

# RANGERS NEWS

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# HAPPY FAMILIES!

**New scheme to help Ibrox fans**

**Supporters can also voice views**

RANGERS are to introduce a new scheme later this month which they hope will encourage more families to attend matches at Ibrox.

The Light Blues are to make a section of the Main Stand available only to families and, depending on the success of the venture, larger areas can be reserved for parents and their children if necessary.

**Home draw for Colts**

● RANGERS have been given a home draw in the second round of the Second Eleven Cup. The Light Blues reserves will play Motherwell at Ibrox.

The full draw is: Dundee v Cowdenbeath; Hearts v Dundee United; Hibs v Dunfermline; St. Mirren v Partick Thistle; Rangers v Motherwell; Clyde v Queen's Park; Celtic or Stranraer v Falkirk or Hamilton; Queen of the South v Kilmarnock. Ties to be played on or before February 2.

**Cash at Dundee**

IT IS cash at all turnstiles for Saturday's game against Dundee at Dens Park. Prices are: Seated enclosure £2.10 (£1 for boys); East Enclosure £2 (£1 for boys); Wing Stand £3.50 (£1.50 for boys); Centre Stand £4 (£2 for boys). Adult and child gates will be in operation.

British Rail are organising a football special to Dens Park for that match. The train will leave Glasgow Queen Street at 12.04 and arrive in Dundee at 13.45.

It returns from Dundee at 17.25, arriving in Queen Street at 19.29. The second class fare is £4 for adults and £2 for juveniles.

The new scheme, which will be introduced on January 12 for the match against Hibs, will run for the rest of the season in all League and Cup games and fans will also be asked to put forward their own suggestions for improving the facilities provided.

**Limit**

"After a few weeks, we will hand out questionnaires to all those who use the family section. Apart from the questions we draft, there will also be space for the fans' own comments," said secretary Campbell Ogilvie.

"If the suggestions are viable, we will put them into operation as soon as we can."

The new scheme will operate like this:

● Fans will buy tickets in advance or on the day of the match from the ticket office.

● Initially, there will be space for 450 spectators.

● There will be no limit to the size of a family and OAPs can count as part of the family group.

● No unaccompanied children or adults will be admitted to the family section.

Rangers are also hoping they will be able to have the scheme sponsored and this would enable them to introduce free gifts to those using the family section.

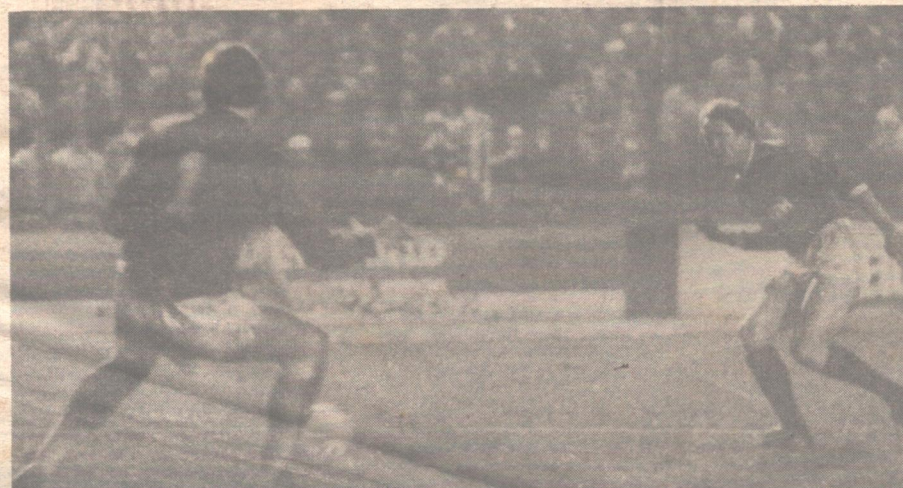
Prices for the section will be decided this Friday (January 4).

**Your 'News'**

● Due to production difficulties, we regret that this week's 'News' has had to be curtailed to an eight page issue.



● **STRETCHING OUT . . .** Davie Mitchell sticks out a leg to win this battle for possession with Celtic's Paul McStay in last weekend's 1-1 draw. More 'Old Firm' action on centre pages.



● **GOALWARD BOUND . . .** Substitute Davie Mitchell scores the Light Blues' third goal in the 66th minute of Saturday's match against Dumbarton at Boghead. More pictures and match slant on page 2.

**'Old Firm' fans raise cash for charity**

ON THE DAY that Rangers and Celtic faced each other, nine 'Old Firm' fans yesterday united to help raise money for charity.

Four supporters from Port Glasgow 808 Club and five from the Greenock Rangers Supporters Club walked the 22 miles from Port Glasgow to Ibrox and raised the magnificent sum of £1,800.

Harry Hyslop, Billy Anderson, Joe Donachie and George Eaton from the 808 Club and Tommy Wilson, Andy Wilson, John McGowan, Alan Buchan and Alex McFern from Greenock were the nine men and they handed over the cash before the start of yesterday's big match.

The money raised will go towards the Paul Raftery Brain Scan Fund, which is responsible for raising money for Yorkhill Children's Hospital in Glasgow.

So far, they have collected more than £225,000 and reaching the next target of another £25,000 will enable the fund to buy ancillary equipment for the brain scan unit and computer they have already provided.

**Mac plays against Rangers**

FORMER Rangers' skipper, John McClelland, will face some of his ex-Ibrox team-mates on Sunday, January 13 at Fir Park.

The Watford defender has agreed to play for Motherwell against an Old Firm Select side in Joe Wark's Benefit Match.

● Rangers' newest schoolboy signing, John Spencer, was among 32 hopeful players at final trials in Largs last week looking for places in the Scottish Schoolboys under-15 side. John plays with Rangers Amateurs Under-14 side.



● A TURN FOR THE BETTER . . . Dumbarton keeper Gordon Arthur can't reach Ted McMinn's bending corner shot which put the Light Blues 2-1 up.



● SUPER COOP . . . Davie Cooper (hidden) scores Rangers fourth and final goal at Boghead in the 74th minute.

# LIGHT BLUES ROCK SONS!

RANGERS picked the best possible time to record their best away win of the season and haul themselves right back into the title race. With Aberdeen and Celtic both slipping up, the Light Blues' exciting 4-2 success over Dumbarton was all the more significant and satisfying.

The Ibrox men certainly deserve all the praise that's going their way.

It was an excellent attacking display and when you consider that it was the first time Dumbarton have conceded more than two goals in the league this season, you realise just how impressive a result it is.

## Annoyed

Manager Jock Wallace was annoyed at the way his side lost two second half goals but in the end they didn't really matter.

After taking time to settle, Rangers gradually took control of the match in midfield and took a vital lead in the 33rd minute. Derek Ferguson found Iain Ferguson in space just inside the box and the striker turned and hit a powerful low shot into the corner of the net, a goal that will have done his confidence the world of good.

## Lethal

That was lethal finishing — the second goal six minutes later was astonishing finishing.

Ted McMinn, who turned in a fantastic display, took a corner on the left and bent it

Dumbarton.....2  
Rangers .....4

straight into the net. Dumbarton keeper Gordon Arthur was only one of 8,000 dumbfounded people in Boghead.

The second half saw Rangers on top again but in the 63rd minute Dumbarton pulled a goal back when Simpson shot home from close range following a furious goalmouth scramble.

Rangers' response was immediate. Davie Mitchell replaced John MacDonald in the 65th minute and 80 seconds later he made it 3-1 to the Light Blues. Davie picked the ball up on the halfway line and powered goalwards before striking a low shot past Arthur from 12 yards.

## Victory

Victory was clinched in the 74th minute when Davie Cooper fully punished a bad pass by Craig as he lashed a furious left foot shot into the roof of the net from 25 yards.

Dumbarton pulled another goal back with a Joe Coyle penalty kick three minutes from time after Peter McCloy had fouled Simpson.

But that didn't matter too much and Rangers could feel happy that their final display of 1984 augurs well for 1985.

## RESERVE ACTION FROM IBROX . . .

# Christmas cheer for Bobby

THE CHRISTMAS present which everyone at Ibrox wanted to see arrived a few days late on Saturday when Bobby Williamson made his return to competitive action.

## Delighted

And it turned out to be a super day for the striker, who broke a leg during the club's summer world tour — he opened the scoring for the reserves after only three minutes.

A delighted coach John Hagart said after the win which keeps the side challenging for their third successive Premier Reserve League title: "Bobby played

Rangers .....4  
Dumbarton.....2

for 80 minutes and could have played for ninety. He did really well and deserves all the praise possible. It was a great day for us winning with such a changed and young side."

Suspension and injuries meant that youngsters John Laidlaw, Kale Jeffrey and Scott Nisbet all played — and all came through well.

## Control

Rangers took the lead in the third minute when Bobby Williamson accepted a pass from Scott Nisbet and shot home from close range.

Dumbarton took advantage of defensive lapses by Rangers in the 10th and 21st minute to go into the lead but Rangers deser-



● SKY HIGH . . . An airborne Dave MacKinnon challenges for the ball as John MacDonald looks on.

## FACT-FILE . . . FACT-FILE

SCORERS: Dumbarton: Simpson (63), J. Coyle (87 pen). Rangers: I. Ferguson (33), McMinn (39), Mitchell (66), Cooper (74). Att. 7,800.

