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BUSY JOCK

IBROX boss Jock Wallace has been a busy man since he took over as Rangers boss — but he is set to get even busier in the weeks ahead.

He is stepping up his demanding programme and is hoping to start arranging meetings with a number of supporters clubs in a bid to improve relations between the fans and the Light Blues.

Meet

"I want a winning team on the park. That is the number one priority," he says. "But I have always been a punters' man. I like them and appreciate the backing they give Rangers.

"That's why I want to meet them to find out ways of improving the relationship between fans and club."

The Ibrox manager has packed a lot into a few short weeks in his new job, but he is making a good impression. But he warns:

"I'm pleased with the attitude of the players — but there is still a lot of work to be done, make no mistake about that."

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● FLYING HIGH . . . Big Colin McAdam powers in a header against Hearts on Saturday, with Davie Mitchell and George Cowie in attendance. More action and match slant on centre pages.

Rangers help out County

RANGERS have arranged a friendly match against struggling Highland League side Ross County for next Tuesday, December 13.

The Light Blues will face the heavily in debt club at Victoria Park, Dingwall, and the home treasurer will be hoping for a healthy gate from the match to aid their position.

Said Jock Wallace: "It gives me the chance to change the players' training menu a bit and it gives them a wee break from the pressures they have been under recently.

"And with John McClelland and Jimmy Nicholl on international duty for Northern Ireland the same night, it's also a chance for me to see a couple of other players in first team action."

Debut

Rangers last played Ross County in Dingwall in July, 1977. Davie Cooper made his debut that afternoon and played well in a 4-0 win for the Light Blues.

One player in the home side who will hope to catch Jack's eye is central defender Scott Lemon. He was on trial at Fir Park when Jock was Motherwell boss and this is another chance for him to impress.

"All in all, it should be a worthwhile exercise and it's a sign of gratitude to all our fans up north. They travel a long way to see us, so it makes a nice change for us to go to them."

Season bargain

● RANGERS bargain season ticket offer is still on — and the cut-price tickets would make an ideal Christmas present for any Rangers fan.

Prices are: Section K, £35. Sections F and G, £23; Rover tickets, £25 (Adult) and £10 (child/OAP). Rover tickets can be used for the Govan and Copeland Road stands. Sections H, J, M are £30, NOT £25 as stated last week.

The tickets are available directly from the Ibrox ticket office or by post, providing the correct remittance and a stamped addressed envelope are included.

. . . and help kids

RANGERS Pools are once again taking part in Radio Clyde's "Cash for Kids Christmas Appeal" — but this time their donation will take a different form.

The pools are asking every one of the half-a-million plus ticket buyers to donate a single penny to the appeal — which should produce quite a healthy sum.

If you wish to donate one pence to the scheme, you can receive details from your agent. All administrative costs will be borne by the Pools.

Colts face Celtic

RANGERS have decided to enter their reserve side in the Reserve League West next year, which starts off on February 1 with an away match against Celtic.

Jock Wallace's former club, Motherwell, won the first half of the league — which Rangers did not take part in — and the Fir Park side will face the winners of the second phase to decide the title.

BELL'S SCOTCH WHISKY BELL'S

LUCKY EIGHT FOR IBROX

THE CLOSING date for the Rangers News/ Subbuteo tournament entries has come and gone and we have now decided on the eight finalists for the competition.

After careful judging of the large amount of entry forms we received, we managed to pick from the large percentage of correct ones the eight best designs for a new Rangers strip.

For those who entered, the correct answers were. —
1—Rangers first won the Scottish Cup in 1894.
2—George Young is Rangers most capped player (53 caps).
3—Rangers have won the League Championship 37 times.
4—In Subbuteo, three flicks are allowed before passing the ball.
5—You must be inside the shooting area to score a goal.
6—You CANNOT use your thumb as a spring to flick a player.

The lucky finalists are (in alphabetical order). —

1—Ian Balsillie, 35 Lochend Road, Easterhouse, Glasgow G34.
2—Kenneth Ingram, 62 Jerviston Road, Motherwell, ML1 4AA.
3—Stewart Ingram, 62 Jerviston Road, Motherwll, ML1 4AA.
4—Stephen Jack, 5 Friendship Way, Renfrew.
5—Jeffrey King, 386 Ardencraig Road, Castlemilk, Glasgow.
6—Brian McIntosh, 4 Almondwell Terrace, East Calder, EH53 0EY.
7—John McNeill, 22 Staunton Rise, Dedridge, Livingston.
8—Jim Patrick, 59 South Gyle Gardens, Edinburgh.

These lucky youngsters will make their way to Ibrox on January 21 where they will battle it out for the Rangers News/Subbuteo trophy before the home match against St. Johnstone.



Home draw for Colts in Cup

RANGERS have been given a home draw for the second round of the Scottish Second Eleven Cup.

After receiving a bye in the first round of the tournament, the Light Blues' reserves will face Stirling Albion at Ibrox on or before January 14, 1984.

The full draw is. —

North and east: Raith Rovers v Dundee (holders); Dundee United v Cowdenbeath; Hearts v Hibs.

South and west: Morton v St. Mirren; Clyde v Celtic; Airdrie v Patrick Thistle; Motherwell v Ayr United; RANGERS v Stirling Albion.

● There are still some stand tickets available for Saturday's match against Motherwell at Fir Park. Priced £3, they can be had from the Ibrox ticket office. Entrance to the rest of the ground is by cash.

BILLY GETS IT RIGHT—ON LEFT!

BILLY Mackay is all ready to take manager Jock Wallace up on a promise he made the day he was appointed.

It was then that the Ibrox boss made it clear that every player would start out once more on a fresh footing, with everyone given an equal opportunity to impress him.

Claim

It's a chance that Billy is confident he can take advantage of and the little red-headed winger started to stake his claim for a first team place last Wednesday when he appeared as a substitute against St. Mirren.

His form in the reserves this season has been excellent and only his age of 22 has prevented him picking up several "Player-of-the-Year" nominations.

Confident

"I have been performing quite well so far this season and I still feel I can improve. Last season was very frustrating for me, with hardly any first team games and then getting put up for sale.

"Now I've got another chance and the manager has put the ball firmly in my court. I'm feeling good and I'm confident I can do well enough to make the first team more regularly."

One of the main reasons for the big improvement in Billy's form this term has been his occasional switch from the right wing to the left wing.

Guilty

"In the past I have been guilty of drifting out of games for ten minutes or more at a time and not getting involved. THAT SWITCH HAS MADE ALL THE DIFFERENCE.

"Although I prefer to be on the right, I can now move about and go looking for the ball. Wingers nowadays can't just wait to be fed the ball — they have got to get involved much more."

Not so long ago, Billy's Ibrox future looked uncertain, to say the least. Now, the man who has been in the full-time squad for six years, is poised to get right back in the reckoning.

"I'm happy to get another chance. I would love nothing better than to play in the Rangers first team regularly — and now it's all up to me to make sure i don't let the opportunity pass me by."



● BILLY MACKAY . . . the fiery Light Blues' winger who hopes to make his mark in the Rangers first team shortly.

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Injury blow for Jim

IBROX star Jim Stewart is currently suffering from injury blues once again, after an elbow knock had ended his short first team return recently.

Now the big goalkeeper has suffered a knee injury which will keep him out for at least two weeks. Jim is allowed to train, but cannot play.

★ ★ ★

Rangers manager Jock Wallace saw his under-18 side in action for the first time on Monday evening when they faced his old club Motherwell at Ibrox in the BP Youth Cup.

The match was played after your 'News' had gone to press. Full details and report in next week's issue.

★ ★ ★

We apologise for a misprint in the Rangers Shop price list last week. The Rangers mirror clock should be £25 plus £3 postage and not £5 as stated.

★ ★ ★

Football officials will certainly be busy this week, with three important tournament draws to be made.

The draw for the 1986 World Cup qualifying groups will be made today.

Then on Friday, the names and numbers will be pulled out of the bag for the European Championship qualifying groups for 1988 and also for the quarter-finals of the UEFA Cup.

