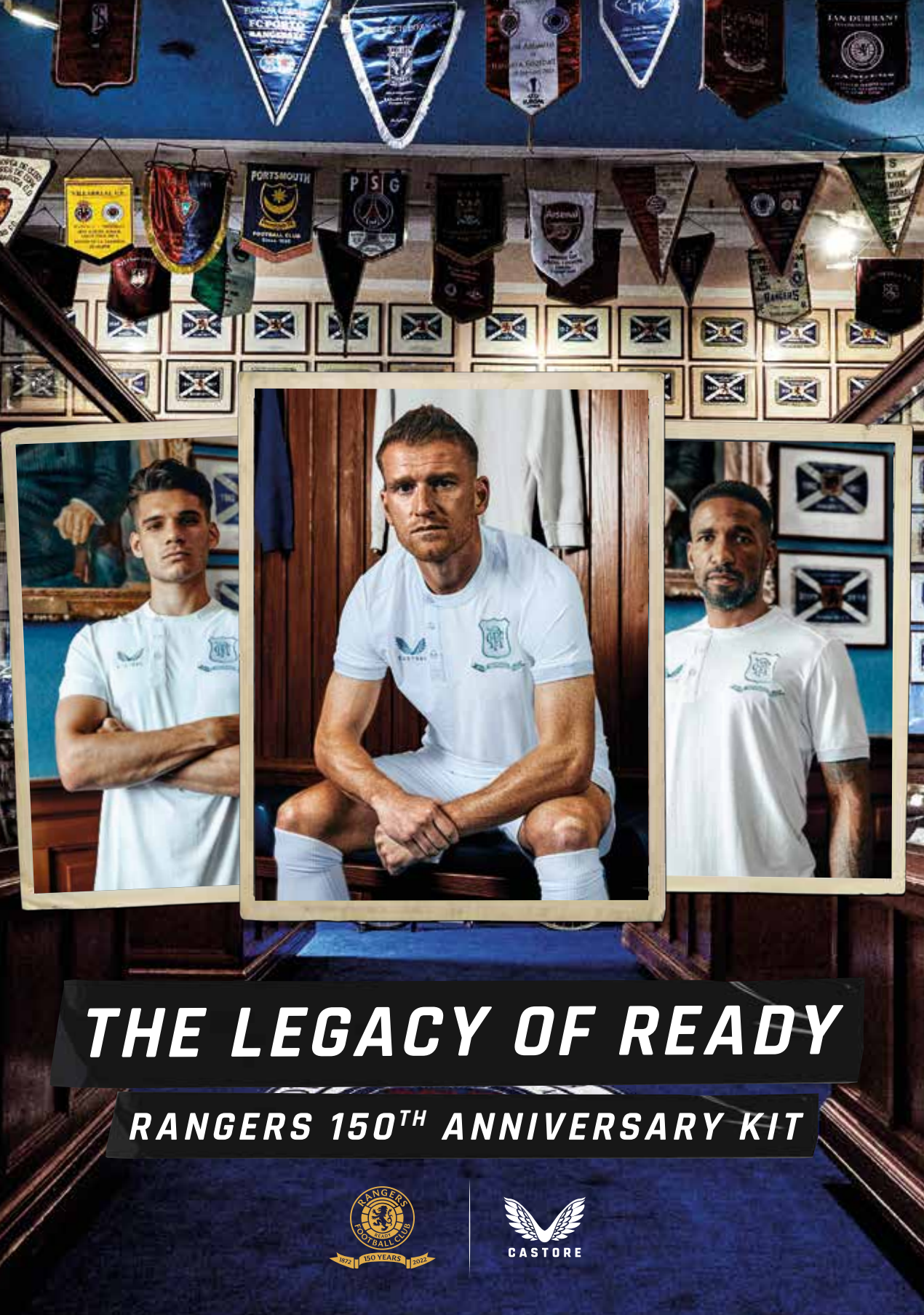
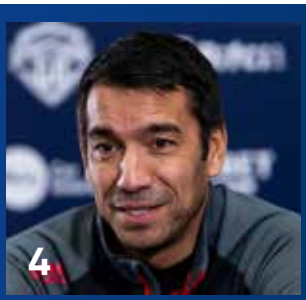
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MANAGER'S NOTES

GIOVANNI VAN BRONCKHORST

GOOD afternoon and welcome back to Ibrox as we get ready for our Boxing Day fixture against St Mirren.

I hope everyone enjoyed a great Christmas with family and friends and I am sure, like me, you are excited to have a big match to look forward to today, with three important Scottish Premiership points to play for.

The month of December has been busy for us but also pleasing as we have won all five of our league games, three at home and two away in Edinburgh against Hibs and Hearts.

We now have to keep our concentration and ensure we are fired up for two more big tests still to come before New Year.

St Mirren are first up and while they have struggled for victories over the past couple of months we will be expecting a tough battle this afternoon.

As ever, our preparation has been very good and I am confident that if we are positive in our approach, we work hard defensively as a team and we create and score goals as I know we can, we should be able to build on our recent results.

Against Dundee United last weekend we had to dig deep and I thought it was a difficult game with the visitors providing a really good challenge.

They played well but our performance wasn't what I wanted, although the second half was a bit better.

It was an excellent penalty from James that secured the victory so, at the end, I was happy with the points but I hope we can produce a better overall display today.

Finally, as this is our last home match of 2021, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the incredible support I - along with the staff I brought to the club in mid-November - have received.

Indeed, the backing from everyone at the club has been great and it has really allowed us to settle in and very quickly feel at home.

The players too have been fantastic during this important period of the season and I know they are determined to maintain their high standards and put everything into today's game and also the 90 minutes at Pittodrie on Wednesday night.

GIOVANNI VAN BRONCKHORST

words Nick Thomson

SCOTT ARFIELD has enjoyed the Christmas period with his family but like his teammates he has stayed focused on today's hugely important league fixture against Jim Goodwin's Saints



BOXING CLEVER



WHEN it came to picking a feature player for our Boxing Day programme, this current Rangers team certainly didn't lack in possible candidates.

There are few, however, who exude more of that Christmas spirit than Scott Arfield. Always a larger than life character, the midfield man has been in outstanding form in recent times and will be looking to continue that run when St Mirren visit Ibrox this afternoon.

A man of a very eclectic musical taste, he picked Chris Rea's 'Driving Home for Christmas' as his favourite festive song, just ahead of the bold Shakin' Stevens' 'Merry Christmas, Everyone'.

And, on the movie front, he revealed just how big a fan he is of a famous movie franchise: "I'm showing my age here," he said. "Everyone says Elf, and Elf is brilliant, but Home Alone




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and probably Home Alone 2 out of the four of them - I have watched the four of them and Home Alone 2 is the best.

"I've tried to get my own girls to watch it but they are at an age where they are not interested."

While most of us yesterday would have been tucking into the turkey, pigs in blankets, stuffing and whatever other trimmings we all enjoy, for Arfield and his teammates a slightly healthier option was the choice – with the 33-year-old learning the hard way previously why that has to be the case.

He grimaced: "I did that one year when I was at Huddersfield - I had a full Christmas dinner and it was the only time I have done it. Then at the Boxing Day fixture I felt as if I couldn't move, so I have learned from that!

"I think my game, personally, is all about fitness and getting around the pitch, so the minute I overeat and put the wrong things in my body, particularly before a game, is no good for me.

"So I have never done that again. I will have something like salmon instead but for the last eight years my missus has been fuming as at Christmas we just have salmon and some of the trimmings."

