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# RANGERS NEWS

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# I'M HOME



● WELCOME HOME-. . . A happy Rangers chairman, Rae Simpson, shakes hands with Jock Wallace after his appointment as the new Ibrox manager.

## THE CHANCE HE COULDN'T REFUSE

■ Jock Wallace is the new manager of Rangers.

■ He was named boss last week after negotiations between Rangers and Motherwell had been concluded, leaving Jock free to rejoin the Light Blues.

■ Jock has always regarded Ibrox as his home, even though he quit the club in 1978.

■ But the opportunity to come back to the team he had always supported as a boy was one he couldn't refuse. Rangers has always been his first love, even when he became manager of Leicester City and Motherwell.

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## HOW RANGERS GOT THEIR MAN

■ Rangers finally got their man last Thursday night after six hours of negotiations.

■ The Light Blues had made their first approach on Tuesday, when they asked the Fir Park club for permission to speak to Jock.

■ On Thursday, after talks at Ibrox, Motherwell and Rangers agreed on a sum to be paid to the Fir Park team as compensation for the remainder of Jock's unfulfilled ten year contract.

■ That left Rangers and Jock to settle their own terms – which they did quickly.

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# THANKS A LOT, LADS!

**MERVYN TENNENT had been trying for some time to obtain results of Rangers' matches in previous years with little success.**

Now thanks to the "News" and it's wonderful readers, he now has all the information he needs . . . and more!

He had been looking for the results from four seasons in the mid-seventies and received a considerable number of replies.

Says Mervyn: "Thanks to the generosity of "News" readers I now only have to copy the results into my files. I'm very grateful to the "News" because without it nothing would have become of my quest."

Mervyn has asked us to pay particular thanks to JOHN MARTIN, ALISTAIR DEY, ROBIN NICOL, STUART DANIELS and DOUGIE HAY.

He is also very, very grateful to RICHARD TAYLOR, who sent him so much material it will take him years to collate it all!

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DAVIE COOPER has been named "Player of the Year" by the Bellshill Chosen Few Rangers' Supporters' Club.

DAVIE McPHERSON is their "Young Player of the Year."

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| Arbroath | 5 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 5 |
| Cowdenbeath | 5 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 11 | 4 |
| Forfar | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 4 |
| Dundee Utd | 4 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 3 |
| St Johnstone | 5 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 2 |


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**Rangers' director Jack Gillespie caused a stir when he turned up in a kilt at the opening of the new Davis Snooker Club in New Street, Ayr. Mr Gillespie is a director of the club. From left to right: Derek Statt (director), Jack Gillespie (director), Martin Dyer (area sales representative for Stewarts Cream of the Barley), Steve Davis (world snooker champion), Jim Donnelly (Scottish Snooker star), Harry David (director).**



● The latest addition to the McAdam family made its debut last week. Lovely Carole-Ann, now just over a month old, is pictured above with proud dad, Colin, and mum, Myra.



● ONE FOR THE ALBUM . . . Colin and Myra with the entire family — Kenneth, Carole-Ann and Ross.

## Supporters' Notes

RENFREW LOYAL: Bus v Dundee United leaves Queen Street Orange Halls, Renfrew at 2 p.m. Non members welcome. Ruthergien band will be playing before bus leaves.

PLEAN: Bus leaves Plean at 1.15 p.m., Bannockburn, 1.20, St. Ninians, 1.25 and Denny Cross at 1.30 p.m. Non-members welcome. We would like to thank members from Grangemouth RSC and West End True Blues (Paisley) for helping to make our trip to Portugal a success.

ROSS-SHIRE: Names now being taken for bus to Perth, for match against St. Johnstone on November 26. Bus leaves Tain at 9.30. To book telephone Invergordon 853519 or 852612.

CLARKSTON: Bus v Dundee Utd leaves Eastwood Toll at 2.15 and Newlands at 2.25. The club would like to thank all those who travelled with us to Portugal for their excellent behaviour.

WEST END TRUE BLUES (Paisley): Bus v Dundee Utd. leaves Kilbarchan at 2 p.m. and Paisley at 2.15. Non members welcome.

IAN REDFORD (STRATHKELVIN): Regular meeting at 12 noon. Mini bus leaves Kilsyth Road, Queenzieburn at 1.45 p.m. Club warmly invites any members of public who wish to attend the children's night in Kilsyth Congragational Church Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, November 18.

KINNING PARK LOYAL: Bus v St. Johnstone (November 26) leaves Mair Street, Kinning Park at 12.30 p.m. Seats non members. Clear all dues. Names for presentation. Special thanks to Bishopbriggs and Dundee Loyal for services rendered on Porto trip and the dozens of calls our club received for travel to Portugal. We trust all travellers got fixed up with other clubs.

LINWOOD: Bus v Dundee United leaves social club (Napier Street) at 2.15 p.m. Non-members welcome.

FIFE LOYAL: Bus v Dundee United leaves White Heather, Kirkcaldy at 12 noon. Picking-up at Milton House, Burntisland and ex-service club Rosyth.

CUMBERNAULD LOYAL: Bus v Dundee United leaves Cumbernauld centre at 1.45 p.m. Non-members phone Gary on 72505.

## Malcolm's order of the boot

**MALCOLM Parry is the lucky winner of a super pair of boots which we offered as a prize in a recent 'News' competition.**

**Malcolm, of 259 Tweedsmuir Road, Hillington, Glasgow had his entry pulled out of the hat first after stating that David McPherson scored Rangers' goal in the 1-1 draw against Dundee.**

**Another great prize will be heading it's way eastwards. The radio, which we put up for grabs in issue 614, has been won by Richard Rennie, 32 Hartwood Road, West Calder, West Lothian.**

**His card was first out of the draw to name Derek Parlane as the player in our action picture and to correctly say he is now playing with Manchester City.**

**The winner of two tickets for the recent "Old Firm" match at Ibrox was Stuart McArthur, 15 Kingshill Road, Allanton, Shotts.**

**Stuart correctly identified the two players in the 'News' picture as Sandy Clark and Tom McAdam and names Sandy as the scorer in the Glasgow Cup Final.**

## 'News' around the World

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# ★ Spotlight on the newest Rangers player



● JIMMY NICHOLL . . . "The contract situation is totally out of my hands."

## Jimmy puts record straight

MANY Rangers fans may have read in a recent issue of a weekly newspaper a story which suggested that Jimmy Nicholl would NOT have signed for Rangers if he had known John Greig was about to resign as manager.

Well, Jimmy has asked the "News" to put the record straight.

### Shock

"I was very annoyed when I read the article. IT'S SIMPLY NOT TRUE AND I NEVER SAID ANYTHING LIKE THAT TO ANY REPORTER FROM ANY PAPER.

"I have made it clear that I have always wanted to play for Rangers. It doesn't really matter who signed me for the club. I WOULD LIKE THE RANGERS FANS TO KNOW THAT I WILL TRY MY BEST FOR THE CLUB NO MATTER WHO THE BOSS IS.

"Of course it was a great shock to me when John Greig resigned. I hadn't even kicked a ball and the manager left. But I am a professional footballer. My transfer had been agreed between Toronto and Rangers.

"It makes no difference to my position. Rangers are going through a sticky patch and I want to do everything I can to help them get out of it — whoever the manager is."

*'I'll try my best — no matter who is the boss'*

### Impress

The fact the club has undergone a change of manager since Jimmy joined also seems unlikely to change the contract agreement that exists between Toronto Blizzard and Rangers.

"Obviously, I hope I can do enough in the coming months to impress the new manager and perhaps extend my time at Ibrox.

"But as far as things go at the moment, I will be here until April 24, with the possibility of playing in the Scottish Cup Final on May 19. Apart from that, it's totally out of my hands."

# BETTER THAN A UNITED—CITY DERBY!

**IT HAS been described as the greatest club fixture in the world on many occasions — and Jimmy Nicholl's glowing tribute to his first "Old Firm" match strengthens that opinion.**

Rangers loan star, who played in a few Manchester derby matches while at Old Trafford with United, enjoyed his first taste of Rangers-Celtic action at Ibrox last week.

### Atmosphere

"It was an incredible match and the atmosphere was much better than any I expected while with Manchester United. The only thing I didn't enjoy was the result.

"I thought we deserved something from the match and my lasting memory of it will always be the way the Rangers fans kept singing and encouraging us when we were 2-0 down.

### Incidents

"In Manchester, there was a great crowd atmosphere before the match started, but during the game they only got excited at goals or other incidents. And if you were losing like that, they would be quiet.

"Personally, the play passed me by a bit. It was so fast. I started trying to play clever passes and it didn't work out. I got better as it went on and I can't wait until the next one comes around."



● RIGHT: RED DEVIL . . . Jimmy as he looked in the days when he played for Manchester United at Old Trafford.

## Blizzards suited my style

**ONE OF the reasons that Jimmy came to Rangers, of course, was in the hope of experiencing the big-time occasion of cup finals once more.**

And while he never had the chance to play in any match with a British-type atmosphere while he was in Canada, Jimmy did play in the North American Soccer League's biggest fixture.

That was on October 2 this year when he turned out for Toronto Blizzard in the final of the Soccer Bowl against Tulsa Roughnecks in Vancouver. Unfortunately for Jimmy, Blizzard lost 2-0.

### Physical

"In the NASL, whenever the New York Cosmos get knocked out of the tournaments, a lot of the interest goes with them. So there wasn't a great atmosphere when we played in the final.

"We did well to get there, though, and I must say that I enjoyed playing with Toronto. They were one of the more physical sides in the league and my style of play suited them.

"Bob Houghton is the coach and they play a very British type of game. Derek Spalding, who used to play for Hibs and Duncan Davidson (now with Manchester City) were two Scots who played regularly.



● DEREK SPALDING

"Although a number of clubs are closing down over there, our attendances at home averaged about 12 or 13,000 which stands up to comparison with a lot of English First Division sides.

"There are, of course, a lot of Irish and Scots people in Canada which gave us our big support. If I do have to go back, at least I know I'm guaranteed a secure job as long as I do the business on the pitch."