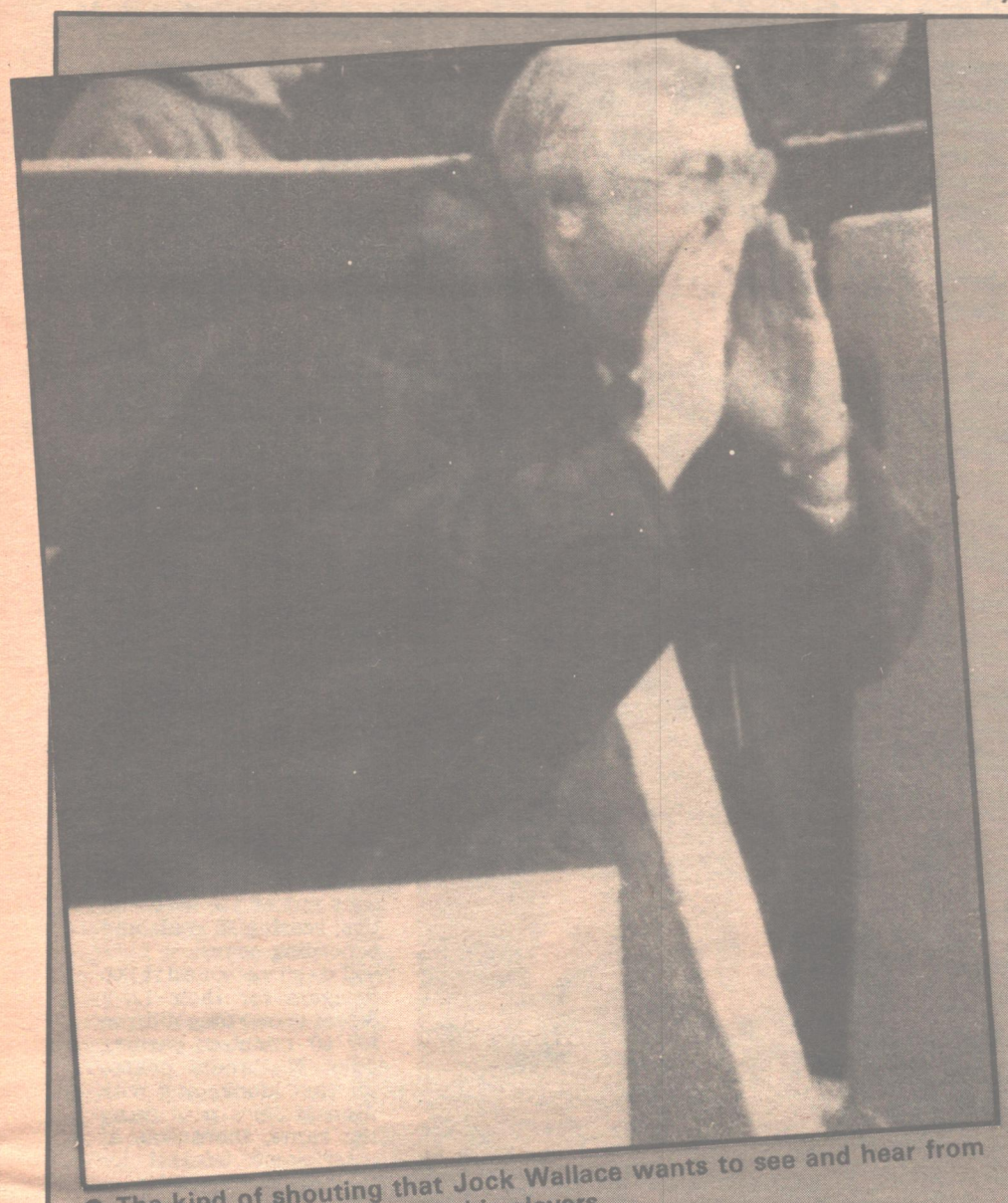
★ ★ ★

Two players from Rangers highly successful under-15 amateur boys club side have been selected for the final Scottish schoolboys squad for next year's internationals.

Midfielders Brian Miller, and Angus McPherson will train with the rest of the pool at Largs from December 11 to 16.

● AN audience of over 400 were entertained at the last of Trust Skelly's football roadshows recently at the car company's Motherwell showroom. In the picture, from left to right, are David Murdoch, David Hay, Bob Crampsey, Alan Rough and Jock Wallace.





● The kind of shouting that Jock Wallace wants to see and hear from his players.

JOCK'S BIG MOAN!

He demands Rangers must be heard

IBROX boss Jock Wallace wants to hear his players moaning a lot more — but not about the club's fortunes.

He wants his men raising their voices at each other — not in anger, but to help the team.

"I have always felt that players should be willing to help team-mates, no matter the situation on the park," he explains.

Anger

"And shouting at each other lets team-mates know where they stand when opponents are coming in to tackle, when team-mates are expecting a pass and things like that.

"Shouting doesn't just have to be warnings or words said in anger.

"It can also be words of advice to colleagues and helpful hints from senior players to younger boys.

"Of course, there will be times when players DO have to give each other a rollicking and I would hope that they won't shirk from that responsibility.

"I want to see a Rangers team which has not just one captain but ELEVEN. I want every player in the team to be able to do their bit, encouraging and helping each other in EVERY game."

He's looking for 11 Ibrox captains

Response

The Rangers manager has already made his aims clear to the players AND HE ADMITS HE IS VERY PLEASED WITH THE RESPONSE THEY HAVE MADE.

"Every day in training the players have been working on different aspects of the game and they are starting to shout the way I think they should.

Work

"It is a fact that the most successful sides down through the years have had plenty of players who had been "moaners." Those teams have had the ability to go with that, of course.

"We've got good players here, but we need to work at various aspects of our game and shouting on the park is one of them."

Why you can't buy Rangers' video

RANGERS fans hoping to get the club's video for a Christmas present will be disappointed — it won't be available until February or March at the earliest.

But there's a good reason for the delay — it's so the company making the video can up date it will all the dramatic events of the last few weeks.

The video will trace the history of the club all the way through its 110 years and already the Rangers Shop, who will be marketing the product, have been swamped with requests for it.

It will contain film highlights of many of Rangers' famous matches over the years, as well as interviews with many ex-Rangers players.

Considerable progress has already been made and films from STV and BBC has already been purchased to include on the tape. Dougie Donnelly will do the commentary and the tape will last for approximately 90 minutes.

More backroom staff changes

● Ibrox boss Jock Wallace has made some more changes to his backroom team.

Following the appointments of Alex Totten and John Hagart as the new first and second team coaches, Jock has also decided he wants a new youth coach — although he is keeping the identity of the new men quiet for the moment.

This means that Davie Provan has left the Light Blues.

"It's always bad to lose a job, but Rangers had been not just my life but my family's as well, because they were involved too," Davie told the 'News'.

"However, I have to accept that that is football and all I want to do now is do my best to get another post within the game."

In addition to his four years as chief scout and youth coach, Davie also played for the club in the 1960's before moving to Crystal Palce in 1969, Plymouth Argyle in 1971 and St. Mirren in 1974.

He finished his playing career at Love Street in 1977 and, after a spell as Saints coach, joined the coaching staff at Partick Thistle before rejoining Rangers in January 1980.

Another member of the backroom team to leave is sprint coach Stuart Hogg

He joined the club in 1978 and helped them on a part-time basis.

Rangers thank both Davie and Stuart for their services in the past and sincerely wish them all the best for the future.

Wallace show hits road

IBROX boss Jock Wallace is set to make some personal appearances — George Best style.

Jock's personal business agent, Bill McMudro, has been inundated with offers to attend various functions up and down the country — and is currently trying to work out a programme.

As a spin-off to the successful soccer roadshows Jock took part in while at Motherwell, he will be taking part in special chat shows where he will be interviewed by a leading football "expert."

That was the style of many successful personal interviews held by George Best earlier this year.

Two shows have already been pencilled in for January in Inverness and Buckie.

The "chat-show on wheels" seems likely to be sponsored by both a big brewery and a successful car dealer.

Jock's agent is also handling lots of requests for the Rangers manager to attend functions of various kinds. He is also wanted to open shops, present prizes and attend other people's football forums.

"It's nice that Jock is in demand," says Bill. "But he has made it clear Rangers come first and it's my job to fit these kind of things in to suit his Ibrox schedule."

● *JOCK attended the opening of a post office in Livingston last Saturday. The building is owned by former Rangers player and bowls champion, Bob Sutherland.*

Ian turns down Blues

● IBROX boss Jock Wallace has failed in a bid to sign Nottingham Forest striker, Ian Wallace.

The Rangers manager made a move for the player last Monday when he contacted Brian Clough and asked for permission to approach Ian.

With the clubs having agreed on a £100,000 fee, Jock met Ian at Ibrox the following morning, but after several hours' discussion they couldn't agree personal terms and the deal was called off.

Gordon goes to City

● AS BOSS Wallace tried to sign one player, he allowed another to leave the club.

Gordon Dalziel has joined Manchester City for £25,000, a deal that was completed last Tuesday afternoon.

Gordon was actually signed by Jock Wallace as a Rangers 'S' Form player in his first spell with the club, but it was John Greig who called him up from Bonkle Youth Club to the full-time staff in November 1978.

Gordon played 61 games for the first team (incl. subs) and scored 15 goals. He will join up with a considerable number of Scottish players at Maine Road, including another Ranger, Derek Parlane.

UP TO DATE . . . UP TO DATE . . . UP

MONDAY

The SFA announce a £1 million sponsorship deal with strip manufacturers Umbro.

Two ex-Rangers players, Eric Caldow and John Greig, attended the press conference.

Newcastle make a transfer enquiry about Gordon Strachan, but Alex Ferguson says he is not for sale and will see out his contract until the end of the season.

THURSDAY

Hearts free Gerry McCoy. The former Queen's Park player had been at Tynecastle for two years.

Celtic and Wolves are at the centre of a transfer war over the striker Danny Crainie. Celtic want £25,000 for the player while Wolves claim that Crainie is a free agent.

SATURDAY

Dundee United manager Jim McLean is hit on the head by a coin during his team's match against Hibs at Easter Road.

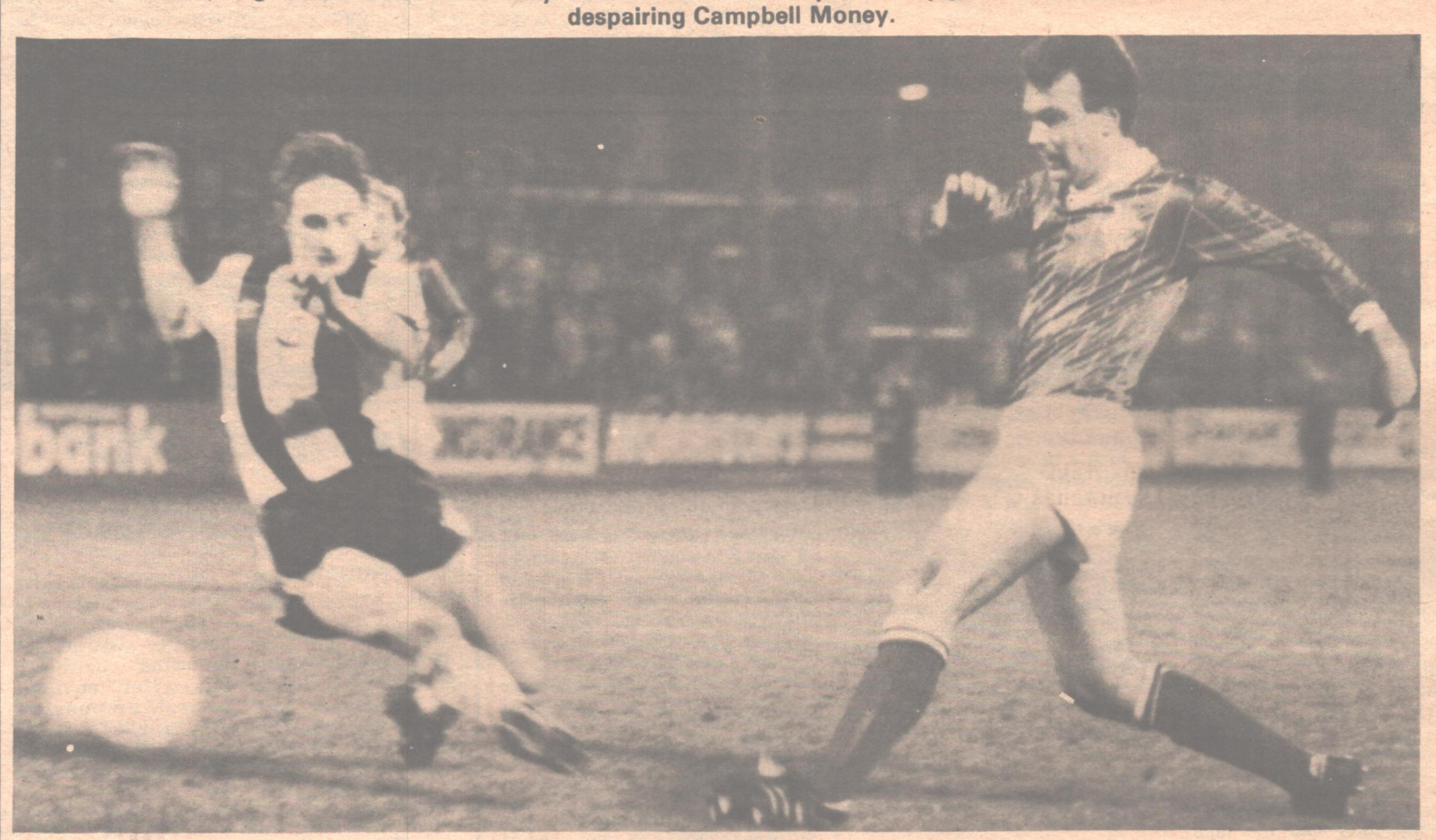
Jim Bett tells Jock Stein he is still desperate to play for Scotland, despite the fact that a blunder by his Belgian club, Lokeren, rules him out of the game against Northern Ireland. His club did not inform Stein as to whether he would be available.