But how then is Christmas other than that? "Everything else is the same," he revealed. "When you get to Christmas, things come into your household that are very tempting but so long as you don't put that into your body then you will be fine."



This time of year is always laden with matches aplenty and Arfield simply adores being a professional at this festive period of the season.

"I love it, and I think I speak on behalf of most players," he continued. "Yes, you

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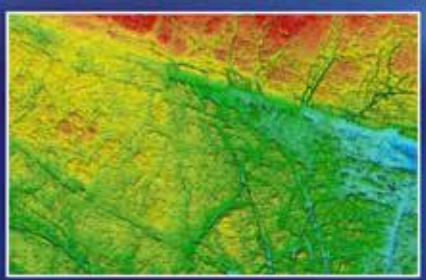
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want that time with your family and that downtime but as a football player I think it is the best time of the year as the games come so quick and so fast.

"Normally around this sort of period too it dictates where you are going to finish in May, so it is very, very important for everyone.

"Every family wants to go to the football on Boxing Day and you feel it is a family atmosphere as everyone is off work and looking forward to that fixture and supporting your team.

"The most important thing is to win games and send those people back happier than what they came to the game."

On the flip side, for those players who are far from home it can be a more difficult period.

Arfield was able to have loved ones around him at this time of year when he was over the border at Huddersfield and then Burnley but others aren't so fortunate, particularly with Covid again extending its miserable grip over so many aspects of normal life.

The Canadian internationalist explained: "I was lucky that I had family travelling down and spending Christmas with me but there will be boys here that can't have that due to the current climate we are in with the Covid stuff.

"There will be players here who will miss their families so hopefully today we will give them a good result to take home."

On the park then and Arfield has been a key part thus far of the fine start manager Giovanni van Bronckhorst has enjoyed as manager.

The Gers star has thoroughly enjoyed working under the Dutch legend and praised his stellar work off the field for getting the players fully tuned in to what he wants them to do.

Arfield said: "He has been brilliant and I think it has been quite seamless in terms of the transition coming in.

"He has got his messages across and, as I have said before, we have had to do so much of the actual


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outside coaching on the inside and on the screen and seeing it with the volume of games we have had.

"So we have had to be dialled in - that has been a bit different for us as normally you have a pre-season or a January break where you can get on the grass and really learn those methods.

"But we have seen it in videos how he wants us to play and, while it has not been drastically different, there have been differences within that with different personnel and it has been so enjoyable so far.

"We have had that bounce and we have kicked on, plus we have a big game in February in the Europa League to look forward to as well."

And on that massive clash Arfield alludes to with Borussia Dortmund, it is one every single person involved with Rangers cannot wait for – albeit they will be putting it to the back of their minds with so many crucial domestic matches to come beforehand.

"It is superb," Arfield added, "and that is who you want to play against. When I was down south you played against the best players at the best stadiums and this is the sort of fixture we wanted.

"It doesn't matter who we play against. At Ibrox in particular, we feel we can go and get a result and it will be no different when that night comes.

"They will be looking at us and with the calibre of player we have at this football club, they won't be taking us lightly.

"With Barcelona and the likes of Lyon, Dortmund will be among the favourites to win the competition but they know they will need to be at the top of their game to put us out, that is for sure."


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CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

JAMES TAVERNIER

GOOD afternoon and welcome along to our final home match of 2021 as we welcome St Mirren for our Boxing Day fixture.

I hope you all had a very happy and safe Christmas Day and that you will continue to stay safe as we go through the festive period.

We are focusing on our own strengths to do everything we can to defeat St Mirren and we have really enjoyed a whole week of preparation leading into this one – the first full week we have had so far under the new boss.

I think it is pretty clear how much we are learning under the manager and how much that is translating into performances on the park.

For all the good play we have had, however, it was really pleasing in our recent matches with St Johnstone and Dundee United to see patience is an attribute that we have in spades. That is something we may have to show again this afternoon too, albeit we will be doing our utmost to earn an early breakthrough.

These fixtures at this time of year are always special and I'd like to pay a special welcome to those of you who may be back at Ibrox from further afield today as you visit family in Scotland over the Christmas period.

We are so proud to have supporters based all around the world and I hope you in particular enjoy the game today given it may have been some time since you were last in the stadium.

As we approach the turn of the year, everyone I'm sure will take time to reflect on what has been another challenging year for all of us in our own lives, but on the football pitch it has been one that none of us will ever forget.

To be the captain of this club when we won 55 is something I will cherish for the rest of my life and I am just so proud that it brought so much happiness to so many people at a time of such darkness all around.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a Happy New Year when it comes and here's to an even more successful 2022.

Enjoy the game this afternoon,

JAMES TAVERNIER

RANGERSMIND

HALF-TIME QUIZ

1
Alfredo Morelos headed home Rangers' winner when today's teams met in Paisley in October. What was notable about the goal?

2
In which year did Nathan Patterson make his Rangers debut, in a Scottish Cup tie against Stranraer?

3
Which of these grounds did Gers NOT play in during their spell in the lower leagues from 2012 to 2016: Balmoor Stadium, Cliftonhill or Galabank?

4
Who was Light Blues manager on Christmas Day 1920?

5
Steven Davis will celebrate his birthday on New Year's Day. What age will he turn?

6
Prior to kick-off today, St Mirren have played how many matches at Ibrox without scoring: five, six or seven?

7
Who holds the club record for winning the most international caps as a Rangers player?

8
In which year was David White appointed as the Rangers manager?

9
From which club did Gers sign goalkeeper Jak Alnwick in January 2017?

10
Who netted his first European goal for Rangers in the 1-1 draw in Lyon earlier this month?

11
What was the name of the Rangers club newspaper launched in 1971?

12
Which current Ranger has scored in each of the top four divisions of English football?

13
In which competition did St Mirren last record a win over Gers?

14
Which famous football manager does Michael Sheen play in the film *The Damned United*?

15
Steven Davis skippered Northern Ireland to the Round of 16 of Euro 2016. Which other British national team won the knockout tie 1-0?