DUMBARTON: Arthur, Kay, McGowan, T. Coyle, McCahill, Clougherty, Simpson, Crawley, Bourke, Craig, J. Coyle. Subs: Curran (for Crawley 62), McNeil (for McGowan 67).

RANGERS: McCloy, Burns, Munro, McPherson, McKinnon, Prytz, McMinn, D. Ferguson, I. Ferguson, MacDonald, Cooper. Subs: Mitchell (for MacDonald 65), McCoist (for D. Ferguson 68).

REFEREE: G. Smith (Edinburgh).

BOOKED: Craig (Dumbarton), Burns (Rangers).

## SATURDAY'S RESULTS

### SCOTTISH PREMIER LEAGUE

Celtic	.....1	Dundee Utd	.....2
Dumbarton	.....2	Rangers	.....4
Dundee	.....2	Hibernian	.....0
Hearts	.....1	Morton	.....0
St. Mirren	.....2	Aberdeen	.....2

### SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION

Airdrie	.....5	Meadowbank	.....0
Brechin C.	.....1	Clyde	.....0
Falkirk	.....1	East Fife	.....2
Hamilton	.....3	Ayr United	.....1
Kilmarnock	.....0	Motherwell	.....0
Partick Th.	.....1	Forfar A.	.....1

### SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION

Aloa Ath	.....2	E. Stirling	.....1
Arbroath	.....2	Raith Rovers	.....1
Berwick R.	.....2	Stranraer	.....2
Stirling Al	.....2	Dunfermline	.....2

### SCOTTISH PREMIER RESERVES

Rangers	.....4	Dumbarton	.....2
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### HIGHLAND LEAGUE

Caley	.....2	Inverness Th.	.....1
Deveronvale	.....0	Buckie Th.	.....1
Elgin City	.....2	Lossiemouth	.....3
Fraserburgh	.....0	Peterhead	.....1
Huntley	.....2	Keith	.....0
Rothes	.....3	Clach	.....0

## CLUB NOTES

IBROX LOYAL: Bus v Dundee leaves Ibrox underground, 10.30 a.m. Non-members welcome.  
NITHSDALE: Bus v Dundee leaves Torrisdale Street, 9 a.m.  
CASTLEMILK TRUE BLUES: Bus v Dundee leaves Castlemilk Terminus at noon. Non-members welcome.

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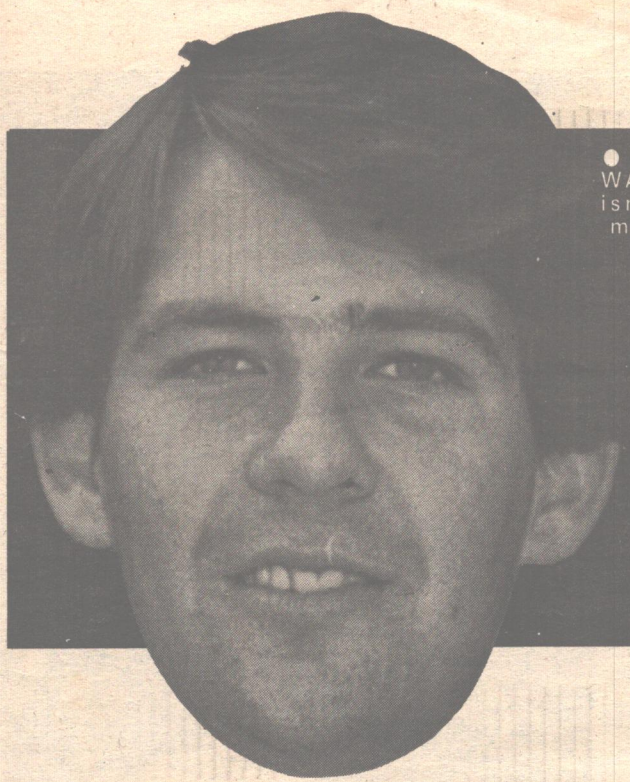
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● NICKY WALKER isn't getting match practice.

# NICKY'S RIDDLE!

## He can't explain mystery injury

AS 1985 BEGINS, one Rangers player is facing the New Year with hope and concern.

Goalkeeper Nicky Walker has been at Ibrox just over a year since his swap move from Motherwell, which saw him join up with boss Jock Wallace for the third time.

### Rotten

He made a fine start to his Ibrox career with a superb debut against Hibs at Easter Road but, 12 months after that match, Nicky feels he has gone straight back to square one.

The beginning of this season saw him in excellent form in the first team before a nightmare display in Dublin against Bohemians saw him lose his place again to the irrepressible Peter McCloy.

*And to make things worse, Nicky isn't even getting match practice at the moment with a mystery ankle injury keeping him on the sidelines.*

He told the 'News': "I picked up the knock a while ago and it seemed to have cleared up. But I hurt it again in training and I have been taking injections.

"It could be seven or eight weeks before it is fine again.

"It's a very frustrating way to end my first year with Rangers. The time has flown by. I have been halfway round the world with the club, played some good games and some rotten ones — but now I feel like I have got to start from scratch all over again.

"My New Year resolution is simply to get fit, to regain my confidence and to get back in the first team again."

## Pools deal for League

THE Scottish League have landed a new deal with the Pools Promoters which will benefit all the member clubs for more than a decade.

The deal, announced by secretary Jim Farry after a recent League Management Committee meeting, will bring at least £15 million into the game over the next 12 years.

The league will also make an interim payment to clubs out of this season's money. All 38 clubs will receive £5,000 each.

Association B.C.

## Brian at double

LAST WEEKEND was one of mixed fortunes for the Association, with the under-10's producing the best display with a convincing 3-0 win at home to Craig Boys Club.

Brian Thomson slammed in two goals with an own goal completing the scoring. The line-up was: N. Ingles, D. McWilliams (capt), B. Rannachan, N. Caldwell, R. Johnstone; S. McTaggart, M. Campbell, D. Bruce; S. Ayton, L. McGibbon, B. Thomson.

The under-11's were also in winning form and they beat Nottingham Forest Boys Club 3-2 at Glasgow Green in a league match. Goals came from D. Hendry, S. Young and D. Raeburn and the line-up was: McAinsh, Russell, Carmichael, O'Neill, McGowan; Venman (capt), Devine, Bell; Raeburn, Young, Hendry.

D. Robertson was on the mark for the under-12's to win them a league point as they drew 1-1 away to Hillington YC.

The team was: McNeill, Gordon, Sidwell, Patrick, Dunsmore, Gold, Gourlay, Duff, Anderson, Chatham, Robertson.

But it was a day of disappointment for the under-14s as they went down to a heavy 5-1 defeat at the hands of Blue Star Boys Club at St. Benedicts School.

McMillan grabbed the Light Blues' consolation goal and the line-up was: Gough, McNally, Bell, McFarlane, McCafferty, Inglis, Smith, Grieve, McCaskill, Mulholland, Carswell.

## Rangers' Amateur B.C. round-up . . . So easy for Colts

Rangers.....5 Kilmaurs.....0

RANGERS' under-14s continued on their winning trail in the league race last Saturday (December 15) with a convincing win over Kilmaurs Glencairn Thistle at Kibble School.

The Light Blues took the lead in the 21st minute. Gary McSwegan was the marksman, latching onto a cross from Scott Murray and lashing the ball home from close range.

Seven minutes later, Murray was again involved as Rangers went 2-0 up.

## Clyde sunk by Watson

Clyde.....3

Rangers.....5

TWO LATE goals from Jim Watson gave Rangers' under-15s two league points from a thrilling match against Clyde Boys Club at Brankem Hall last Saturday (December 15).

The first half was a hard-fought midfield battle that remained goal-less until the 38th minute when Clyde took advantage of a defensive blunder to go ahead.

Rangers, who had Andrew Noble as captain because Alex McEwan was injured, equalised a minute later when Donald Clark headed home a well-placed cross from Jason Clark.

But Clyde completed a frantic end to the first half when they regained the lead in the 40th minute. Rangers started well in the second half and made it 2-2 in the 50th minute when Jason Clark scored from the penalty spot after Jim Watson had been pulled down.

### Likely

Clyde went ahead yet again in the 54th minute, but sixty seconds later Jason Clark got his second goal with a 15 yard shot which levelled the scores once more.

A draw looked a likely result, but a final effort from Rangers gave them the points. Billy Young's long throw-in was flicked on by Mark Thompson and Jim Watson slotted the ball home from close range in the 70th minute.

And, with two minutes left, Watson clinched a 5-3 success when he slammed a low shot past the Clyde keeper from 14 yards.

RANGERS: Scott, Orr, Campbell, Andrews, Noble, Thomson, Paton, Milligan, J. Clark, D. Clark, Watson. Subs: Young (for Orr 54 min).

● After winning both the under-16 and under-14 League Cup competitions, Rangers failed to make it a hat-trick with the under-15 tournament.

Celtic Boys Club beat Hamilton Thistle 2-0 last Saturday (December 15) to lift the trophy in the three team section decider. Rangers under-15s were undefeated and finished runners-up.

The Kilmaurs keeper failed to hold Scott's shot and John Spencer showed lightning reactions as he nipped in to steer the rebound into the net.

