherwell maintained their superb championship challenge with a 2-1 win against Hearts in the match of the day at Fir Park.

Aberdeen moved into third place, three points behind Rangers with a fighting 3-2 victory against St Mirren at Love Street, with Kilmarnock continuing their recent fine form with a 2-0 win over Dundee at Dens Park.

Ayr United also kept up their steady progress up the league table with a 3-2 home win against St Johnstone, while back at Muirton Park, Saints' reserves were going down 2-1 to Rangers in an Alliance league match.

King's Park went one point clear at the top of Division Two with a stunning 5-2 win against Dundee United, while south of the border, Spurs were two points clear at the top of the First Division with a 1-0 win at Portsmouth.

After Saturday's matches, the top scorer's position in Scotland was shared by three players. Jimmy Smith of Rangers' out through injury for the past few weeks, has 15 goals, as did McFadyen of Motherwell and McGibbon of Ayr United.

The biggest sporting attraction in Glasgow this week fifty years ago, though, was the exhibition billiards match between World snooker and billards champion, Joe Davis, and Scotland's Willie Smith.

Farce

The front pages of the newspapers were dominated by the shock announcment by Adolf Hitler that Germany was withdrawing from the League of Nations and the disarmament talks. It was hailed in some places as 'the first step on the road to Armageddon'.

If you wanted a good read, Scottish Field had just hit the bookstands for the month, priced 6d, while you could get the Evening Times every night for a penny.

John Stuart, Mary Glynne and Elizabeth Allan were packing them in at the Playhouse Cinema as the stars of 'The Lost Chord', while Stanley Lupino's popular new force, 'Paste', was on at the Alhambra Theatre.



● YOU NEED HANDS . . . PSV Eindhoven goalkeeper Van Engelen punches this Tommy McLean cross away from Gordon Smith at Ibrox five years ago.

RANGERS' NET LOSS

IT WAS all action but no goals for Rangers this week in 1978 as the Light Blues came up with two goalless draws in the Premier League and European Cup.

Saturday, October 14, saw Rangers make the journey to Edinburgh to face Hearts in a Top Ten match. The Tynecastle men were second bottom of the league and Rangers were hoping to boost their league challenge with a win.

It turned out to be a match full of effort but little else. Rangers were unlucky not to take the lead when Alex MacDonald headed against the bar.

But the best chance fell to Hearts.

Relief

In the 73rd minute, Colin Jackson brought down Malcolm Robertson in the penalty area and the referee immediately pointed to the spot. Eamonn Bannon stepped up to take the kick and to the relief of the Ibrox side blasted it high over the bar — AND OUT OF THE STADIUM!

HOW THEY STOOD

1978

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Celtic	9	6	0	3	20	12	12
Dundee U.	9	4	4	1	12	7	12
Hibs	9	4	4	1	10	7	12
Aberdeen	9	4	3	2	20	10	11
Partick	9	3	3	3	10	10	9
St. Mirren	9	4	1	4	10	10	9

1958

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Hearts	8	6	2	0	30	13	14
Motherwell	8	4	3	1	26	12	11
Aberdeen	8	5	0	3	19	9	10
Dundee	8	4	2	2	17	15	10
Airdrie	8	5	0	3	18	17	10
Celtic	8	4	1	3	21	15	9

1933

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Motherwell	13	12	1	0	31	8	25
Rangers	12	9	2	1	41	12	20
Aberdeen	13	8	1	4	35	23	17
Kilmarnock	13	7	3	3	32	20	17
Ayr U.	13	7	2	4	35	44	16
Hearts	11	6	3	2	27	14	15

Light Blues held to a 0-0 draw-twice

5 YEARS AGO

The line-ups:
HEARTS: Dunlop, Kidd, Jeffries, McNicoll, Liddell, Fraser, Robertson, Bannon, Gibson, Busby, Prentice. Sub: McQuade (for Gibson).
RANGERS: McCloy, Jardine, A. Forsyth, T. Forsyth, Jackson, MacDonald, McLean, Russell, Parlane, Johnstone, Smith. Sub: Cooper (for Parlane). Attendance: 18,159.

The other Premier matches saw Dundee United beat Celtic 1-0 at Tannadice and St. Mirren defeat Aberdeen 2-1 at Love Street, Partick Thistle picked up two points at Firhill with a 2-1 win over Hibs while Morton went down 2-1 at home to Motherwell.

Despite losing 1-0 to Stirling Albion at Annfield, Dundee led Division One by three points, while Dunfermline were a point clear at the top of Division Two following a 2-2 draw against Berwick Rangers at Shielfield.

Wound

In England, it was still the Merseyside rivals who set the pace in the First Division. Liverpool were still leaders with a 5-0 home win over Derby County while Everton were three points behind in second place after a 1-0 win at Ipswich.

In the Second Elevens Cup at Ibrox, Rangers reserves best Celtic 3-0 with goals from Billy Urquhart, John MacDonald and Derek Strickland. The only sour note for the Ibrox side was Eric Morris receiving a hip wound from an airgun in the crowd.

The following Wednesday, October 18, was European night with three Scottish clubs, including Rangers, still involved. The Light Blues faced Dutch cracks PSV Eindhoven in a European Cup, second round, first leg match at Ibrox.

A capacity crowd of 44,000 turned up to see Rangers dominate the match but fail to break the deadlock against a well drilled defence.

The talking point of the evening was the terrible performance of Belgium referee Francois Rion who turned down THREE strong penalty claims from the home side, including a blatant handball against Dutch international Ernie Brandts.

In the end, Rangers had to content themselves with a 0-0 draw and the prospect of an extremely tough uphill struggle in the second leg in a fortnight's time.

The line-ups:
RANGERS: McCloy, Jardine, A. Forsyth, T. Forsyth, Jackson, MacDonald, McLean, Russell, Parlane, Johnstone, Smith. Subs: Miller (for Jackson) and Cooper (for Parlane)).
PSV EINDHOVEN: Van Engelen, Deijkers, Stevens, Brandts, Poorvliet, Lubse, Postuma, W. Van der Kerhof, Van Kraay, Krigh, Van der Kuylen. Subs: Hooyer (for Van der Kerkhof) and Jansen (for Van der Kuylen).

In the Cup-Winners' Cup, Aberdeen were soundly beaten 3-0 by Fortuna Dusseldorf in West Germany and Ipswich beat SWW Innsbruuck 1-0 at Portman Road. Hibs lost 2-0 to Strasbourg in the UEFA Cup in France.

Tom Forsyth was the only Rangers player included in either the full or under-21 squads under Jock Stein's first selections, for the matches against Norway the following week.

WHEN IAN GOT 'STICK' FROM ALLY

ALLY McCoist makes his third visit of the season to Tayside this Saturday — and the in-form Rangers striker is hoping Dens Park will continue to be a happy hunting ground.

After his goal against Dundee United two weeks ago and his trip back to Tannadice last night with the Scotland under-21 squad, Ally is eager to go against Dundee in an important Premier League clash.

"I have always rated Dens Park as my favourite away ground, simply because I have always done well there in the past with St Johnstone. Hopefully, I can do the same for Rangers.