16
Who won the more trophies during their time as manager at Ibrox: Willie Waddell or John Greig?

17
In which month of 2021 did Rangers clinch their 55th Scottish title?

18
Which Gers star played an away European tie in his home city earlier this season?

19
Which other 'Rangers' ended Rangers B team's interest in this season's SPFL Trust Trophy at the quarter-final stage?

20
Who won the *Ballon d'Or* for a record seventh time at a ceremony in Paris last month?

ANSWERS
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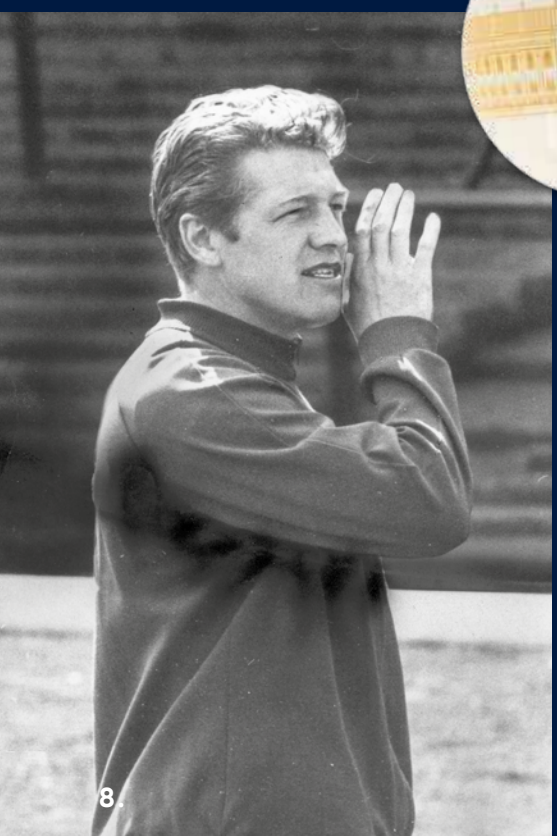
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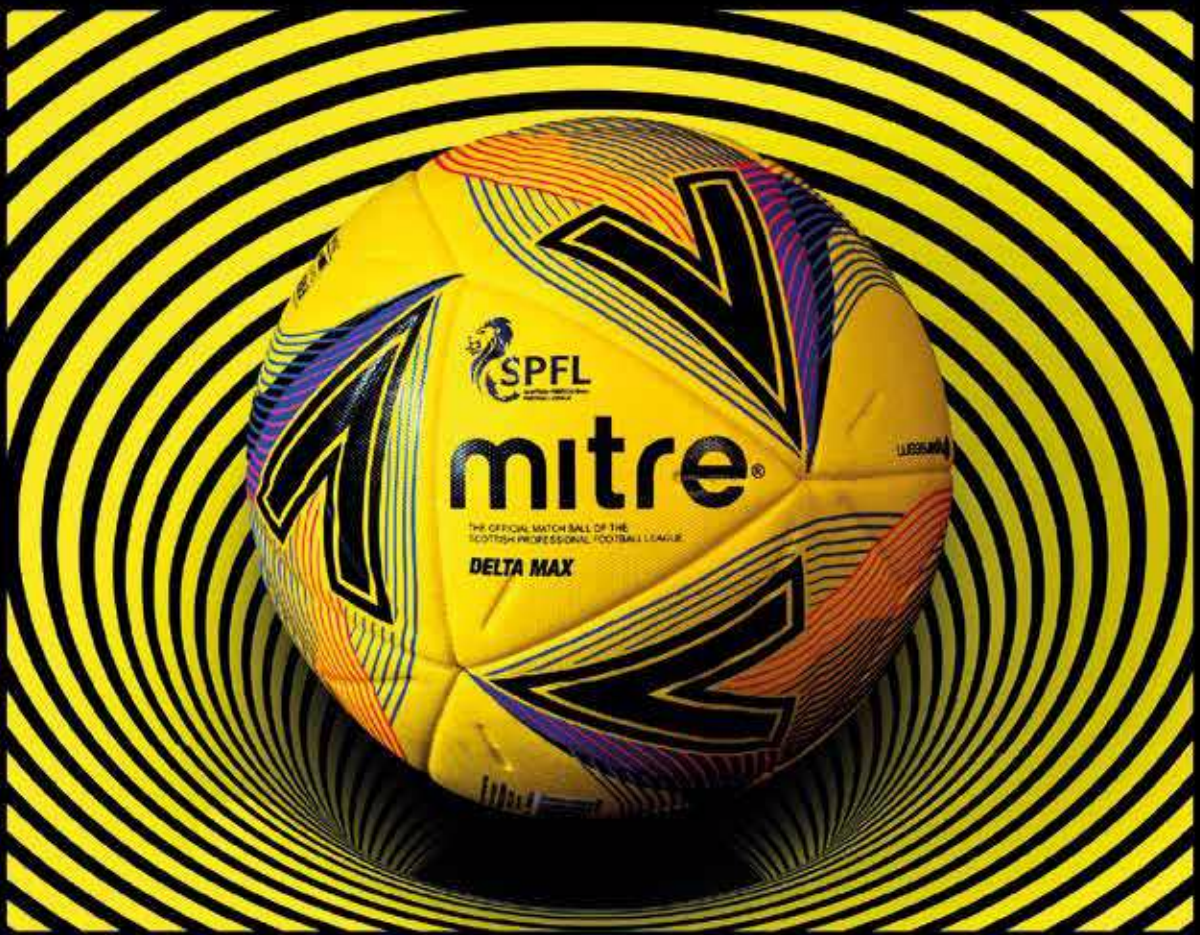


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FAST FACTS

RANGERS V ST MIRREN

by ROBERT CARMICHAEL

Rangers and St Mirren have met on 240 previous occasions on league duty with both sides taking part in the first league season in 1890/91. The Light Blues have the upper hand in the head to head record, winning 164 times to the Buddies' 30 with 46 matches drawn. In the process Rangers have scored 570 goals and conceded 209.

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Giovanni van Bronckhorst only faced St Mirren on one occasion during his playing career with Rangers, featuring in a 3-1 victory at St Mirren Park in August 2000 with Jorg Albertz netting a double on the day and Billy Dodds getting the other goal.



Alfredo Morelos is the top scorer in league matches against St Mirren from the current squad, having scored seven goals, including one in each of the last four league encounters with the Buddies. Before 'El Bufalo', the last player to score in four consecutive league games in the fixture was Derek Johnstone, whose goals came in the four matches in the 1977/78 season, although Jimmy Smith holds the record against Saints, having scored in seven consecutive games between February 1934 and January 1938.



To date, Rangers have played 32 league matches on Boxing Day, winning 24, losing three and drawing the other five. Twenty of these games have been played at Ibrox with only one defeat at the hands of St Johnstone in 1925 and two draws, both 1-1 against Stranraer on 2013 and Hibernian in 2018, amongst 17 victories, most recently 1-0 wins against Kilmarnock in 2019 and Hibernian in 2020.





Allan McGregor and Steven Davis both sit in the list of the top 20 players to have played against St Mirren in terms of number of appearances. McGregor is currently in 12th place with 22 appearances but will move up to joint eighth place alongside Andy Cunningham, Derek Johnstone, Peter McCloy and Sandy Jardine if he plays today. Davis, on 20 games played, is currently in joint 16th position alongside Chris Woods, George Young, Jimmy Gordon and John McPherson. Davie Cooper, with 39 games, has played the most matches against St Mirren.

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Rangers – McGregor, Tavernier, Barisic, Kamara, Balogun, Goldson, Hagi (Arfield (Zungu)), Aribo, Roofe (Morelos), Davis, Kent

Hibernian – Barnes, Gogic, Doig, Hanlon, Porteous, McGinn, Hallberg, Wright (Gullan), Nisbet, Boyle, Newell



1938

Goals from Willie Thornton, James Fiddes and Alec Venters give Rangers a 3-0 victory over St Mirren at Ibrox to increase their lead over Celtic at the top of the table to five points.

Rangers – Dawson, Gray, Shaw, McKillop, Simpson, Symon, Waddell, Fiddes, Thornton, Venters, Kinnear



1959

Rangers beat Stirling Albion 3-0 in the league at Ibrox. Alex Scott opens the scoring after 15 minutes with Davie Wilson increasing the lead just before the hour mark and Bobby Hume sealing the victory shortly afterwards.

Rangers – Niven, Shearer, Little, Davis, Paterson, Stevenson, Scott, McMillan, Millar, Wilson, Hume



1970

Rangers' first Boxing Day fixture for 10 years ends with a 1-0 victory over St Mirren at Ibrox. John Greig gets the goal that bags both points after 76 minutes.

Rangers – McCloy, Jardine, Miller, Greig, McKinnon, Jackson, Henderson, Stein, Johnstone, Smith, MacDonald





1976

Rangers return to action, having not played a competitive game since November 27 due to bad weather, with a 1-0 home victory over Motherwell. Alex O'Hara gets the goal with 15 minutes left.