A minute before half-time, Rangers increased their lead to three goals when Alex Wylie had the simplest of jobs to tap in his ninth goal of the season. Scott Murray made it 4-0 in the 43rd minute with a terrific 25 yard drive.

### Split

The scoring was completed in the 57th minute. John Spencer and Gary McSwegan split the Kilmaurs defence with a superb one-two and Spencer rifled home a powerful right foot shot from 12 yards.

RANGERS: A. Carmichael, Tochill, S. Carmichael, Hamilton, Kerr, Ferguson, Murray, McIntosh, Wylie, Spencer, McSwegan. Subs: McPherson (for McIntosh 44 min) and Brown (not used).

## SAME AGAIN!

Bishopton.....0 Rangers.....4

IT WAS a case of "same again" for Rangers' under-16s last Saturday (December 15) when they travelled for a league match with Bishopton Boys Club.

The previous week, the Light Blues had beat the same opposition 4-0 at Kibble School — and they repeated the treatment in their away fixture.

Bishopton, attempting to plug their defensive leaks from the previous Saturday, were playing an offside trap but, in the 12th minute, Gary Robertson beat it when he ran 40 yards before cleverly chipping the ball over the keeper and into the net.

Top scorer Scott Baillie made it 2-0 in the 25th minute when he collected a throw-in from Andrew Buchanan and fired the ball over the keeper from 12 yards.

### Luxury

That put Rangers well in control of the match and three minutes into the second half they put the issue beyond doubt when they added a third goal.

Scott Tierney, in fine

● The Rangers Amateur Boys Club winning numbers in week 13 of the Tote double were 20 and 18. There was one winner.

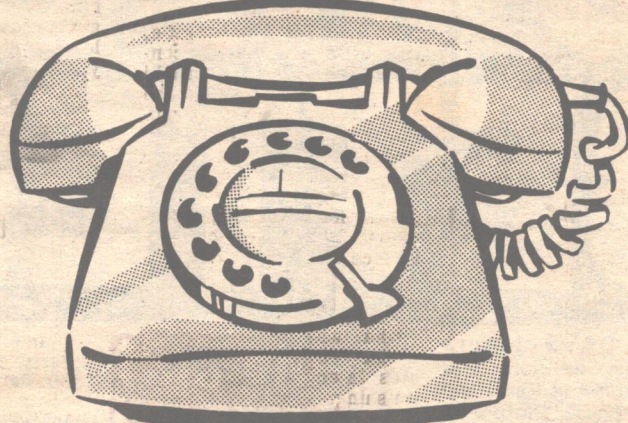
form, raced through from midfield and outpaced the Bishopton defence to shoot home in fine style from 15 yards.

Rangers could even afford the luxury of a missed penalty from Gary Robertson in the 53rd minute and two minutes later they completed the scoring.

Substitute James Leggat was the boy on the mark, grabbing his first goal for Rangers with a close range shot.

RANGERS: Crawford, Lawson, Paton, Jeffrey, Currie, Buchanan, Robertson, Harvey, Baillie, Ashgar, Tierney. Subs: Leggat (for Baillie 47 mins) and Sharp (for Currie 47).

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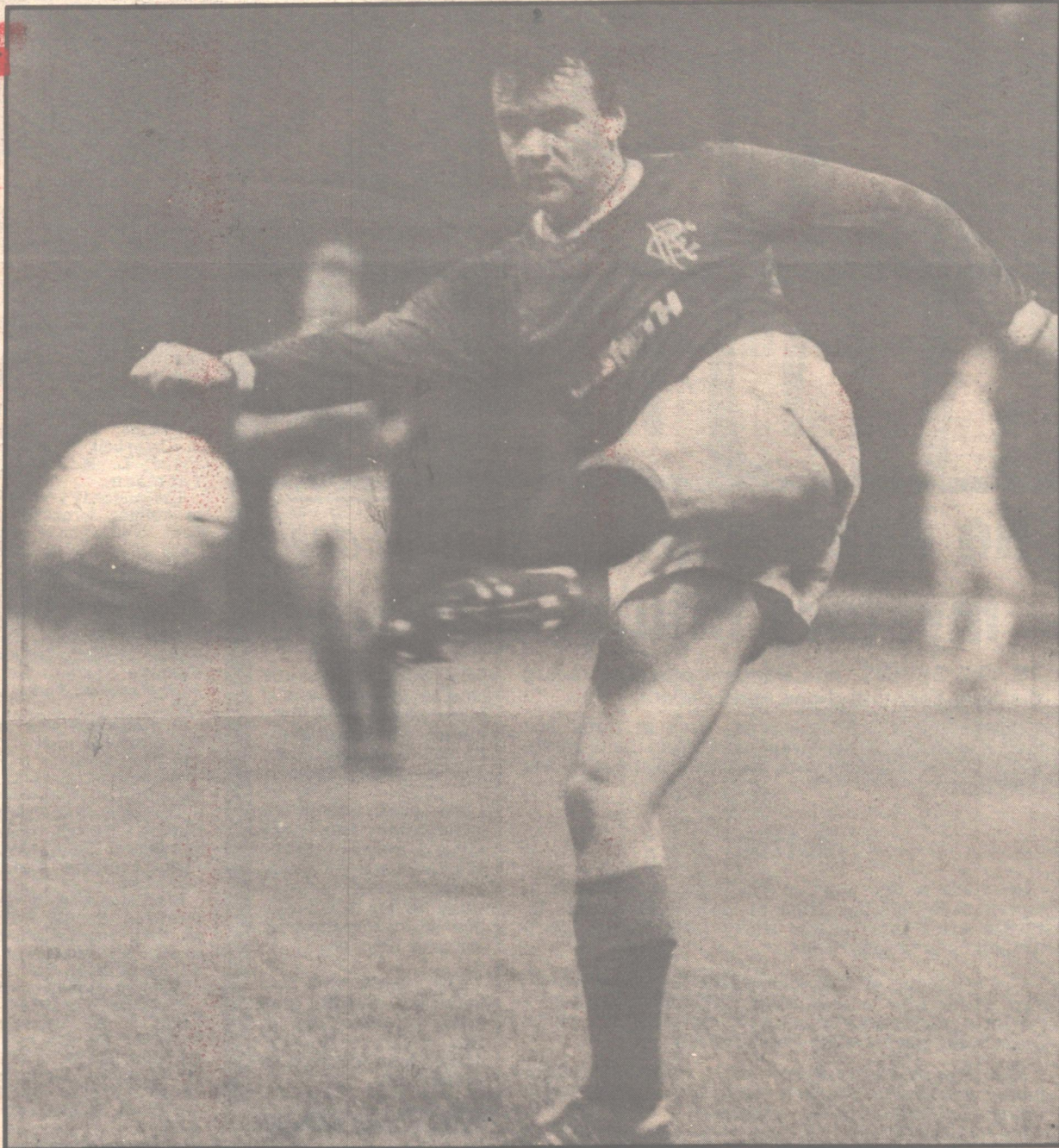
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● **COOPER'S CHRISTMAS CRACKER . . .** Five minutes left at Parkhead and Davie Cooper fires in the netbound shot which gave Rangers their well-earned point.



● **AIR FORCE 1.** Davie's feet don't let him down. Macdonald, Munro and Robert

# SMILES BETTER!

THREE DAYS before Christmas, Rangers and Celtic proved at Parkhead that Glasgow's football is still smiles better.

On the day when the "New Firm" of Aberdeen and Dundee United fought out an uninspiring match in front of less than 20,000 people at Pittodrie, the 'Old Firm' showed they still produce what the fans want.

## Drama

Watched by more than double the attendance up north, the most famous double act in football came up with 90 minutes that were certainly not of any great quality.

But, in terms of atmosphere, incident and drama, it WAS a great match — the kind the fans will pay regularly to enjoy.

Everything that has given these games their huge reputation was on show at some stage.

## EFFORT AND COMMITMENT from both sides

Scorers: Celtic — McClair (9 min.). Rangers — Cooper (85). Attendance: 43,748.

CELTIC: Bonner, McGrain, Reid, McClair, Aitken, Colquhoun, P. McStay, Johnston, Burns, McGarvey. Subs: Sinclair (for McGrain 45 mins.) and Provan (for Colquhoun 75).

RANGERS: McCloy, Burns, Munro, McPherson, MacKinnon, Redford, MacDonald, C. Fraser, Mitchell, D. Ferguson, Cooper. Subs: McMinn (for Mitchell 60) and Prytz (for Redford 69).

REFEREE: B. R. McGinlay (Bairn).

BOOKED: Colquhoun (Celtic), C. Fraser, MacDonald and Burns (Rangers).

## Celtic..... 1 Rangers... 1

from kick-off to final whistle.

● **AGGRESSION** in the best sense of the word in a game played in the best possible spirit.

● **SKILL** — and none less than that of young Derek Ferguson whose potential is a mouth-watering prospect.

● **GOALMOUTH INCIDENT . . .** A goal for each side, disallowed efforts for each side — with a superb penalty save thrown-in.

The purists, of course, didn't enjoy it and criticism came from many observers. But the only complaint you would hear from most of the fans at both ends of the ground was that their side didn't win.

On the face of it, Rangers might seem sure to be relieved that they grabbed a point. The re-shuffled de-

fence had looked shaky early on and after Brian McClair had a second minute goal rightly chalked off for offside, he shot Celtic into the lead seven minutes later.