## Jimmy and John need luck of Irish



● JOHN McCLELLAND

**JIMMY NICHOLL tonight joins his Rangers teammate John McClelland on a 'mission impossible' in Hamburg — when they will need all the luck of the Irish they can get when they face West Germany.**

**The Germans, of course, are now hot favourites to win Group Six and qualify for the finals of the European Championship next year, especially after Northern Ireland's 1-0 defeat in Turkey last month.**

**HOWEVER, VICTORY WILL NOT BE ENOUGH FOR THE IRISH. ONLY A MIRACULOUS COUPLE OF RESULTS IN THE OTHER TWO MATCHES STILL TO BE PLAYED IN THE SECTION WILL SEE THEIR SLIM HOPES OF QUALIFICATION REALISED.**

**Before they take the field in Hamburg, they will know if Turkey have managed to produce yet another fine home performance by beating Austria in Ankara.**

**If so, Jimmy Nicholl and John McClelland will await nervously for the result of the section's final game this Sunday. In the unlikely event of Albania beating or drawing with West Germany, Jimmy and John will be bound for France in 1984!**





● LEFT: COOPER STRIKES . . . It's number one for Rangers as Davie Cooper watches his left foot shot hit the net. RIGHT: NOW YOU'RE TALKING . . . Coop lets everyone know how he feels about his goal.

# RANGERS EASE THE PRESSURE

## Light Blues move through to League Cup semi-finals

● I SURRENDER . . . Bankies keeper Jim Gallacher holds up his hands as Ally McCoist makes it 2-0 for Rangers.

**ONCE again, the League Cup provided Rangers with welcome relief from the pressures and worries of the Premier League when they defeated Clydebank 3-0 at Kilbowie last Wednesday night.**

The victory saw the Light Blues qualify for the semi-finals of the competition for the 26th time in its history and they will now meet Dundee United over two matches in February.

In front of the smallest crowd to watch Rangers in a match this season, Tommy McLean received total commitment from his men and their hard work was rewarded with three goals against a stuffy Clydebank side.

### Affair

The convincing, if never brilliant performance, maintains Rangers highly impressive record in the League Cup this season. They have now scored 25 goals and conceded only one in seven matches so far.

The first half was a patchy affair with only the occasional threat being posed to Jim Gallacher's goal. Davie Cooper shot just wide and Craig Paterson saw a good header well saved by the home keeper.

But, after an Ally McCoist 'goal' had been ruled off for offside, Rangers took the lead in the 33rd minute. Ally crossed the ball from the left and Davie Cooper sent a left foot half volley into the net from 14 yards.

One-nil was how it stood at the break but it did not take Rangers long to increase their lead which they did in the fourth minute of the second half.

### Control

A Davie McPherson cross from the right was nodded on by Davie Mitchell and Ally McCoist raced in to slide the ball over the line from a yard out.

By now, the Light Blues were in total control of the match. Ally McCoist's work rate and David McPherson's improvement in a midfield role were pleasing to see for the smaller than usual Rangers support.

### Aid

Indeed, it was much deserved when 'Slim' netted Rangers third and final goal in the 76th minute. A one-two between Cooper and Mitchell ended with Davie blasting the ball home from 20 yards, with the aid of a slight deflection from McGhie.

So, amongst all the gloom and uncertainty, the Rangers players were able to walk to the Kilbowie dressing rooms with the exciting prospect of two great semi-final matches to look forward to.



# MIDWEEK FACT-FILE

LEAGUE CUP – SECTION TWO

| Clydebank ..... 0 | Rangers..... 3 |
|---|---|
| Scorers: Cooper (33 min), McCoist (49), McPherson (76). Att: 3,612. | Redford, Cooper. Subs: Russell (for Nicholl 84 min) and MacDonald (for McPherson 87). |
| CLYDEBANK: Gallacher, Dickson, Gervaise, Fallon, McGhie, Given, Ronald, Hughes, Williamson, McKeown, Murray. Subs: Cameron and Sinclair (not used). | RANGERS: McCloy, MacKinnon, Dawson, McClelland, Paterson, McPherson, McCoist, Nicholl, Mitchell, |
| | Referee: K. J. Hope (Clarkston). |





● FOILED . . . Davie Mitchell is beaten to this cross by a Clydebank defender who heads clear.

LEFT: TOO LATE . . . Davie Mitchell can't reach this Ally McCoist cross which is heading out of play.



● TAKE THAT . . . No luck this time for the hard-working Ally McCoist as he shoots just wide.



● UNLUCKY MITCH . . . After skilfully eluding the home defence Davie Mitchell's shot is blocked by Jim Gallacher.




● PRIZE GUY . . . One of the prizes you could be in store for if you achieve success in our Subbuteo competition.

# LAST CHANCE TO BE A STAR!

**THIS is your last chance to enter the contest that could see you taking part in your very own match of the day at Ibrox.**

The "News" is organising a Subbuteo competition — and eight lucky readers will be able to fight it out on the green baize pitch before Rangers' home game against St. Johnstone on January 21, 1984.

## Prizes

In addition to the cup up for grabs, there will be prizes for all the competing finalists. But more about that once we know who the finalists are.

To enter the contest you have to be 16 or under on New Year's Day, 1984.

Just tick what you think is the correct answer in each case. In addition, we want you to demonstrate your skills as an artist by colouring in our Subbuteo figure.

Design his strip in Rangers colours — but in your own original style.

When you have completed the entry form, send it to us at Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow, G3 7NR.

Remember, you must be 16 or under on January 1, and when we have selected our eight finalists we will then require proof of age.

You can send in as many entries as you like and obviously the more you do then the more chance you have of winning. However, all entries must be on the special form below.

Everyone who enters gets a prize. Closing date is November 23, 1983. The Editor's decision is final in all matters.

## RANGERS NEWS/SUBBUTEO ENTRY FORM

TICK the correct answer to the following questions:

1. When did Rangers first win the Scottish Cup?
1890 ☐ 1894 ☐ 1903 ☐

2. Who is Rangers most capped player?
George Young ☐ Eric Caldow ☐ John Greig ☐

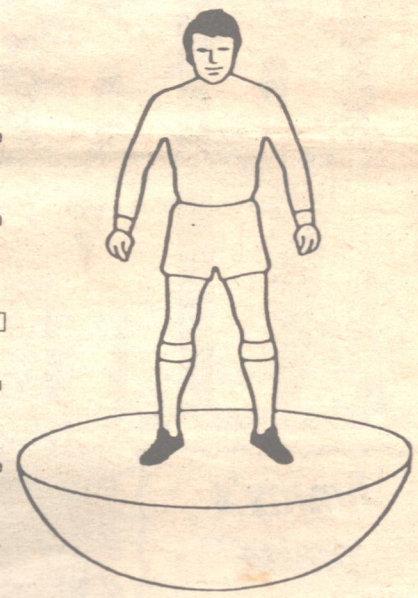
3. How many times have Rangers won the League Championship?
29 ☐ 34 ☐ 37 ☐

4. In Subbuteo how many flicks are you allowed with one player before you must pass the ball?
Six ☐ Three ☐ As many as you like ☐

5. To score a goal in Subbuteo you must be:
Anywhere on the pitch ☐ Inside the penalty area ☐
Inside the shooting area ☐

6. You can use your thumb as a spring to help you flick a Subbuteo player:
True ☐ False ☐

7. Now design your own Rangers strip on the figure printed right.



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# Three new directors for Ibrox

**IN THE week that they named a new manager, the Rangers directors have appointed three new men on to the board.**

Tom Dawson, a Helensburgh garage owner; Jim Robinson, a Glasgow scrap dealer, and Hugh Adam, managing director of Rangers Pools, are the men who have joined the board.

In addition, John Paton replaces Jack Gillespie as the new vice-chairman.

Mr Gillespie will continue to be a director, while Rae Simpson will remain as chairman.

However, Mr Waddell will continue as director for only another few weeks. He stands down after the club's annual general meeting on a date to be arranged next month.

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● BACK WHERE HE BELONGS . . . Jock stands proudly outside the Ibrox gates last Friday.

# JOCK'S IBROX AIMS

**NEW Rangers' manager, Jock Wallace, last week spelled out his aims for his team.**

The Ibrox boss wants to take the Light Blues back to the very top — and will do everything within his power to get them there.

"My immediate aims are to restore morale and discipline within the club. I think that has slipped," he says frankly.

## Abuse

"The players at this club have been subjected to a lot of criticism and personal abuse in recent months. That is something I don't like. I don't want to see Rangers criticised.

***"I WANT THEM TO GET THEIR HEADS UP HIGH AND BE PROUD OF THE FACT THEY ARE RANGERS PLAYERS.***

"I have been told money is available to buy players and, in time, there will be new faces at the club.

"However, the current staff will be given their chance to show me that they have the determination to make this club great again.

## Desperate

"I want men who want to play for Rangers. Anybody who doesn't won't be here very long. I want men who are desperate to put on that famous blue jersey."

***"We went to Pittodrie on Saturday as underdogs. I don't intend that we should be travelling to Aberdeen as underdogs again."***

In the longer term, Jock wants Rangers to get back among the major honours — including the league championship.

"But I also want us playing good attacking football with passion, character and commitment. That's what people expect from Rangers and I intend to make sure they get."

## Blunt

The words character and commitment are, of course, ones that have become associated with Wallace ever since he took over at Ibrox in his first spell 11 years ago.

"If my players don't have either the character or the commitment, then they're not much good to Rangers," he says bluntly.

"I want players playing for the jersey — EVERY TIME THEY WEAR IT."

