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- 4 Richard GOUGH
- 5 Nigel SPACKMAN
- 6 Scott NISBET
- 7 Ian FERGUSON
- 8 Stuart McCALL
- 9 Ally McCOIST
- 10 Mark HATELEY
- 11 Pieter HUISTRA
- 12 Mo JOHNSTON
- 14 Alexei MIKHAILITCHENKO

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- 2 Chris MORRIS
- 3 Dariusz WDOWCZYK
- 4 Peter GRANT
- 5 Derek WHYTE
- 6 Mark McNALLY
- 7 Joe MILLER
- 8 Paul McSTAY
- 9 Tommy COYNE
- 10 Charlie NICHOLAS
- 11 Brian O'NEIL
- 12 Steve FULTON
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 1911, 1912, 1913, 1918, 1920,  
 1921, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1927,  
 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1933,  
 1934, 1935, 1937, 1939, 1947,  
 1949, 1950, 1953, 1956, 1957,  
 1959, 1961, 1963, 1964, 1975,  
 1976, 1978, 1987, 1989, 1990,  
 1991

\*The Championship was shared  
 with Dumbarton in 1891.

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 1930, 1932, 1934, 1935, 1936,  
 1948, 1949, 1950, 1953, 1960,  
 1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1973,  
 1976, 1978, 1979, 1981

### SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP WINNERS (17)

1946/47, 1948/49, 1960/61,  
 1961/62, 1963/64, 1964/65,  
 1970/71, 1975/76, 1977/78,  
 1978/79, 1981/82, 1983/84,  
 1984/85, 1986/87, 1987/88,  
 1988/89, 1990/91

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**T**HE stage is set for what will hopefully be another dramatic and exciting meeting with Celtic this afternoon.

Of course, victory today means a tremendous amount to both sets of supporters, but it's also a vital match for us if we are to continue our challenge for the Premier Division title.

To win Championships you have to win as many home games as possible, particularly against your nearest rivals, and that is certainly the case this afternoon.

Like ourselves, Celtic's form has been up and down this season.

But they say that the form book counts for nothing in such encounters and I certainly hope that's the case after our last two matches.

It was disappointing to drop a point to Falkirk after one of our poorest displays of the season.

But I was just as unhappy with the way we let Dundee United back into the match at Tannadice on Tuesday after doing well to take the lead.

Teams of our calibre shouldn't lose goals in that situation and hopefully we can settle down and start notching up clean sheets again.

Richard Gough was missing midweek, but I hope he has recovered from the thigh strain which kept him out of that match. Richard has not enjoyed a long run in the side for some time, but his high level of fitness means that he has never had any trouble in slotting straight back into the side.

Defensively we haven't been as solid as I would have liked in recent weeks.

But while David Robertson and Gary Stevens, have been regulars, we've been forced to chop and change in the middle for a variety of reasons with Scott Nisbet being the only constant feature.

If we can establish a regular partnership there it should go a long way towards helping us keep the figure in the Goals Against column down.

I have to be honest and admit our form has been a bit erratic of late, but when we're good — we're very good and I only hope we can hit the heights we did early in the season.

We have been missing a bit of creativity in some



games, which has reduced the amount of chances available to our strikers.

But having said that, we managed to create as many openings against Hearts at Ibrox as I can ever remember.

However, I've no complaints about our strike force. Ally McCoist has scored nine goals in the last six games and Mark Hateley and Maurice Johnston have also done well for us so I'm confident when we do find ourselves in front of the Celtic goal today, we'll be able to make the most of our opportunities.

I don't think there's any need to ask anyone to get right behind the team today, so thank you in advance for your support.

Enjoy the match.



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any of them individually, and still know you're  
on the winning side.



**A**FTER missing out on the midweek defeat at the hands of Dundee United at Tannadice, Rangers captain Richard Gough is likely to be back in the Light Blue defence this afternoon.

Having missed a few matches earlier in the season through illness, a thigh strain picked up in the 1-1 draw against Falkirk here at Ibrox last Saturday saw him back on the sidelines.