LEAGUE CUP ACTION

A PERFECT



● COOL COOP . . . Easy does it as Davie Cooper calmly jinks his way past the despairing Campbell Money.



● THE WINNER . . . The Rangers winger slams the ball into the empty net as Derek Hamilton slides in too late.

St Mirren.... 0

Att. 5,446

Rangers..... 1

Cooper (74 mins)

RANGERS kept up their great League Cup record last Wednesday night with a solid, if uninspiring 1-0 win over St. Mirren.

Davie Cooper scored the only goal in a match that never rose above the height of mediocrity.

But, at least, the Light Blues did make it six wins out of six sectional ties, scoring 18 goals and conceding none.

To give credit to Rangers for their Love Street show, they did run for 90 minutes, earning Jock Wallace's praise for that alone. And with Alex Miller's men doing the same, there was at least some interest for the crowd.

Incidents

However, as far as goalmouth action went, incidents were few and far between. Campbell Money was the busier keeper, but Billy Thomson's young deputy had a fine game.

His handling was excellent as he constantly foiled Sandy Clark, Colin McAdam and David Mitchell at crosses and corners and he produced one excellent save from an Ian Redford diving header in the second half.

When the game's solitary goal did arrive, Money was completely blameless. David Cooper pounced on a blunder by his namesake Neil in the 74th minute and coolly rounded the keeper before slotting the ball home from eight yards.

Hope

One goal was always going to be enough to take the points and the Rangers fans can be happy enough with their favourites excellent record in this competition so far.

In addition to their eighteen goals without reply in their section matches, they scored eight goals earlier against Queen of the South, and that is good by any standards.

THERE IS EVERY REASON TO HOPE THAT JOCK WALLACE WILL HAVE HIS MEN IN TOP SHAPE WHEN THE SEMI-FINAL CLASHES WITH DUNDEE UNITED COME ALONG IN FEBRUARY.

For the moment, the St. Mirren match provided the Light Blues with their third game in a row without conceding a goal. That appears to indicate they are approaching the kind of consistency the club is searching for.

Midweek fact-file

ST. MIRREN: Money, Clarke, Hamilton, McCormack, Cooper, Winnie, Fitzpatrick, Jarvie, Alexander, McAvennie, Abercromby. Subs. Docherty (for McCormack, 59 min.); and Walker (for Jarvie, 73).

RANGERS: McCloy, Nicholl, Dawson, McClelland, McAdam, Redford, Russell, McPherson, Clark, Mitchell, Cooper. Subs. Mackay (for Clark, 62); and Prytz (for Russell, 73).

Referee: J. Duncan (Gorebridge), replaced by A. McNay (Dumfries).

Booked: McCormack (St. Mirren) and Redford (Rangers).

● Gorebridge referee Jim Duncan had a fine game interrupted last Wednesday night when he suffered a recurrence of an achilles tendon injury, forcing him to quit the action.

His senior linesman, Alex McNay from Dumfries, took over with the whistle and Cumbernauld official David Hannah was on hand to take over on the line.

How they finished

GROUP ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Dun U.	6	5	1	0	20	5	11
M'well	6	2	1	3	11	14	5
Alloa	6	2	1	3	10	15	5
Morton	6	1	1	4	7	14	3

GROUP TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Rangers	6	6	0	0	18	0	12
Hearts	6	2	2	2	9	9	6
Cldbk	6	1	2	3	6	14	4
St Mirrn	6	0	2	4	6	16	2

GROUP THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Abrdn	6	5	1	0	11	2	11
Dundee	6	3	2	1	8	4	8
M'bank	6	1	2	3	4	10	4
St Jstn	6	0	1	5	2	9	1

GROUP FOUR

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Celtic	6	3	3	0	13	3	9
Klmrk	6	3	1	2	9	6	7
Hibs	6	2	2	2	7	9	6
Airdrie	6	0	2	4	3	14	2

FINISH

Cooper keeps up unbeaten record



● NO LUCK . . . Colin McAdam is frustrated by Saints keeper Money.



● MISSED AGAIN . . . This time the ball eludes both Colin and John McCormack.



● PRICELESS MONEY . . . He's at it again as he rises above Sandy Clark to punch clear.



● HELD . . . It's safe again as Money clutches the ball with Sandy challenging.



● GOT IT THIS TIME . . . Derek Hamilton is down as Sandy Clark moves onto the ball.



● JUST IN TIME . . . Davie Mitchell is foiled in the first half by Derek Hamilton.

CLUB NOTES

PAISLEY ROAD WEST: Meeting on Friday, December 9. All members must attend. Bus v Motherwell leaves at 1.30. New and non members welcome. Anyone wishing to join — Friday 7.30-8.00 in Social Club.

JIMMY CLARK LOYAL: Bus v Motherwll leaves Loudon Bar at 2 p.m.

IAN REDFORD (STRATHKELVIN): Minibus leaves Kilsyth Road, Queenzieburn at 1.45 p.m. for Motherwell.

ERSKINE TRUE BLUES: Members are wanted for the newly formed club. Stops will include Bargarron, Parkmains and Inchinnan. Those interested contact Scott on 812-4422.

LONDON BRANCH: Next meeting will be in the "New Inn", Tottenham Court Road, on Friday, December 16 at 8 p.m. New members welcome.

HELEN STREET: Motherwell bus leaves Social Club at 1.15 p.m. Uplift dance tickets.

RENFREW LOYAL: Bus v Motherwell leaves Queens St. Orange Halls (Renfrew) at approx. 1.30 p.m. Non members welcome.

FAIFLEY TRUE BLUES: Mini-bus v Motherwell leaves Doublet Bar, Milldam Road, at 1.30. Non members welcome.

ST. ANDREW'S (DRUMCHAPEL): Bus v Motherwell leaves at 1.15 from Cloan Avenue. Seats non members. To arrange seats and pickup points around scheme phone 944-9179.

KINNING PARK LOYAL: Bus v Motherwell leaves 1 p.m. Note early departure. Non members welcome. Members clear dues. New members welcome. Further names and deposits now due Liverpool trip March 3. Phone Stuart 041 429 5578 or big Jim 041 427 1389 between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. for all details.

FIFE RED, WHITE AND BLUE: Bus v Motherwell leaves Dunfermline bus stance at 12.30 p.m., picking up at usual spots. New members welcome. Seats available. Phone Bruce 722476 for details.

WEST END TRUE BLUES: Bus v Motherwell leaves Kilbarchan, Paisley at 1.30 p.m.

IBROX LOYAL: No bus v Motherwell. Next bus Easter Road.

NITHSDALE: Bus v Motherwell leaves at 1.45 p.m. from Torrisdale Street, 2 p.m. from Devon Street.

ROSS-SHIRE: Bus v Ross County in Dingwall on Tuesday, December 13 leaves Tain at 6.15 p.m. To book seats phone Invergordon 853595 or 852512.

FIFE LOYAL: Bus v Motherwell leaves White Heather, Kirkcaldy at noon, pick up at Milton House, Burntisland and ex-servicemen's club, Rosyth. Raffle tickets to be returned by December 17.

PARTICK LOYAL: Motherwell leaves Merkland Street at 1.30 p.m. Seats non members. Phone K. MacLean for all details on 647 5198.

LINWOOD: Bus v Motherwell leaves social club (Napier Street) at 1 p.m. Non members welcome.





● A TIGHT SQUEEZE . . . but Sandy Clark manages to knock the ball home for the first goal with Bobby Russell looking on anxiously.



● HAPPY GATHERING . . . The Rangers players celebrate, but Roddy MacDonald and Walter Kidd don't share their joy.





● LEFT: COOL AS YOU LIKE . . . It's super Sandy once again as he lobs home number two.

● ABOVE: NOT AGAIN . . . Henry Smith looks on in despair and Sandy runs to acclaim his goal.



● NOT THIS TI
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BA ON RIG TRA

THE Christmas "spirit" cam early to Ibrox on Saturday and Rangers' display agains Hearts gives their suppo the promise of a cheerful fes tive season ahead.

The 3-0 win over the Tynecast men came from a performanc that typified the way Range teams used to play week in, wee out, under Jock Wallace.

The Light Blues have now gone fo games without conceding a goal a their forthcoming fixture list seems provide an ideal opportunity to ma up considerable leeway on the leadi pack in the Premier League.

Enthusiasm

AND SATURDAY CERTAINLY SU GESTED THEY WILL DO JUST THA Against Hearts Rangers players w such enthusiasm and commitment th victory was always in the air.

After Hearts had missed an ea chance through Donald Park, Rang took the lead in the 34th minute.

Ian Redford and Davie Cooper co ined to set up Bobby Russell with shooting chance and when his eff was blocked, Sandy Clark was nand to steer the ball home from yard out.

It was no more than Rangers served and in the second half, th

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ominance became almost complete. WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BE ORE THEY ADDED TO THEIR TALLY.