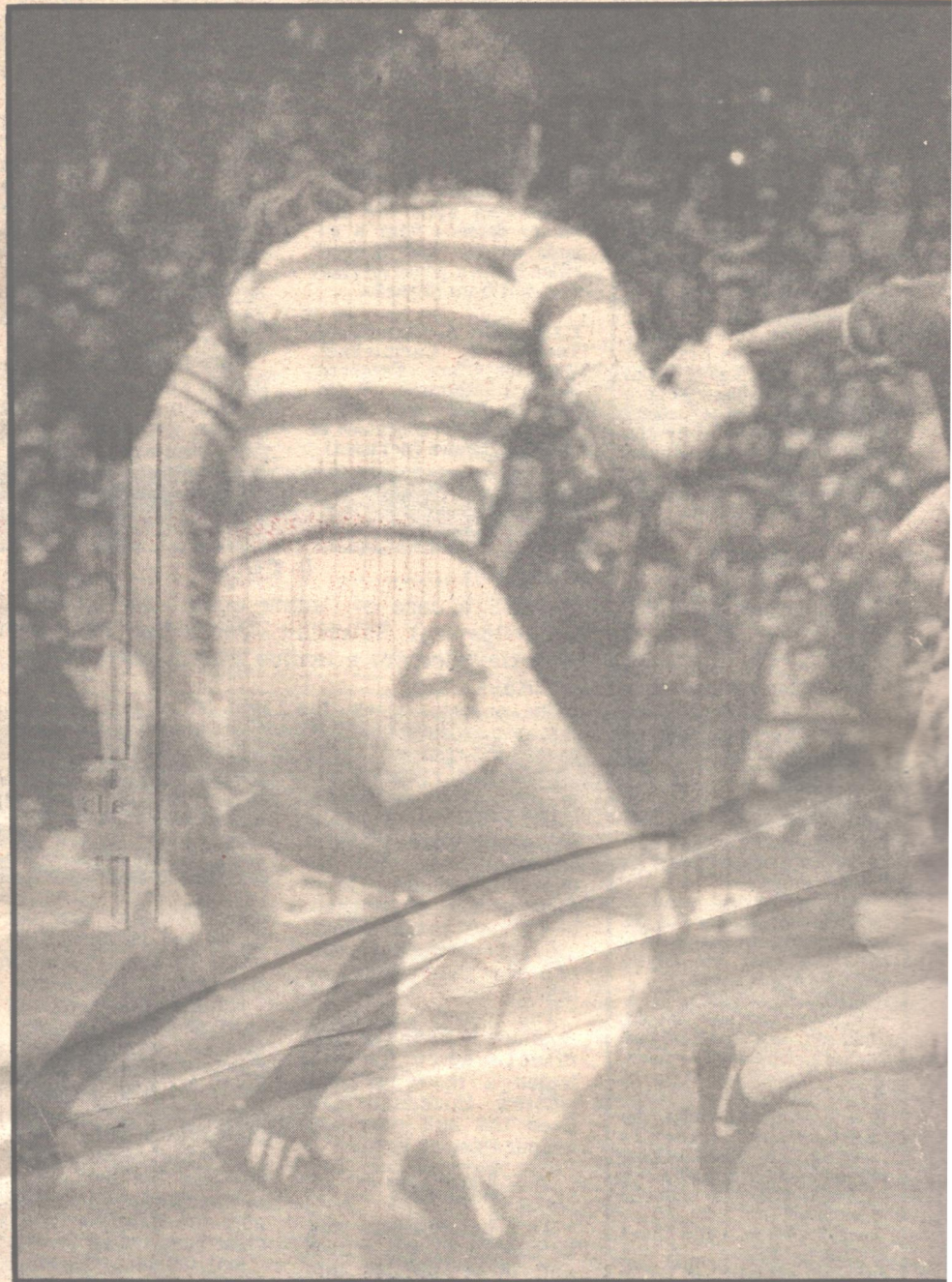
A long ball forward from Danny McGrain caught out the Light Blues back four, Peter McCloy managed to block a shot from Mo Johnston but was helpless with the rebound effort from McClair.

A cave-in might have happened. But the Ibrox defence responded superbly and the Celtic attack hardly got a look in for the rest of the match.

Rangers' efforts for the rest of the match deserved a reward. But after John Macdonald had a goal chalked off for a reason still not clear, Cammy Fraser had a penalty superbly saved from the in-form Bonner and it seemed like it wasn't going to be their day.

Five minutes from time, the wheel of fortune at last turned their way. Bonner made an unimaginable slip as he went for a Ted McMinn cross and Davie Cooper calmly slotted the loose ball past the despairing Celtic defenders and into the net.

It was no more than Rangers deserved . . .



● **A CUT ABOVE** . . . John Macdonald, McClair also clearly in front of him, to equal

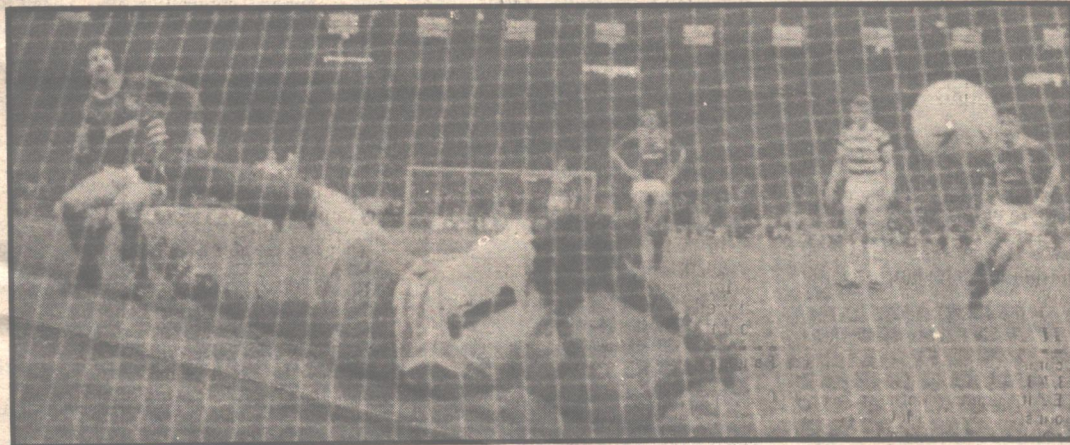


the ground as Derek Ferguson, Stuart help him celebrate.

● ALL JOIN HANDS . . . John MacDonald and Davie McPherson arrive to join in with the festivities.



● TELL ME WHY? . . . Wee John simply can't believe his effort has been disallowed. With McClair's positioning, it couldn't have been offside — but despite John's plea, he gets no explanation from the official.



● CAMMY'S AGONY . . . Pat Bonner dives to his right to brilliantly save Cammy Fraser's second half penalty-kick.

bove Danny McGrain with Brian what he thought was a first-half

# Scoreboard



## All the Scottish league tables

Premier Division							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Aberdeen	20	15	3	2	44	14	33
Celtic	20	12	5	3	46	19	29
Rangers	20	9	9	2	26	12	27
Dundee Utd	20	10	4	6	36	23	24
St. Mirren	20	8	3	9	25	34	19
Hearts	20	8	2	10	22	33	18
Dundee	20	6	4	10	27	31	16
Dumbarton	20	4	6	10	22	29	14
Hibernian	20	3	5	12	17	36	11
Morton	20	4	1	15	21	55	9

First Division							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Airdrie	21	12	4	5	42	24	28
Clydebank	20	10	6	4	32	21	26
Forfar	21	9	6	6	38	27	24
Falkirk	22	11	2	9	48	44	24
Hamilton	21	10	4	7	28	26	24
Motherwell	21	9	4	8	32	28	22
Brechin	21	9	4	8	29	29	22
Clyde	21	7	7	7	32	30	21
East Fife	21	6	8	7	32	30	20
Ayr United	21	6	6	9	27	34	18
St Johnstone	20	7	3	10	33	37	17
Kilmarnock	21	6	5	10	19	37	17
Partick Th	21	5	6	10	24	36	16
Meadowbank	22	4	7	11	28	41	15

Second Division							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Alloa	20	12	5	3	36	16	29
Dunfermline	20	10	7	3	34	17	27
Montrose	19	12	3	4	26	20	27
Stranraer	19	9	3	7	33	29	21
Cowdenbeath	19	8	4	7	35	25	20
Stenhseuir	19	7	6	6	23	27	20
Stirling Alb	20	5	9	6	31	25	19
Raith Rovers	20	7	5	8	30	19	19
Berwick	20	5	8	7	23	22	18
On of Sth	19	5	6	8	25	29	16
Queens Park	20	6	3	11	27	35	15
East Stirling	20	3	8	9	23	33	14
Arbroath	20	5	4	11	18	40	14
Albion Rvr	17	6	1	10	19	35	13

Premier Reserve League							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Celtic	19	16	2	1	53	15	34
Rangers	20	14	3	3	59	21	31
Dundee Utd	19	12	4	3	46	22	28
Hibernian	20	7	3	10	30	30	17
Aberdeen	19	8	1	10	35	42	17
Hearts	19	7	3	10	25	34	17
Dundee	21	8	1	12	32	47	17
Morton	18	5	5	8	26	40	15
St Mirren	19	6	2	11	29	50	14
Dumbarton	20	0	4	16	23	56	4