Rangers – Kennedy, Jardine, Greig, Forsyth, Jackson, Watson, McLean, O'Hara, Parlane (Miller), Henderson, Johnstone

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1995

Rangers take advantage of being in the only fixture to survive the weather to increase their lead over Celtic at the top of the table to five points after beating Kilmarnock 3-0 at Ibrox. Oleg Salenko, Gordon Durie and Paul Gascoigne get the goals.

Rangers – Goram, Ferguson (McInnes), Robertson, Gough, McLaren, Petric, Miller, Gascoigne, Salenko, Durie (Durrant), Laudrup





2010

Kenny Miller nets a double as Rangers stay two points ahead of Celtic at the top of the league after a 4-1 victory over Motherwell at Fir Park. Vladimir Weiss also gets on the scoresheet with the other goal courtesy of a Saunders OG.

Rangers – McGregor, Foster, Weir, Bougherra, Papac, McCulloch, Whittaker, Davis, Miller, Naismith (Fleck), Weiss (Ness)

1998

Rangers remain three points ahead of Kilmarnock at the top of the SPL with a 1-0 win against St Johnstone at Ibrox despite playing the majority of the second half with 10 men. Sergio Porrini gets the winning goal with 19 minutes remaining.

Rangers – Klos, Porrini, Amoruso, Hendry, Vidmar, B. Ferguson, Kanchelskis (McCann), van Bronckhorst, Guivarc'h (Wilson), Wallace (Miller), Albertz





2019 – Rangers stretch their unbeaten record in the league to 14 matches with a 1-0 victory over Kilmarnock at Ibrox. Alfredo Morelos gets the all important goal with 20 minutes of the second half played after coming off the bench.

Rangers – McGregor, Tavernier, Barisic, Kamara, Katic, Goldson, Arfield (Stewart), Jack, Defoe (Morelos), Aribo, Kent (Davis)

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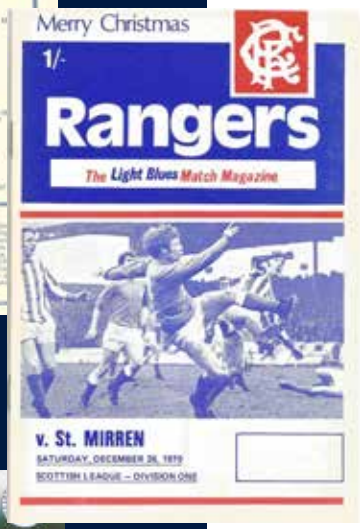
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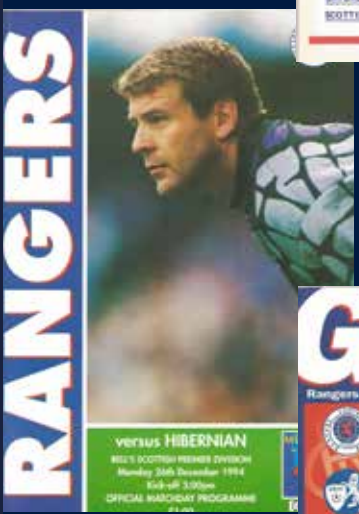
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RANGERS' LEAGUE MATCHES ON BOXING DAY

1896/97	St Bernard's	3-2	Rangers
1903/04	Hibernian	1-2	Rangers
1908/09	St Mirren	1-3	Rangers
1914/15	Third Lanark	1-1	Rangers
1921/22	Rangers	2-1	Dundee
1925/26	Rangers	0-1	St Johnstone
1931/32	Rangers	1-0	Motherwell
1936/37	Hibernian	1-4	Rangers
1938/39	Rangers	3-0	St Mirren
1942/43	Hibernian	1-1	Rangers
1953/54	Rangers	3-0	Hibernian
1959/60	Rangers	3-0	Stirling Alb
1960/61	Motherwell	1-2	Rangers
1970/71	Rangers	1-0	St Mirren
1976/77	Rangers	1-0	Motherwell
1987/88	Rangers	2-0	Dundee
1992/93	Dundee	1-3	Rangers
1994/95	Rangers	2-0	Hibernian
1995/96	Rangers	3-0	Kilmarnock
1996/97	Rangers	4-0	Raith Rovers
1998/99	Rangers	1-0	St Johnstone
2000/01	Rangers	3-0	St Johnstone
2001/02	Hibernian	0-3	Rangers
2002/03	Motherwell	1-0	Rangers
2005/06	Dunfermline	3-3	Rangers
2007/08	Rangers	3-1	Motherwell
2010/11	Motherwell	1-4	Rangers
2012/13	Rangers	3-0	Clyde
2013/14	Rangers	1-1	Stranraer
2018/19	Rangers	1-1	Hibernian
2019/20	Rangers	1-0	Kilmarnock
2020/21	Rangers	1-0	Hibernian

DEBUTS

1921 Carl Hansen (Rangers 2 Dundee 1)

1998 Stefan Klos (Rangers 1 St Johnstone 0)

2010 Jamie Ness (Motherwell 1 Rangers 4)

9 IN A ROW

25 YEARS ON



As Rangers celebrate their 150th birthday in the 2021/22 season, the campaign is also the anniversary of another important landmark in the club's history – Nine in a Row. A quarter of a century on from Gers' greatest string of consecutive league successes, we are marking it in the matchday programme by looking back at some of the key moments in the run. In part five, we reflect on how Erik Bo Andersen made himself a cult hero in an iconic New Year Old Firm win.

words *Andrew Dickson*

ABOVE
THE BOY DANE GOOD: ANDERSEN SLOTS IN RANGERS' THIRD GOAL OF OLD FIRM CLASSIC TO SEND IBROX WILD



ERIK BO AT THE DOUBLE!

Danish striker ANDERSEN defied flu to see off Celtic and take Rangers a step towards their historic Nine in a New Year derby classic



AS Rangers prepare to cross Glasgow next week and play their Old Firm rivals Celtic, the importance of victory in the city's east end is clear.

Aside from providing a chance to boost the club's title hopes, the fixture also gives the opportunity to lay a marker for the second half of the campaign.

That's certainly been the case historically where the New Year derby is concerned – and never more so than in Gers' revered run of Nine in a Row between 1988 and 1997.

