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● Cammy Fraser is back in business and on the ball this season and the midfielder is delighted to be in the scheme of things once again. The former Dundee player has been involved since player-manager Graeme Souness took over and has been playing well.





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# TEAM TALK



### ● It's going to be a little strange for everyone today with this Old Firm match being staged on a Sunday.

But when all's said and done a Rangers-Celtic match is a one-off anyway even if it was played at midnight in some remote part of the world.

Hopefully it will be a good, exciting game and a tremendous advertisement for football especially as it's being shown "live" on television.

Celtic have had a good start to the season but our own League situation improved with a victory at Hamilton last weekend.

A lot of teams will find it hard there and generally I was pleased with the two points.

But what we have to do in situations like that is learn to kill off the opposition and not let them back into the match like we did at Douglas Park.

We had done well for an hour and I was quite happy with the quality of our play but instead of going on and finishing the game off we let Hamilton come back at us.

And not for the first time I was far from happy with the goal we conceded. It was a bit sloppy and we're simply going to have to stop giving goals away like that.

At the other end it was good to see Colin West get another goal to follow his strike against Stenhousemuir at Falkirk and they'll have done him the world of good.

But to be honest, I'm not really too concerned who scores the goals as long as we keep getting them and, of course, stop letting them in at the other end.

As for this week I wrote this column just prior to the Skol League Cup tie in midweek because of a deadline to enable this magazine to go on sale earlier than usual so I can't talk about what happened there.

But whatever the outcome was, today it's back to Premier League duty and Celtic.

This Old Firm match is a perfect example of being a prime target for sponsors and in this economic climate it's important for clubs, whatever their size or stature, to encourage such activities.

That's why I'm delighted to welcome Guinness Brewing to Ibrox this afternoon.

They have put a considerable sum of money into the Club for the privilege of sponsoring the game and we're delighted to have them here.

I hope they and the rest of what's always a capacity crowd, enjoy the day's entertainment.



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# INSIDE IBROX

## HAIR TODAY, GONE TOMORROW

● **Ally McCoist's trendy new haircut hasn't come about without a little heartache.**

The striker sported his new look for the first time recently and there was even an extra hair or two straggling down the back of his neck which he felt put a nice finishing touch to the style.

Unfortunately, the rest of the Ibrox troops didn't share his view and before the unsuspecting McCoist knew what was happening he was pinned to the dressing-room floor and was, in the nicest sense of the word, being operated on.

The loose strands at the back were hacked off by The Phantom Barber to leave Ally admitting: "I should have known better".

## MALLORCA MEETING

● **We've had a plea from the heart from one Lee Marshall of 9 Princess Elizabeth Way, Cheltenham, Glos. GL5 17PE.**

The young lady met a Rangers supporter on holiday at the Hotel Linda in C'an Pastila in Mallorca and would like to hear from him again.

All she knows is that the Ibrox fan raved about the atmosphere of an Old Firm clash, was an electrician and since Lee supports Aston Villa talked a lot about Neale Cooper who signed for the Birmingham club from Aberdeen recently.

They met around the time of the Frank Bruno fight and now she wants to renew the acquaintance so if anyone you know fits this bill get him to drop Lee a line at the above address.



## DALGLISH AT IBROX

● **Kenny Dalglish popped in to Ibrox to see former Liverpool team-mate Graeme Souness recently.**

The two player-managers were, of course, pals at Anfield and indeed team-mates when with Scotland on international duty.

The Liverpool gaffer took in our game against Falkirk before staying late at the ground for a long chat with his Ibrox counterpart and then heading back south for the not insignificant matter of the Charity Shield match against Everton and a new season when he's looking to repeat last year's magnificent double of League and FA Cup success.

## PAYING THE PENALTY

● **The Easter Road affair is over and Rangers have accepted the**

decisions made by the SFA when their Disciplinary and Referee Committee discussed the incidents from the Hibs-Rangers match on the opening day of the season.

The club was fined £5,000 and player-manager Graeme Souness was banned for three matches in addition to the automatic one-game suspension he got for the ordering off. In addition the other Ibrox players were given two penalty points for their parts in the affair.