## Call he couldn't refuse

**WHEN Jock Wallace sensationally quit as Rangers manager in May 1978, he never thought he would get the opportunity to come back.**

**Last week he was given that chance — and he couldn't refuse it.**

**"I have been given a five-year contract and I am back at the club I have always loved," he said.**

**"The call to Ibrox was always going to be difficult to resist."**

## Refused

**Rangers made the first move for Jock last Tuesday when they asked Motherwell for permission to speak to him. At first they were refused, but Jock persuaded the Fir Park directors to reconsider their decision and they agreed.**

**On Thursday, the two clubs agreed "suitable compensation" for the eight years and nine months which still remained of Jock's Motherwell contract. After that, personal terms between Jock and Rangers were quickly agreed, leaving Chairman Rae Simpson and Jock Wallace to shake hands on the deal at 8.10 p.m. last Thursday night.**

**Jock's got the job he wanted — now he wants to get on with it.**

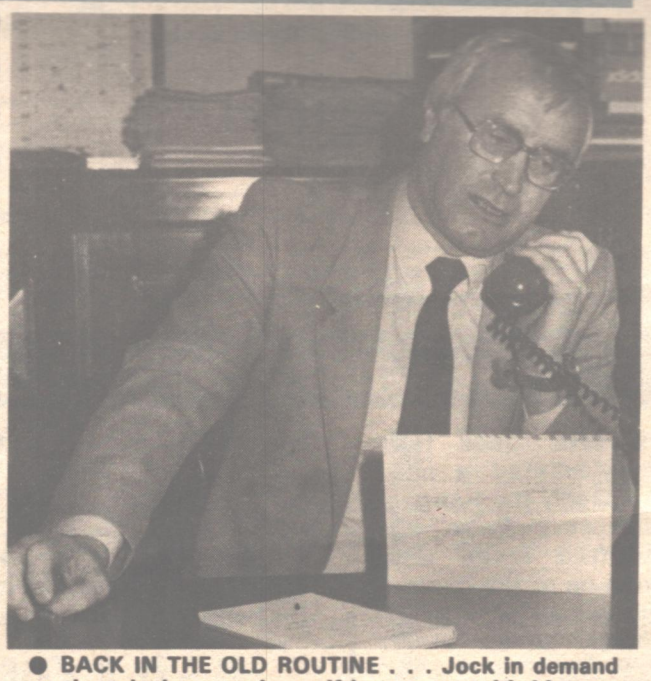
## Jimmy's praise for boss

**JIMMY Greaves is not a popular figure with many Scottish football fans, but he was fulsome in his praise about Jock Wallace's appointment as Rangers' manager.**

**"I'm delighted to see that Jock Wallace has returned to Ibrox. He would have been my choice in the first place. I have a lot of respect for his managerial ability and you can't argue with his track record," he said in his column in the Daily Mirror.**

**"If you had to name the top 10 clubs in Britain — the world even — Rangers and Celtic would be high on the list.**

**"It's going to take a big man to change the Rangers tradition. JOCK WALLACE IS BIG ENOUGH TO DO IT."**



● BACK IN THE OLD ROUTINE . . . Jock in demand on the telephone as he swiftly gets on with his new job.

## No changes — yet

*WHILE Jock's immediate priority is to get Rangers back winning consistently, the new Ibrox boss will also be having a close look at his backroom staff.*

*"The backroom boys are always an important part of any club, but I haven't had time to look at it yet. I'll have to make decisions, but not just yet."*



● ABOVE: Jock Wallace, anxious as he takes his see

● RIGHT: HIT . . . Davie McLeish and Miller



● MISS . . . Jimmy Nich cross by Doug

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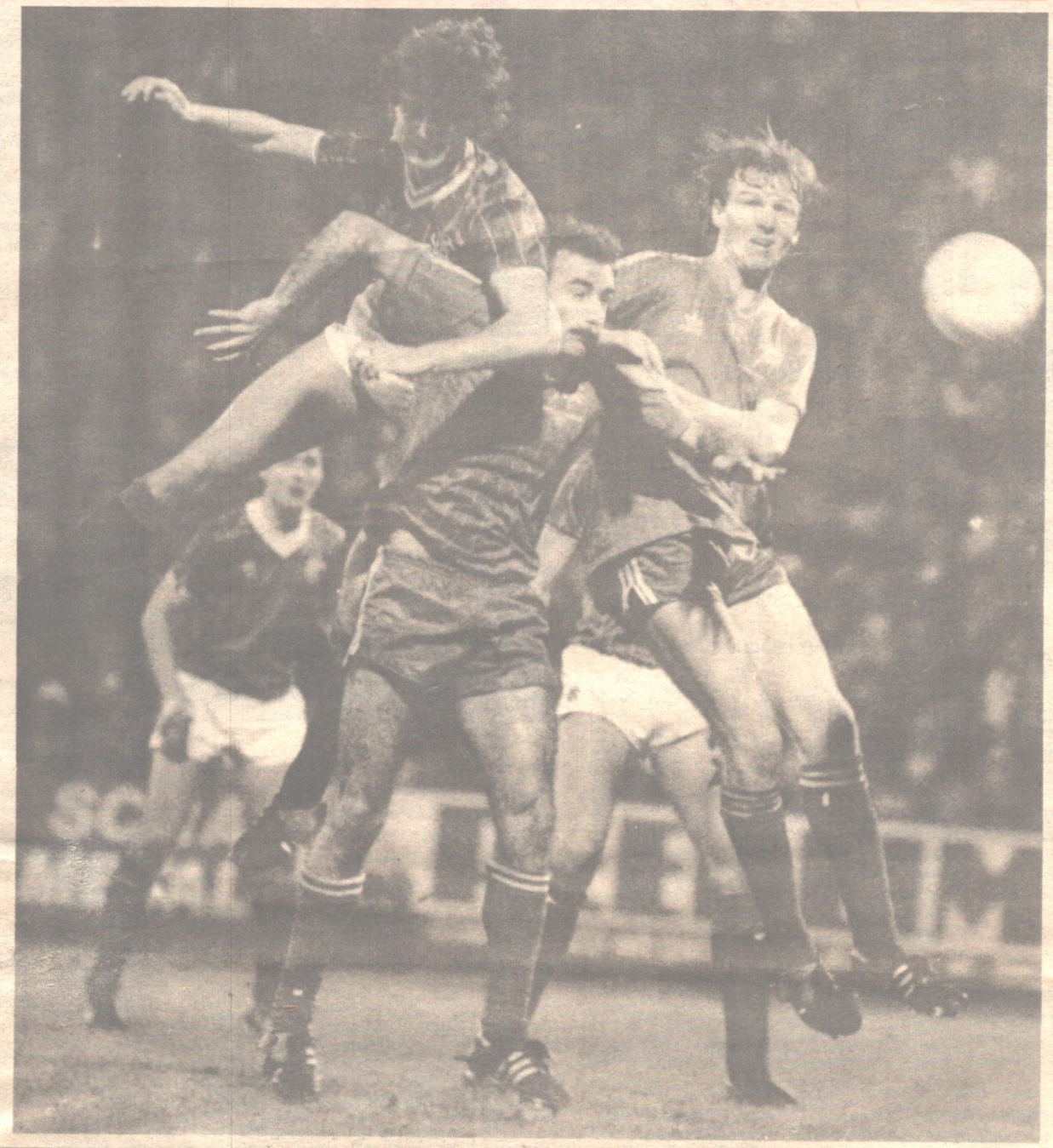
his first game in charge, looks at the start of the second half.



IcPherson gets in his header as their best to stop him.



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● AND MISS . . . McPherson can't connect properly with this low ball and Leighton clears with his legs.

**Aberdeen..... 3**

**Rangers..... 0**

**RANGERS didn't just lose on Saturday — they were hammered.**

And the heavy defeat illustrated only too clearly to new boss, Jock Wallace, the magnitude of the task he faces in restoring the Ibrox club's dismal league fortunes.

***IT COULD HAVE BEEN A MUCH HEAVIER DEFEAT.***

## Rip

The home team, it must be said, were helped by a breathtaking start which saw them rip Rangers apart and net a commanding lead.

And it is debatable whether ANY team would have lived with the Dons in that hectic 15 minute opening.

After only five minutes Neil Simpson blasted home a shot from 20 yards.

And, in ten minutes, Hewitt was on hand to net a second after McCloy had done well to stop a good shot from Weir from the edge of the box.

## Stunned

Aberdeen might well have scored a few more before the interval, and although they slackened off a little in the early stages of the second half, they deservedly went three goals in front through substitute Ian Porteous in the 67th minute.

It was a brilliant goal. The youngster simply belted a fierce drive past McCloy from about three yards and, once more, Rangers were left stunned.

If, from reading this, you get the impression that an in-form Aberdeen had much to offer, you would be right.

## Worthy

If you get the impression that Rangers were out of touch with little to offer, YOU WOULD BE RIGHT ABOUT THAT TOO.

And that was disappointing for their magnificent supporters, who turned out in their thousands and gave the team superb backing.

It was thought that around 2,000 were locked out of the ground because of the capacity attendance. It again shows the massive backing the Ibrox team has.

***THE LIGHT BLUES MUST START TO SHOW THEMSELVES WORTHY OF THAT SUPPORT VERY QUICKLY.***

## FACT-FILE

**Scorers: Simpson (5 mins), Hewitt (10), Porteous (67). Att. 23,000.**

**ABERDEEN: Leighton, Cooper, Rougvie, Simpson, McLeish, Miller, Strachan, Hewitt, McGhee, Bell, Weir. Subs: Porteous (for Weir, 55 mins), Angus (for Hewitt, 75 mins).**

**RANGERS: McCloy, MacKinnon, Dawson, McClelland, Paterson, McPherson, McCoist, Nicholl, Mitchell, Redford, Cooper. Subs: Kennedy (for Mitchell, 57 mins), Russell (for Cooper, 65).**

**Referee: A. Waddell (Edinburgh).**

**Booked: Redford, Nicholl, Paterson, Dawson (Rangers), Simpson (Aberdeen).**

# Scoreboard



## All the Scottish league tables

### Premier Division

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| Dundee Utd | 11 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 29 | 9 | 17 |
| Hearts | 12 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 15 | 12 | 15 |
| Hibernian | 12 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 17 | 23 | 11 |
| Dundee | 12 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 18 | 24 | 11 |
| St Mirren | 11 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 11 | 16 | 9 |
| Rangers | 12 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 16 | 24 | 7 |
| Motherwell | 12 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 22 | 7 |
| St Johnstone | 12 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 40 | 4 |

### First Division

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Partick | 14 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 28 | 15 | 22 |
| Dumbarton | 14 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 22 | 17 | 18 |
| Kilmarnock | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 22 | 17 | 18 |
| Falkirk | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 19 | 15 | 18 |
| Morton | 14 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 30 | 22 | 17 |
| Brechin | 14 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 21 | 20 | 15 |
| Clydebank | 14 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 21 | 22 | 13 |
| Airdrie | 14 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 13 | 15 | 13 |
| Hamilton | 14 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 12 | 14 | 13 |
| Ayr | 14 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 26 | 28 | 11 |
| Raith | 14 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 15 | 19 | 11 |
| Meadowbank | 14 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 14 | 26 | 11 |
| Alloa | 14 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 20 | 26 | 8 |
| Clyde | 14 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 19 | 8 |