Reserve League West							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Motherwell	16	11	3	2	41	24	25
Queens Park	18	10	3	5	39	26	23
Clydebank	16	7	5	4	36	32	19
St Johnstone	15	6	4	5	36	24	16
Airdrie	14	7	2	5	31	26	16
Ayr United	14	7	2	5	21	20	16
Clyde	18	4	7	7	36	41	15
Kilmarnock	17	5	5	7	24	34	15
Partick Th.	17	5	4	8	23	33	14
Hamilton	16	5	3	8	26	30	13
Stirling Alb.	14	2	5	7	19	27	9
Falkirk	15	3	3	9	22	37	9

Highland League							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Inverness Caley	19	12	3	4	37	18	39
Keith	17	11	2	4	49	22	35
Ross County	20	10	3	7	37	33	33
Brora	18	10	2	6	29	22	32
Buckie Th	19	9	4	6	37	32	31
Elgin City	19	8	6	5	36	24	30
Forres	17	9	1	7	30	22	28
Nairn County	18	8	4	6	24	24	28
Huntly	21	9	1	11	33	33	28
Deveronvale	20	8	3	9	35	39	27
Peterhead	19	7	3	9	22	28	24
Fraserburgh	20	7	3	10	24	34	24
Inverness Th	19	7	2	10	33	27	23
Clachnacudden	18	7	1	10	27	38	22
Roths	22	6	3	13	26	51	21
Lossiemouth	20	4	1	15	26	57	13

\* 3 points for a win.

## 1st XI scorers

Iain Ferguson	17
Ian Redford	11
Ally McCoist	10
Davie Cooper	7
Cammy Fraser	6
Davie Mitchell	6
Craig Paterson	4
Eric Ferguson	4
David McPherson	3
Sandy Clark	2
Robert Fleck	2
Robert Prytz	2
John MacDonald	2
Bobby Russell	1
Ally Dawson	1
Ted McMinn	1

## 2nd XI scorers

Eric Ferguson	9
Robert Fleck	9
David MacFarlane	7
Sandy Clark	6
Robert Prytz	5
Billy Davies	5
John MacDonald	5
Iain Ferguson	5
Ally McCoist	5
Scott Fraser	2
Derek Ferguson	2
Steven Connor	2
David Mitchell	2
Andrew Kennedy	1
Vance Haddow	1
Stuart Munro	1
Ragnar Margiesson	1
Ted McMinn	1
David MacKinnon	1
Scott Nisbett	1
Ian Durrant	1
Bobby Williamson	1

## Weekend results

● Results for Saturday, December 22 were:

PREMIER DIVISION	
Aberdeen	0 Dundee Utd
Celtic	1 Rangers
DIVISION I	
Airdrie	2 Brechin C
Clydebank	1 Falkirk
East Fife	0 Hamilton
Forfar A	4 Ayr United
Kilmarnock	2 Clyde
Meadowbank	1 St Johnstone
Partick Th	2 Motherwell
DIVISION II	
Dunfermline	1 Montrose
E. Stirling	2 Stirling A
O.O.S.	3 Albion R
Queens P	1 Berwick R
Raith Rov	0 Cowdenbeath
Stenhseuir	0 Alloa Ath
Stranraer	7 Arbroath
SCOTTISH PREMIER RES. LEAGUE	
Dundee	2 Dumbarton
HIGHLAND LEAGUE	
Brora	0 Ross County
Buckie Th	3 Deveronvale
Keith	3 Huntly
Lossiemouth	0 Elgin City
Peterhead	0 Fraserburgh
Roths	0 Caley

## This week's games

TODAY (JANUARY 2)  
**SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION:** Dundee United v Aberdeen.  
**SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION:** Ayr United v Kilmarnock; Meadowbank Thistle v Falkirk; Motherwell v Hamilton Academical.  
**SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION:** Alloa Athletic v Stirling Albion; Dunfermline Athletic v Raith Rovers.  
**ENGLISH LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR:** Hartlepool United v Bury.  
**FRIDAY**  
**ENGLISH LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR:** Scunthorpe United v Chester City; Southend United v Colchester United.

**SATURDAY**  
**SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION:** Aberdeen v Hibernian; Celtic v Morton; Dundee v Rangers; Heart of Midlothian v Dumbarton; St. Mirren v Dundee United.  
**SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION:** Airdrieonians v Ayr United; Forfar Athletic v Falkirk; Kilmarnock v East Fife; Meadowbank Thistle v Brechin City; Motherwell v Clyde; Partick Thistle v Clydebank; St. Johnstone v Hamilton Academical.  
**SCOTTISH CUP (SECOND ROUND):** Alloa Athletic v East Stirling; Cowdenbeath v Stirling Albion; Keith v Brora; Stranraer v Stenhousemuir; Queen of the South v Montrose; Queen's Park v Raith Rovers; Inverness Thistle v Blyth Spartans; Berwick Rangers v Inverness Caley.  
**ENGLISH FA CUP (3rd ROUND):** Orient v West Brom; Leeds United v Everton; Gillingham v Cardiff; Telford v Bradford; Tottenham v Charlton; Nottingham Forest v Newcastle United; Carlisle United v Dagenham; Wimbledon v Burnley; Manchester United v Bournemouth; Hereford v Arsenal; Shrewsbury v Oxford; Middlesboro v Darlington; Notts County v Grimsby; Oldham v Brentford; Luton v Stoke City; Brighton v Hull; Birmingham v Norwich; Southampton v Sunderland; Doncaster v Queen's Park Rangers; York v Walsall; Watford v Sheffield United; Bristol Rovers v Ipswich Town; Coventry v Manchester City; Wolves v Huddersfield; Millwall v Crystal Palace; Liverpool v Aston Villa; West Ham v Port Vale; Barnsley v Reading; Fulham v Sheffield Wednesday; Portsmouth v Blackburn; Chelsea v Wigan; Burton v Leicester City.  
**HIGHLAND LEAGUE:** Elgin City v Buckie Thistle; Forres Mechanics v Huntly; Lossiemouth v Fraserburgh; Nairn County v Clachnacudden; Peterhead v Ross County; Roths v Deveronvale.

## Midweek Results

DEC. 17: B.P. YOUTH CUP: Motherwell 2, Queen's Park 0. FRIENDLY INTERNATIONAL: Cyprus 1, Luxembourg 0.  
 DEC. 18: SECOND ELEVEN CUP: Morton 1, St. Mirren 2; Cowdenbeath 4, Aberdeen 2. B.P. YOUTH CUP: Clyde 0, Celtic 2.  
 DEC. 19: SECOND ELEVEN CUP: 1st ROUND: Ayr United 0, Queen of the South 1; Dumbarton 0, Motherwell 0 (Motherwell won 6-5 on penalties); Partick Thistle 1, Airdrie 1 (Partick won 4-3 on penalties); St. Johnstone 1, Hibernian 2.  
 DEC. 26: SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO: East Stirling 3 Queen's Park 2.

## Latest 'Player of the Year' news

**YOUNGSTERS** Derek Ferguson and Ted McMinn certainly made an impact on the first team over the festive period and that is reflected in the Rangers News 'Player of the Year' award table.

Derek won his first nomination from boss Jock Wallace for his display against Celtic at Parkhead while Ted McMinn moved into third place in the table after getting the vote for the game at Boghead against Dumbarton.

In the reserves, Robert Fleck was John Hagart's choice against Dumbarton at Ibrox and is now

three points clear at the top of the second team table.

The full tables are:

FIRST TEAM	
David McPherson	10
Davie Cooper	7
Robert Prytz	6
Ted McMinn	6
Ian Redford	5
Bobby Russell	4
Craig Paterson	4
Ally McCoist	4
Cammy Fraser	3
Nicky Walker	3
Peter McCloy	3
Derek Ferguson	3
SENT-OFF: Dawson.	
BOOKED: C. Fraser (7), Paterson (5), Cooper (5), McClelland (4), Dawson (3), I. Ferguson (3), Russell (2).	

McPherson (2), MacKinnon (2), McCoist (2), Mitchell (2), MacDonald (2), Burns (2), Redford, Fleck.

SECOND TEAM	
Robert Fleck	12
Billy Davies	9
David MacFarlane	8
Derek Ferguson	8
Hugh Burns	7
Andy Bruce	6
Eric Ferguson	6
Ian Durrant	4
John Laidlaw	3

**SENT-OFF:** Prytz, Fleck.  
**BOOKED:** S. Fraser (5), MacFarlane (5), Burns (4), Munro (4), D. Ferguson (3), MacDonald (2), McAdam (2), Leeman, Davies, Kennedy, Fleck, Clark, Mitchell, Russell, McCoist.