Bad

"I remember one of my very first games for St Johnstone was at Dens. It was during a very bad winter and the park was really hard. The game shouldn't have been played, really.

"I was 16 years old and scored two goals —it was just a friendly behind closed doors. The funniest thing about it, though, was what happened between me and a certain Dundee player called Ian Redford.

"We clashed early on in the game and for the rest of the match we gave each other some real "stick." WE DIDN'T THINK MUCH OF EACH OTHER THEN, BUT WE HAVE A GREAT LAUGH ABOUT IT NOW!"

Hopefully, both players will play their part on Saturday to give Rangers another two points to further boost their league challenge, and Ally, as ever, is full of confidence.

"Everyone who has seen us in the last few matches can see that our bad start was just a case of the breaks not going our way. The game against Dundee United changed that and we played really well against St Mirren.

Wrong

"Without any disrespect to Dundee, who can never be taken lightly, I fully expect us to win the game. Our next few matches will give us a great chance to get right back up to challenge in the league.

"PEOPLE ARE STARTING TO REALISE IT WAS WRONG TO WRITE US OFF SO EARLY. The team is playing well, and I'm quite happy with my own form. Another goal or two will do me fine on Saturday."



● ALLY McCOIST.



● IAN REDFORD.



IT'S HELL FOR



● HERE WE GO . . . goal number one is on the way as Robert Prytz fires in a shot which Thomson blocked.



● SO EASY . . . Sandy Clark is on hand to run in and slot the ball home for his 19th goal of the season.



● HELP! . . . St. Mirren skipper Mark Fulton looks rather alarmed as Ally McCoist bullets home number two with a great header.



● HIGH JINKS . . . Billy Thomson is about to punch the ball away from Sandy Clark's boot into the path of John McClelland, who blasted home number three.

SUFFERING St. Mirren were the latest side to be on the receiving end of Rangers' superb League cup form at Ibrox last Wednesday — with Davie Cooper and Ally McCoist their chief tormentors.

The Light Blues' sparkling 5-0 win took their goals total in the competition to 20 in five matches — with only one conceded, against Queen of the South in August.

Display

And, quite frankly, that figure might have been even more impressive after Wednesday's match. Rangers totally overwhelmed a disorganised St. Mirren side who could simply find no way to cope with David Cooper's magnificent display.

Allied to the sharpness of Ally McCoist up front, it all added up to a night of agony for helpless Billy Thomson in the Love Street goal and another 90 minutes of almost complete inactivity for Peter McCloy.

Scotland's second choice international keeper found himself in back-bending action for the first time after only 12 minutes.

Robert Prytz burst through from midfield, eluded two Saints defenders and let fly from 16 yards. Thomson did well to parry the shot but the ever alert Sandy Clark raced in to knock the ball home from four yards.

It was all one way traffic from that point, and St. Mirren have Billy Thomson to thank for preventing a real humiliation. Six minutes after the opening goal he brought off the first of many good saves, holding a McCoist 16 yard shot.

The goal flood had to continue, though, and number two duly arrived in the 21st minute. Ian Redford found Davie Cooper on the left and his subsequent cross was bulleted past Thomson in stunning style by the head of Ally McCoist from eight yards.

Superb

Three minutes after Thomson had produced another superb stop from a McCoist shot in the 34th minute, it was all over bar the shouting when Craig Paterson headed a Cooper corner down for John McClelland to score from ten yards.

Rangers could even afford the luxury of a missed penalty a minute before the break when Sandy Clark was pushed off the ball by McCormack. Robert Prytz failed to score from the spot for only the second time in his career — both have been saved by Billy Thomson.

Further goals were inevitable and it was surprising that Rangers only added another two in the second half.

The first came in the 47th minute, created by a touch of the Cooper genius. Picking the ball up on the right he played a superb pass through the defence into the path of Ally McCoist who found the net

Ally came close to his hat-trick, and Ally Dawson was unlucky to hit the bar with a great shot, but the only other goal came from the head of Craig Paterson who nodded in a well-worked free-kick, dummied by Prytz and taken by Cooper.

The Light Blues are now well on course for a semi-final place, and their play has two vital factors standing out — goals and confidence.

Rangers firepower too much for Buddies

RANGERS.....5

Scorers: Clark (12), McCoist (21, 47), McClelland (37), Paterson (73).

ST. MIRREN ..0

RANGERS: McCloy, Dawson, McClelland, McPherson, Paterson, MacKinnon, Prytz, McCoist, Clark, Redford, Cooper. Subs: Russel (for MacKennon, 64 min) and Mitchell (not used).
ST. MIRREN: Thomson, Walker, Clarke, McCormack, Fulton, Abercromby, Fitzpatrick, McAvennie, McDougall, McEachran, Scanlon. Subs: Alexander (for McDougall, 56 min) and McAveety (for Walker 56).
Referee: D. D. Hope (Erskine).
Booked: Prytz (Rangers) and Abercromby (St. Mirren). Attendance: 11,000.





● WHAT'S GOING ON? . . . Billy Thomson looks on in despair as John McClelland's shot lies in the net.



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SAINTS



SANDY AGAIN . . . Steve Clarke is beaten by his namesake Sandy but Billy Thomson pulled off a good save.



● SO CLOSE . . . Ian Redford falls into the net after his shot had just blazed over the bar.



VER . . . Craig Paterson rises above the rest to head home Rangers' fifth goal from Davie Cooper's corner.



● NOW YOU'RE TALKING . . . Ally McCoist looks like he enjoyed his second goal and lets the fans know.



YOU GO . . . Sandy Clark happily sends the ball into after Billy Abercromby had failed to clear John McClelland's shot for the third goal.



● ALLY-OOP! . . . It's that man McCoist again, but this time his header across goal was superbly cut out by Thomson.



TABLES

SECTION ONE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pt
Dundee Utd	3	2	1	0	10	2	5
Motherwell	3	2	0	1	7	5	4
Alloa	3	1	0	2	5	9	2
Morton	3	0	1	2	3	8	1

SECTION TWO

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pt
Rangers	3	3	0	0	12	0	6
Clydebank	3	1	1	1	3	5	3
Hearts	3	0	2	1	3	6	2
St Mirren	3	0	1	2	2	9	1

SECTION THREE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pt
Aberdeen	3	2	1	0	5	0	5
Dundee	3	2	1	0	3	1	5
Meadowbank	3	1	0	2	2	6	2
St Johnstone	3	0	0	3	2	5	0

SECTION FOUR

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pt
Celtic	3	2	1	0	12	3	5
Kilmarnock	3	1	1	1	4	2	3
Hibs	3	1	1	1	3	5	3
Airdrie	3	0	1	2	1	9	1

Scoreboard



All the Scottish league tables

Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Dundee U.	7	6	0	1	19	6	12
Aberdeen	7	5	1	1	19	3	11
Celtic	7	5	1	1	20	8	11
Hearts	7	5	1	1	10	6	11
Rangers	7	3	1	3	12	11	7
Hibs	7	3	0	4	10	13	6
Dundee	7	2	1	4	9	16	5
St Mirren	7	0	4	3	4	12	4
Mothrwll	7	0	3	4	4	14	3
St Johnstone	7	0	0	7	6	24	0