## LIGHTS OUT!

● **General maintenance work on the electrics took place at Ibrox last weekend and it meant the entire Stadium shutting down for a couple of days.**

That meant the reserve match scheduled for the Saturday afternoon was moved to the Friday night and we're grateful to all concerned for their help in arranging the switch.

Apologies, though, to the regulars at reserve matches who were inconvenienced by the date change.

## TODAY'S COVER

● **Today's cover photograph shows striker Ally McCoist who has had such a good start to the season and who, happily for us, has a habit of finding the back of the net against this afternoon's visitors!**

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● Action from our recent encounter with Dundee United... our pictures show: (Right) Ally McCoist rising to celebrate stabbing home the first goal of the game. (Below) Ally again... this time on his way to scoring his and Rangers second goal. (Below) Player manager Graeme Souness breaks through United's defence but his careful chip is just wide.



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## IBROX POSTBAG

● We have been inundated with letters from supporters about your new-style match magazine.

But that's not a complaint because we did ask you for your ideas and comments and you've certainly responded.

There's been another flood of letters into the stadium and, happily, the correspondents seem to like the photographs and articles we've been bringing you.

● Derek Walker of Randolph Drive in Clarkston, Glasgow, has this to say: "I have been impressed by the new magazine

"It now seems to contain a lot more information about the players and other staff and has highlighted the recent improvements at Ibrox.

"But I would like to see more facts and figures and things like the average League attendances and Premier League top scorers included. I also think it would be helpful to give supporters more information on how to travel to away games and how much tickets will cost."

\* Thanks for the letter Derek and we're taking a close look at your helpful suggestions.

● From Rosemont Crescent in Dundee, William Adams writes: "Congratulations on a splendid programme.

"I am all in favour of the coupon idea which is a fairer method for future match tickets but most serious collectors like myself wish to keep their collections in perfect condition and removing the coupons naturally makes a difference."

\* A few people have voiced the same opinion about the coupons and while we've tried to find a way round it we have always come back to the original plan. Basically, you'll have to buy two magazines!

● Back to Glasgow and Allan Robertson of Atholl Drive, Giffnock, comments:

"There has been a vast improvement in the programme this season and I am particularly pleased to see the return of the manager's column.

"I also like the feature on past programmes and Showcase while the mention of the opposition has been much more impressive than in the past.

"I would like to see more about the backroom staff and perhaps a 'Where are they now' feature and a competition occasionally. I think they would also be popular.

"These are just a few suggestions which I hope you will find helpful."

\* We do indeed. You will have noticed that we have included articles about the vital members of our backroom team in recent magazines. Ticket Office manager Alister Kennedy was featured for the Dundee United game and if you turn to page 9 today there's a story on assistant manager Walter Smith. Like all ideas we'll consider your other suggestions and certainly we'll be running a competition with marvellous prizes soon.

● And finally to David Logan, Faulds Street, Kirkshaws, Coatbridge who is clearly a fan of the new-look magazine.

"I would like to congratulate all concerned on a very entertaining match programme.

"It is not only knowledgeable but interesting with a wide variety of football information, statistics and superb photographs. We hear the views of both fans and players on different subjects.

"It was also interesting to read about Eric Black and Davie Dodds in France and Switzerland respectively recently. Keep up the good work."

\* You're making us blush David. But seriously thanks for taking the trouble to write. We appreciate it.

And remember, if you have something to say drop us a line at MATCH MAGAZINE, RANGERS F.C., IBROX STADIUM, GLASGOW.

## MATCH BALL SPONSOR

● Today's match ball sponsor is Alex Minty of Glasgow who as part of his sponsorship package has nominated his son William as mascot for the day.

Out thanks to Alex and William and we hope they enjoy their day out at Ibrox.

## GUINNESS IS GOOD FOR YOU

● Guinness Brewing have sponsored today's Premier League game against Celtic and the company are using the occasion to entertain clients and business colleagues.

The Guinness guests have travelled to Ibrox from all corners of Britain and are very welcome.

## RECOGNISE HIM?

● This is the cover of the match magazine for the pre-season friendly against Bayern Munich.

What we want to know is simply ... who is the youngster asking Graeme Souness for his autograph?

If you know him, ask him to get in touch with Alan Ferguson of Proscot Services on 041-221 3555. It is, as they say, very much to his advantage.