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## ★ YOUR COMPLETE POOLS CHECK

RESULTS for Saturday, December 22 were:  
**POOL ONE:** 4 possibles, 24 goals, one winner receives £34,251.75.  
 Winner is R. S. Campbell, 14 Balmoral Place, East Kilbride.  
**POOL TWO:** 4 possibles, 12 goals, three winners each receive £333.33.  
 Possible winning combinations: 20, 34 with three from 05, 21, 22, 31.  
**POOL THREE:** 70 possibles, 14 goals, approx 50 winners receive approx £20.  
 Possible winning combinations four from 06, 20, 25, 34, 41, with one from 01, 02, 05, 10, 12, 16, 19, 21, 22, 27, 31, 32, 37, 44.  
**POOL FOUR:** five possibles, 32 goals, two winners each receive £500.  
 Winners: Mrs J. Watson, Edinburgh and E. Morrell, Kirkintilloch.  
**POOL FIVE:** 4 possibles, 3 goals, 4 winners each receive £250.  
 Possible winning combinations: 11, 28 with three from 15, 33, 38, 39.  
**POOL SIX:** 6 possibles, 16 goals, three winners each receive £866.66.  
 Possible winning combinations 08, 17, 26, 35, with one from 04, 23, 29.  
 ● The Agents' Golden Bonus was won. Four agents share £1,200.

## Saturday's Results

● Results for Saturday, December 22 were:  
 1-3-2; 02-1-2; 03-2-1; 04-2-0; 05-2-2; 06-1-3; 07-1-1; 08-4-0; 09-2-1; 10-1-2; 11-0-0; 12-4-2; 13-1-1; 14-2-1; 15-0-1; 16-4-2; 17-3-0; 18-2-1; 19-1-2; 20-3-3; 21-2-2; 22-2-2; 23-2-0; 24-2-1; 25-2-3; 26-4-0; 27-1-2; 28-0-0; 29-2-0; 30-1-1; 31-2-2; 32-0-2; 33-1-0; 34-3-3; 35-3-0; 36-3-1; 37-3-2; 38-1-0; 39-1-0; 40-5-1; 41-0-3; 42-7-1; 43-1-1; 44-1-2.

## This week's teams

● Team list for Saturday, January 5, is:  
 01 Middlesbrough; 02 Orient; 03 Aldershot; 04 Blackpool; 05 Aberdeen; 06 Celtic; 07 Alloa; 08 Berwick; 09 Barnsley; 10 Birmingham; 11 Portsmouth; 12 Southampton; 13 Torquay; 14 Tranmere; 15 Dundee; 16 Hearts; 17 Cowdenbeath; 18 Q.O.S.; 19 Brighton; 20 Bristol Rovers; 21 Telford Utd; 22 Tottenham; 23 Wrexham; 24 Mossley; 25 St. Mirren; 26 Airdrie; 27 Burton A; 28 Carlisle; 29 Watford; 30 West Ham; 31 Oswestry; 32 Rhyll; 33 Kilmarnock; 34 Meadowbank; 35 Chelsea; 36 Fulham; 37 Wimbledon; 38 Workington; 39 Workop; 40 Motherwell; 41 Partick Thistle; 42 Gillingham; 43 Liverpool; 44 Luton.



**YOUNG RANGERS CLUB CORNER**

**What was Kerry's last club?**

- 1—Name the club for which Kerry Dixon played before joining Chelsea?
- 2—Who keeps goal for Spain?
- 3—Who recently resigned his job at Swansea City?

**ANSWERS —**  
1. Reading; 2. Luis Arconada; 3. Colin Appleton.



**★ Happy birthday to our members ★**

**DECEMBER 12**  
DAVID COX, 220 Burns Road, Greenock, will be 4.  
**JANUARY 2**  
THAIN FRIARS, 51/7 Western Halls Drive, Edinburgh, will be 16.  
WILLIAM COWAN, 88 Lochside Road, Dumfries, will be 11.  
MARY MORRISON, 41 Stanbury Avenue, Christchurch, New Zealand, will be 16.  
COLIN LAMBIE, 18 Birkenshaw Way, Armadale, will be 15.  
STEWART TAYLOR, Bowlebank, Buckie, Banffshire, will be 15.  
WAYNE ASTBURY, 5 Southland Dale, Belfast, will be two.  
ADELE MCKENZIE, 22 Drumpark Street, Carnwadric, will be 16.  
STEVEN McLAREN, 15 Concorde Way, Inverkeithing, will be 17.  
ROBERT ARNOTT, 1 Swinton Crescent, Coatbridge, will be 11.  
STEPHEN ROBERTSON, 60 Ballinloch Drive, Dennistoun, will be 17.  
GEORGE McDONALD, 22 Willowbank, Wick, will be 16.  
RICHARD ROSS, Kylestrone, Scourie, Sutherland, will be 17.  
KEVIN KERR, 88 Langside Drive, Fife, will be 16.  
GRAEME SHIELDS, 22 Mansfield, East Calder, will be 17.  
IAN CLARK, 42 Glen Gardens, Callander, will be 16.  
STEPHEN HUMBLE, 18 Oak Street, Chesterfield, will be 17.  
JAMES WILSON, 3 Admiralty Street, Portknockie, Buckie, will be 14.  
ALAN BUCHAN, 40 Newton, Bo'ness, will be 16.  
DAVID WOOD, 22 Craigwell Avenue, Burnside, will be 12.  
**JANUARY 3**  
MICHELE MCKENZIE, 140 Ashcroft Drive, Croftfoot, will be three.  
COLIN MILTON, 12 New Elgin Road, Elgin, will be 11.  
WILLIAM MURDOCH, 9 Victoria Crescent, Buckie, will be five.  
STEVEN GREIG, 32 Westerton, Lennoxton, will be three.  
DEREK HESLOP, 83 Montford Avenue, Glasgow, will be 12.  
DONNIE CAMPBELL, 4 Birks Road, Renfrew, will be 14.  
IAN McDONALD, 76 Durban Avenue, Dalnair, will be 11.  
HUGH TODD, 78 Crossmill Avenue, Barrhead, will be 16.  
ELLIOTT McRAE, 30 Afton Court, Stirling, will be 14.

SANDY FLEMING, 85 Dundevan Road, Coatbridge, will be 12.  
COLIN ROBERTSON, 22 Ardenleath Street, Dalmarnock, will be five.  
DAVID SUTHERLAND, 64 Union Grove, Fraserburgh, will be 16.  
SCOTT WILSON, 41 Garry Walk, Livingston, will be 17.  
LOISE LOGUE, 19 Innes Park, Ayrshire, will be 15.  
DAVID BANNISTER, 53 Bleachfield Road, Selkirk, will be 14.  
STEVEN THOMPSON, 52 Surrey Street, Belfast, will be 12.  
BILLY LEES, 1 Barty's Road, Bellahill, will be 17.  
**JANUARY 4**  
CAMERON MacKINTOSH, Sandhilllock, Banffshire, will be 16.  
PAUL McDONALD, 17 Southheld Terrace, Duddingston, will be 12.  
PAUL BEAGRIE, 35 Slains Court, Peterhead, will be 15.  
SCOTT McGILLINRAY, 10 Mansel Road, Morayshire, will be 11.  
DAVID STRACHAN, 81 Collegbonds, Fraserburgh, will be 14.  
COLIN CAMPBELL, 37 Blackburn Square, Barrhead, will be 14.  
DAVID ALLEN, 20 Hillside Place, West Lothian, will be 16.  
COLIN CRICHTON, 8 Russell Place, Linwood, will be 13.  
ROBERT AGNEW, Little Cairnbrock, Stranraer, will be 11.  
ROSS MARSHALL, 13 Western Road, London, will be six.  
ALISTAIR BURNS, 16b Firbank Road, Perth, will be nine.  
WARD McNEILL, 144 Dorchester Avenue, Glasgow, will be 13.  
JAMES GLEN, 146a Kirkshaws Road, Coatbridge, will be 12.  
DOUGLAS GRANT, 59 Muirpark Court, Bo'ness, will be 16.  
DAVID SELLARS, 20 Commercial Road, Strathaven, will be 15.  
BARBARA AULD, 4 Muillardoch Street, Summerston, will be 15.  
GARY STEVENSON, 98 Billicearn Road, Glasgow, will be 14.  
ANDREW McMILLAN, 42 Farm Road, Blantyre, will be nine.  
CALLUM MCKENZIE, 9 Railway Terrace, Kyle of Lochalsh, will be seven.  
SUSAN PATERSON, 66 Sherdale Avenue, Airdrie, will be 16.  
**JANUARY 5**  
BARBARA AULD, will be 14.  
IAN SWEET, 2 Slains Lane, Bridge of Don, will be 6.  
ALAN CAMPBELL, 29 Hillary Road,