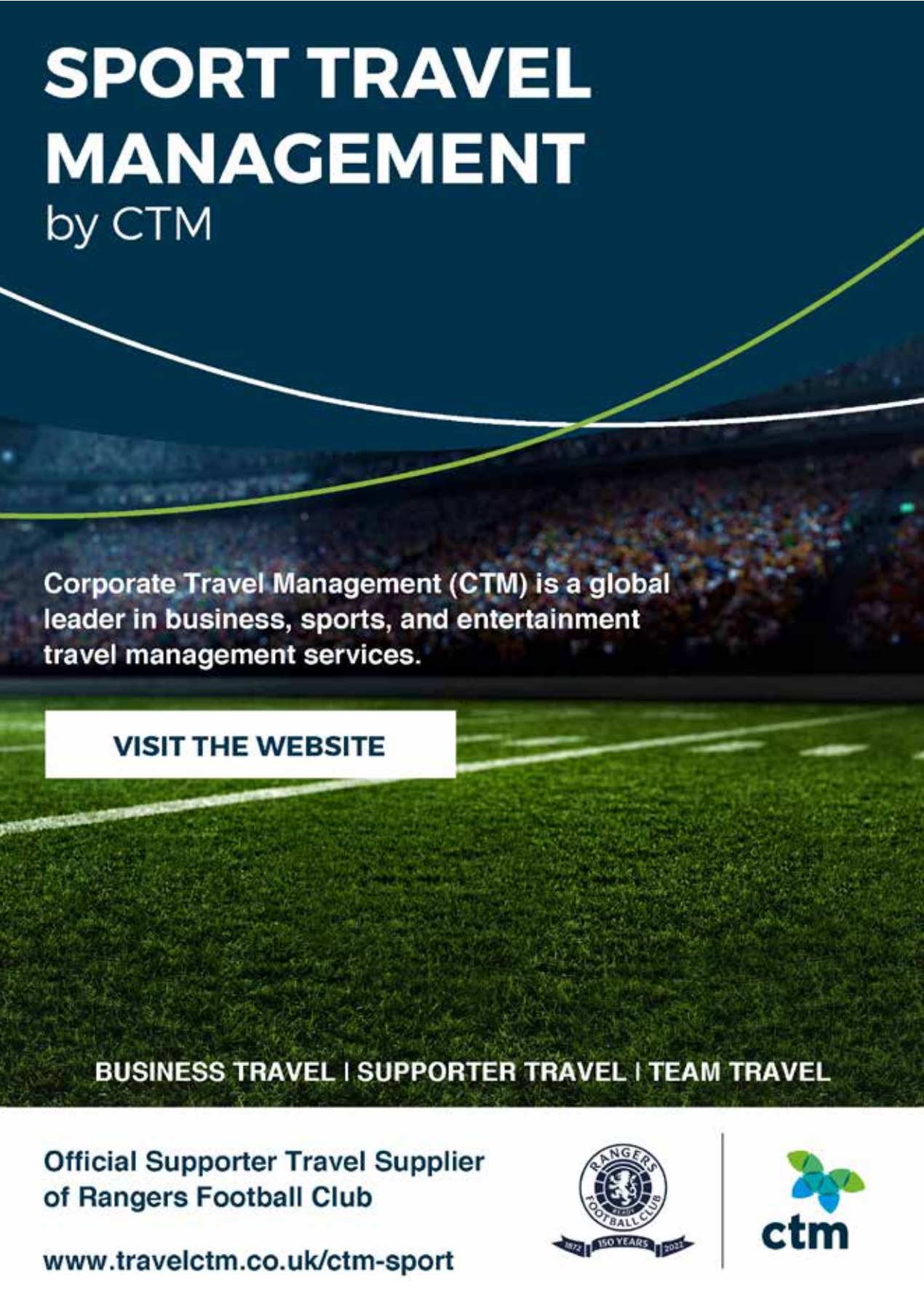
They never lost any of those games – winning seven and drawing the other two – with perhaps their sweetest success of all being their last.

Going into the Old Firm clash of January 1997, Rangers were in a strong position once again at the top of the table.

Some 11 points clear of Celtic, albeit having played twice more than their rivals, they knew success at Ibrox would move their lead into territory where it would be difficult to overcome.

Yet there was a problem. Ahead of kick-off, the squad had been ravaged by flu and Brian Laudrup – a matchwinner at Celtic seven weeks earlier – was out with Richard Gough.

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Andy Goram and Paul Gascoigne were also struggling and while they did make the starting XI, they clearly weren't in perfect health.

Erik Bo Andersen had been a doubt too, but the fixture would see the striker become an iconic fans' favourite as he came off the bench to score twice and secure a vital 3-1 triumph.

"I think every Rangers fan remembers that particular match," the former Denmark international said. "For me, it ended up being the best game of my whole career.

"There was so much joy around Ibrox at the end and to be able to feel that and know I had played a part in it was a fantastic feeling.

"Before the game, I had been sick all week. I had been told I would start and was going to get a run in the team but a lot of the squad had flu, me included.

"Brian and Richard were also unwell and couldn't play. On the day, I felt a little bit better but still wasn't great.

"I had to tell Walter Smith when he asked how I was before kick-off that there was no way I could last 90 minutes.

"We agreed I would be on the bench instead and would come on for the last 20 minutes. I felt with that I still had a chance to contribute."

With Andersen looking on from the sidelines, Rangers got off to a euphoric start as Jorg Albertz lived up to his nicknamed and hammered them into an early lead.



The German, of course, scored many monumental goals during his time in Glasgow, but his thunderous low free-kick from 30 yards just nine minutes in was as venomous as they come.

Gers couldn't build on their lead though and, after taking a narrow advantage into the break, Celtic equalised midway through the second half through Paolo Di Canio.

The match hung in the balance and with Celtic desperately needing the points to keep their hopes of killing Nine alive, it was starting

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to look like they could get them.

Andersen added: "At half-time, Archie had come up to me in the dressing room and said: 'Erik, you have to be prepared to come on because we need you to score two goals for us.'

"I said to him: 'Yeah, that would be fantastic but I don't think that will be easy.' After all, Celtic had a good team at the time.

"They had spent a lot of money on players and had been on a good run with Di Canio, Pierre van Hooijdonk and Jorge Cadete up front. They were all very dangerous.

"After they equalised, we were perhaps fortunate not to go behind. Our early goal from Jorg was very special but Celtic had fought back well.

"I was told exactly what to do. I was to go on and get in behind their defence because, at that point, Celtic were pressing very high up the pitch.

"I came on and passed the message on that we were to stretch them – and thankfully it worked."

Introduced with 15 minutes remaining, what followed in Andersen's short cameo was a maelstrom of chaos.

First, with seven minutes to go, a sequence of fragile headers in Celtic's backline went wrong as Albertz muscled in to lay off for his teammate to put Rangers back in front.

From there, it seemed as though Celtic were level again just moments later as Cadete's shot on the turn went in – only for him to be flagged offside.

Television replays showed Gordan Petric had played him on and there's no doubt Gers had got lucky.

Yet the Old Firm environment has never been one where sympathy is the overriding emotion and, in response, Smith's men went up the other end and won the match with a third.

Andersen was once again on target, this time playing a pacey one-two with Albertz on the counter before slotting in and celebrating with a knee slide long before they were fashionable.

In turn, Rangers were 14 points clear with one hand on the trophy. Fittingly, the Dane

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would ultimately score nine league goals on the way to a landmark title victory.

"My first goal against Celtic came from a mistake in their defence," he said. "Jorg played inside to me and it was an easy finish.

"It was an incredible feeling to put Rangers ahead in such an important match and it was Jorg who set up my second too.

"Ibrox just went crazy and the whole experience will live with me forever. I had not grown up with the Old Firm but that made me begin to understand what it meant.

"The noise and the atmosphere in the stadium were incredible and unlike anything else I ever experienced in football. It's one of the best feelings I had in the game.

"In the years since, I have had fans come up to me quite often when I have been on holiday and tell me they remember my goals against Celtic.

"I think everyone will be able to recall Walter's celebration down the touchline and seeing that still gives me goosebumps to this day.

"Seeing him join with the fans is a good memory of him and it's how I will always remember him. It is a very happy way of looking back at him.

"For a month after that game, the Scottish players in our squad talked all the time about that result. It was so important for us.

"Of course, we were chasing Nine in a Row and the win ended up playing an important part in us achieving that.

"For me, to be part of such a famous football match and to score two goals to give Rangers such a crucial win was incredible."