First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Partick	9	7	1	1	14	7	15
Falkirk	9	7	0	2	15	9	14
Kilmnk	9	7	0	2	15	9	14
Dumbrtn	9	5	1	3	14	11	11
Brechin	9	5	1	3	15	13	11
Morton	9	4	2	3	19	13	10
Clydebnk	9	4	1	4	14	13	9
Hamilton	9	2	4	3	7	9	8
Ayr	9	2	3	4	15	19	7
Airdrie	9	2	3	4	6	10	7
Alloa	9	3	0	6	17	16	6
Mwdwbnk	9	2	2	5	8	16	6
Raith	9	1	3	5	9	15	5
Clyde	9	0	3	6	6	14	3

Second Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Forfar	9	8	1	0	16	4	17
Q/South	9	7	1	1	19	6	15
Berwick	9	6	0	3	17	5	12
Stirling	9	5	2	2	15	10	12
Arbroath	9	5	1	3	16	10	11
Stranraer	9	4	2	3	14	10	10
Dunfmlne	9	3	3	3	10	9	9
E. Fife	9	4	1	4	13	14	9
Cowndbth	9	3	1	5	10	15	7
Stenhsmr	9	3	1	5	8	15	7
Montrose	9	3	0	6	9	19	6
Queens Pk	9	2	1	6	9	16	5
E. Strlng	9	1	1	7	8	18	3
Albion R.	9	0	3	6	7	20	3

Premier Reserve League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Rangers	6	6	0	0	24	7	12
Celtic	6	5	0	1	22	11	10
Dundee U.	7	5	0	2	18	15	10
Abrdeen	6	4	1	1	10	4	9
St Mirrn	6	2	1	3	11	11	5
Dundee	6	2	1	3	6	12	5
Hibs	7	1	2	4	13	18	4
Hearts	7	1	1	5	4	10	3
St Jhstne	6	1	1	4	9	16	3
Mothwll	7	1	1	5	7	18	3

Reserve League (West)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Clyde	4	3	1	0	7	2	7
Celtic	5	3	1	1	5	4	7
Airdrie	5	3	2	0	18	12	6
Motherwell	4	2	2	0	12	7	6
Ayr United	5	2	2	1	8	7	6
Kilmarnock	4	2	2	0	4	1	6
Queens Park	5	2	1	2	9	6	5
Clydebank	6	1	2	3	5	8	4
Morton	5	1	2	2	2	7	4
Falkirk	4	1	0	3	11	16	2
Hamilton	5	0	2	3	6	10	2
Dumbarton	3	0	1	2	3	6	1
Dunfermline	3	0	0	3	5	9	0

Highland League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Keith	8	5	2	1	16	6	17
Thistle	8	5	2	1	17	12	17
Forres	9	4	2	3	17	22	14
Peterhd	7	4	1	2	13	7	13
Buckie	7	3	3	1	24	12	12
Caley	6	3	2	1	16	6	11
Elgin	7	3	2	2	13	10	11
Frasbrgh	8	3	2	3	13	14	11
Clach	7	3	0	4	14	17	9
Huntly	8	2	3	3	13	11	9
Devrnvale	7	3	0	4	9	16	9
Lossiemth	8	2	2	4	6	21	8
Brora	6	2	1	3	7	7	7
Nairn	7	2	1	4	14	15	7
Rothes	7	1	2	4	14	22	5
Ross	8	1	1	6	16	24	4

★ Three points for a win.

1st XI scorers

Sandy Clark	19
Ally McCoist	18
John MacDonald	12
Robert Prytz	10
David McPherson	5
Bobby Russell	4
Ian Redford	4
David Mitchell	4
John McClelland	4
Davie Cooper	3
Craig Paterson	3
Ally Dawson	1
David MacKinnon	1
Gregor Stevens	1
Billy Davies	1
Billy Mackay	1
Own goals	2

2nd XI scorers

Eric Ferguson	6
Andrew Kennedy	5
Billy Davies	4
Robert Fleck	3
Derek Johnstone	3
John MacDonald	3
Billy Mackay	3
Kenny Black	2
Gordon Dalziel	2
Gregor Stevens	2
Colin McAdam	1
David Mitchell	1
Derek Ferguson	1
Dougie Robertson	1
Own goals	1

Weekend results

PREMIER LEAGUE

Aberdeen	5	St Mirren	0
Dundee Utd	2	Celtic	1
Hearts	0	Motherwell	0
Rangers	1	Hibernian	0
St Johnstone	0	Dundee	2

FIRST DIVISION

Alloa Ath.	1	Airdrie	0
Clydebank	4	Ayr United	1
Falkirk	2	Meadowbank	1
Kilmarnock	4	Brechin City	1
Morton	2	Dumbarton	2
Partick Th.	0	Hamilton	0
Raith Rovers	2	Clyde	1

SECOND DIVISION

Cowdenbeath	0	Q.O.S.	0
E. Stirling	1	Montrose	3
Forfar A	3	East Fife	1
Queen's Park	1	Albion R	1
Stenhousemuir	0	Arbroath	0
Stirling A	0	Berwick R	2
Stranraer	1	Dunfermline	1

PREMIER RESERVE LEAGUE

Celtic	4	Dundee Utd	1
Hibernian	1	Rangers	3
Motherwell	2	Hearts	0
St Mirren	1	Aberdeen	2

Midweek results

TUESDAY

LEAGUE CUP: Section Three: St. Johnstone 1, Meadowbank 2.

WEDNESDAY

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP: Group Six: West Germany 3, Austria 0.

LEAGUE CUP: SECTION ONE: Dundee United 4, Motherwell 2; Morton 2, Alloa 4. SECTION TWO: Hearts 1, Clydebank 1; Rangers 5, St. Mirren 0. SECTION THREE: Aberdeen 0, Dundee 0. SECTION FOUR: Celtic 1, Kilmarnock 1; Hibs 0, Airdrie 0.

UEFA Under-16 Championship: England 3, Scotland 1.

This week's games

TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY)
EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP
GROUP ONE: Scotland v Belgium; East Germany v Switzerland.
GROUP THREE: Hungry v England; Denmark v Luxembourg.
GROUP FOUR: Yugoslavia v Norway.
GROUP SIX: Turkey v Northern Ireland.
GROUP SEVEN: Republic of Ireland v Holland.
FRIENDLY INTERNATIONAL: Wales v Rumania.

FRIDAY
ENGLISH DIVISION ONE
Leeds v Cambridge United.

SATURDAY
EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP
GROUP FIVE: Italy v Sweden.

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION
Celtic v Hearts; Dundee v Rangers; Hibernian v Aberdeen; Motherwell v St. Johnstone; St. Mirren v Dundee United.

SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE
Airdrie v Kilmarnock; Alloa v Raith; Ayr United v Falkirk; Clydebank v Morton; Dumbarton v Clyde; Hamilton v Brechin; Meadowbank v Partick Thistle.

SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO
Berwick v Albion Rovers; Cowdenbeath v Stranraer; Dumfermline v Arbroath; East Fife v Stirling Albion; East Stirling v Stenhousemuir; Montrose v Queen's Park; Queen of the South v Forfar.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE
Arsenal v Coventry; Aston Villa v Birmingham; Everton v Luton; Ipswich v QPR; Leiceser v Southampton; Manchester United v West Brom; Sunderland v Stoke; Watford v Norwich; West Ham v Liverpool; Wolves v Tottenham.

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO
Barnsley v Huddersfield; Carlisle v Fulham; Charlton v Manchester City; Chelsea v Cardiff; Crystal Palace v Derby; Grimsby v Brighton; Oldham v Middlesbrough; Portsmouth v Sheffield Wednesday; Swansea v Newcastsle.

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE
Bolton v Newport; Brentford v Hull City; Bristol Rovers v Bradford City; Burnley v Gillingham; Lincoln v Millwall; Plymouth v Oxford United; Preston v Wigan; Scunthorpe v Rotherham; Sheffield United v Bournemouth; Southend v Exeter; Walsall v Wimbledon.

ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR
Chester v Blackpool; Colchester v Northampton; Doncaster v Aldershot; Halifax v Peterboro; Hartlepool v Wrexham; Hereford v Bury; Mansfield v Torquay; Rochdale v Chesterfield; Stockport v Darlington; Swindon v York City.

SUNDAY
ENGLISH DIVISION ONE
Nottingham Forest v Notts County.

Latest 'Player of the Year' news

DAVIE Cooper has stretched his lead at the top of the Rangers News/ Clydesdale 'Player of the Year' table as a result of winning John Greig and Tommy McLean's vote for his performance against St. Mirren last Wednesday.

John McClelland picked up his second nomination of the season when he got the three points for Saturday's win against Hibs.

FIRST TEAM

Davie Cooper	11
Robert Prytz	6
David Mitchell	6
John McClelland	6
Sandy Clark	3
David McPherson	3
John MacDonald	3
Ally McCoist	3

Bookings: Redford (5), McPherson (3), Clark (3), Prytz (3), MacKinnon (2), Cooper, Dawson, McCloy, Paterson.

Hugh Burns, called up to the full-time playing squad this week, celebrated by picking up Joe Mason's vote

SECOND TEAM

Andrew Kennedy	6
Billy Davies	5
Hugh Burns	3
Scott Fraser	1

Bookings: Black (3), Fraser (2), Davies, Lyall, D. Ferguson, E. Ferguson.



● JOHN McCLELLAND . . . man of the match against Hibs.

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Winning combinations: 14, 34 with three from 02, 9, 12, 20, 38, 42.

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Winning combinations: Any five from 17, 21, 25, 28, 31, 40, 44.

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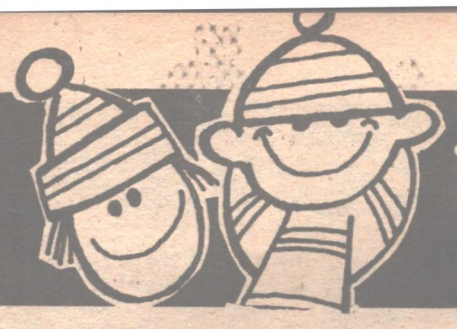
Winning combinations: 15, 30 with three from 13, 16, 23, 36, 37, 43.

● The Agents' Golden Bonus was not won and now stands at £3,000.

● Following is the check for Saturday's results — Game 01—2-1; 02—2-2; 03—1-1; 04—0-2; 0-5—1-0; 06—1-0; 07—0-2; 08—1-0; 09—1-3; 10—1-1; 11—0-1; 12—1-3; 13—2-0; 14—4-1; 15—3-0; 16—2-0; 17—0-0; 18—0-1; 19—2-1; 20—2-2; 21—0-0; 22—0-2; 23—2-0; 24—0-2; 25—0-0; 26—2-1; 27—2-1; 28—0-0; 29—2-1; 30—3-0; 31—0-0; 32—2-1; 33—1-1; 34—3-5; 35—2-1; 36—2-0; 37—2-0; 38—1-3; 39—2-1; 40—0-0; 41—1-2; 42—3-1; 43—2-0; 44—0-0.

● Official list of teams for Saturday, October 15—01 Clydebank, 02 Dumbarton, 03 Mansfield, 04 Rochdale, 05 Burnley, 06 Lincoln, 07 Grimsby, 08 Oldham, 09 Hibs, 10 Motherwell, 11 Chester, 12 Colchester, 13 Southend, 14 Walsall, 15 Carlisle, 16 Chelsea, 17 Berwick R., 18 Cowdenbeath, 19 Hartlepool, 20 Hereford, 21 Scunthorpe, 22 Sheff. Utd., 23 Portsmouth, 24 Swansea, 25 St Mirren, 26 Airdrie, 27 Stockport, 28 Swindon, 29 Bolton, 30 Brentford, 31 Crystal P., 32 E. Stirling, 33 Alloa, 34 Ayr, 35 Plymouth, 36 Preston, 37 Celtic, 38 Dundee, 39 Dunfermline, 40 Doncaster, 41 Halifax, 42 E. Fife, 43 Hamilton, 44 Meadowbank.



Young Rangers Club

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NEXT Wednesday Rangers take on Porto of Portugal in the second round, first leg, of the European Cup Winners' Cup . . . and you could be watching the game for free!

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As usual, all you have to do to stand a chance of winning the two tickets, for the Main Stand, is answer two simple questions.

The picture on the right shows action from a Cup-winners Cup second round match against Dukla Prague in October, 1981.

All we want to know is:

1 — Who is the Rangers player in the foreground of the picture?

AND

2 — What was the final aggregate score?

Answers

When you think you know the answers, jot them down on a postcard and send it to "Euro tickets," Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow, G3 7NR.

Don't forget to include your full name, address AND Young Rangers Club membership number.

Closing date for the contest is Friday, October 14. So get your entries in fast.

The Editor's decision is final in all matters.



STAND BY FOR SOMETHING SPECIAL!

THAT'S the message for the Young Rangers Club member who will shortly become the 10,000 member of our Club.

With membership applications arriving fast and furious, it will only be a week or two before that magic Five Figure number is reached, so the message is clear to all Rangers' young fans . . . if you're not a member of the Young Rangers Club yet, you'd better send your application away fast because time is running out.

At present, your "News" staff are arranging some fantastic prizes for the young fan who is lucky enough to receive that very special membership card, but you can be sure of one thing: Whatever the prizes are, they'll be good!

As well as the 10,000th member receiving prizes there'll be some consolation gifts for the two members who just missed the number.

Members 9,999 and 10,001 will also collect some great gifts.

So, with not one but three great reasons to join the Young Rangers Club you'd better fill in the application form at the bottom of the page now, if you want to get in on the action!

THE STARS CELEBRATE

- *NEIL IRVINE of Hearts is 18 on Thursday.*
- *IAN ROBERTSON of Aberdeen is 17 on Friday.*
- *PAUL CHERRY of Hearts is 19 on Friday.*
- *JIM MURPHY of Ayr United is 27 on Friday.*
- *ALBERT KIDD of Dundee is 26 on Sunday.*

- The names of ten national teams who competed in the 1982 World Cup Finals in Spain are hidden in the word square on the right.