Stenhousemuir, will be 15.  
SCOTT McARTHAY, 7 Clair Road, Bishopbriggs, will be 8.  
T. KINNEAR, 21 Harberton Avenue, Belfast, will be 11.  
WILLIAM WISEMAN, 23 Hulisdale, Burra Isle, Shetlands, will be nine.  
SCOTT GABYEN, 1 Henry Street, Bo'ness, will be 16.  
ALAN McTAGGART, 52 Loanhead Road, Motherwell, will be 12.  
DENISE ROSS, 1 Ardmore, Tochar, South Uist, will be 11.  
MARK HUNTER, 6 Wilson Street, Dunfermline, will be 13.  
ALLAN GRANT, 21 Cameron Drive, Keith, will be 15.  
CRAIG BLACK, 1 Ramsay Road, Hawick, will be nine.  
DOUGLAS FORBES, 36 Lyoncross Road, Pollock, will be 15.  
ALAN McCOOKINDALE, 37 Glencroft Avenue, Uddingston, will be eight.  
ANDREW MASON, 23 Latham Mains, Haddington, East Lothian, will be three.  
STUART NICHOL, 20 Bevan Crescent, Whyalla, S. Australia, will be nine.  
MARGARET WIK, 191 Earl Street, Scotstoun, will be 8.  
**JANUARY 6**  
ALLAN MALLAN, 536 Dumbarton Road, Partick, will be 8.  
RUTH HURST, Canisp Road, Lochinver, will be 14.  
TREVOR DOUGHERTY, 16 Malone Park, Londonderry, will be 13.  
IRENE BISHOP, 65 Gillies Avenue, North Island, New Zealand, will be 16.  
RAYMOND McCULLOCH, 27 Glenull Crescent, Stranraer, will be 14.  
DAVID THOMSON, 10 Orkney Place, Glasgow, will be 13.  
SCOTT BRECHIN, 5 Kingsseat Avenue, Grangemouth, will be 10.  
GARY REYNOLDS, 26 Skerryvore Road, Cranhill, will be 8.  
STEPHEN PATON, 4 White Street, Clydebank, will be 16.  
DAVID CURRIE, 23 Fereneze Avenue, Clarkston, will be 15.  
PETER MORRISON, 2 Roskhill, Dunvegan, Isle of Skye, will be 16.  
SCOTT McMURRAY, 28 Arnahoe Avenue, Torglen, will be 13.  
JOANNE COCKER, Metkie Logie, Dunkeld, Perthshire, will be 17.  
BARRY McLENNAN, 37 Montague Road, Inverness, will be 11.  
HEATHER LINDSAY, 26 Ferndale Road, Sussex, will be 14.  
CHARLES GILLAN, 3 Staffa Street, Glasgow, will be 15.  
MARK OSBORNE, 44 Morar Court, Condorrat, Cumbernauld, will be 17.  
COLIN KENNEDY, 29 T'ree, East Kilbride, will be 11.  
STEVEN McGOVERN, Flat 122, 66 Norfolk Court, Glasgow, will be 13.  
**JANUARY 7**  
STEVEN CRAWFORD, 19 Meadowpark Street, Dennistoun, will be six.  
KENNY DAVERS, 151 Langmuir Road, Bargaeddie, will be 17.  
HANNAH RIDDELL, 123 Toryglen Road, Rutherglen, will be three.  
ALLAN HALLIDAY, 7 Foswell Place, Drumchapel, will be 10.  
GRAEME STRACHAN, 20 Corston Street, Carnyne, will be 10.  
MARK ROSS, 80 Upper Dalgairn, Cupar, will be 13.  
STEPHEN FRANCIS, 18 Whin Avenue, Barrhead, will be 14.  
GEORGE ABERCROMBIE, 3 Benview, Bannockburn, will be 15.  
JOHN McDONALD, 2 Macrae Road, Stornoway, will be 17.  
SANDY HODGE, 65 Christie Crescent, Stonehaven, will be 15.  
BRUCE DUNCAN, 142 Blairbeht Road, Rutherglen, will be 8.  
JENNIFER KERNAGHAN, 31 Longhill Terrace, Rothesay, will be 13.  
ELIAN HARRISON, 96 Holmscroft Street, Greenock, will be 4.  
ALUN BORLAND, 3 Boswell Crescent, Cumnock, will be 11.  
ARCHIE NIVEN, 2 Taylor Place, Glasgow, will be 14.  
GARETH JONES, 36 Queens Drive, Hamilton, will be 6.  
IAN CURRIE, Ben Bhan, Glenmore Road, Oban, will be 16.  
GORDON BURNETT, 68 Park Road, Lanark, will be 15.  
MATTHEW RANKINE, 178 Matfield Park, Armadale, will be 14.  
EDWARD HODGETTS, 4 Horbling Lane, Boston, will be 13.

GORDON CAMERON, 63 Leslie Street, Eastbourne, will be 12.  
STEVEN HUGHES, 253 Pappert, Bonhill, will be 9.  
KEITH FORRESTER, 12 Champigny Court, Musselburgh, will be 7.  
**JANUARY 8**  
FRASER MacKINNON, 8 Ford Terrace, Benbecula, will be 13.  
STEPHEN ANSTEY, 7 Devon Road, Poole, Dorset, will be 10.  
JOHN COWAN, 15 Myrtle Square, Auchinairn, will be 7.  
BILLY JENKINS, 6 Lochgoil Avenue, Drumchapel, will be 15.  
STEWART MEIN, 129 Dalcraig Crescent, Blantyre, will be 14.  
GARY FORSTER, 145 Old Shettleston Road, Shettleston, will be 3.  
SCOTT LOGAN, 40 Tareside Oval, Glasgow, will be 15.  
JAMIE McCOLL, 9E MacDonald Drive, Strirling, will be 5.  
ARCHIE McLENNAN, 39 Orchard Park, Beaulieu, will be 15.  
ROBIN ARCHIBALD, 22 Ardtee Crescent, Glasgow, will be 10.  
ALAN ARCHIBALD, 22 Ardtee Crescent, Stepps, will be 10.  
WILLIAM FERGUSON, 16 Fettercairn Avenue, Glasgow, will be 15.  
LEE GARDNER, 10 Elm Grove, Livingston, will be 14.  
RICHARD McNEILL, 21 Nordic Court, Whitby, will be 17.

**What a lot we've got!**

THE YOUNG Rangers Club is moving into 1985 with more members than ever before — and all of them have got lots to look forward to in the New Year.

As ever, we will be giving you the chance to win super prizes in our easy-to-enter competitions — exclusive to our members — as well as our fun to try quizzes.

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IN ANOTHER great free-to-enter competition, we are offering young Rangers Club members the chance to be the lucky owner of an Ibrox tank top.

The top is royal blue, has a red band, and has the club crest on the front. It would be an ideal piece of clothing and looks very fashionable.

As usual, all that is needed is an answer to a simple question.

**Know**

Take a look at the picture (above left) which shows action from Rangers league game against Dumbarton at Ibrox earlier in the season.

What we want to know is the name of the player wearing the number ten jersey.

It's simple, so when you think you know who the player is, then jot down your answer on a postcard or sealed down envelope and send it to: TANK-TOP, Rangers News, 2 Park Gardens, Glasgow, G3 7YE.

**Another FREE contest**

Remember, this competition is open only to YRC members. Make sure you enclose your membership number and the size of top you would require should you be lucky enough to win.

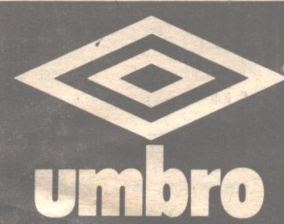
The closing date is January 9. No correspondence will be entered into.

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NOSTALGIA CORNER . . . with the Crowd Busters and our Light Blue Look Back.

# Sammy saves Ibrox blushes

CENTRAL PARK had never seen anything like it. A record crowd of 25,586 fans crammed into Cowdenbeath's ground on Wednesday, September 21 expecting to see the home side enjoy the finest night in their history.

The previous Saturday, the Fifers had sensationally won 3-2 at Ibrox in the first leg of their League Cup quarter-final tie. The result was all the more stunning as Cowdenbeath were in Division B of the league while Rangers were flying high in Division A.

If Rangers' task of winning by two goals seemed difficult before the match, it seemed almost impossible six minutes after the kick-off when Cowdenbeath took the lead.

George Young headed a cross down to Sammy Cox but he stumbled and failed to clear the ball. Cowdenbeath midfielder man Menzies was quick to seize upon the chance and he raced in to hit a shot from 25 yards which deflected off Willie Woodburn's boot and went under the body of the diving Bobby Brown.

## Hauled

Rangers were now 4-2 behind on aggregate and a disastrous shock result now seemed on the cards, especially when the Light Blues failed to make any impression on the home defence before half-time.

Three minutes into the second half, though, the Ibrox men hauled themselves back into the tie with an equaliser. Willie Rae crossed from the left, Billy Williamson rounded Holland and his pass was slammed home first time by Sammy Cox from 20 yards.

It was the cue for a terrific game of football to really get going and the crowd were enthralled by the attacking football produced by both sides.

As time wore on, it looked as though Cowdenbeath were going to hold out for an historic 4-3 aggregate triumph. But, in the 89th minute, Rangers grabbed a dramatic equaliser.

## Supreme

George Young sent a long pass forward from midfield, Eddie Rutherford outpaced Holland in the Cowdenbeath defence and headed the ball strongly past keeper Moodie on its first bounce.

That put Rangers 2-1 up on the night and made the overall scores level. So it was extra-time to decide who would make the semi-finals.

Both sides produced a supreme effort in the additional half hour but a 102nd minute goal from Sammy Cox took Rangers through



● SAMMY COX . . . two vital goals for Rangers.

★ PART Eight of our Crowd Busters series, where we take a look back at the stories behind the attendance records set up by Rangers at Scottish grounds. This week, we are back in season 1949-50 for a night of League Cup drama in Fife.

to the last four.

He collected a throw-in from Eddie Rutherford, made for goal evading three hefty challenges on the way and slammed the ball past Moodie from 16 yards.