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THEY PLAYED IN LIGHT BLUE

By club historian
David Mason

THE famous royal blue jersey of Rangers Football Club is renowned around the world. Even when a new version of the first-team jersey is produced, the design concepts begin with the fundamental that the colour must be the traditional Rangers blue.

Over the years when different designers have been entertained at Ibrox, the colour code remains sacrosanct. So, for all that, why is the club often known as the 'Light Blues'? Indeed, there are some fans who have distaste for the name.

The nickname dates back to the early years of the club's existence, first appearing in the popular press in 1879. John Allan, who was the club's first unofficial historian, wrote 'The Story of the Rangers: Fifty Years' Football 1873-1923', chronicling the history of the club over the period. A respected journalist of the time, he reported the club's first colours to be royal blue jerseys, white knickers and blue and white stockings. He also noted that some of the players wore blue and white cowls, which were popular in the day.

goal. When the teams were at work the sight was a most picturesque one, the bright red jerseys of the Foresters, and light blue colours of their opponents looking exceedingly pretty, surrounded, as the field was, by a sombre looking cordon of spectators, in which was a fair sprinkling of ladies. During the first half of the

NOTTINGHAM EVENING POST, 1880

The first official registration of the jersey was in 1876 when it was listed as 'blue' and, in 1879, the SFA records stated the colour to be royal.

In contrast, a contemporary account from one who saw the team in its early years noted that the jersey was light blue and one of the earliest players, William Dunlop (pictured above), wrote of the light blue jersey, highlighting it was first worn in the club's second match against Clyde. A journalist writing for the SFA annual in 1894 under the nom de plume 'Obo' claimed the club's 'Light Blues' nickname came from the colour of their shirts.

Despite these early suggestions of the jersey being light blue for at least some of the period, there have been some who have ventured that the nickname was actually a reference to the slight stature of the players in the 1877 Scottish Cup final. In that match, they faced the more formidable Vale of Leven. Indeed, in March of that year, one newspaper, The





The grounds were soft last Saturday from recent rains. In Glasgow, the return match was played at Kinning Park between a somewhat weak team of the Queen's Park and Rangers,—ill-luck still sticking to the senior club, who were defeated by the once "Light Blues" by three goals to two; the game being extremely fast. Some confusion was caused by the Rangers having adopted a new-coloured jersey, differing only in narrowness of bar from that worn by the Queen's Park.

PAISLEY AND RENFREWSHIRE GAZETTE, 1882

...men. The corner flags, chocolate and light blue, combined the colours of the contending clubs, the Rangers' colours being light blue, and those of the Villa chocolate and light blue. The Rangers arrived at Crewe on Friday evening, and took up their quarters at

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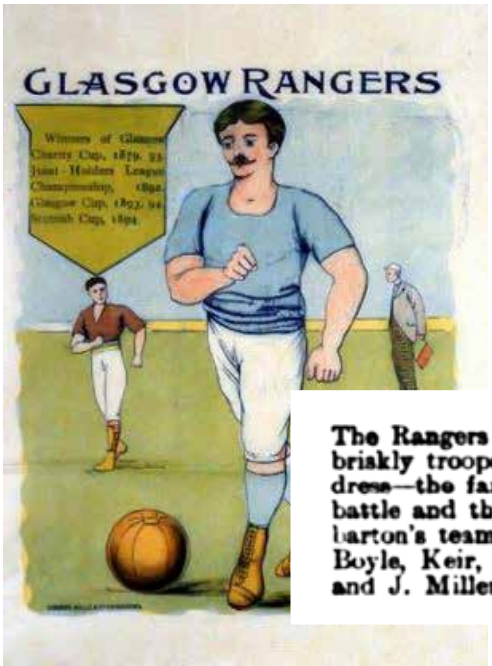
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The Rangers also received a hearty cheer [as they briskly trooped into the arena dressed in the old dress—the famous light-blue which has stood the battle and the breeze time and time again. Dumbarton's team was—Barr, Watson, Miller, M'Millan, Boyle, Keir, Taylor, Galbraith, M'Leod, M'Naught, and J. Miller. It will thus be seen that they were

SCOTTISH REFEREE, 1891

Glasgow News, referred to the young Rangers team as the 'light and speedy'.

The idea that the name 'Light Blues' followed has gathered some momentum in recent times. However, all the evidence would suggest that the more obvious background to the name was the colour of the early jersey. In fact, besides the accounts of the likes of 'Obo' and Dunlop, there are several newspaper reports which provide solid accounts on the colour of the strip.

One of the earliest records is found in the 1st November 1880 edition of The Nottingham Evening Post which reported on a match between Rangers and Nottingham Forest. It noted that Rangers' 'light blue colours...looked exceedingly pretty'. Two years later when the club changed its jersey to a hooped version, the October 1882 edition of the Paisley and Renfrewshire Gazette noted the change by referencing the team as 'once Light Blues'.

When Rangers faced Aston Villa in the FA Cup semi-final in 1887, the 7th March edition of the Sporting Life reported that the colours of the corner flags combined those of the two clubs, noting 'the Rangers colours being light blue'.

And the evidence goes on. When Rangers went north to play in Inverness in April 1888, The Elgin Courant and Morayshire Advertiser wrote of 'the light blue jerseys (the Rangers colours)'. In May 1891, the Scottish Referee newspaper, reporting on a match the team played against Dumbarton, wrote of Rangers entering 'the arena, dressed in the old dress – the famous light blue which has stood the battle and the breeze time and time again'.

If these various accounts are not enough to appease the most stubborn of sceptics, perhaps the clincher came in the same newspaper in 1913 when a journalist responded to a query on why the club was known as the 'Light Blues'. His response was quite simply, 'because of the club colours'.

So, it is without any real question that the club played in light blue in the early years, although the accounts are solid that it also played in royal blue,

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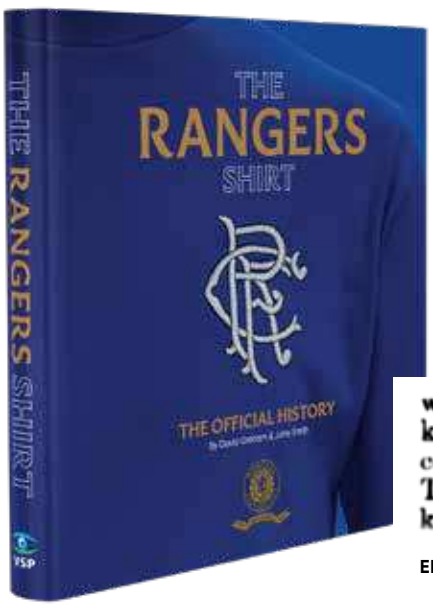


BLUE EVOLUTION: ERIC CALDOW, JOHN GREIG, ALLY MCCOIST, BRIAN LAUDRUP AND GIOVANNI VAN BRONCKHORST

the colour that it would ultimately adopt. Obviously, no one is around who ever saw that original jersey, so we can only speculate on its hue. My own suspicion is that it was not a sky blue, as worn by Manchester City, but perhaps a shade between this and the royal blue we are now familiar with.

Unfortunately, the team pictures of the period do not assist much in determining the shade, although the earliest pictures perhaps do show a lighter hue. Today, the club's traditional jersey lies firmly among the royal blue shades of the colour. In that, the term 'Light Blues' is no more than a nickname reflecting times (and jerseys) past.