See if you can spot all ten teams. They are hidden vertically, diagnally or back to front.

- Answers at the bottom of the page.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR MEMBERS

- The following Young Rangers Club members have celebrated a birthday recently or will do so in the coming week.

MONDAY (OCTOBER 3)

MARGARET MARTIN, 49 Longstone Road, Glasgow, who was 16.

TUESDAY

IAIN PATON, 27 Fruin Rise, Hamilton.
JOHN KEIR, 18 Marchburn Road, Aberdeen, who is 12.
DOUGLAS BURNSIDE, 14 Buchanan Road, Walsall, who is 16.
JASON FLEMING, 21 Denfield Gardens, Cardenden, who is 11.
CRAIG McCALLUM, 45 Allan Tower, Motherwell, who is 17.
DAVID PARKER, Salutation Hotel, Inverberuie, who is 17.
STUART WHITLOW, 10 Kennet Close, Gosport, who is six.
SCOTT WEIR, 13 Birdsfield Drive, High Biantyre, who is nine.
SCOTT FRAME, 15 Wandina Place, Perth, West Australia, who is 15.
D. GARDINER, 49 Yarrow Park, East Kilbride, who is five.
DEREK MITCHELL, 67 Rowen Street, Blackburn, who is 16.

TODAY (OCTOBER 12)

GEORGE MURRAY, 20a Newmarket, Stornoway, Lewis, who is 16.
GORDON CLARKE, 2 John Bassy Drive, Banknock, who is 12.
IAN ROONEY, 13 Dee Avenue, Castle Douglas, who is 14.
NICHOLAS FLOYD, 30 Main Street, Renton, who is 11.
AILEEN SHORT, 5 Ryemount Road, Glasgow, who is 16.
IAIN MacIVER, 3 Shore Street, Lewis, who is 13.
MICHAEL McPAKE, 2 Ramsay Lane, Kincardine, who is 15.
DAVID ROBERTSON, 5 Commonhead Road, Glasgow, who is 13.
GAYNOR RODGER, 53 Rankin Court, Greenock, who is 15.
JOHN OWENS, 52 Calvay Road, Glasgow, who is five.
TREVOR KEMP, 8 Cramond Terrace, Banff, who is 12.
GREIG MORRISON, 18 Gartness Cottages, Islay, who is five.
NEIL McCAFFERTY, 70/13 Wester Hailes Drive, Edinburgh, who is 12.
DAVID SMITH, 55 Burnside, Alness, who is 11.
MARGARET SUMMERS, 12b Nightingale Place, Johnstone, who is 14.
FAYE MASTERMAN, 21 Netherton Drive, Glasgow, who is 13.
WILLIAM DUNN, 12 Abbey Wall Road, Pittenweem, who is 14.
GREIG MURRAY, 12 High Street, Langholm, who is 12.
IAN NICHOLAS, 1 Denbigh Place, Salford, who is 16.
WILLIAM BARKER, 41 Dornal Avenue, Glasgow, who is seven.

THURSDAY

DAVID REBECCA, 9 Chestnut Crescent, East Kilbride, who is 11.
JAMES FERGUSON, Ledaig, by Connell, who is 17.
ANDREW WATSON, 8 Carnegie Drive, Falkirk, who is 14.
WILLIAM CONNELLY, 11 Ballyknockan Park, Lisburn, County Antrim, N. Ireland, who is 13.
DEREK HERON, 126 Gray Street, Liverpool, who is nine.
MICHAEL PEGLER, 5 Troopers Hill Road, Bristol, who is eight.

FRIDAY

KIRSTEEN McKIE, 2 Myndon Crescent, Port William, who is 16.
GRAEME LAING, 29 Red Hall Place, who is 12.
JAMES HEIRS, 6f Etive Place, Cornton, who is seven.
STEPHEN BROADFOOT, 11a Old Hall Drive, Newton Stewart, who is 12.
DAVID BROADFOOT, 11a Old Hall Drive, Newton Stewart, who is 12.
MICHAEL McKENZIE, 64 Rolland Avenue, East Wemyss, who is 12.
NEIL WILSON, 72 Gillies Hill, Stirling, who is one.
JIM MORRIS, 22 Orchard Road, Darlington, who is 12.
ALAN ARTHUR, 55 Niddrie Road, Edinburgh, who is 11.
JAMES WALKER, 43 Feorlin Way, Garelochhead, who is 14.
MARGARET LEITCH, Fernoch, Taynuilt, who is 15.
GARY HANNA, 2 Stevenson Park, Kilkeel, County Down, who is 15.
MURRAY NOBBS, 22 Heriot Avenue, Kilbirnie, who is 11.
BARRY MILLS, 1 Crum Crescent, Stirling, who is 12.
ROSS McMAHAN, 30 Brisbane Street, Greenock, who is 11.
JOHN HOLLERN, 18/5 Carmona Drive, Balloch, who is 12.

SATURDAY

IAN McADAM, 11 Broomlands Road, Cumbernauld, who is two.
SCOTT MITCHELL, 1207 Turnberry Avenue, Dundee, who is ten.
BRIAN SMITH, 36 Clovelly Court, Corby, who is 12.
DAVID HALL, 191 Hillpark Drive, who is 12.
DONALD KINNEAR, 2 Duke Street, Kingussie, who is 15.
GRAEME DODDS, 11 Laurel Grove, Galashiels, who is 16.



● IAN McADAM . . . two on Saturday.



● MARGARET MARTIN . . . 16 on Monday.

JOHN HENDRIE, 119 Cockels Loan, Renfrew, who is 11.
GRAHAM NOLAN, 63 Nelson Road, Gourock, who is ten.
PETER LAWSON, Rosehall Cottage, Keith, who is 17.
SCOTT MOORE, 3 Langfaulds Crescent, Faifley, who is 16.
HELEN CHAMBERS, 3 Kilsyth Crescent, Irvine, who is 12.

SUNDAY

JOHN MacDONALD, 16 Antrim View, Islay, who is 15.
ALAN CUMMINGS, 29 Almond Street, Grangemouth, who is ten.
GARY McCLEMENTS, 96 Lincoln Courts, Waterside, Londonderry, who is five.
ALAN GRAHAM, 9 Marrin Square, Glasgow, who is 17.
ALAN CLARK, 214 Brockburn Road, Glasgow, who is 14.
PETER ILIFFE, 17 The Hollies, Egremont, who is 13.
EDWARD McGLYN, 13a Drumtrocher Street, Glasgow, who is 16.
ROBERT MacLEAN, Fir Bank, Achnacary, Spean Bridge, who is 16.
GAVIN SCARFE, F Troop, 51 Battery, BFPO 24, who is 11.
BILLY HEWITSON, 5 Greenock Road, Renfrew, who is 15.
LOREEN ADAMS, South Main Street, Wigtown, who is five.