### Second Division

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Forfar | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 25 | 9 | 24 |
| Q.O.S. | 14 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 25 | 11 | 21 |
| Stirling A. | 14 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 23 | 13 | 20 |
| Berwick | 14 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 24 | 11 | 18 |
| Arbroath | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 24 | 15 | 18 |
| East Fife | 14 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 22 | 14 |
| Stranraer | 14 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 20 | 19 | 13 |
| Dunfermline | 14 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 15 | 13 |
| Stenhousmuir | 14 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 16 | 22 | 12 |
| Cowdenbeath | 14 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 17 | 21 | 11 |
| Queen's Park | 14 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 17 | 24 | 11 |
| Albion R. | 14 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 17 | 28 | 8 |
| Montrose | 14 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 14 | 30 | 8 |
| E. Stirling | 14 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 12 | 28 | 5 |

### Highland League

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Keith | 13 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 27 | 11 | 27 |
| Thistle | 14 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 28 | 24 | 23 |
| Peterhead | 12 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 11 | 22 |
| Buckie | 13 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 31 | 28 | 22 |
| Clach | 12 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 27 | 24 | 22 |
| Caley | 10 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 27 | 10 | 20 |
| Elgin | 11 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 21 | 12 | 20 |
| Forres | 14 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 30 | 32 | 20 |
| Nairn | 12 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 28 | 21 | 17 |
| Huntly | 14 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 21 | 23 | 15 |
| Fraserburgh | 13 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 23 | 27 | 15 |
| Lossiemouth | 13 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 13 | 35 | 14 |
| Brora | 11 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 17 | 15 | 12 |
| Deveronvale | 12 | 4 | 0 | 8 | 15 | 28 | 12 |
| Ross Co. | 13 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 26 | 35 | 11 |
| Rothes | 13 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 23 | 42 | 11 |

### Premier Reserve League

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rangers | 11 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 11 | 22 |
| Dundee Utd | 11 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 28 | 21 | 16 |
| Celtic | 11 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 32 | 17 | 15 |
| Aberdeen | 11 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 15 | 11 |
| Dundee | 11 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 14 | 20 | 11 |
| St. Johnstone | 11 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 19 | 25 | 9 |
| Hibs | 12 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 25 | 33 | 9 |
| St. Mirren | 11 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 21 | 22 | 9 |
| Hearts | 11 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 12 | 23 | 5 |
| Motherwell | 12 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 11 | 28 | 5 |

### Reserve League (West)

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Motherwell | 9 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 21 | 10 | 14 |
| Clyde | 10 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 14 | 5 | 13 |
| Airdrie | 9 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 27 | 17 | 12 |
| Dumbarton | 9 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 24 | 16 | 12 |
| Ayr United | 8 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 17 | 10 | 12 |
| Clydebank | 11 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 14 | 10 | 12 |
| Celtic | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 9 |
| Hamilton | 10 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 20 | 21 | 8 |
| Queen's Park | 10 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 18 | 23 | 8 |
| Kilmarnock | 9 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 15 | 6 |
| Dunfermline | 10 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 19 | 27 | 5 |
| Falkirk | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 15 | 24 | 5 |
| Morton | 8 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 20 | 4 |

## 1st XI scorers

| | |
|---|---|
| Sandy Clark | 21 |
| Ally McCoist | 19 |
| John MacDonald | 12 |
| Robert Prytz | 11 |
| David Mitchell | 6 |
| David McPherson | 6 |
| Bobby Russell | 5 |
| Ian Redford | 5 |
| John McClelland | 4 |
| Davie Cooper | 4 |
| Craig Paterson | 3 |
| Ally Dawson | 1 |
| David MacKinnon | 1 |
| Gregor Stevens | 1 |
| Billie Davies | 1 |
| Billy Mackay | 1 |
| Own goals | 2 |

## 2nd XI scorers

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

## Weekend results

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aberdeen | 3 | Rangers | 0 |
| Celtic | 4 | Motherwell | 0 |
| Dundee Utd | 7 | St. Johnstone | 0 |
| St. Mirren | 2 | Hibs | 1 |
| Hearts | 1 | Dundee | 3 |

SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ayr Utd | 2 | Morton | 2 |
| Brechin City | 2 | Dumbarton | 3 |
| Clydebank | 2 | Airdire | 4 |
| Falkirk | 0 | Clyde | 2 |
| Hamilton | 0 | Raith Rovers | 0 |
| Meadowbank | 2 | Kilmarnock | 1 |
| Partick This | 5 | Alloa Ath | 0 |

SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Albion Rov | 3 | Arbroath | 0 |
| Berwick | 1 | Dunfrmline | 1 |
| Cwdnbeath | 5 | Montrose | 2 |
| East Fife | 2 | E. Stiring | 1 |
| Forfar | 4 | Queen's Pk | 1 |
| Q. of Sth | 2 | Stnhsemuir | 0 |
| Stirling Alb | 2 | Stranraer | 1 |

PREMIER RESERVE LEAGUE

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Hibernian | 2 | St Mirren | 3 |
| Motherwell | 1 | Celtic | 1 |
| Rangers | 2 | Aberdeen | 1 |

HIGHLAND LEAGUE

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brora | 1 | Fraserburgh | 1 |
| Buckie | 1 | Peterhead | 0 |
| Deveronvale | 2 | Nairn | 3 |
| Forres | 2 | Clach | 3 |
| Keith | 5 | Thistle | 0 |
| Ross Co | 2 | Lossiemouth | 3 |
| Rothes | 4 | Huntly | 1 |

QUALIFYING CUP FINAL NORTH

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Caley | 2 | Elgin | 1 |

QUALIFYING CUP FINAL SOUTH

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Vale of Leithen | 2 | Gala | 3 |

## This week's games

TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY)
EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP
GROUP ONE: East Germany v Scotland.
GROUP THREE: Greece v Denmark, Luxembourg v England.
GROUP FOUR: Bulgaria v Wales.
GROUP FIVE: Czechoslovakia v Italy.
GROUP SIX: West Germany v Northern Ireland, Turkey v Austria.
GROUP SEVEN: Holland v Spain, Republic of Ireland v Malta.

SATURDAY
SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION
Aberdeen v Hearts, Dundee v Motherwell, Hibs v St. Johnstone, Rangers v Dundee United, St. Mirren v Celtic.

SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION
Airdrie v Ayr United, Alloa v Clydebank, Clyde v Brechin City, Dumbarton v Meadowbank, Kilmarnock v Hamilton Acads, Morton v Falkirk, Raith Rovers v Patrick Thistle.

SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION
Arbroath v East Fife, Dunfermline v Queen of the South, East Stirling v Cowdenbeath, Montrose v Albion Rovers, Queen's Park v Stirling Albion, Stenhousemuir v Forfar Athletic, Stranraer v Berwick Rangers.

## Midweek results

SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP
SECTION ONE: Alloa 2, Dundee United 4; Morton 4, Motherwell 2.
SECTION TWO: Clydebank 0, Rangers 3; Hearts 3, St. Mirren 1.
SECTION THREE: Meadowbank Thistle 1, Aberdeen 3; St. Johnstone 0, Dundee 3.
SECTION FOUR: Celtic 0, Airdrie 0; Kilmarnock 3, Hibs 1.
EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP (Group One): Switzerland 3, Belgium 1.
Reserve League: Falkirk 0, Hamilton 4.

## Cup tables

SECTION ONE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dundee Utd | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 5 | 9 |
| Motherwell | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 5 |
| Alloa | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 15 | 3 |
| Morton | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 13 | 3 |

SECTION TWO

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rangers | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 10 |
| Hearts | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 4 |
| Clydebank | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 11 | 4 |
| St. Mirren | 5 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 15 | 2 |

SECTION THREE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Aberdeen | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 9 |
| Dundee | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 8 |
| Meadowbank | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 3 |
| St. Johnstone | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 0 |

SECTION FOUR

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Celtic | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 7 |
| Kilmarnock | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 7 |
| Hibernian | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 4 |
| Airdrie | 5 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 2 |

## Latest 'Player of the Year' news

**ONCE AGAIN, there is no Rangers News/ Clydesdale man of the match nomination after Saturday's convincing 3-0 defeat by Aberdeen.**

However, Jimmy Nicholl collected his first three points for being nominated for the midweek match against Clydebank. Unfortunately, he has one point deducted for a booking against Aberdeen!

In the Reserves, Hugh Burns was man of the match against Aberdeen.

The full tables are:

FIRST TEAM

| | |
|---|---|
| Sandy Clark | 12 |
| John McClelland | 9 |
| Davie Cooper | 8 |
| Robert Prytz | 6 |
| David Mitchell | 4 |
| John MacDonald | 3 |
| Ally McCoist | 3 |
| Derek Ferguson | 3 |
| David McPherson | 2 |
| Jimmy Nicholl | 2 |

Bookings: Redford (6), McPherson (4), Cooper (4), MacKinnon (4), Clark (3), Prytz (3), Dawson (2), Mitchell (2), Paterson (2), Stevens, McCloy. Nicholl

SECOND TEAM

| | |
|---|---|
| Andrew Kennedy | 6 |
| Hugh Burns | 6 |
| Andy Bruce | 3 |
| Robert Fleck | 3 |
| Scott Fraser | 2 |
| Billy Davies | 2 |

Sent-off: Kennedy, Davies. Bookings: Black (5), Fraser (4), Lyall (2), E. Ferguson (2), Davies, D. Ferguson, Bruce.


Mrs McD. of Inverness says



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## ★ YOUR COMPLETE POOLS CHECK

● Oil rig worker, Bruce Millar, struck it rich at the weekend.

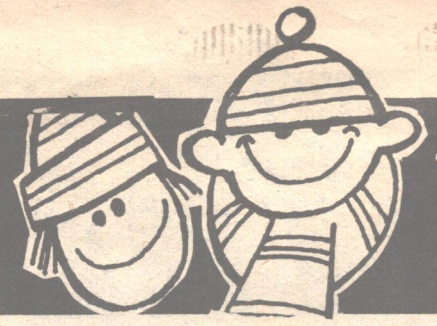
Bruce, 32, of Douglas, Dundee, collected £30,567 after winning pool one outright. Mr Bruce, who has two children, bought his ticket while working on a North Sea oil rig and the agent who sold him the winning ticket, Donald Abernethy of Maybole, Ayrshire, will receive £3,560.