Bad

t was Sandy Clark, who was perpet l motion in a light blue jersey, who abbed his own and Rangers' second al in the 68th minute.
Always alert, the big centre forward ched onto a badly mis-timed pass ck by his former West Ham team ate, George Cowie, and calmly lob d the ball over Henry Smith from ght yards.
The welcome return to first team ac n of John MacDonald brought the ternoon to a highly satisfying enc hen the wee striker shot home from ght yards after a Davie Cooper shot d been blocked.

Merry

You couldn't ask for much more om Rangers — ALTHOUGH JOCK ALLACE PROBABLY WILL!
The goals went in, the midfield oked more alart and the defence ver looked likely to let in a goal.
It seems like Rangers fans could be for a merry little Christmas after al



● THIRD GOAL ON THE WAY . . . Walter Kidd is too late to stop Davie Cooper getting in a shot which was blocked by Henry Smith.



● A NICE WAY TO COME BACK . . . Substitute John MacDonald is on hand to slot home number three.



. Henry Smith manages to punch clear with Colin e Mitchell and David McPherson challenging.



● BEATEN . . . Roddy McDonald rises above David Mitchell, with Gary Mackay, Craig Levein and David McPherson also in the area.

How they lined up . . .

Scorers: Clark (34 and 68 mins), MacDonald (77 min). Attendance: 22,500.
RANGERS: McCloy, Nicholl, Dawson, McClelland, McAdam, Redford, Russell, Mitchell, Clark, McPherson, Cooper. Subs: Prytz (for McPherson 67 min) and MacDonald (for Mitchell 7).
HEARTS: Smith, Kidd, Cowie, Jardine, R. MacDonald, Levein, Bowman, Mackay, Bone, Robertson, Park. Subs: Johnston (for Park 67) and O'Connor (for Bone 76).
Referee: L. Thow (Ayr).
Booked: McAdam (Rangers); MacDonald, Cowie, Bone (Hearts).

Scoreboard



All the Scottish league tables

Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Aberdeen	15	12	1	2	41	8	25
Celtic	15	10	2	3	39	18	22
Dundee Utd	15	9	2	4	31	15	20
Hearts	15	6	4	5	17	19	16
St. Mirren	15	4	7	4	23	22	15
Hibernian	15	7	1	7	23	27	15
Dundee	15	6	2	7	22	27	14
Rangers	15	5	2	8	20	24	12
Motherwell	15	1	5	9	10	29	7
St. Johnstone	15	2	0	13	11	48	4

First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Partick	17	11	3	3	33	21	25
Morton	17	8	6	3	26	19	22
Dumbarton	17	8	6	3	26	19	22
Falkirk	17	10	2	5	25	19	22
Kilmarnock	17	9	2	6	26	22	20
Brechin	17	7	5	5	28	26	19
Clydebank	17	7	4	6	28	24	18
Airdrie	17	6	5	6	18	18	17
Hamilton	17	4	7	6	17	21	15
Clyde	17	4	5	8	20	21	13
Ayr	17	3	7	7	28	32	13
Meadowbank	17	4	4	9	14	30	12
Raith	17	3	5	9	17	29	11
Alloa	17	3	3	11	20	29	9

Second Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Forfar	17	12	4	1	33	14	28
Stirling A.	17	10	5	2	28	15	25
Q.O.S.	17	10	3	4	26	13	23
Berwick	17	7	5	5	26	17	19
Arbroath	17	8	3	6	26	20	19
Stranraer	17	6	6	5	24	21	18
East Fife	17	7	3	7	24	25	17
Stenhousemuir	17	7	3	7	21	25	17
Dunfermline	17	5	6	6	17	18	16
Queen's Park	17	6	3	8	23	27	15
Cowdenbeath	17	4	4	9	18	25	12
E. Stirling	17	4	3	10	18	29	11
Montrose	17	5	0	2	18	35	10
Albion R.	17	2	4	11	20	38	8

Premier Reserve League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Rangers	14	14	0	0	43	11	28
Dundee Utd	15	10	2	3	37	22	22
Celtic	14	8	2	4	38	20	18
Dundee	15	6	4	5	20	24	16
Aberdeen	14	6	2	6	25	19	14
St. Mirren	14	6	1	7	25	27	13
Hibernian	15	3	5	7	27	39	11
St. Johnstone	15	3	5	7	22	36	11
Motherwell	15	1	5	9	15	35	7
Hearts	15	1	4	10	14	31	6

Reserve League (West)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Motherwell	12	8	2	2	27	15	18
Ayr United	12	7	2	3	24	16	16
Dumbarton	11	6	3	2	29	20	15
Clyde	12	6	3	3	25	17	15
Airdrie	11	5	4	2	30	20	14
Hamilton	12	5	3	4	29	23	13
Clydebank	12	5	3	4	15	13	13
Celtic	8	4	1	3	8	1	9
Dunfermline	12	3	3	6	25	30	9
Queen's Park	12	3	2	6	19	29	8
Falkirk	12	3	1	8	17	29	7
Kilmarnock	11	2	2	7	10	21	6
Morton	11	1	3	7	7	25	5

Highland League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Keith	16	11	3	2	35	14	36
Caley	14	9	2	3	39	13	29
Elgin	15	9	2	4	29	15	29
Thistle	17	9	2	6	32	26	29
Peterhead	15	8	2	5	24	13	26
Buckie	16	7	5	4	42	39	26
Clach	15	7	3	5	31	31	24
Forres	17	7	3	7	34	36	4
Fraserburgh	17	6	3	8	34	38	21
Huntly	17	5	5	7	31	28	20
Nairn	15	5	4	6	34	29	19
Deveronvale	15	6	0	9	21	33	18
Brora	15	3	5	7	23	26	14
Ross Co.	16	3	5	8	30	39	14
Lossiemouth	16	4	2	10	14	45	14
Rothes	16	3	2	11	27	57	11

● Three points for a win.

1st XI scorers

Sandy Clark	23
Ally McCoist	20
John MacDonald	13
Robert Prytz	11
David Mitchell	6
David McPherson	6
Ian Redford	6
Bobby Russell	5
Davie Cooper	5
John McClelland	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	9
Andrew Kennedy	5
Billy Davies	6
Robert Fleck	5
Gordon Dalziel	4
Colin McAdam	4
John MacDonald	4
Billy Mackay	4
Kenny Black	4
Derek Johnstone	3
Gregor Stevens	2
David Mitchell	1
Derek Ferguson	1
Dougie Robertson	1
Craig Paterson	1
Ian Redford	1
Ally McCoist	1
Own goals	1

Weekend results

PREMIER LEAGUE

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

FIRST DIVISION

Alloa	0	Ayr Utd	0
Clydebank	3	Meadowbank	0
Falkirk	4	Hamilton	1
Kilmarnock	0	Clyde	1
Morton	3	Airdrie	2
Partick Thisle	2	Brechin	2
Raith	1	Dumbarton	3

SECOND DIVISION

Cowdenbeath	0	East Fife	0
E. Stirling	1	Queen of the South	0
Forfar	4	Berwick	1
Queens Park	2	Arbroath	1
Stenhousemuir	2	Dunfermline	1
Stirling Albion	3	Albion Rovers	1
Stranraer	2	Montrose	1

PREMIER RESERVE LEAGUE

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

HIGHLAND LEAGUE

Brora	0	Peterhead	2
Buckie	3	Rothes	2
Forres	2	Deveronvale	0
Fraserburgh	4	Lossiemouth	1
Keith	2	Elgin	1
Nairn	2	Clach	2

This week's games

TODAY

UEFA CUP

(Third round second leg)

CELTIC v NOTTINGHAM FOREST; TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR v BAYERN MUNICH; SPARTA PRAGUE v WATFORD: Anderlecht v Lens; Hajduk Split v Radnicki Nis: LOK Leipsig v Sturm Gras; Spartak Moscow v Sparta Rotterdam; Inter Milan v Austria Vienna.

SATURDAY

SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE

Celtic v Aberdeen; Dundee v Hibernian; Hearts v Dundee United; MOTHERWELL v RANGERS; St. Mirren v St. Johnstone.

SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE

Airdrie v Clyde; Alloa v Kilmarnock; Ayr United v Brechin; Clydebank v Partick; Dumbarton v Falkirk; Meadowbank v Hamilton; Morton v Raith Rovers.

SCOTTISH CUP

(1st round)

East Stirling v Stenhousemuir; Inverness Caley v Albion Rovers; Dalbeattie Star v Arbroath; Cowdenbeath v Vale of Leven; Elgin City v Queen's Park; Forfar Athletic v Spartans.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE

Birmingham City v Norwich; Coventry v Liverpool; Everton v Aston Villa; Ipswich v Manchester United; Leicester City v Wolverhampton; Notts County v Sunderland; Stoke v Luton; Tottenham Hotspur v Southampton; Watford v Nottingham Forest; West Bromwich v Queens Park Rangers; West Ham v Arsenal.

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO

Barnsley v Chelsea; Cardiff City v Blackburn; Fulham v Charlton; Grimsby v Oldham; Leeds United v Swansea; Manchester City v Sheffield Wednesday; Middlesbrough v Brighton; Newcastle United v Huddersfield; Portsmouth v Derby County; Shrewsbury Town v Cambridge United.

SUNDAY

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO

Crystal Palace v Carlisle

WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Hamburg v Gremio (Brazil)

TUESDAY (DECEMBER 13)

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP

Northern Ireland v Scotland.

Midweek results

MONDAY — SECOND XI CUP: Aberdeen 1, Hibernian 6; Ayr United 2, Hamilton 1; Falkirk 0, Celtic 3; Partick Thistle 3, Queen of the South 2. SCOTTISH RESERVE LEAGUE: Cowdenbeath 1, Forfar 1.

TUESDAY — SECOND XI CUP: Dundee United 3, Dunfermline 2; Queens Park 0, Clyde 4.

WEDNESDAY — LEAGUE CUP, SECTION ONE: Motherwell 0, Dundee United 3; Alloa 1, Morton 0. SECTION TWO: St Mirren 0, Rangers 1; Clydebank 0, Hearts 3. SECTION THREE: Dundee 1, Aberdeen 2; Meadowbank Thistle 0, St Johnston 0. SECTION FOUR: Airdrie 1, Hibernian 3; Kilmarnock 0, Celtic 1.