MONDAY

WILLIAM CROWE, 18 Lochleven Terrace, Lochore, who is eight.
JAMES FERGUSON, 202 Shawbridge Street, Glasgow, who is 15.
BARRY ROSS, 8 Annanhill Place, Kilwinning, who is 11.
NEIL WILSON, Longwell Farm, Biggar, who is 14.
MARK CLELAND, 43 Muirhouse Avenue, Wishaw, who is eight.
DAVID STRACHAN, 181 Cumbernauld Road, Greenock, who is 12.
ALASTAIR ELLIOT, 24 Poplar Avenue, Newton Meanns, who is 14.
ANDREW GILMOUR, 6 Westburn Crescent, Hardgate, who is 16.
FERGUS McNICOL, 11 Howden Court, Jedburgh, who is 13.
RODDY FINLAYSON, 143 Newmarket, Lewis, who is 14.
DAVID GRAY, 62 Park Moor, Erskine, who is 15.
ROBERT YOUNG, 18 Crossmill Avenue, Glasgow, who is seven.
STEVEN RIGBY, Gateside Caravan Park, Boddam, who is 17.
BILLY JOHNSTON, 3 Brownhill Street, Harthill, who is 16.
JOHN CHRISTIE, 23 Pickering Road, Doncaster, who is 16.
KENNETH HORNER, 6 Pendeen Crescent, Glasgow, who is eight.
GORDON TASSIE, 121 Kent Drive, Helensbugh, who is four.

TUESDAY

BRIAN COLLINS, 57 Stoneycroft Lane, Arbroath, who is 14
ALBERT HAY, 127 Lincluden Road, Dumfries, who is 11.
DAVID FORWELL, 30 Fieldhead Drive, Glasgow, who is three.
DREW CAULFIELD, 14 Heronswood, Kilwinning, who is 17.
SCOTT FINLAYSON, West Hurlet House, Glasgow, who is 12.
DOUGLAS FRASER, 113 Netherhouse Avenue, Coatbridge, who is 13.
STUART MacKENZIE, 28 Stewart Drive, Lewis, who is ten.
RAYMOND STRACHAN, 2 Cockston Road, Paisley, who is 12.
GONZALO PIWANKA, 3 Sydenham Road, Glasgow, who is 14.
COLIN WRIGHT, 32a St Cuthberts Street, Kirkudbright, who is 16.
GARY KIRTON, 65 Ryebank, Livingston, who is 12.
GEORGE BARR, 12 Ribstone House, London, who is 12.
MICHAEL CURRIE, 15 Hinshelwood Drive, Glasgow, who is 15.
ALEX HUNT, 9 Ninians Terrace, Kilwinning, who is 17.
ARCHIE MacPHERSON, 97 Bualadubh, South Uist, who is 14.
CHRISTOPHER WILSON, 26 Telford Drive, Edinburgh, who is six.

Who are 2nd Division champions?

1 — Who won the English Second Division last season?
2 — Who won the Football Writers' Association Footballer of the Year Award last season and what was so special about the win?
3 — Who scored for Rangers in the Scottish League Cup semi-final at Ibrox last season?
4 — Which club does Billy Lamont manage?
5 — If Gary Mabbutt headed a shot past Paul Barron, which two English clubs would be playing?
6 — Who has won the European Footballer of the Year Award the most times?
7 — Which club finished top of Scottish Division Two last season?
8 — Who are known as the "Bluebirds"?
9 — If John McNeil tackled Maurice Johnston, which two Scottish First Division clubs would be playing?
10 — Which English Fourth Division club plays its home games at Gresty Road?

● Answers on the right.

ALL THE ANSWERS

● QUICK QUIZ: 1, Queens Park Rangers; 2, Kenny Dalglish. He was only the fourth man to have won the Award twice; 3, Davie Cooper and Jim Bett. Rangers won 2-0 against Hearts; 4, Dumbarton; 5, Spurs and West Bromwich Albion; 6, Johan Cruyff. He won it in 1971, 1973 and 1974. The first time he was playing with Ajax and the second two he was with Barcelona; 7, Brechin City; 8, Cardiff City; 9, Morton and Patrick Thistle; 10, Crewe Alexandra.

● WORD SQUARE: The ten World Cup teams hidden in the word square were: POLAND, ITALY, BELGIUM, ARGENTINA, HUNGARY, ENGLAND, FRANCE, SPAIN, SCOTLAND, USSR.

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Pictures and report from Saturday's

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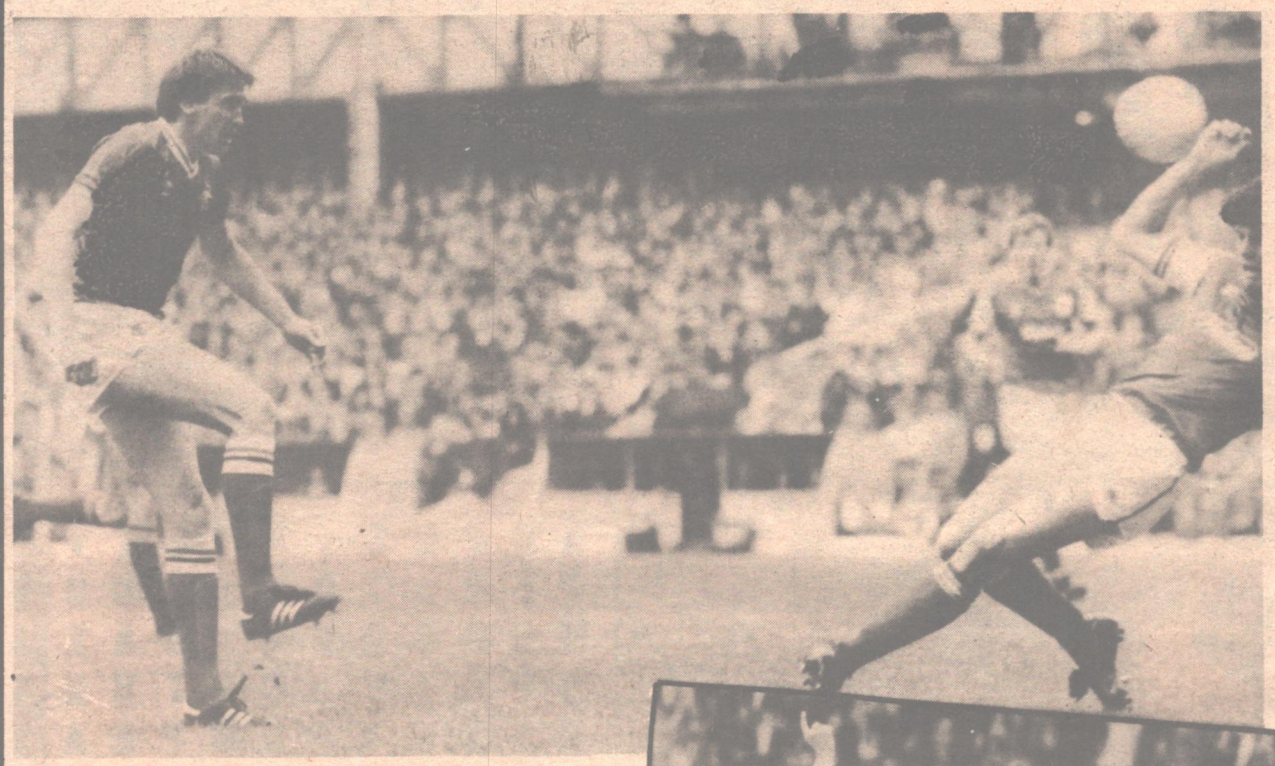

● ABOVE: CAPTAIN COOL . . . that's John McClelland as he brilliantly chips the ball past Willie Jamieson and over Alan Rough into the net.