For those interested in the changes that have taken place in the style of the jersey over the years, there is a super book (The Rangers Shirt) just released by fans David Graham and John Smith. It is an official publication through Pitch Publishing and provides some great narrative and images of jerseys through the club's history. It is worth a look.



was shown to perfection. The Inverness players kept up the pressure, and a shot from Macniven compelled the Glasgow custodian to fist out. The light blue jerseys (the Rangers' colours) kept the doctor in hot water for a considerable

ELGIN COURANT AND MORAYSHIRE ADVERTISER, 1888

AS 2021 draws to a close, Rangers Women's head coach Malky Thomson has reflected on his squad, the improvements made and the challenges as they now look ahead to an important start to the New Year.

Thomson believes his players have continued to get stronger as maturity and confidence has grown alongside being able to train and play at a professional level.

With the Park's Motor Group SWPL now in a winter break, Gers are unbeaten after a strong start to the campaign but Thomson says they must keep pushing in 2022.

He said: "I think it has been really positive. We set out with the plan to try and win every game and we've almost managed to do that in the league, albeit we took a draw against Glasgow City. We are sitting in the place where we want to be and we just need to keep pushing on from there.

"As every month goes by we get stronger, we get more understanding of each other and I think, to be honest, the maturity is starting to come into the squad and we are starting to control games.

"Before, we would play well in games and we would keep the ball and create chances but now we are actually dictating our style of play and it is really becoming evident that there is confidence among the group.

"It is not just on the park we have faced some challenges, other teams start to understand how you play and how individuals play and it is about being able to combat that.

"The girls have added more tools to their box in terms of playing in a different shape at times but our principles are still the same. We still want to be that team that wants to get the ball as much as we can in areas where we can create chances and score but I think the maturity level has stepped in.

"That has probably come from the belief and the confidence of just playing and training and being a professional."

Thomson feels the environment at Rangers Training Centre and the



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4	Hibernian Women	11	6	1	4	18	10	8	19
5	Aberdeen Women	11	3	1	7	13	29	-16	10
6	Motherwell Women	11	3	1	7	12	37	-25	10
7	Heart of Midlothian	11	3	0	8	10	25	-15	9
8	Spartans Women	11	1	5	4	10	28	-18	9
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support of the backroom team has been vital in the players improving not only as a group but as individuals.

He continued: "Coaches are coaches and we can make sure the sessions have content, but the players must buy into what we are trying to do.

"The environment is massive and it is made easier here at Rangers where we have such a great facility and we also have some real good staff around us.



"The staff that are around me, I am ever so grateful that they are there because not only do they do their job, they do it with a passion and a desire."

Another huge part of the development of the women's and girls' programme at Rangers is the growth of the Girls Academy.

Overseen by Thomson's assistant and Girls Academy Manager Kevin Murphy (left), the academy has undergone a restructure and will now operate with three teams.

Thomson says it is important youth players see a pathway at Rangers and that they get a chance across the country to help grow the women's game in the future.

He said: "Kevin has just completed a revamp of the youth set-up which I know has been very difficult for him. We are now down to three squads and the competition level within those squads is high.

"We've managed to have six to eight players coming regularly to train with the first team which again adds that value that you can actually achieve your dream here.

"We are not just going to go out and buy players. We are going to try and home grow them and I think that has been evident in the selection for every single league and cup game that we have had.

"We have always had one or two youth players on the bench but it is really important that the environment allows the young players to come in here and

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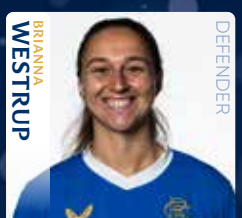
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"We have some good, experienced players from Scotland and from abroad and they really make it such an easy environment to come into and train.

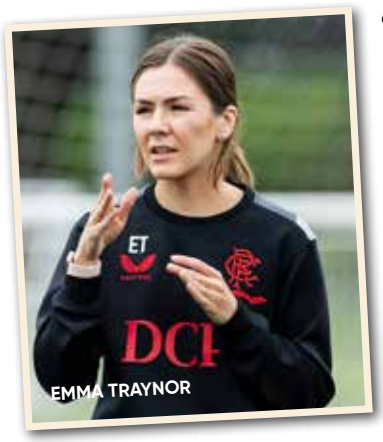
"My coaching career has always been about the youth and it has always been about giving players opportunities to play. It is the way forward and I'm hoping in the next round of games we'll start to see some of the other youth players at other clubs coming in and getting that experience."

With the Rangers squad on a winter break until the beginning of January, Thomson says the players will have their own individual programmes to ensure they come back ready to go in the New Year.

He added: "Every week that goes by there's a massive amount of planning and preparation that goes into it by all the staff. Emma [Traynor], our sport scientist, really takes control of when the players are off site.

"We have the GPS and different platforms that the girls will use while they are away, so they will have home programmes to work on and it will be individual to their specific needs.

"All that data will get recorded and it gets fed back to Emma and she makes sense of it and summarises it for the coaches so we know exactly where they are at at any given point.



EMMA TRAYNOR

"It is really important we have a break mentally and given what has happened with the pandemic, it is important that the girls go away, they get a break and they see their family.

"It is a time to reset and come back with a positive mindset for the task at hand, which is to go into the next two rounds of games and win."





THE Rangers B squad started this season with the ambition to create a programme that would best reflect a first-team environment.

And as the young Gers prepare to end the first half of the 2021/22 campaign, coach David McCallum has looked back on what the team has achieved both individually and collectively.

McCallum has led his side to second position in the Lowland League and he insists the fixtures in Scottish football's fifth tier have provided a great test for the players as they continue to compete against experienced opposition.

He said: "I think first and foremost the programme has been very varied in terms of the type and level of challenges. We looked at the opposition that reflected as close to the senior game as much as we possibly could and we've been craving that opportunity for a bit of time.

"When you look at the season, starting



A LOT MORE HIGHS THAN LOWS

DAVID MCCALLUM assesses the B team's season so far and previews Old Firm clash at Ibrox on Hogmanay

words Heather Miller

with pre-season friendlies then leading into the Lowland League campaign, along with the Trust Trophy and UEFA Youth League, I think there has been a lot of challenges that met what we wanted to achieve and we have enjoyed the campaign so far.

"We wanted that experience for the players to play in a weekend league fixture then going into a European fixture midweek but being able to recognise that it is a different game and level of opposition.

"Ultimately, when you get to the first team it is about winning. There have been some games where we've managed to gain a win off the back of not the best performance, that's about finding a way to get the end result.

"It's about being reflective of what we want a Rangers team to look like but there are some games where there are a range of different challenges."

The B team boss also looked ahead to the next part of the season and believes mirroring the first team will give his squad a real flavour of senior football.

He continued: "It's important that we've got aspirations to reach individual targets within the group to see how far they can reach within their own level, but also looking to the first team as well.

"Throughout the season the boys have had the opportunity to train in and around the first team. Ultimately that's where they want to get to, to challenge themselves against first-team players and they want to be known.

"That exposure has been great for them and it is probably more important than any game that they will play, but it is important the balance between both.

"We continue to remind the boys that there is a new management team at the club. It's a blank canvas effectively and every player should be itching to get an opportunity.

"Whether that's a Lowland League fixture or a training session with the first team, they have to make themselves known and get the coaching staff thinking about them.

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"The league is still there for us to go and be successful in. We've also had a positive start to the Glasgow Cup and we've drawn Sevilla in our next round of the UEFA Youth League after winning every game in that tournament so far.

"That gives us another opportunity to go and play some exciting European games in the second part of the season."

Rangers B will host the first Lowland League Old Firm fixture at Ibrox on Hogmanay in front of an expectant home support.