### *Saturday's Results*

POOL ONE: 1 possible, 24 goals, 1 winner receives £30,567.25.
Winner: Bruce Miller, 100 Balunie Drive, Dundee.
POOL TWO: 5 possibles, 10 goals, 5 winners each receive £200.
Winning combinations: 01, 04, 10, 23, with one from 05, 06, 13, 25, 32.
POOL THREE: 28 possibles, 15 goals, 20 winners each receive £50.
Winning combinations: 12, with three from 10, 11, 31, 36 with one from 01, 04, 09, 19, 20, 23, 24.
POOL FOUR: 6 possibles, 29 goals, 3 winners each receive £333.33.
Winning combinations: Winners: 10, 12, 38 with two from 09, 11, 24, 33.
POOL FIVE: 36 possibles, 2 goals, 30 winners each receive £33.33.
Winning combinations: Winner: 18, 21, 34, with two from 08, 14, 15, 28, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44.
POOL SIX: 6 possibles, 23 goals, 4 winners each receive £500.
Winning combinations: Winners: 33, 38, with two from 16, 30, 42, and one from 22, 29.
The Golden bonus was not won and now stand at £1,200.

### *This week's numbers*

● TEAM list for Saturday, November 19 is:
01 Abroath, 02 Dunfermline, 03 Alloa, 04 Clyde, 05 Port Vale, 06 Reading, 07 Chester, 08 Sheff Wed, 09 Swansea, 10 Southampton, 11 Sunderland, 12 East Stirling, 13 Montrose, 14 Aberdeen, 15 Dundee, 16 Tranmere, 17 Wimbledon, 18 Blackburn, 19 Brighton, 20 QPR, 21 Wolves, 22 Morton, 23 Raith Rovers, 24 Bournemouth, 25 Bradford C, 26 Cambridge U., 27 Carlisle, 28 Dumbarton, 29 Kilmarnock, 30 Southend, 31 Scunthorpe, 32 Airdrie, 33 Notts F, 34 Queens Pk, 35 Stenhousemuir, 36 Huddersfield, 37 Oldham, 38 Hibernian, 39 Rangers, 40 Chelsea, 41 Derby, 42 Rochdale, 43 Stranraer, 44 St Mirren.



# Young Rangers Club

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● The names of ten members of the present Liverpool squad are hidden in the word square on the left. See if you can spot them all. The names are hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally or back to front.
● Answers ar bottom of page.

## 10,000 UP!

YES, the Young Rangers Club, which the first member joined in 1975, has recently registered it's 10,000 member . . . and the lucky kid who's that very special member has got some great things to look forward to.

We've still got some gifts to arrange, so we're not publishing the name of the lucky member yet, but that member will be notified in the near future.

So, if you've sent in a membership application form in the last week or two . . . stand by, it could be you!

Of course, as we said in previous issues, it's not just the 10,000th member who's struck it lucky, the two kids who just missed the special number will also be picking up a great prize.

So, if you receive a card and its number 9,999 or number 10,001, you'll be receiving a great prize.

We'll be carrying the name of the lucky winner in next week's Rangers News.

Remember, now that the membership of the club has reached 10,000 it doesn't mean that you don't have any chance of winning a prize . . . for you could be our 11,000 member!

## QUICK QUIZ

1. *For which club does ex-Ranger Gordon Smith now regularly turn out for?*
2. *If Gary Mabbut shot past goalkeeper Paul Barron which two English football clubs would be playing?*
3. *Which Scottish First Division club has the greatest ground capacity?*
4. *If Ian Bryson tackled Alan Kay, which two Scottish clubs would be playing?*
5. *In England, who was the PFA 'Young Player of the Year' last season?*

● *Answers at the bottom of the page.*

## WIN BUD'S BOOK

THIS week we are giving our readers the chance to win one of the year's most interesting and controversial football books as a prize in our contest.

We have got a copy of Willie Johnston's autobiography "On The Wing" up for grabs. In the book the former Ibrox star talks about his days with Rangers amongst many other things.

All you have to do to stand a chance of winning the book is answer two questions about the man who still turns on the magic now and then for Hearts.

1: Which North American Soccer League side did he play for?

2: Who was the manager at West Brom when he was transferred in 1978?

### FREE TO ENTER CONTEST

Send your answers on a postcard to "Bud", Rangers News, 19 North Claremont Street, Glasgow G3 7NR. Remember to include your FULL name and address as well as your Young Rangers Club membership number.

The Editor's decision is final in all matters.








## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS

● THE following Young Rangers Club members have a birthday in the coming week or celebrated one recently:

**WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 9)**

GORDON ESPIN, 79 Heatherbank, Ladywell, Livingston, who was 10.

**TODAY (NOVEMBER 16)**

RICHARD TALBOT, 8 Ochil Street, Tillicoultry, who is 12.
STEWART WIGHTMAN, 27 Tulliebelton Road, Perth, who is 15.
ALAN McFARLANE, Cranslagmory Farm, Rothesay, who is 10.
ALISON EWING, 9 Deepene Road, Bearsden, who is 14.
ROBERT NICOL, 27 Craigton Gardens, Milngavie, who is 16.
JAMES TAYLOR, 10 Shelligoe Road, Lybster, who is 17.
STAN MYERS, 136 Rannock Drive, Bearsden, who is 16.
WILLIAM HERALD, 11 Hillside Road, Greenock, who is 12.
DEBORAH ROWE, 2 Page Place, Methilhill, who is 12.
JOHN McLELLAND, 24 Bannerman Avenue, Manchester, who is 14.
BILLY McINTYRE, 43 Garfield Place, Glasgow, who is eight.
THOMAS GILMOUR, 250 Househill Road, who is 14.
SCOTT BEATTIE, 21/4 Ashtree Court, Old Kilpatrick, who is 13.
BRUCE CASSIDY, 1 Power Close, Salisbury, Zimbabwe, who is six.
JASON BURNETT, 12 Hayfield, Falkirk, who is nine.
JACQUELINE GIBSON, 182 Auchinairn Road, Glasgow, who is 14.
LORRAINE MATHIESON, 4 Ryden Mains Road, Glenmavis, who is 13.
PAULINE ROWE, 53 Woodside Avenue, Rutherglen, who is 15.
W. JACK, 180 Copland Road, Glasgow, who is 12.

**THURSDAY**

ALLAN JACK, 15 Wilson Walk, Tranent, who is 11.
STUART CURRIE, 7 Shakespeare Avenue, Glasgow, who is 10.
CAROLINE McREADY, 6 Garvald Street, Greenock, who is three.
HARRY WALKER, 5 Roberts Crescent, Dumfries, who is 10.
CRAIG HUNTER, 18 Rose Avenue, Peterhead, who is 15.
TRACY ARTHUR, 28 Casan, Leven, who is 12.
CHRISTINE GRAHAM, 14 Bowerwalls Street, Glasgow, who is 17.

### STAR BIRTHDAYS

● The following players all celebrate a birthday in the coming week.

● HUGH SPROAT of Motherwell is 31 today.

● DEREK STARK of Dundee United is 25 on Saturday.

● IAN ANGUS of Aberdeen is 19 on Monday.

● IAN MacLEOD of Motherwell is 24 on Saturday.

● IAN PORTEOUS of Aberdeen is 19 on Monday.

● FRANK McAVENNIE of St Mirren is 24 on Tuesday.

KEVIN REID, Aigen View, Craigellachie, Banffshire, who is 15.
STEVEN WILSON, 124 Cairntrodlie, Peterhead, who is 16.
ROBBIE McPAUL, 20 Auchendores Avenue, Port Glasgow, who is 13.
JOHN RAE, 27 Milton Crescent, Carluke, who is 16.
COLIN CLUNESS, 6 Mirren Drive, Duntocher, who is 16.
DUNCAN McKERRACHER, 15 Averon Road, Alness, who is 15.
STEPHEN HANLEY, 66 Norfolk Street, Glasgow, who is 12.
BRIAN GILBERT, 35 Mosside Road, Blackburn, who is 14.

**FRIDAY**

RONALD JAMIESON, 235 Linthaugh Road, Glasgow, who is 11.
JAMES FORSYTH, Mid-bishipton, Whithorn, who is 14.
VICTOR LAURENSON, Harbour Light, Hamnavoe, Shetland, who is 17.
MURRAY NICOL, 208 Allanton Road, Shotts, who is 15.
CHRISTOPHER FLOWER, 7 Cameron Terrace, Lochs, Isle of Lewis, who is six.
WILLIAM IRVINE, 24 Spey Place, Johnston, who is eight.
MATTHEW ARMSTRONG, 2 Barony Glebe, West Kilbride, who is 13.
BRYAN THOMSON, 6 Kirkmuir Drive, Rutherglen, who is five.

**SATURDAY**

DONALD ROSS, 25 Northwood Drive, Wishaw, who is 12.
GARY STEWART, 14f William Booth Place, Stirling, who is 13.
GARY McGINNITY, 18/27 Glen Gluine Drive, who is 14.
LYNN RAMSAY, 16 Manson Crescent, Perth, who is 16.
ANDREW DICKSON, 2c Doon Side, Cumbernauld, who is 17.
FINLAY MacDERMID, 24 Scalpay, Isle of Harris, who is 12.
MATTHEW CRICHTON, 30 Taylor Avenue, Kilbarchan, who is 16.
STEPHEN MAXWELL, 10 Ardtoe Crescent, Stepps, who is 10.
DARREN WOOD, 33 Hill Crest Avenue, Coatbridge, who is eight.

**SUNDAY**

HUGH McCANN, 30 Woodfoot Road, Glasgow, who is 10.
CAMPBELL FREW, 97 Parsell Square, Ontario, Canada, who is 16.
DAVID MELVIN, 32/2 Greendykes Terrace, Edinburgh, who is 17.
DAVID GAULT, 30 Alexandra Street, Kirkintilloch, who is 12.
DEREK BUTLER, 82 Netherthird Road, Cumnock, who is 13.
STEPHEN McAUSLAN, 10 Elmbank, Glasgow, who is 12.
PAUL CLARK, 17 Northwood Park, Livingston, who is eight.
STUART SANDERSON, 36 Netherthird Road, Cumnock, who is nine.
TOMMY DANIELS, 411 Paisley Road West, Glasgow, who is 13.