● BELOW — NICE ONE JOHN . . . The Rangers captain acclaims his goal as Robert Prytz prepare to congratulate him.

● RIGHT: JUST MAGIC, SKIPPER . . . Ally McCoist runs in to congratulate John McClelland after the skipper had scored the first goal in 12 minues.





RANGERS.....1

McClelland (12 mins).

HIBERNIAN.....0

PREMIER LEAGUE

RANGERS: McCloy, Dawson, McClelland, McPherson, Paterson, MacKinnon, Prytz, McCoist, Clark, Redford, Cooper. Subs: Mitchell (for Redford 79 min) and MacDonald (not used).

HIBS: Rough, Sneddon, Schaedler, Blackley, Jamieson, McNamara, Turnbull, Brazil, Irvine, Thomson, Murray. Subs: Duncan (for Murray 61 min) and McKee (not used). Att. 21,500.

Referee: A. McGunnigle (Glasgow).

Booked: Paterson (Rangers), Schaedler and Blackley (Hibs).



● HANDY MAN . . . Alan Rough stretches across his goal but Sandy Clark shot landed on the roof of the net.

Light Blues can close League gap

IT WAS not as classy or nearly as stylish as their recent victories, but Rangers 1-0 win over Hibs at Ibrox on Saturday was no less as important.

The Light Blues have now picked up maximum points from their last three Premier League matches and their forthcoming fixtures offer a great opportunity to fully regain their footing in the championship race.

Pressure

Saturday's deserved win over a determined Hibs side moved Rangers into the top half of the Premier League table for the first time this season — and they must now maintain that initiative.

There is no doubt that the two points were deserved at the weekend. The Ibrox men's first half performance merited that on its own with the visitors under constant pressure.

Rangers only had one goal to show for their efforts, but as John Greig said afterwards, it was a goal worthy of winning any match. It came in the 12th minute and it really was a cracker.

Ian Redford broke up one of Hibs' rare first half attacks on the edge of his own penalty area and raced forward to pass to Robert Prytz on the right.

The little Swede moved over the halfway line before sending the ball on to Ally McCoist wide on the right wing. Ally jinked this way and that and reached the edge of Hibs penalty area.

Proud

All this time, John McClelland was steaming through the middle and Ally perfectly timed his pass to his captain inside the box.

John coolly controlled the ball and, with a touch that any striker in the land would be proud of, sweetly lofted the ball over Alan Rough's head and into the net from 12 yards.

A marvellous goal and really, it was the only way the Hibs keeper was going to be beaten. "Scruffy" was in superb form and made two brilliant saves, one in each half.

First, he leapt acrobatically to palm a Sandy Clark header over the bar then, in the closing minutes, gave a scorching 25 yard drive from Robert Prytz the same treatment.

Chances

Hibs came more into the game in the second half and, it must be said, squandered some good chances to equalise. However, the Light Blues have played much better this season and lost, so perhaps luck has started to turn their way.

They say it is a sign of a good team when they can win when not at top form. The best is yet to come from Rangers.

Premier League win over Hibernian

KNOCKS!





● LEFT: SUPER SWEDE . . . Ally McCoist and Jackie McNamara look on as Robert Prytz fires in a great shot which was well saved by Alan Rough.

● ABOVE: HEAD BOY . . . David McPherson meets this Cooper corner with his head but the ball went over the net.



● WHERE DID IT GO . . . Alan Sneddon looks puzzled as Sandy Clark tries to get past him to reach the ball.





● ABOVE : CRASH . . . Dave MacKinnon is felled by a very high tackle from Eric Schaedler.

● LEFT: THE AGONY OF IT ALL . . . Dave MacKinnon lies injured, as Schaedler looks at the referee. He was shown the yellow card.

TENNENT'S T LAGER

KEEP UP TO DATE

TUESDAY: Partick Thistle announce a new sponsorship deal. The club are to carry the name of their sponsors, Morton's Rolls, on their shirts for the remaining matches of this season.

Ex-Rangers Alex Miller is appointed manager of St. Mirren after the resignation of Ricky McFarlane. Before taking over at Love Street, Alex had been player-coach of Morton. Miller, at 34, is the youngest manager in the Premier League.

THURSDAY: Martin Ferguson moves to St. Mirren as assistant to Alex Miller. Ferguson, brother of Aberdeen's Alex, was formerly manager of Albion Rovers.

FRIDAY: Morton are believed to be asking for around £50,000 compensation from St. Mirren after Alex Miller's move. The clubs are expected to reach agreement but it may mean the transfer of a St. Mirren player.

Celtic will let Parkhead defender Davie Moyes move to another club for "a reasonable offer". Moyes, 20, has been at the club for three years.

SATURDAY: Rangers midfielder Bobby Russell has to call off from Rangers game against Hibs following an accident at home. He was sawing a piece of wood at his home the previous day when a small splinter went into his eye. Fortunatley, it isn't too serious and he will be available for this weekend's fixture against Dundee.

IN SAFE HANDS!

Reserves fight for their win

Hibs.....1
Rangers.....3

THERE'S just no stopping Rangers reserves at the moment. The colts maintained their impressive 100% record in the Premier League with a 3-1 win over Hibs at Easter Road on Saturday.

The victory takes them two points clear of Celtic at the top of the league table and although they did not play quite as well as they have done recently, coach Joe Mason was very pleased with them.

"Easter Road's never an easy place to win. After we had taken the lead, they equalised at a bad time. But the lads were not put off and fought back really well to win the match."

Superb

The Light Blues took the lead in the 11th minute when Billy Mackay cut in from the right to fire in a shot from 20 yards

Hibs got back on level terms through McCurdy in the 56th minute, but a superb free-kick 20 minutes later set Rangers on the course to victory. A rehearsed move saw Davies and Black run over the ball for Billy Mackay to shoot home brilliantly from 25 yards.

With ten minutes of the match left, a great move invovling Kennedy, Black and Eric Ferguson ended with Fergie's pass inside being fired home from ten yards by Billy Davies.

The line-up: Bruce, Fraser, Lyall, Stevens, Burns, Black, Mackay, D. Ferguson, E. Ferguson, Davies, Fleck. Subs: Kennedy (for D. Ferguson 63) and Dalziel (for Fleck 63).

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Young Andy learns a lot from Shilton

● ANDY BRUCE

THE best possible football education — that's how Andy Bruce describes his experiences of the last year or so.

The 19-year-old youngster, who John Greig describes as "a goalkeeper of great potential", became the pupil of one of the world's greatest number ones last week when he trained with Peter Shilton at Southampton.