McCallum outlined the massive opportunity the fixture provides for the young Gers when they get a taste of what the first team experience as they take to the hallowed Ibrox turf.

He added: "The opportunity to play in front of the home fans is going to be considerably more than anything that they have experienced up until this stage.

"To be playing against Celtic in an Old Firm, the squad will be excited about this fixture. It's going to give them a taste of what first-team football may look like.

"We will be looking to perform well and make sure that the fans enjoy it while trying to get the result we want at the same time.

"The support





that the lads have received so far in the season from the fans has been excellent and hopefully this might encourage more to attend.

"For certain parts, this fixture will be one of the biggest learning moments for the squad this season. Playing at Ibrox will bring a different pressure and excitement level to the match and it's a case of us going toe-to-toe, performing well and showing that we can be the stronger of the two teams.

"It's effectively us going out onto a great surface in front of a fantastic environment and showcasing what this group can look like at their best."

If you would like to watch the B team in their first Old Firm fixture of the season, check the Rangers website for ticket information.

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A treasure trove of historical items will be available for display in the museum which help tell the story of Rangers Football Club, from its formation in 1872 to the present day.

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Like the rest of the Rangers family, we were all saddened by the recent passing of our legendary manager Walter Smith. As you would expect, Walter was always extremely accommodating and helpful to RYDC and the Former Players Benevolent Club and our thoughts are with his family at what I am sure will be a difficult time this Christmas.

Finally, please stay safe and well and thank you again for your unbelievable backing. On behalf of the RYDC team, I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2022 and beyond.

Colin Stewart

Director of Operations,
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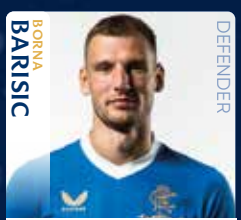
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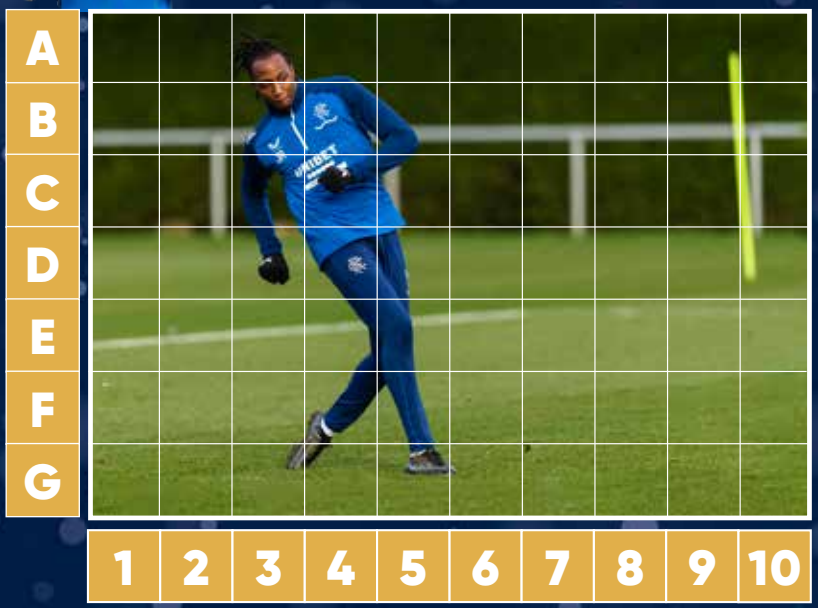
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Which square was the ball removed from in this photo?

Can you find the 12 players who have played for both Rangers and St Mirren?

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WORD SEARCH

Up and down, back to front and diagonally, can you find them all?

ANSWERS: Where's the ball? F9

MINI QUIZ

1. In which year was **St Mirren Football Club** formed – was it 1877, 1878 or 1879?
2. Name the midfielder who wears the **number 4** jersey for Rangers.
3. Who is the only **Romanian player** in the Rangers squad?
4. 21-year-old Rangers winger **Glenn Middleton** is currently on loan at another Scottish club – is he playing for Aberdeen, Dundee or St Johnstone?
5. Who famously scored the goal at the **2010 League Cup final** when Rangers, reduced to nine men, beat St Mirren 1-0 at Hampden – was it Steven Naismith, Nacho Novo or Kenny Miller?













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1. 1877
2. John Lundstram
3. Ianis Hagi
4. St Johnstone
5. Kenny Miller

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Favourite player Ryan Kent





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Age 7
From Blantyre
Hobby Dancing
Favourite player Alfredo Morelos



Jack Brown
Age 8
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Hobby Playing football (right-back) for Alloa Wasps
Favourite player James Tavernier

Leah Brown
Age 13
From Sauchie
Hobby Freestyle dancing – and competing all over the UK - with Dualstar
Favourite player Joe Aribo





2021

July

3-0	**31**	**SPFL**	**Livingston (h)**

August

1-2	3	CLQ	Malmo FF (a)
0-1	7	SPFL	Dundee United (a)
1-2	**10**	**CLQ**	**Malmo (h)**
5-0	**13**	**SLC**	**Dunfermline (h)**
1-0	**19**	**ELQ**	**Alashkert (h)**
4-2	22	SPFL	Ross County (a)
0-0	26	ELQ	Alashkert (a)
1-0	**29**	**SPFL**	**Celtic (h)**

September

2-1	11	SPFL	St Johnstone (a)
0-2	**16**	**EL1**	**Lyon (h)**
1-1	**19**	**SPFL**	**Motherwell (h)**
2-0	**22**	**SLC**	**Livingston (h)**
1-0	25	SPFL	Dundee (a)
0-1	30	EL2	Sparta Prague (a)

October

2-1	**3**	**SPFL**	**Hibernian (h)**
1-1	**16**	**SPFL**	**Hearts (h)**
2-0	**21**	**EL3**	**Brondby (h)**
2-1	24	SPFL	St Mirren (a)
2-2	**27**	**SPFL**	**Aberdeen (h)**
6-1	31	SPFL	Motherwell (a)

November

1-1	4	EL4	Brondby (a)
4-2	**7**	**SPFL**	**Ross County (h)**
1-3	21	LCSF	Hibernian (Hampden)
2-0	**25**	**EL5**	**Sparta Prague (h)**
3-1	28	SPFL	Livingston (a)

December

1-0	1	SPFL	Hibernian
3-0	**4**	**SPFL**	**Dundee**
1-1	9	EL6	Lyon
2-0	12	SPFL	Hearts (a)
2-0	**15**	**SPFL**	**St Johnstone (h)**
1-0	**18**	**SPFL**	**Dundee United (h)**
	26	**SPFL**	**St Mirren (h) - 3pm**
	29	SPFL	Aberdeen (a) - 7.45pm

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2022

January

2 SPFL Celtic (a) - 12noon

21 SC Stirling Albion (h) - 7.45pm

26 SPFL Livingston (h) - 7.45pm

29 SPFL Ross County (a) - 12.30pm

February

6 SPFL Hearts (h) - 4pm

9 SPFL Hibernian (h) - 7.45pm

17 ELPO Borussia Dortmund (a) - 6.45pm

20 SPFL Dundee Utd (a) - 12noon

24 ELPO Borussia Dortmund (h) - 8pm

27 SPFL Motherwell (h) - 3pm

March

2 SPFL St Johnstone (a) - 7.45pm

5 SPFL Aberdeen (h) - 3pm

19 SPFL Dundee (a) - 3pm

April

3 SPFL Celtic (h) - 12noon

9 SPFL St Mirren (a) - 3pm

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