IAIN BENNETT, 57 Bellevue Gardens, Arbroath, who is 17.
JAMES DOCHERTY, 24 Burgher Street, Glasgow, who is 11.
DONNA COOPER, 4 Plan B Coy, 1 Royal Scots, BFPO 805, who is two.
ROBERT SWAN, 56 Glenside Avenue, Glasgow, who is 11.
CRAIG BLACKWOOD, 7 Maple Road, Cumbernauld, who is 14.
TRACEY RIDLEY, 12 Kilater Drive, Glasgow, who is 11.
CHARMAINE GORDON, 29 Lochaber Road, Fort William, who is nine.
JOHN BOYCE, 131 Thomson Street, Glasgow, who is seven.
ADAM MELDRUM, Silverwells, Montrose, who is 11.

**MONDAY**

CRAIG KNOX, 2 Holyknowne Crescent, Glasgow, who is 16.
AARON WESTERVELT, 7 Oxford Street, Parafield Gardens, who is four.
JOE CLIFFORD, 12 Forthriver Way, Glencairn, Belfast, who is 15.
DAVID WISHART, Barebrecks, Stromness, Orkney, who is 17.
JIM MORRISON, 2 Bargaran Road, Glasgow, who is seven.
PETER JACK, 53 Gloudhowe Terrace, Blantyre, who is nine.
JOHN FORRESTER, 19 Goodview Gardens, Larkhall, who is one.
DAVID HOUSTON, Broombrae Farm, Auchtermuchty, who is 13.
VALERIE WEBB, 71 Ormonde Drive, Glasgow, who is seven.

**TUESDAY**

CHERYL McDOWELL, 84 Olymia Drive, Belfast, who is six.
BARRY JOHNSTONE, 91 Elderslie Road, Carluke, who is 10.
GEORGE DUNCANSON, 14 Shafton Place, Glasgow, who is nine.
PETER CAMPBELL, 31 Broomton Road, Glasgow, who is 12.
SCOTT LIVINGSTONE, 25 Kendoon Avenue, Glasgow, who is 13.
STEPHEN McCUTCHEON, 4 Gardrum Place, Kilmarnock, who is 16.
STEVEN McCRIMMON, 7 Killearn Road, Glasgow, who is eight.
JAMES WILLIAMSON, 47 Fairbairn Path, Glasgow, who is four.
STEPHEN GRAY, 2 Curzon Grave, Leamington Spa, who is 14.
DERRICK HERALD, 11 Hillside Road, Greenock, who is 15.
STEVEN McKINLAY, 61 Quarrywood Road, Glasgow, who is 17.

### All the answers

● WORD SQUARE: The ten Liverpool players were: Bruce GROBBELAAR, Phil NEAL, Alan HANSEN, Mark LAWRENSON, Steve NICHOL, Graeme SOUNESS, Ian RUSH, Craig JOHNSTON, Sammy LEE, Dave HODGSON.

● QUICK QUIZ: 1, Brighton; 2, Spurs and West Bromwich Albion; 3, Clydeground capacity is 22,900; 4. Kilmarnock and Partick Thistle; 5, Ian Rush of Liverpool.

LIGHT BLUE LOOKBACK

# PETER DEFIES THE RED MENACE

**PETER McCloy was Rangers' hero this week in 1978 when the big keeper turned on a superb display at Pittodrie which helped the Light Blues win a point in a 0-0 draw.**

Aberdeen looked the more dangerous side for most of the match and only McCloy's brilliance kept the Ibrox men in the match watched by a good crowd of 24,000.

Four minutes into the second half, Rangers almost took the lead. Derek Johnstone headed home a Tommy McLean free kick but the referee ruled the goal off for an infringement, much to DJs displeasure.

## Unpopular

The match official proved unpopular with the Light Blues once again in the 59th minute. A linesman flagged after Bobby Russell had cleared the ball from a goalmouth skirmish and after consultation, the ref. gave Aberdeen a penalty.

Joe Harper stepped up and, to the delight of the large Rangers following, sent his spot-kick wide. It proved to be the Dons last chance and there was no scoring.

## 5 Years Ago

The line-ups:
ABERDEEN: Clark, Kennedy, McLelland, McMaster, Rougvie, Miller, Stracham, Archibald, Harper, Sullivan, Scanlon. Subs: Fleming (for Scanlon) and Considine (not used).
RANGERS: McCloy, Jardine, Dawson, Johnson, Jackson, A. MacDonald, McLean, Russell, Parlane, Smith, Watson. Subs: Cooper and Miller (not used).

In the Premier League's other matches, Hibs and Celtic drew 2-2 at Easter Road, Dundee United won 2-1 at home to Motherwell, Partick Thistle beat St. Mirren 2-1 at Firhill and Morton ran out 3-2 winners at Cappielow over Hearts.

Despite losing 2-1 to Clyde at Shawfield, Dundee led Division One by three points from Clydebank, while Falkirk were ahead of Dunfermline on goal difference at the top of Division Two after a 2-1 win at Stenhousemuir.

Rangers reserves were toppled from their lead in the Premier Reserve League by Aberdeen, who beat them 2-1 at Ibrox. John MacDonald scored the Light Blues only goal.

In England, Liverpool were still at the top of the First Division. They beat Manchester City 1-0 at Anfield and were three points ahead of Everton who drew 2-2 at Arsenal.

In the League Cup semi-final draw, Rangers and Celtic were pulled out of the hat to face each other at Hampden, while Hibs and Aberdeen were set to fight it out at Dens Park.

Rangers' Tom Forsyth, who missed the match against Aberdeen, was admitted to Stonehouse Hospital for observation after complaining of severe leg pains.

In midweek, Aberdeen defeated a touring Moscow Dynamo side when Duncan Davidson scored the only goal of the game against the Russians at Pittodrie.

On the transfer front, St. Johnstone manager Alex Stuart paid out £30,000 to bring striker Walker McCall from Ayr United to Muirton Park.

## Beauty

Other sport, and John McEnroe won the Benson and Hedges title at Wembley when he defeated fellow American Tim Gullikson 6-7, 6-4, 7-6, 6-2.

Competition of another kind, and in London 20-year-old Silvana Suarez won the Miss World contest. The Argentinian beauty was a 20-1 outsider with the bookmakers before the event.

The newspapers were dominated five years ago by the court case of former Liberal leader, Jeremy Thorpe, who was facing charges that he inspired a plot to murder male model Norman Scott.

## War

A new petrol pump war was being waged in Britain. In Scotland, prices of four star ranged from 79p a gallon in Glasgow to 85p for the same in Skye.

Parliament was preparing to make law a Bill which would rule that froth does not count as part of a pint of beer. As if to get their own back, breweries announced a price increase to cover the cost of new glasses.!

Radio wavelengths all over the country were changed this week in 1978. When you woke up in the morning you had to switch to 275/285 for Radio One or 261 if you preferred Radio Clyde.

Peter Falk, star of "Columbo", was appearing in "The Cheap Detective" showing at the Scala cinema in Glasgow, while for live music you could see and hear Dean Friedman at the Pavilion Theatre.

On television, the "Basil Brush Show" was still popular on BBC-1, with "The Professionals" tops on STV. BBC-2 pulled in good viewing figures with "The Old Grey Whistle Test" on Saturday evenings.

The Boomtown Rats were still at number one in the charts with "Rat Trap", Olivia Newton-John was in second spot with "Hopelessly Devoted To You" and The Cars moved to three with "My Best Friend's Girl".

If you fancied a drink, a bottle of Bell's whisky would cost your £4.39, or you could get a bottle of Martini for only £1.37.



● ONE THAT GOT AWAY ... Derek Johnstone rises to head the ball home at Pittodrie five years ago, but the referee chalked the "goal" off.


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# RALPH AT THE

**RANGERS strengthened their title challenge this week in 1958 when they travelled to Rugby Park and recorded a highly impressive 3-0 win over Kilmarnock.**

A crowd of 24,000 turned up on Saturday, November 22 for the match and the fans were still clicking through the turnstiles when Rangers took the lead after only three minutes.

## Fight

Bobby Shearer played a low pass up the right to Alex Scott. The Ibrox forward swung over a superb cross which Jimmy Brown could only parry into the path of Davie Wilson who netted from eight yards.

That proved to be the only goal of the first half which saw Willie Waddell's Kilmarnock side fight their way back into things without ever posing a threat upon George Niven's goal.

Four minutes into the second half, Rangers made it 2-0. Billy Simpson beat Dougan in the air and nodded the ball ahead for Ralph Brand to chase and slam home from ten yards.

A piece of Ian McMillan genius sealed things for the Light Blues in the 71st minute. After jinking past four players he laid the ball sweetly into the path of Ralph Brand who tucked the ball into the net from close range.

The line-ups:
KILMARNOCK: J. Brown, Collins, Watson, Beattie, Dougan, McKay, H. Brown, Henaughan, McBride, Black, Muir.
RANGERS: Niven, Shearer, Caldow, Davis, Telfer, Stevenson, Scott, McMillan, Simpson, Brand, Wilson.

Hearts still led the First Division after a 5-1 win over Falkirk at Tynecastle. Dundee won 3-0 against Third Lanark at Dens Park, Clyde beat Aberdeen 4-0 at Shawfield and Thistle beat Celtic 2-0 at Firhill.

Rangers reserves lost 4-2 to Kilmarnock at Ibrox. In England, Arsenal led Bolton by two points at the top of the First Division after a 3-0 win at Chelsea. Bolton defeated Wolves 2-1 at Molineux.

Wolves also suffered defeat in midweek when they crashed out of the European Cup, losing 2-1 to German side Schalke 04 in a second round match.

## 25 Years Ago

## Slump

Ian McMillan scored the opening goal for Glasgow at Firhill as they beat Sheffield 4-0 in the annual Inter City match. Other results included Hearts 3-3 draw with Aston Villa in Birmingham.

Former Celtic star Charlie Tully praised Willie Woodburn in his book published this week 25 years ago. He said: "I SINCERELY BELIEVE THE BIG SLUMP IN SCOTTISH INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL ARRIVED WHEN WILLIE WOODBURN DEPARTED."