Great

"It was a tremendous experience and I really enjoyed myself at the Dell. I trained all week with the Southampton squad and Peter Shilton spent a lot of time with me on lots of aspects of the game.

"He really is a great professional. He's got everything but still puts everything into training. Added to all I have learnt from Peter McCloy and Jim Stewart at Ibrox, I have been lucky enough to work with three of the game's best keepers."

There was talk in some Sunday newspapers of Andy getting a run in goal against Valletta at Ibrox — but at that time he was on his way south!

"I would have liked to have played in Europe for the first team, but from what Jimmy has told me about the game, I benefited more from being at Southampton than I would have done at Ibrox.

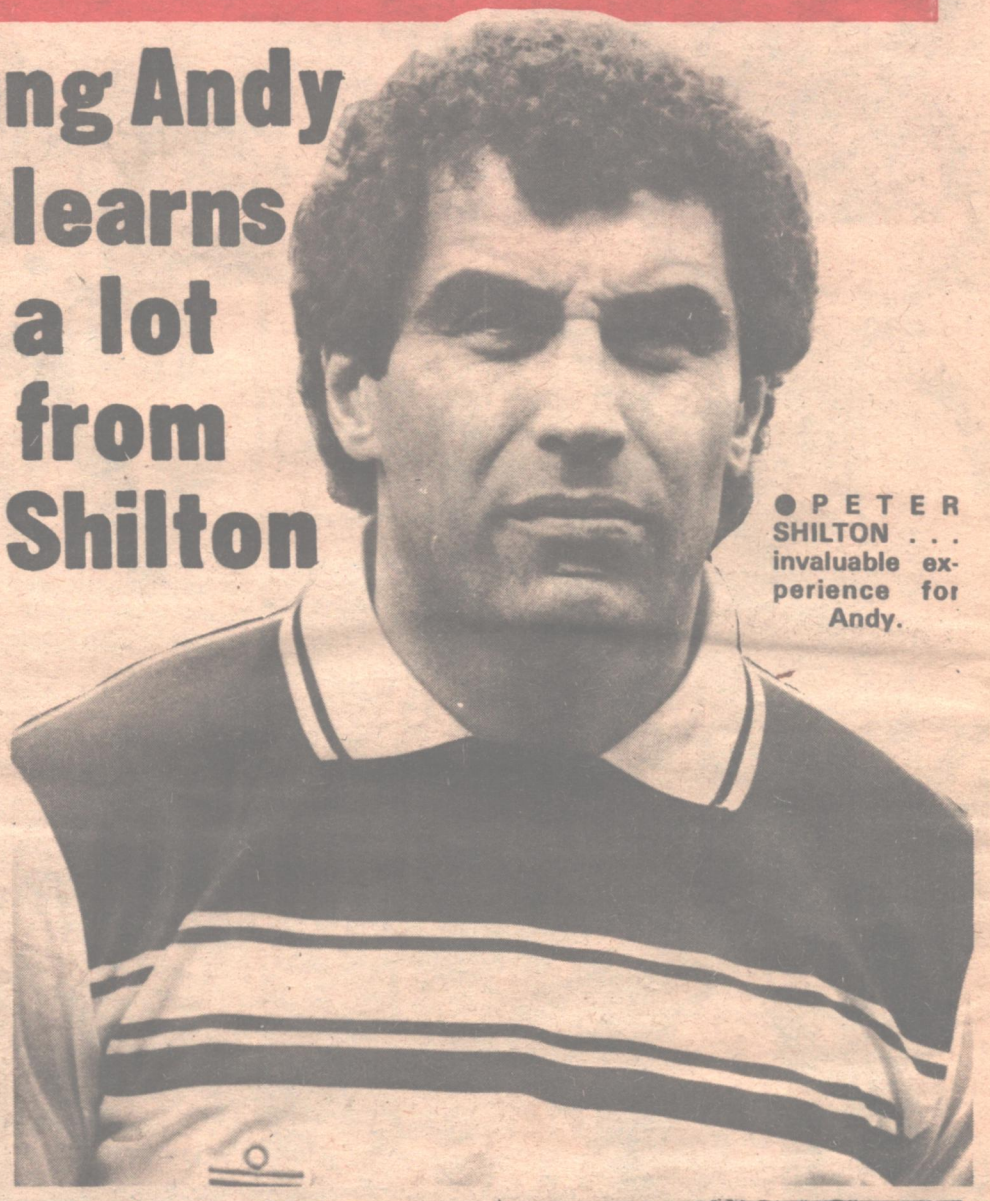
"Hopefully, I might get a couple of matches in the first team before the season is over in games that are not too vital. But I'll be happy to stay in the reserves and keep on learning — I'm very happy the way things are going

John Greig is also delighted with Andy's progress and took a great deal of satisfaction from how his young keeper impressed at Southampton."

Grateful

"Despite the fact that clubs are always trying to beat each other, this again proves that they are also willing to help each other," said the Ibrox boss.

"I'm very grateful to Peter Shilton and Lawrie McMenemy for the time they have spent with Andy Bruce and if things work out, he could go down again later in the season."



● PETER SHILTON . . . invaluable experience for Andy.

Babes' eightsome reel

RANGERS Amateur Boys Club are going from strength to strength, and they produced another superb result last Saturday, October 1, at the Albion.

The Ibrox youngsters hammered one of the best under-15 sides around, Hamilton Thistle, 8-0 with what secretary Bobby Dinnie rated as "probably the best display the lads have ever produced."

Injury

It gave the youths four points from their first two matches in the Scottish Under-15 league and they won the match against Hamilton without two of their regular players.

Andrew Buchanan was injured, while first choice right back Jim Harvey's train broke down on the way to the match and he could not make it in time.

The re-shuffled line-up only took four minutes to take the lead. Angus McPherson made a good run from his own half, played a neat one-two with Scott Tierney, then powered his way past the Thistle defence to score from close range.

It was all Rangers and it was no surprise when they took a 2-0 lead in the tenth minute. A frantic spell of pressure on the Hamilton goal ended with David Sharp hammering the ball into the net from six yards.

Rangers . . . 8
Hamilton Thistle . . . 0

With five minutes left of the first half, Steven Gray made it three with a quite superb goal. After a spell of pressure, he saw the keeper off his line and deftly lobbed the ball home from all of 35 yards.

Ten minutes into the second half, the young Light Blues really started to turn the screw and Derek Paton, playing at right back instead of Harvey, beat three men before sending a great shot home from just inside the box.

That was 4-0, and only 15 minutes later it was 7-0 as Scott Tierney scored a magnificent hat-trick. A great run and left foot shot from the edge of the box brought his first in the 55th minute.

Hope

In the 64th minute he repeated the performance and only 60 seconds later another carbon copy goal gave him his hat-trick.

It was skipper Billy Byrne who completed the scoring in the 66th minute with a good header from a cross by substitute Campbell Lamont.

Said Bobby Dinnie: "We couldn't have wished for a better start to the league campaign with two wins and ten goals. Hopefully we will keep it up against Glasgow Amateurs this Saturday."

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