Latest 'Player of the Year' news

THE Rangers News/Clydesdale 'Player of the Year' table is starting to look like a one-horse race. John McClelland picked up his sixth vote of the season for his display against Hearts.

The Ibrox skipper also received Jock Wallace's nomination for the midweek match against St Mirren and now leads nearest challenger Sandy Clark by seven points.

Kenny Black won the man of the match nomination in the reserve match at Tynecastle.

The full tables are:

FIRST TEAM

John McClelland	18
Sandy Clark	11
Davie Cooper	8
Robert Prytz	5
David Mitchell	4
John MacDonald	3
Ally McCoist	3
Derek Ferguson	3
Colin McAdam	2
David McPherson	2
Jimmy Nicholl	2

Bookings: Redford (7), McPherson (4), MacKinnon (4), Clark (4), Prytz (4), Dawson (2), Mitchell (2), Paterson (2), Stevens, McCloy, Nicholl, Kennedy, McAdam.

SECOND TEAM

Hugh Burns	9
Andrew Kennedy	6
Andy Bruce	3
Robert Fleck	3
Kenny Black	3
Billy Davies	2
Scott-Fraser	1

Sent off: Kennedy, Davies. Bookings: Black (6), Fraser (5), Lyall (3), E. Ferguson (2), D. Ferguson, Bruce.

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Winning combinations: 12, 22, 28, 39 with one from 07, 17, 26, 33, 36, 42.

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Winning combinations, winners: 21, with four from 02, 12, 28, 30, 35.

POOL FOUR: 4 possibles, 31 goals, 3 winners each receive £333.33.

Winning combinations, winners: 02, 03, 12, 28, with one from 13, 16, 21, 31.

POOL FIVE: 70 possibles, 4 goals, 60 winners each receive £16.66.

Winning combinations, 05, with four from 08, 10, 11, 14, 15, 24, 43, 44.

POOL SIX: 2 possibles, 17 goals, 2 winners each receive £1000.

Winning combinations: 03, 04, 06, 29, with one from 20, 25.

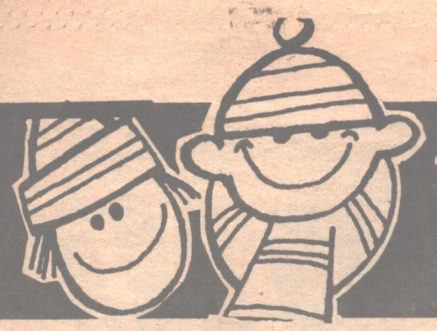
● The Golden Bonus was not won and now stands at £1800.

Saturday's Results

● FOLLOWING is the check for Saturday's results — Game 01—2-1; 02—5-3; 03—6-0; 04—3-0; 05—0-0; 06—3-0; 07—1-1; 08—1-0; 09—2-1; 10—0-1; 11—1-0; 12—3-3; 13—4-1; 14—0-1; 15—0-1; 16—3-2; 17—1-1; 18—1-2; 19—2-1; 20—2-0; 21—3-2; 22—2-2; 23—2-1; 24—1-0; 25—2-0; 26—1-1; 27—2-1; 28—3-3; 29—3-0; 30—0-3; 31—0-5; 32—3-1; 33—1-1; 34—3-1; 35—1-3; 36—1-1; 37—3-1; 38—1-2; 39—2-2; 40—0-2; 41—3-1; 42—1-1; 43—1-0; 44—1-0.

This week's numbers

● Team list for Saturday, December 10: 01, Barnsley; 02, Cardiff; 03, Chesterfield; 04, Darlington; 05, Celtic; 06, Dundee; 07, Birmingham; 08, Coventry; 09, Grimsby; 08, Coventry; 09, Grimsby; 10, Leeds; 11, Lincoln; 12, Millwall; 13, Hearts; 14, Motherwell; 15, Everton; 16, Ipswich; 17, Manchester City; 18, Middlesbrough; 19, Reading; 20, Scunthorpe; 21, St. Mirren; 22, Airdrie; 23, Leicester; 24, Notts County; 25, Newcastle; 26, Portsmouth; 27, Barrow; 28, Buxton; 29, Alloa; 30, Ayr; 31, Stoke; 32, Tottenham; 33, Gainsboro; 34, Shrewsbury; 35, Clydebank; 36, Dumbarton; 37, Watford; 38, West Brom; 39, Meadowbank; 40, Morton; 41, West Ham; 42, East Stirling; 43, Elgin City; 44, Norwich.



Young Rangers Club

Who was Charlton's great Dane?

Quick Quiz

1—Which club did Rangers play at Ibrox to launch their centenary year in 1973?
2—From which club did Gary Birtles leave to rejoin Nottingham Forest?
3—Which Scottish club are nicknamed the 'Terrors'?
4—Which two English clubs would be playing if Kevin O'Callaghan was fouled by Gordon Chisholm?
5—True or false — East Fife have won the League Cup three times?
6—Which two clubs were relegated from the Scottish First Division last season?
7—Which Scottish club play at Stair Park?
8—True or false — Kilmarnock played in the European Cup in the 1964-65 season?
9—For which Danish player did Charlton Athletic pay £250,000 in October 1982?
10—Which English Second Division side are nicknamed the 'Magpies'?

Programmes

WANTED: Rangers handbooks for any season. Will pay your price. M. Stuart, 10 Merrick Square, Trinity Street, London SE1, 4JB.

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Bag our goodies







Another super FREE contest

AS WE move into December, and with Christmas fast approaching, we are giving our readers the chance to win an early present.

We've got a real bag of goodies to give away to one of our members — which can be a Christmas present for yourself, or you can split the prize up and use them as gifts for your friends and relatives.

As usual, it's a free and easy to enter competition, open EXCLUSIVELY to our Young Rangers Club members.

Terrific

We are giving away a terrific Rangers holdall, with a scarf, a pair of gloves, a Rangers News annual, a calender and a Christmas card all inside.

All we want to know is the names of the players pictured left and the names of their current managers.

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

Decision

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

The closing date of the contest is December 21. PLEASE REMEMBER ONLY POSTCARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The Editor's decision is final in all matters.

Johnson wins wee 'Bud's' book

Contest Winners

IN ISSUE 618 of the "News" we offered a copy of the new Willie Johnston book as a prize.

All you had to do was name the club Willie Johnston played with before rejoining Rangers and also tell us Johnston's manager at West Bromwich Albion. He left Vancouver Whitecaps to come back to Scotland, and Ron Atkinson was the boss of West Brom when "Bud" played at the Hawthorns.

Malcolm Johnson (no relation!) from Alcheringa, Templand in Lockerbie, was the first correct entry pulled out of the competition drum and we hope he enjoys what is an interesting autobiography.

Programmes

WANTED: Playing for Rangers volumes 1-14. — Contact Ian Gilmour, 18 Park Farm Road, Feniscowles, Blackburn.
WANTED: Sew on patches (club crests); Press cuttings; programmes; match tickets; lapel badges; team photographs; stadium photographs; stickers (club crests); pennents; menu cards etc., from any team Rangers have played in European competitions. I will purchase any item. — Stephen Rothwell, 99 Forfar Road, Dundee DD4 9BS.
WANTED: The following match tickets: 1983-84 v FC Porto; v FC Porto (complimentary); 1978-79 Juventus v Rangers (EC); 1972 Rangers v Moscow Dynamo (ECWC Final). I will purchase any of the above tickets for your price (within reason). I will also purchase any other European ticket (home and away). — Stephen Rothwell, 99 Forfar Road, Dundee DD4 9BS.

PEN-PAL

WANTED: Female pen-pal from the Liverpool area, aged 19 or 20. Must be willing to swop football souvenirs. My hobbies are football and snooker and I support both Rangers and Liverpool. David Blyth, 60 Ward Street. Denbeath, Fife.

Happy birthday to our members

● The following Young Rangers Club members will celebrate a birthday in the coming week or will do so shortly.

NOVEMBER 12

GORDON TEMPLEMAN, 92 Huntsmoor Road, Tadley, near Basingstoke, Hants., who was one.

NOVEMBER 13

DEREK FRASER, 37 Norman Road, Newbold, Rugby, Warwickshire, who was 14.

TODAY (WEDNESDAY)

CRAIG RUTHERFORD, 6 Fauldswood Crescent, Paisley, who is ten
STEPHEN FOX, 35 Hillend Crescent, Glasgow, who is 15.
RONALD ROBERTSON, 31 Ross Road, Saltcoats, who is 14.
ALAN WADDELL, 9 Eilbank Street, Glasgow, who is 12.
ROBERT DAVIDSON, 7 Eden Court, Kilwinning, who is 17.
CHRISTOPHER KERSHAW, 1 Kennedy Court, Kilmarnock, who is ten.
DAVID BUCHANAN, 21 Allan Park, Kirkliston, who is 15.
LORRAINE SUMMERVILLE, 3 Dallowie Road, Patna, who is 14.
CARLA LILIEQUIST, 82 Cumming Drive, Glasgow, who is 11.
JASON CARTER, 402 Swellendam, 63 Troye Street, Pretoria, South Africa, who is 13.
STEPHEN LEWIS, 1 Ardmaleish Crescent, Glasgow, who is eight.



● GORDON TEMPLEMAN . . . aged one.



● CARLA LILIEQUIST . . . aged 11.



● DEREK FRASER . . . aged 14.

THURSDAY

WILLIAM HAY, 18 Skurray Street, Whyalla Hotrie, South Australia, who is 11.
NEIL HUNTER, 35 Ballycraig Road, Farne, County Antrim, who is 16.
LIAM LENNOX, 23 Rosegreen Crescent, Bellshill, who is four.
GRAHAM McKENZIE, Langlands Luncarty, Perth, who is 15.
JAMES WYLIE, 65 Duddingston Avenue, Kilwinning, who is eight.
ALAN BARR, 15 Cartland View, Lanark, who is 16.
STUART McLEAN, 32 Medlar Road, Cumbernauld, who is 16.
GRAHAM PATTERSON, 22 Logan Avenue, Newton Mearns, who is 15.
BRIAN MILLER, Nia-roo, East Main Street, Blackburn, who is 17.
STEVEN PARK, 57 Argyle Road, Saltcoats, who is 17.
MARK SCHULZ, 1 Guchan Drive, Glasgow, who is 16.
ANDREW MURRAY, 34 Strain Crescent, Airdrie, who is 13.
GEORGE McCANN, 30 Millock Street, Glasgow, who is 16.
ALEXANDER SIMPSON, 50 Back Dykes Terrace, Falkland, Fife, who is 12.
MARK BECCI, 107 Essex Drive, Glasgow, who is 13.
SCOTT DEVLIN, 64 Heatherstane Way, Irvine, who is seven.
KEVIN CLARK, 45 Low Shore, Macduff, who is 14.