In Cyprus, Archbishop Makarios infuriated Britain by refusing to condemn the EOKA terrorists, singing their praises and calling them patriots. Britain also had Russia to worry about

# SAINTS SING IN THE RAIN

## Rangers crash at Muirton

**RANGERS suffered defeat for only the second time of the season this week in 1933 when they went to Perth and lost to an unfancied St Johnstone side by three goals to one.**

The match was played in torrential rain and only 5,000 hardy souls turned out to see the Scottish champions stunned as the Muirton Park men took a 2-0 lead inside the opening 20 minutes.

After only four of those minutes, a corner-kick looked as if it posed no danger to Jerry Dawson's goal. The Ibrox defence hesitated, however, and Saints striker Fulton took advantage to blast the ball home.

### Poor

Rangers were trying to play football on the poor playing surface and St Johnstone's "up and at them" style was paying dividends. It brought them another goal in the 20th minute.

Constant pressure saw the ball break to Tennant 20 yards out and the Saints' number seven crashed home a shot which took a slight deflection off Jimmy Simpson before entering the net.

Bill Struth's men managed to fight their way back into the match and on the half-hour pulled a goal back. Jimmy Smith was like lightning as he pounced on a mistake by Moulds to score from eight yards.

### Costly

The first 20 minutes of the second half saw Rangers almost set up a permanent camp in the St Johnstone half, but they could not get the equaliser that looked almost certain to arrive.

Jimmy Simpson hit the bar and a Bob McPhail shot struck the post but the missed chances were to prove costly when St Johnstone grabbed their cliching goal in the 76th minute.

It came right out of nothing as left winger Stewart drifted aimlessly with the ball before lashing an incredible shot past the helpless Jerry Dawson from around 25 yards.

### Surprise

The line-ups:

ST JOHNSTONE: Wylie, Welsh, Clark, Mason, Moulds, Campbell, Tennant, Davidson, Fulton, Ferguson, Stewart.

RANGERS: Dawson, Gray, McDonald, Meiklejohn, Simpson, Brown, Archibald, Marshall, Smith, McPhail, Main.

Rangers' defeat was made all the worse by the fact that league leaders Motherwell won 3-1 at home to Airdrie. Clyde and Aberdeen drew 2-2 at Shawfield and Ayr United beat Celtic 3-1 at Somerset Park.

### Boom

Queen's Park went down 4-3 at home to Kilmarnock, with Queen of the South causing another surprise result by beating Hearts 3-1 at Tynecastle. Rangers reserves beat St Johnstone 6-2 at Ibrox.

In England, Spurs held a one-point advantage over rivals Arsenal at the top of Division One after a 0-0 draw with Leeds at Elland Road. Arsenal won 3-0 at home against Stoke. Middlesbrough produced the score of the day, winning 10-3 at home to Sheffield United.

The front pages of the papers included news that President Roosevelt announced the United States was at last recognising the Soviet Union as a nation — for the first time since the 1917 revolution.

Six new orders arrived on Clyde shipyards and the demand for large new vessels was providing a boom for the firms and making a large dent in the area's unemployment figures.

### Threat

The Scottish Unionists sent a message to the Government from their conference that the country's defences were inadequate and vulnerable to attack from any "hot-bloooded dictator."

British troops in Gibraltar, meanwhile, were put on special alert as the General Election in Spain saw the Fascist party threaten to take over the rock if they were put in power.

The King re-opened Parliament in London and the Conservatives held on to the seat of Rusholme in a by-election, although their 20,000-plus majority was cut to 2,899 by the Socialists.

### Crashed

A Russian plane, the K7, said to be the biggest ever built, crashed with the loss of 13 lives on a test flight. The plane was capable of carrying 128 passengers.

Madeleine Carroll and Conrad Veidt were starring in "I Was a Spy" at the New Savoy cinema, Glasgow, with Laurel and Hardy's "Fra Diavolo" showing at the Regent.

### 50 Years Ago

# DOUBLE

as the Soviets announced a plan to end the four-power occupation of Berlin.

Other news included the death of popular actor Ronald Squire at the age of 72, and Scotland's Peter Keenan suffering a points defeat at the hands of World Bantamweight boxing champion Alphonse Halimi.

Robert Mitchum and Robert Wagner were the stars of "The Hunters" which was packing them into the aisles at the Bedford Cinema in Glasgow, while you could see Harry Gold and his orchestra at the Playhouse Ballroom.

The Everly Brothers were still at number one with "Bird Dog" and Tommy Edwards stayed at two with "It's All In The Game". Lord Rockingham's XI moved up four places to number three with "Hoots Mon".

A new giant sized Fry's chocolate cream would cost you 6d, or you could get a packet of Cadbury's Peppermint creams for one shilling.

## HOW THEY STOOD

**1978**

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dundee Utd | 14 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 18 | 13 | 17 |
| Partick | 14 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 16 | 13 | 17 |
| Aberdeen | 14 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 24 | 15 | 15 |
| Celtic | 14 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 24 | 19 | 15 |
| Morton | 14 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 19 | 19 | 15 |
| Rangers | 14 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 13 | 12 | 14 |

**1958**

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hearts | 13 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 47 | 18 | 21 |
| Rangers | 13 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 40 | 21 | 18 |
| Dundee | 13 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 29 | 19 | 18 |
| Motherwell | 12 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 33 | 16 | 17 |
| Airdrie | 13 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 27 | 13 | 17 |
| Aberdeen | 13 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 31 | 18 | 15 |

**1933**

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Motherwell | 18 | 16 | 2 | 0 | 44 | 14 | 34 |
| Rangers | 17 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 55 | 18 | 28 |
| Aberdeen | 18 | 11 | 2 | 5 | 50 | 27 | 24 |
| Ayr Utd | 18 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 49 | 50 | 24 |
| Kilmarnock | 18 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 41 | 29 | 22 |
| Hearts | 16 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 37 | 22 | 20 |

# COLTS ALMOST LET IT SLIP

## Rangers .....2 Aberdeen ....1

**RANGERS reserves' were in magnificent form in the first half on Saturday — but at the end of the match they could have dropped a point.**

The Ibrox youngsters were leading 2-0 at the interval and miles ahead of the visiting team. But they lost a bad goal just three minutes into the second half and never seemed to recover from the blow.

It let the Dons back into the match and, at the end, the Light Blues were pleased to hear the final whistle with them still in front.

### Praise

"We lost confidence after the goal," explained coach Joe Mason afterwards.

"But I've got to praise the players for their efforts in the first half. They really were superb.

"In fact, I would go so far as to say that was the best we have played this season.

"Yet, I have to say also that after all their good work, they could have ended up dropping a point."

It was John MacDonald who opened the scoring for Rangers after 20 minutes when he



● JOE MASON



● JOHN MacDONALD

headed home from six yards after the goalkeeper had deflected out a shot from just inside the box.

Six minutes later, Gordon Dalziel grabbed a second, also with a header, this time from a corner.

### Booked

The Colts then dominated the play, but three minutes after half-time were stunned when Aberdeen pulled a goal back from what looked like an offside position.

However, they did hold on and the two points means they still hold a 100 per cent league record after 11 matches.

It is also interesting to note that of the 13 players stripped for action, only one man — Gregor Stevens —hadn't been part of the club's youth policy.

Three players were booked, John MacDonald, Scott Fraser and Andy Bruce, and Hugh Burns won the man of the match nomination

RANGERS: Bruce, Fraser, Lyall, Stevens, Burns, Black, Dalziel, Fleck, E. Ferguson, B. Davies, MacDonald. Subs: J. Davies (not used), McFarlane (for MacDonald 80 mins).

### Club Notes

EXETER: Could Jim, the BR worker from Glasgow, ring the telephone number below, re our recent conversation in Valletta. Davy Cormack (0392 87 7197).

NITHSDALE: We would like to thank everyone who travelled to Porto for their exemplary behaviour and hope you will travel with Nithsdale on future European trips. Also thanks to Clarkston branch on assistance for bus to Clydebank.

# YOUTHS GOAL BLITZ-AGAIN!

## Rangers.....10 Valspar.....0

**RANGERS Amateur Boys Club maintained their 100 per cent record and stayed at the top of the Scottish Under-15 League table when they defeated Valspar 10-0 two Saturdays ago.**

The Ibrox youngsters travelled to King George V Park to face the Ayrshire side, who are currently at the bottom of the table with no points.

Said secretary Bobby Dinnie: "It wasn't as easy as the score makes it look. We struggled a bit in the first half but the lads improved a lot after the break and the goals really flowed."

### Signal

Rangers, in fact, scored only once in the first half. It came in the 12th minute when Campbell Lamont was on hand to steer home a Brian Miller free-kick which had struck the bar.

Ten minutes into the second half, good work from Billy Byrne saw Lamont net the second with a superb left foot shot from 25 yards which flew into the top right hand corner of the net.

That was the signal for the goal avalanche to begin and two minutes later it was 3-0 when Gary Robertson scored from close range from a cross by Steven Gray. On the hour, Campbell Lamont headed home a Gray cross to get his hat-trick.

### Incredible

Left-back Mark Thomson blasted home the fifth with a great shot from 25 yards in the 62nd minute and sixty seconds later it was 6-0 when Brian Miller netted a penalty after Lamont had been brought down.

Campbell Lamont, having a great match, made it seven in the 65th minute when he headed home a David Allan cross, then three minutes later Gary Robertson scored from close range after a cross from Steven Gray.

The pressure on the beleagured Valspar goalmouth was incredible and Campbell Lamont scored his fifth and Rangers ninth in the 75th minute from close range.

Almost on the final whistle, centre-half Kale Jeffrey prodded home the tenth goal from close range after more pressure on the home goal.

The line-up (4-3-3): Crawford, Paton, Buchanan, Jeffrey, Thomson, McPherson, Miller, Byrne, Gray, Robertson, Lamont. Subs: Allan (for Byrne) and Tierney (for McPherson).

● On Saturday, the youths were in action against All Saints in a Scottish Cup tie at Tinto Park. Full report of the match in next week's 'News'.