COWDENBEATH: Moodie, Hamilton, Cameron, Menzies, Holland, Durie, McGurn, Mackie, Armstrong, Reid, Dick.

RANGERS: Brown, Young, Shaw, McColl, Woodburn, Rae, Waddell, Findlay, Williamson, Cox, Rutherford.

The semi-final draw paired Rangers with East Fife and Hibs with Dunfermline. On the same night, history was made at Goodison Park as England lost at home to a foreign nation for the first time, going down 2-0 to Eire.

Rangers reserves slammed four goals past Airdrie at Broomfield without reply on the Friday night with veteran Torry Gillick in super form and grabbing the last goal.

Saturday saw the first team return to top form with a vengeance as they crushed Celtic 4-0 at Ibrox in front of 64,000 fans. Rutherford, Findlay, Waddell and Williamson were the scorers and Rangers were now the only side with a 100 per cent record in Division A.

In England, Wolves beat Huddersfield 7-1 at Molineux to lead the First Division with 17 points from nine games. Liverpool were four points behind in second after their 3-1 home success over Derby.

# Bain makes Rangers feel the pain

RANGERS were in action twice this week fifty years ago — with a shock defeat and a convincing win.

Following their Ne'erday success over Celtic, the Light Blues travelled to Firhill on Wednesday, January 2 full of confidence for their meeting with lowly Partick Thistle.

But the men from Maryhill provided a stubborn resistance as Rangers pressed forward, only to be continually frustrated throughout the match. And five minutes from time, Thistle grabbed a sensational winning goal.

## Swerved

A good move down the right wing saw McLeod find Bain in space on the left side of the penalty area. His shot appeared to be going wide but it swerved viciously past Jerry Dawson into the corner of the net.

Thistle had raised their game enough to win both points and Rangers could not complain on a day when they had simply never looked sharp enough in front of goal.

PARTICK THISTLE: Johnstone, Calderwood, Cumming, Baigrie, Donnelly, McLeod, Regan, Miller,

McLennan, Hastie, Bain.  
RANGERS: Dawson, Gray, McDonald, Kennedy, Simpson, Brown, Gillick, Venters, Smith, McPhail, Nicholson.

Other main results that day were:  
Airdrie.....2 Hamilton.....2  
Dundee.....1 Hearts.....5  
Dunfermline.....1 Aberdeen.....1  
Hibernian.....1 St Johnstone.....1

Saturday, January 5 saw Rangers regain winning form when they took on Dundee at Ibrox. The Light Blues survived the shock of going behind to an early goal and came back to take two points in fine style.

Dundee opened the scoring in the third minute when Robertson slammed a powerful shot past Dawson from 18 yards — but their lead lasted only two minutes.

That was all the time it took for Rangers to equalise. Torry Gillick was the man who was on the mark for Rangers, cleverly slotting the ball home from close range after a goalmouth scramble.

Those were the only goals of an

# 'Gers are just out of luck

January 2-8, 1960

RANGERS lost their first goal in six matches 25-years ago — and also a vital point in the championship race — as they drew 1-1 with Hibs at Ibrox.

In front of 56,000 fans on Saturday, January 2, the Easter Road side had the better of an undistinguished first half but it looked as though the score would remain goal-less at the interval.

But, in the 44th minute, Rangers' defence gave way for the first time since early December and Hibs were, in front. Bill Paterson and Harry Davis both missed a cross from McLeod and the ball dropped to Joe Baker, who smashed a first-time shot into the roof of the net.

## Brilliant

The second half was a different story with the Rangers midfield taking control. Seven minutes into the half, they grabbed an equaliser.

A brilliant move saw the ball move from Baird to Hume to Stevenson and again to Baird and back to Hume. The Hibs' defence looked on almost breathless as young Bobby's cross was met by a perfectly timed run by Ian McMillan whose 12-yard shot blazed into the net.

The move was to set the pattern for Rangers' play in the rest of the half as the Hibs goal went under siege. But the Light Blues had no joy and their bad luck was summed up in the 85th minute when a brilliant 30-yard strike from Alex Stevenson hit one post, rolled along the line and hit the other post. Pat Hughes just beat Jimmy Millar to the loose ball and cleared it for a corner.

## Spot

RANGERS: Niven, Shearer, Little, Davis, Paterson, Stevenson, Brand, McMillan, Millar, Baird, Hume.

HIBS: Muirhead, Grant, McClelland, Young, Hughes, Baxter, McLeod, Johnstone, Baker, Preston, Ormond.

Results in the other top fixtures:  
Clyde.....2 Stirling.....2  
Hearts.....3 Celtic.....1  
Kilmarnock.....1 Airdrie.....0  
Motherwell.....3 Ayr U.....3  
Raith.....1 Dundee.....1

Hibs reserves beat Rangers reserves 6-4 at Easter Road. On Monday, January 4, 15,000 fans watched Rangers and Celtic reserves draw 1-1 at Ibrox. Eric Caldow scored from the spot after eight seconds (yes, EIGHT SECONDS!) but Pat Crerand equalised for Celts.

# Smashing grab act by Saints

January 2-8, 1980

IBROX had a cracking start to the eighties this week five years ago — but Rangers were disappointed as they lost to St. Mirren in a thriller of a match.

In front of 19,000 fans, the Light Blues and the men from Love Street produced 90 minutes of end-to-end attacking football. It was a shame any side had to lose — and Rangers lost in dramatic fashion.

Saints had the better of the first half and took the lead two minutes before the interval. Tom Forsyth dispossessed Jimmy Bone just outside the Rangers penalty-area, but then Tom and Ally Dawson left the clearance to each other, and Frank McDougall nipped in between them to steer a shot past Peter McCloy.

## Incredible

That setback didn't seem to upset Rangers too much and in the second half, they were superb.

Tommy McLean hit the bar, as did Derek Parlane. And Billy Thomson had a series of fortunate saves as the Light Blues pounded down on his goal.

But in the 71st minute, Rangers made the breakthrough. Davie Cooper found John MacDonald in space inside the box and he was flattened by Jackie Copland. A clear penalty-kick and Sandy Jardine calmly slotted the ball home from the spot.

Rangers pressed forward in search of a winner that their second half display merited. But two minutes from time, St. Mirren grabbed a winner to take both points — and the home fans could scarcely believe it.

Peter Weir sent the ball across the face of the Rangers goalmouth, Colin Jackson missed his attempted clearance and Doug Somner stepped in to slam the ball past the helpless Peter McCloy from 12 yards.

RANGERS: McCloy, Jardine, Dawson, T. Forsyth, Jackson, Stevens (Cooper), McLean, Russell, Smith (Parlane), A. MacDonald, J. MacDonald.

ST. MIRREN: Thomson, Young, Beckett, Richardson, Fulton, Copland, Bone, Stark (Doeherty), Somner, McDougall, Weir.

The other Premier League results on Saturday, January 5 were:

Celtic.....1 Dundee U.....0  
Dundee.....1 Partick Th.....1  
Kilmarnock.....3 Hibs.....1  
Morton.....1 Aberdeen.....0

The draw for the Third Round of the Scottish Cup gave Rangers an away tie against Clyde. Celtic were at home to Raith Rovers, Aberdeen were away to Arbroath and Dundee United faced Dundee at Tannadice.

evenly-contested first half but after the interval, Rangers asserted their superiority and banged in two fine goals to take the points.

In the 72nd minute, Alex Venters looked sharp as he banged the ball home first time after Lamb had made a fine save and three minutes later, Archie MacAulay netted with a well-struck penalty after Torry Gillick had been tripped inside the box.

RANGERS: Dawson, Gray, McDonald, Kennedy, Simpson, Brown, MacAulay, Venters, Gillock, McPhail, Nicholson.

DUNDEE: Lamb, Morgan, Gil-mour, Blyth, Synon, Smith, Robertson, Guthrie, Coats, MacNaughton, Kirby.

## Hat-trick

The other top scores were:  
Aberdeen.....2 Hibs.....0  
Clyde.....5 St Mirren.....2  
Hamilton.....1 Falkirk.....2  
Hearts.....0 Dunfermline.....1  
St Johnstone.....0 Celtic.....1

In the Alliance League, Rangers reserves drew 3-3 with St Mirren at Love Street with Fiddes grabbing a hat-trick for the Light Blues.

On the transfer front, Rangers paid a "sizeable fee" to St Mirren for full-back Walter Hay.

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How they stood . . .

1935		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Rangers	26	17	4	5	68	32	38	
Hamilton	26	14	8	4	68	41	36	
Celtic	27	16	4	7	63	29	36	
Hearts	25	14	7	5	59	31	35	
St. Johnstone	26	13	8	5	47	25	34	
Aberdeen	27	14	6	7	50	36	34	

1960		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Hearts	20	15	3	2	64	32	33	
Rangers	20	14	1	5	53	19	29	
Kilmarnock	20	13	1	6	36	31	27	
Dundee	20	10	4	6	42	31	24	
Clyde	20	9	6	5	40	36	24	
Motherwell	20	10	4	6	40	39	24	

1980		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Celtic	19	12	4	3	39	17	26	
Morton	20	11	4	5	39	26	26	
Rangers	21	8	4	9	29	29	20	
St. Mirren	19	7	6	6	28	32	20	
Partick	19	6	6	7	24	29	18	
Aberdeen	16	7	3	6	27	19	17	