FRIDAY

KEVIN McIVOR, 9 Dipple View, Kilbirnie, who is 15.
LESLEY McMILLAN, 82 Jamieson Gardens, Tillicoultry, who is 16.
STEVEN BLACKMORE, 3 Hurstmead Court, Edgware, who is five.
IAIN JONES, 36 Queens Drive, Hamilton, who is 12.
CRAIG ROWAN, "Cruachan," Reston, Eyemouth, who is six.
ALAN POPE, 87b Erskinefauld Road, Linwood, who is 12.
JOHN SYME, 19 Kingsland Terrace, Kelty, who is 15.
NEIL STRAITON, 28 Elmore Close, Coventry, who is ten.
SHAUN DAVIES, 1c Ferrier Crescent, Aberdeen, who is 13.
STEPHEN SCOTT, 5 Mearns Road, Glasgow, who is ten.
IAIN MacLEOD, 3 Bracelet, Bernea, Lewis, who is 15.
DAVID NICOL, 53 Cairnie Loan, Arbroath, who is 16.
NEAL WILSON, 27 Struan Gardens, Glasgow, who is 16.
CHRISTOPHER MacKINTOSH, 58 Mulambi Street, Chingola, Zambia, who is 11.
ROSS DOUGALL, 53 Cherry Heights, Cambuslang, who is 11.
DOUGLAS WILSON, 6 Brora Drive, Glasgow, who is 15.
COLIN O'HARA, 38 Park Moor, Erskine, who is ten.
DONALD MacMASTER, Glascorrie, Comrie, who is 16.
STEVEN BLACK, 17 Kingseat Drive, Tillicoultry, who is nine.
HENRY McKECHNIE, 6 Westwell, Brae Crescent, Hamilton, who is 14.
ALEXIS ROBERTSON, 11/5 Fountainwell Avenue, Glasgow, who is 16.
ALISTAIR MacINNES, 6 Dun Innes, Kirkibost, Bernera, Lewis, who is eight.
JASON WILLIAMS, 45 Lochend Road, Glasgow, who is 11.

SATURDAY

JAMIE MUIR, 12 Loch Earn Way, Whitburn, who is eight.
ROSS McDOUGALL, 22 Letterickhills Crescent, Halfway, Cambuslang, who is 11.

SUNDAY

WILLIAM THOMSON, 21 Mannering Road, Paisley, who is two.
SCOTT KELLY, 111 Coast Road, Wainuiomata, Wellington, New Zealand, who is 14.
COLIN McWILLIAM, 84 Monteith Drive, Glasgow, who is 13.
KENNETH CAMPBELL, 120 Netherhouse Place, Glasgow, who is 12.
MICHAEL HALL, 10 Cotlaws, Kirkliston, who is nine.
MARTIN MURPHY, The Bungalow, Benrinnes, Aberdour, who is 12.
STUART BROCK, 183 Millroad, Halfway, Cambuslang, who is 12.
SCOTT McCULLOCH, 17 Glenalla Road, Maybole, who is 15.
DAVID MITCHELL, 54 Corlaich Avenue, Glasgow, who is 14.
SCOTT McLACHLAN, 26 Errogie Street, Glasgow, who is 14.
JOHN DODDS, 3 George Place, Peebles, who is two.
LEE CASARU, 19 Woodland Walk, Lossiemouth, who is 13.
LYNDSEY MURRAY, 1 Lysander Way, Renfrew, who is eight.
LAWRENCE MAINNIE, 17-3 Greendykes Terrace, Edinburgh, who is two.

MONDAY

DAVID NEWLANDS, 478 Keppochil Road, Glasgow, who is 11.
JUDITH SUTHERLAND, Rose Cottage, Ladys Loch, Brora, who is 17.
WILLIAM DONNACHIE, 194 Sutherland Drive, Kilmarnock, who is 13.
COLIN CRAIG, 73 Tourhill Road, Kilmarnock, who is 14.
TERRY SMITH, 14 Lordburn Place, Forfar, who is 15.
MICHAEL JACKSON, 200 Braid Road, Edinburgh, who is 13.
NEIL SHAW, 14 Newton Street, Stornoway, Lewis, who is 17.
LEE BOAL, 18 York Way, Renfrew, who is 17.
KENNETH INGRAM, 67 Jerviston Road, Motherwell, who is 15.
SUSAN OWENS, 20 Scape Street, Glasgow, who is 15.
FRANCIS BOWMAN, 19 Coyle Crescent, Ayr, who is 17.
SCOTT WALKER, 89 Deepark, Sauchie, who is 15.
NEIL BUCHANAN, 128 Cedar Drive, Cumbernauld, who is 16.
ARCHIE JAMIESON, 32 Auld Kirk Road, Halfway, Cambuslang, who is 17.
MICHAEL CRUIKSHANK, 17/6 Pilton Circus, Edinburgh, who is 11.

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● The names of ten teams who have won the European Cup-Winners' Cup are hidden in the square below. See if you can spot them. The names are hidden horizontally, vertically, diagonally or back to front. Answers on back page.

A	C	H	E	L	S	E	A	D	V	R	C
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LIGHT BLUE LOOK BACK

SWEET AND SOUR



● COOL IT . . . That could be the message from referee Hugh Alexander to Derek Johnstone, Roddy MacDonald and Andy Lynch during the League Cup semi-final in 1978. (Picture by George Ashton).

Rangers crash in league — but win League Cup semi

THIS WEEK in 1978 brought mixed fortunes for Rangers as they hit the depths in the Premier League, then turned on the style to reach the League Cup Final.

Saturday, December 9, saw the Light Blues travel to Tannadice to face Dundee United, the pace-setters in the Top Ten. It proved a disappointing day for the Ibrox support in the 15,247 crowd.

United took the lead after only three minutes. A free-kick from Graeme Payne eluded the Rangers defence and David Dodds rose to nod the ball past Peter McCloy.

United never allowed Rangers to get themselves together and in the 20th minute it was 2-0. George Fleming played a superb one-two with Paul Sturrock and blasted the ball home from about 14 yards.

And with eight minutes of the match left, Rangers despair was complete. Derek Johnstone fouled John Holt inside the box and David Narey stepped up to strike the spot-kick home.

The line-ups:
DUNDEE UNITED: McAlpine, Stewart, Stark, Fleming, Hegarty, Narey, Dodds, Sturrock, Holt, Payne, Kirkwood. Sub: Addison (for Payne).
RANGERS: McCloy, Forsyth, Dawson, Jardine, Jackson, MacDonald, McLean, Russell, Johnstone, Smith, Cooper. Subs: Watson (for Russell) and Parlane (for Cooper).

Unbeaten

In the other Premier League matches, Celtic and Aberdeen drew 0-0 at Parkhead, Hibs drew 2-2 at home to Motherwell, Partick Thistle beat Morton 2-1 at Firhill and St Mirren won 4-0 at home against Hearts.

Rangers reserves beat Dundee United 3-1 at Ibrox with goals from Eric Morris (2) and Chris Robertson.

Wednesday, December 13, was League Cup semi-final day and Rangers made the short journey to Hampden for what turned out to be a bruising, exciting battle with Celtic.

The Parkhead side took the lead in the 10th minute. Tommy Burns passed to Johnny Doyle and the Parkhead winger stepped up to slam the ball past Peter McCloy.

5 Years Ago

Sixteen minutes later though, Rangers were back on level terms. Davie Cooper was tripped inside the box by Johannes Edvaldsson and the referee pointed to the penalty spot.

Protest

Tommy Burns was given his marching orders for protesting too much at the decision and Sandy Jardine stepped up to steer the ball past Roy Baines and into the net.

The score remained at 1-1 until 20 minutes of the second half had gone. Roy Aitken created the opening for Tom McAdam to shoot Celtic into a 2-1 lead.

Things looked bleak for Rangers and it got worse when Alex Miller was sent for an early bath for a second bookable offence. But, with ten minutes of the game left, the Light Blues equalised again.

The ball bobbed around in the Celtic penalty area following a corner and came out to Colin Jackson. The big defender didn't connect properly but his shot sneaked past Roy Baines.

That was 2-2 and the score was the same when the whistle blew at the end of 90 minutes. That signalled 30 minutes of nailbiting extra-time for the 49,432 fans inside Hampden.

There was only one goal scored — and although it came from the boot of a Celtic player, it set the RANGERS fans singing and dancing with delight and put the Light Blues into the final!

It was all a bit messy as Derek Johnstone broke clear, was challenged by Roy Baines and then saw the ball run into the path of Celtic substitute Jim Casey, who prodded it into his own net.

The line-ups:
CELTIC: Baines, Filippi, Lynch, Aitken, MacDonald, Edvaldsson, Provan, Conroy, McAdams, Burns, Doyle. Sub: Casey (for Conroy).
RANGERS: McCloy, Miller, Dawson, Jardine, Jackson, MacDonald, McLean, Russell, Johnstone, Watson, Cooper. Sub: Smith (for Cooper).

In the other semi-final, Aberdeen defeated Hibs 1-0. Their winner also came in extra time from full-back Stuart Kennedy.

Motherwell finally found their man, meanwhile. After Bertie Auld announced his intention to stay at Firhill with Patrick Thistle, the Fir Park board appointed Ally McLeod from Ayr as their new boss.

A strike threat was threatening the BBC's Christmas programme schedules. Meanwhile, topping the ratings were Star Trek (BBC 1), Butterflies (BBC 2) and The Muppet Show (STV).

Boney M went to number one in plenty of time for Christmas with 'Mary's Boy Child.'