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**SCOTTISH UNDER-15 AMATEUR LEAGUE**

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rangers | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 41 | 2 | 12 |
| Fir Park | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 10 |
| Burnbank | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 23 | 7 | 8 |
| Hamilton | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 12 | 8 |
| Bishopton | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 13 | 6 |
| Possil | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 5 |
| Aberdeen | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 22 | 5 |
| Ayresome | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 11 | 4 |
| Kilmarnock | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 16 | 3 |
| East Ayrshire | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 17 | 3 |
| Glasgow Ams | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 14 | 3 |
| Barrhead | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 7 | 19 | 2 |
| Clarkston | 6 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 24 | 1 |
| Valspar | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 25 | 0 |

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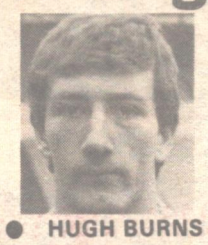
# A cap success for Hugh



● HUGH BURNS

**HUGH BURNS enjoyed his first taste of competitive football with Scotland last week — and the 17-year-old Rangers defender can't wait for a second helping.**

**Hugh travelled to West Germany with the Scots under-18 squad for a friendly international and returned home delighted at the part he had played in the excellent 1-1 draw achieved by the side.**

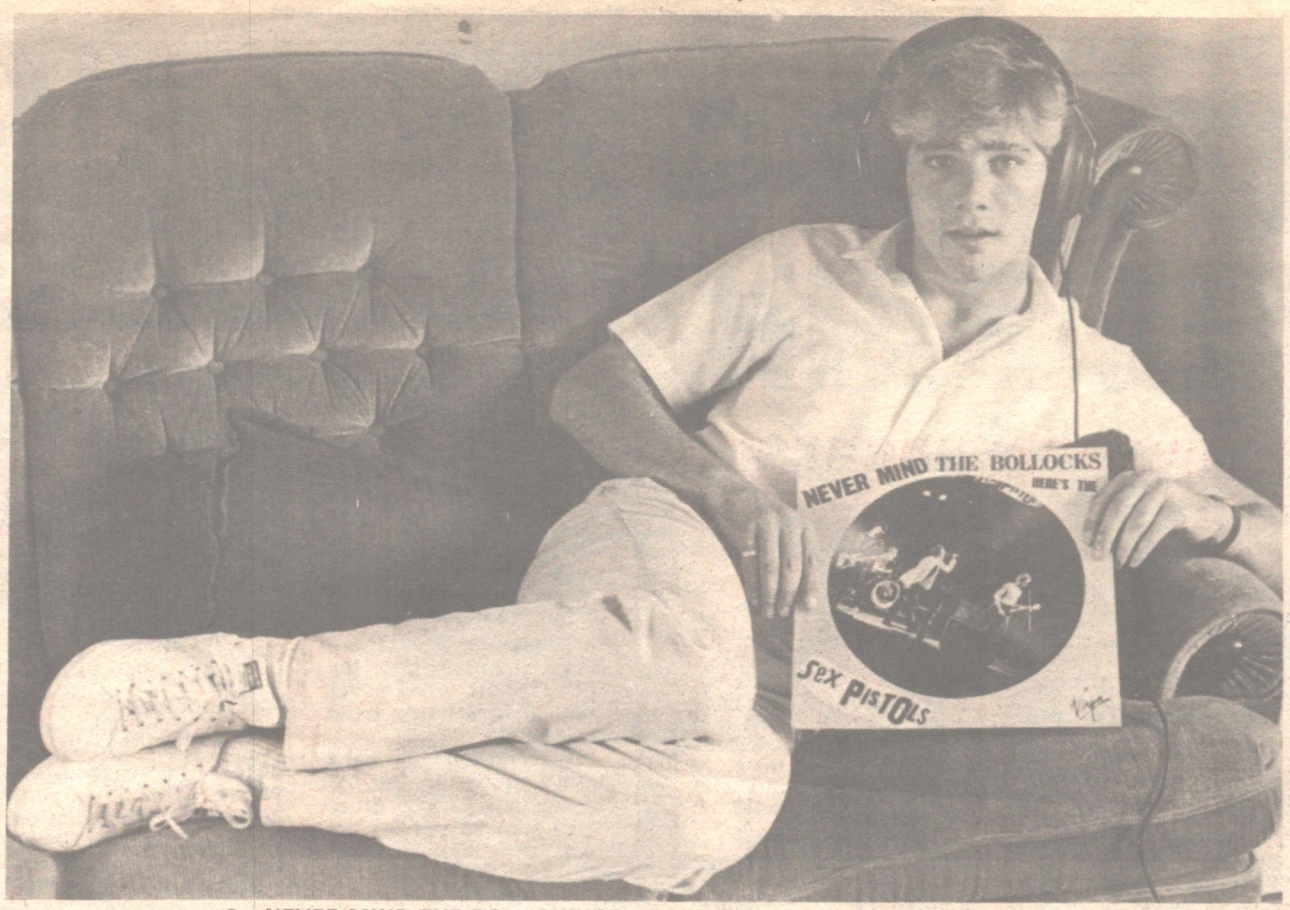
**"It was a great result for us and I enjoyed the match tremendously. They switched the venue of the game and, although the crowd was only 15,000, it was a tight little ground and the atmosphere was brilliant.**

## Magic

**"I had a slight knock which I got at Largs on the Monday, but I played no problem at all. I started at right back then moved into the middle of the defence later on.**

**"Considering the Germans were playing their seventh international this season and that it was our first, it was a magic result. We were a bit unfortunate to only get a draw, in fact.**

**"Our next match is against Holland and I'm confident I did well enough in Germany to be picked for that match as well."**




● NEVER MIND THE BOLLICKINGS . . . Ally's out to prove the critics wrong.

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## Video delay

**THE NEW Rangers video which was expected to be on sale before Christmas, won't be ready until after the New Year.**

**There have been production difficulties and, rather than rush the product and omit important aspects of the club, it had been decided to delay the video.**

**Meanwhile, there will be a special Rangers/Celtic souvenir shop open at the Savoy Centre, Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, from November 28 until Christmas. It will sell souvenirs of both clubs.**

# I'LL COME GOOD

## Ally's promise to fans

**THE DREAM start Ally McCoist had hoped to make with Rangers has turned into something more like a nightmare for the young striker.**

● In a short space of time, Ally has seen his form shade along with the fortunes of the team.

● He has watched as the man who brought him to Ibrox from Sunderland resigned as manager.

● And he has had to endure the criticism of a section of the Rangers support.

Last week, the 21-year-old suffered another blow when he was omitted from Jock Stein's under-21 squad for the match against East Germany.

That chain of events, you might think, would leave the 21-year-old from East Kilbride in a not too happy frame of mind — ***BUT YOU'D BE WRONG!***

The irrepressible Mr McCoist keeps his spirits high and is full of the chirpy confidence that has made him so popular amongst his fellow team-mates in his short time at Ibrox.

## Faith

"Sure, I'm disappointed in the way things have gone so far — who wouldn't be? But I'm an eternal optimist. ***AND I HAVE ENOUGH FAITH IN MY OWN ABILITY TO KNOW THAT I'LL COME GOOD VERY SOON.***

"I haven't been playing as well as I know I can do recently. What the reason is, I'm not sure, although the managerial situation in the past few weeks hasn't helped me.

"I had a lot of respect for John Greig and was sorry to see him leave. But we have a new boss now and I will be doing everything I can to impress him — I KNOW I CAN."

## Right

The pressure heaped upon big money signings who arrive at Ibrox was shown clearly recently when several players, including Ally, were shouted down at the tasteless demonstration outside the ground.

"The fans have a right to voice their feelings — they pay their money to see Rangers win. I just had to not let it get to me, though.

***"I'LL PROVE MY WORTH WHERE IT MATTERS MOST — ON THE PARK."***

## Dazzling Dalziel

*GORDON DALZIEL'S crown as the undisputed Ibrox snooker champ still looks as safe as ever. "Dazzle" overcame his latest challenger, Ally "Tony Knowles" McCoist, by ten frames to four last week.*

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*Ally, meanwhile, was in prizegiving action recently when he went along to his local club, East Kilbride Thistle, to hand out the awards at their annual social club ceremony.*

*St Johnstone are expected to make their centre stand all-ticket for the Premier League clash with Rangers at Muirton Park a week on Saturday. Price will probably be £3.50.*

## Rangers' anger at Euro treatment

**RANGERS may protest to UEFA over the treatment their fans received at the recent away match against FC Porto.**

**The Ibrox club's supporters were subjected to considerable abuse from Portuguese spectators, had missiles thrown at them and were kept in the ground for more than 30 minutes after the final whistle.**

**"We're not happy at all about that," said secretary Campbell Ogilvie.**

**"Rangers met Porto officials and local police well before the game so our supporters would be well looked after. But Porto put obstacles in our path right from the beginning."**

**Arrangements at away European ties are outwith Rangers' control.**

**"Rangers very much regret the inconveniencies our own supporters were subjected to," added Campbell.**

**"We did everything in our power to avoid any problem with the stadium, but due to circumstances completely outwith our control, this did not prove to be satisfactory."**

## Young Robert's magic moment

**YOUNG Robert Fleck had a smile back on his face last week after a dream performance in his first full 'Old Firm' reserve match.**

**The 18-year-old striker, who was so disappointed at not being included in Andy Roxburgh's Scottish Under-18 squad after trials at Largs, popped up to score the winning goal in Rangers 2-1 win at Parkhead.**

**"It was a magic feeling to see the ball hit the back of the net — probably my best moment with Rangers. Even though it's only a reserve game, you can still feel something special about the atmosphere.**

**"It was one of my best performances this season and I hope it proved something. I WAS REALLY UPSET AT NOT BEING PICKED FOR THE UNDER-18s. I THOUGHT I HAD DONE WELL ENOUGH IN THE TRIALS.**

**"Still, it's Rangers that are most important to me. I have scored five goals now and I want to get well into double figures. I've no set target — FINISHING TOP OF THE SCORERS CHART WILL DO FINE."**

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● CONGRATULATIONS, LIZZIE . . . Ibrox new manager Jock Wallace and chairman Rae Simpson presented Lizzie Love with a specially inscribed crystal glass decanter to commemorate her Ruby wedding anniversary, which was on Saturday. The Ibrox kitchen staff held a surprise party for Lizzie and husband Willie at the ground on Saturday.

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