How they stood

1978

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Dundee Utd	16	7	6	3	22	14	20
Partick Th	16	8	3	5	18	15	19
Aberdeen	16	6	6	4	28	16	18
Celtic	16	7	4	5	25	19	18
St. Mirren	16	7	3	6	19	15	17
Rangers	16	4	8	4	16	15	16

1958

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Rangers	16	9	5	2	53	26	23
Hearts	16	10	3	3	54	27	23
Airdrie	16	11	1	4	37	26	23
Motherwell	15	8	6	1	44	20	22
Dundee	16	8	4	4	32	25	20
Aberdeen	16	8	1	7	37	27	17

1933

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Motherwell	21	18	3	0	52	18	39
Rangers	20	16	2	2	64	20	34
Aberdeen	21	11	4	6	52	30	26
Ayr Utd	21	10	6	5	54	58	26
Hearts	19	9	6	4	43	25	24
Kilmarnock	21	10	4	7	45	38	24

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SUPER JIMMY

ANOTHER sparkling display from super Jimmy Smith set Rangers on the road to victory against Queen's Park at Ibrox this week in 1933.

The big striker scored twice in the Light Blues' 4-0 win over the amateurs and took his total for the season to 29, three ahead of Ayr's Terry McGibbon at the top of the scoring charts.

Rangers took the lead in the third minute when Alex Venters slipped a great pass through the middle for Jimmy Smith to run on and slam the ball past his namesake in the Queen's goal.

Break

Thirteen minutes later, it was 2-0 to Rangers. A brilliantly placed pass from defence by David Meiklejohn fell into the path of Jimmy Smith and he blasted the ball home from 14 yards.

The Light Blues all but tied the game up in the 31st minute when Bob McPhail rose above the Hampden defence to head home a Billy Nicholson cross from the left.

50 Years Ago

Only one more goal was added after the break. In the 59th minute, Bob McPhail was brought down just outside the box and David Meiklejohn found the net with a fine free-kick which left keeper Smith helpless.

The line-ups:
RANGERS: Dawson, Gray, McDonald, Meiklejohn, Simpson, Craig, Main, Venters, Smith, McPhail, Nicholson.
QUEEN'S PARK: Smith, Stewart, Walker, Gardiner, Lyon, Grant, Hosie, Anderson, McLelland, Fitzgerald, Browning.

Motherwell still led the first Division after their 5-2 win over Ayr United at Fir Park with Aberdeen moving into third place behind Rangers after a 0-0 draw with Hearts at Tynecastle.

Kilmarnock defeated Clyde by the only goal of the game at Shawfield and Dundee won 3-2 against Celtic at Dens Park. In the Alliance League, Rangers reserves drew 0-0 with Kilmarnock at Rugby Park.

Mark

In England, Arsenal led the First Division by a point from Spurs, despite losing 3-0 to Sunderland at Roker Park. Spurs won 3-2 at White Hart Lane against Birmingham City.

In midweek, former Rangers striker Sam English was on the mark, scoring a hat-trick for Liverpool as they beat the Austrian national side 4-2 at Anfield.

The draw was made for the first round of the Scottish Cup and Rangers came out of the hat with a home

TABLE TOPPERS

25 Years Ago

Hearts crushed as Light Blues hit great form

RANGERS leap-frogged to the top of the league this week in 1958 after producing an incredible first half display to crush champions Hearts at Ibrox.

At 3 p.m. on the afternoon of Saturday, December 13, the Tynecastle men were two points ahead of the Light Blues —but they were devastated as Rangers cruised to a 5-0 win.

All the goals came in an amazing first half. Rangers took the lead after only three minutes. Ian McMillan swerved past John Cumming, played a one-two with Alex Scott and shot for goal. His effort was blocked, but Ralph Brand followed up to score from a yard out.

In the 11th minute, it was 2-0. Andy Matthew flew past Kirk on the left wing and his superb cross from the byeline was stuck away by Max Murray from close range.

Great

Hearts did not know what had hit them and six minutes later, they were 3-0 down. Alec Stevenson flighted over a free-kick and Max Murray rose to head home from 12 yards.

The Rangers centre-forward was having a great afternoon and only six minutes later he grabbed his hat-trick. This time Max headed home an Andy Matthew cross to make it 4-0.

The Light Blues were simply in a different class as they swarmed down on the bewildered champions with attack after attack and in the 34th minute, it was 5-0 for Rangers.



● MAX MURRAY . . . hat-trick hero.

This time, the goal was created on the right wing, Alex Scott's inch-perfect cross being cooly headed past Brown in the Hearts goal by Ralph Brand.

Hearts managed to pull themselves together in the second half and prevent Rangers from making it a real massacre, but the 60,000 crowd were left talking for a long time about that blistering first 45 minutes.

The line-ups:
RANGERS: Niven, Shearer, Caldow, Davis, Telfer, Stevenson, Scott, McMillan, Murray, Brand, Matthew.

HEARTS: Brown, Kirk, Thomson, Bowman, Robertson, Cumming, Young, Murray, Bauld, Wardhaugh, Crawford.

The win put Rangers one-25th of a goal clear at the top of the league, ahead of Hearts and Airdrie, who defeated St. Mirren 4-2 at Broomfield.

Locked

Motherwell were still in touch after their 4-0 win over Aberdeen at Pittodrie but Dundee lost ground with a 2-1 defeat at Dunfermline. At Parkhead, Celtic beat Stirling Albion 7-3.

South of the border, three teams were locked on 27 points at the top of the First Division. West Brom beat Chelsea 4-0 at the Hawthorns to lead on goal average from Arsenal and Bolton.

Rangers' reserves went down 5-2 at Tynecastle to Hearts' reserves in a league match.

Scotland's 17-year-old swimming sensation, Ian Black, hit the headlines when he was awarded the BBC's Sports Personality of the Year award in London for his medal-winning achievements.

Making the news in Scotland was the Glasgow Transport Corporation's warning that bus services looked likely to be cut if their present economic situation continued.

Sack

News emerged from Moscow that the notorious Ivan Serov, head of the Russian security forces and known worldwide as 'Ivan The Terrible' had been given the sack.

The Transatlantic air record for New York to London was broken by a Boeing 707. The plane made the journey in five hours, 41 minutes at an average speed of 640 miles per hour.

Lord Rockingham's XI still topped the charts with 'Hoots Mon', but Conway Twitty moved up from three to two with 'It's Only Make Believe'. Tommy Edwards dropped to three with 'It's All In The Game'.

Audie Murphy and Gia Scala were the stars of 'Ride A Crooked Trail' showing at the Scala cinema and you could bop to the Teddy Foster Orchestra at the Playhouse Ballroom.

The government released the latest unemployment figures for Britain, which showed a total of 550,000 people on the dole queue.

— AGAIN

tie against little Blairgowrie, Celtic were drawn away to Dalbeattie Star.

Away from football, Scotland was suffering from Nessie hysteria as excitement grew over the sighting of the Loch Ness Monster the week before. One man even offered to act as human bait for the beast!

Censored

Spain hit the headlines as anarchy ruled the streets in riots all over the country. Details of the rebellion were few as the state police censored news stories coming out.

In London, there were scenes of mayhem at the Albert Hall as hundreds of people were turned away from a concert. The reason for the interest was 16-year-old violinist Yehudi Menuhin.

An unusual tale from London concerned a restaurant which had been taken over by ex-convicts trying to go straight. THEY SAID IT WAS EASIER TO DO SOME "HONEST OVER-CHARGING".

There was good news for Britain's industry. Despite the level of unemployment still remaining very high, the country's trade exports were up by £4 million.

Sales

It was reported that 2,000 were undergoing military training in China. One newspaper columnist suggested that the orientals were getting them ready to send over for the January sales!

Douglas Fairbanks Junior and Patricia Ellis were starring in 'The Narrow Corner' showing at the Regal Cinema, or you could listen to an adaption of 'Julius Ceasar' on National Radio.

Late burst stuns Hearts

AT THE same time as their first team colleagues were rattling three goals past Hearts at Ibrox, the Reserves were doing likewise at Tynecastle.

But, unlike their teammates, the Reserves had to wait until the last five minutes before getting the goals which gave them the points.

"It was hard," said second team coach John Hagart after the match, "but we eventually wore Hearts down and deserved the points. It was all Rangers in the second half and just when it looked like we were not going to score, we took the lead and that was always going to be enough."

Hearts .....0 Rangers.....3

It was Ally McCoist who broke the deadlock with a good goal, in the 85th minute, worked from a Rangers throw-in Ally burst onto the ball in the inside right position and from 16 yards fired a good low shot past the goalkeeper.

Involved

Then, two minutes later, an excellent run by Kenny Lyall sent Kenny Black clear. His cross from the bye-line was superbly dummied by Ally McCoist and Billy Davies came running in to crash a fierce drive into the net from the edge of the penalty box.

McCoist was also involved in the third goal in the 89th minute, working a neat one-two with Billy Mackay and his cross was fired home from eight yards by substitute Eric Ferguson.

"I thought the whole team worked hard, but I was particularly pleased with Kenny Black and Craig Paterson. Kenny was our best young player and Craig showed a great appetite for the game. His attitude was first class," added John Hagart.

RANGERS: Bruce, MacKinnon, Lyall, Burns, Paterson, Black, Mackay, D. Ferguson, Kennedy, McCoist, Davies. Subs: Fleck (not used), E. Ferguson (for Kennedy 60).

KALE DEALS FIR PARK A BLOW!

RANGERS Amateur Boys Club emerged victorious from their top-of-the-table clash with Fir Park at the Albion recently.

Both sides were undefeated in the Scottish Under-15 League and the match lived up to all expectations as the Ibrox youths were given their sternest test for a long time.

Said secretary Bobby Dinnie: "It was a great game, played in a fine competitive spirit and superbly handled by the referee, Gordon Smith. I think everyone enjoyed it."

Snatched

After a spell of initial pressure by Fir Park, Rangers snatched a crucual lead in the fourth minute. The ball came to Kale Jeffrey from a corner and the defender's shot was deflected into the net.

"That gave us the confidence we needed and we settled down. They had loooked dangerous until then and it was a very important goal for us."

And ten minutes into the match, Rangers got what proved to be the final and decisive goal of the match. Gary Robertson ran onto a through ball from Jim Harvey, rounded the keeper and slotted the ball home.

Break

Rangers were the dominant side for the rest of the game, with Fir Park looking dangerous on the break but in the end it was the Light Blues who remained undefeated.

RANGERS: (4-3-3): Crawford, Harvey, Buchanan, Jeffrey, Thomson; Gray, Miller, McPherson; Robertson, Tierney, Byrne.

● In the second round of the Scottish Cup, Rangers have been drawn against Airdrie Boys Club., It is a home tie, to be played on December 17, with the venue still to be decided.

Rangers..... 2 Fir Park 0

SCOTTISH AMATEUR UNDER-15 LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Rangers	7	7	0	0	43	2	14
Fir Park	6	5	0	1	20	2	10
Burnbank	6	5	0	1	34	8	10
Hamilton	6	4	1	1	15	13	9
Bishopton	7	2	2	3	15	24	6
Possil YMCA	4	2	1	1	10	3	5
Ayresome	5	2	1	2	8	13	5
Aberdeen	6	2	1	3	15	25	5
East Ayrshire	6	1	2	3	11	19	4
Glasgow Ams	6	1	2	3	7	15	4
Barrhead	7	2	0	5	10	20	4
Kilmarnock	4	1	1	2	10	16	3
Clarkston	7	0	2	5	7	25	2
Valspar	5	0	1	4	7	26	1

THE following Premier League footballers all celebrate a birthday in the coming week:
● BRIAN McCLAIR of Celtic is 20 on Thursday.
● KEVIN HOGGAN of St. Johnstone is 19 on Friday.
● ANDY BRANNIGAN of St. Johnstone is 24 on Saturday.

★Star Birthdays★

● ALLY BRAZIL of Hibernian is 25 on Saturday.
● DAVE BEAUMONT of Dundee United is 20 on Saturday.
● HUGH BURNS of Rangers is 18 on Tuesday.

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FERGIE COULD SOLVE JOCK'S PROBLEM!

RANGERS missed out on the services of one million pound striker Ian Wallace — but the answer to Jock Wallace's goalscoring problems may well lie in the Ibrox reserves!

If you take quick look at the second eleven scoring charts, you will see the name of Eric Ferguson at the top with nine goals.

And, when you make a closer study of the 18-year-old's season so far, it makes his total seem very impressive indeed — as Eric has only made four full appearances.

In addition, all of his goals have come in games when he came on as a substitute — two each against Troon, St. Johnstone, Dundee United and then another double two Saturdays ago against the Perth side again. Plus, of course, one against Hearts at the weekend.

Better

"Considering the amount of football I have played this season, my total is better than I could really hope," says Fergie.

"Last season, I was plagued by injuries, which stopped me getting a regular game. At the start of this season I told Bob Findlay he wouldn't be seeing much of me in his treatment room.

"That's been true but it hasn't helped me get a game every week which has been very frustrating. Especially as I feel fitter than I have done for a long time and my sharpness has improved.

"I have been able to

He's scored nine goals — all as a substitute!

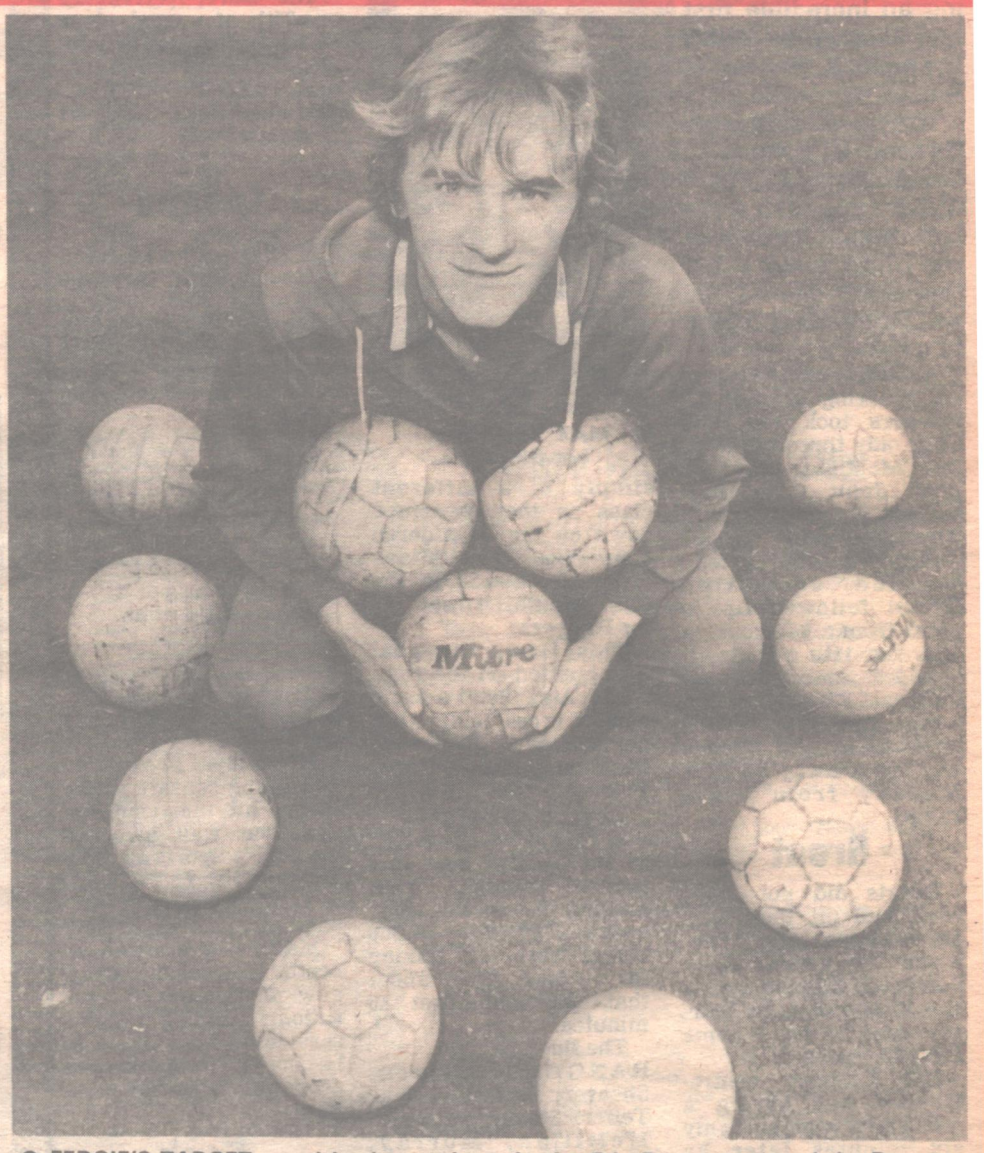
maintain that, even though I'm not getting a regular game, through extra sprint work at Ibrox some afternoons.

"Stuart Hogg added two or three yards to my pace and I hope that sprint work is something I will be able to continue to do, even though Stuart has now left.

"I'm feeling a lot happier now. I have got a chance to show the new managerial team what I can do and already I have been really impressed with John Hagart.

"He has pointed out several aspects of my game to me which need improving which I never realised and I'll be a better player for it. I spent some extra time last week working on my close control which has to be improved.

"I'm looking forward to the rest of the season in a much better frame of mind now. All I want is a regular run in the reserves — then it's up to me to prove I'm worth a chance in the first team."



● FERGIE'S TARGET . . . It's nine goals so far for Eric Ferguson — and the Rangers striker is looking for a hat-trick soon.

TV and radio

Television

TODAY (WEDNESDAY) (BBC2 3 p.m.) —Live coverage of the draw for the World Cup.
FRIDAY — SPORTS EXTRA (STV 6.30 p.m.): The familiar faces of Graham Stuart and Arthur Montford preview tomorrow's big game.
SPORTSTIME (BBC 6.40) — Desmond Lynam with the BBC presentation of the fixtures.
SATURDAY. FOOTBALL FOCUS (BBC 12.20 p.m.) — Bob Wilson looks back at the midweek games and forward to the big games today.
ON THE BALL (STV 12.50) — Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves look at the day's football.
SPORTSCENE (BBC 9.55 p.m.): Dougie Donnelly introduces the action with Archie McPherson providing the commentary.
SUNDAY — SCOTSPORT (STV 4.30 p.m.) — Arthur Montford and Graham Stuart introduces the action.

Radio

WEDNESDAY (RADIO 2) — Live coverage of a UEFA Cup 3rd Round tie, and news of other games played tonight.
RADIO SCOTLAND (8 p.m.) — David Francey on the Celtic v Nottingham Forest UEFA cup-tie, and news of the rest.
RADIO CLYDE (8 p.m.). EUROPEAN SCOREBOARD SPECIAL — Coverage of all sport in Scotland including one of the UEFA Cup ties being played.
SATURDAY (RADIO CLYDE 11 a.m.) —Paul Cooney previews the afternoon action.
SATURDAY (RADIO CLYDE 2.03 p.m.) —The usual commentary team bring you all the sporting action. Open Line at 5.30 p.m. when you can ask your questions.
RADIO CLYDE (8.0 p.m.) SPORTSBRIEF — Paul Cooney with a summary of the day's sporting news.
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IRISH WILL BE TOPS —says big John

NEXT Tuesday Scotland and Northern Ireland shrug aside their respective European Championship disappointments when they face each other in Belfast.

The 91st meeting between the countries will see the start of what may well be the last ever British Championship — and what both Jock Stein and Billy Bingham will regard as the beginning of their World Cup preparations.

Wrong

For Rangers skipper John McClelland and his Northern Ireland team-mates, it is another chance to prove to Scotland and England just how wrong they were to pull out of international football's oldest competition.

The Light Blues captain said: "We have already shown, along with Wales, that England and Scotland aren't necessarily the top teams in Britain. Our European Championship form proves that.

"But if this is to be, as seems likely, the last tournament with the four home nations, then it gives us an ideal opportunity to show that we are the best.

"We know what we are capable of and I think we have a great chance of winning the championship. It's good to have the first game at home and we have a good record against Scotland recently.

Force

"After our results in the European Championship, it should be a good night with a good crowd at Windsor Park. Our support is really like an extra man when they turn up in force and that has played a big part in our success at home.

"One of our aims when we warm up for the World Cup will be to improve our form away from home and we know we can do that after our result in West Germany."



● JOHN McCLELLAND

Quiz Answers

QUIZ: 1, Ajax. 2, Manchester United. 3, Dundee United. 4, Ipswich v Sunderland. 5, True — 1947, 1949 and 1953. 6, Dunfermline, Queen's Park. 7, Stranraer. 8, False. It was 1965-66. 9, Allan Simonsen. 10, Newcastle United.
WORD SQUARE: Spurs, Rangers, Aberdeen, Barcelona, Chelsea, Anderlecht, West Ham, AC Milan, SV Hamburg, Valencia.

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