However, the good news is that the injury is not considered to be too serious and all the signs as late as Thursday of this week were that he would be fit to resume in the second big Glasgow derby of the season.

And as far as this afternoon's contest is concerned, no-one knows better than Richard that a win is a necessity as far as Rangers are concerned.

Hearts and Aberdeen have both moved a point ahead of the Gers and a 4-0 win against St Johnstone on Wednesday night put today's opponents within two points of Rangers and three points off the lead for the first time since the last meeting of the sides at the end of August.

"I said before our last two games against Falkirk and Dundee United that we would be looking for full points to stay at the top of the table — and also the two points today to try and get away a bit," he told the *Matchday Programme*.

"That's not happened and we now find ourselves a point behind the leaders, so today's game has become even more important.



*"But, hopefully, we will be able to play better than we have been doing of late and get the result we want and badly need."*

For several of the Rangers players, it will be their first taste of an Old Firm game at Ibrox, although Stuart McCall, David Robertson and Andy Goram all played in the 2-0 win at Parkhead earlier this season and Alexei Mikhailichenko sat on the bench during the 90 minutes.

Gough is sure none of the Rangers players will be adversely affected by the atmosphere created this afternoon.

"Stuart McCall, Andy Goram and David Robertson all played at Parkhead, where we got a good result, so they know what to expect and Alexei was there as well, so it will not be a problem.

"Alexei and Oleg Kuznetsov and both very experienced players and I don't think an Old Firm game would bother them at all."

But does the big occasion affect those

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## RICHARD GOUGH

### FACT FILE

**Date of Birth:** April 5, 1962

**Place of Birth:** Stockholm

**Joined Rangers:** October 1987

**Previous Club:** Spurs

**First team appearances:** 168

**Goals:** 11

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■ **RANGERS** catering were left counting the cost of the power cut during half-time of last weekend's match with Falkirk.

With the new floodlights in operation, the system was overloaded and the snack bars in the stadium were starved of electricity.

As a result, cash tills were disabled, the ovens went down and there was no power for the machinery to serve hot and cold drinks at

one of the busiest times of the day. And the cost to the club? A cool £6,000 in lost catering revenue.

However, all problems with the new system were quickly sorted and the machinery was back in action very shortly afterwards.

Thankfully, the teething problems have been completely sorted and the club doesn't envisage any such problems happening today or at any other matchday in the future!

## RANGERS BOOKS UP FOR GRABS

THE Matchday Programme is offering fans the chance to win 20 copies of a fantastic new book *Rangers in Europe*.

Written by Alan Fairley and published by Forth Sports Marketing the book, which normally costs £6.50, chronicles Rangers' record home and abroad from the first Euro tie against Nice in 1956 right up to the efforts of 1990-91 season.

To win, simply tell us who scored Rangers' goals in their 3-2 triumph against Moscow Dynamo in the European Cup Winners Cup Final in Barcelona in 1972.

Send your answers to: Rangers In Europe Book Competition, Rangers News, Argyle House, Ibrox Stadium, GLASGOW G51 2XD. Answers to be received by Monday November 11.

■ **THE Light Blues'** legions will no doubt have noticed that both Scoreboards are still out of action after fire crippled the Broomloan Stand board.

Rangers Commercial Manager Bob Reilly has met with the appropriate insurance companies and hopes the situation will be rectified shortly.

You can't watch the scoreboard for further details, so watch this space instead...

■ **RANGERS** set out on the Glasgow Cup trail a week on Sunday (November 10) with a game against Clyde at Adamslie Park in Kirkintilloch.

Now contested by the under-18 players of the city's sides, the Glasgow Cup has won widespread support since it changed its format in season 1989-90.

The other fixtures are: v Celtic (Kirkintilloch November 17), Partick Thistle (Station Park, Baillieston November 24), and Queen's Park (Kirkintilloch, December 8).

The top two teams will meet in the final at Firhill on a date still to be confirmed. Kick-offs for all matches will be 1.30 pm.



■ **RANGERS** stars Scott Nisbet and Nigel Spackman scooped an Ibrox double last week when they were presented with the Daily Star's Player of the Month awards for August and September.

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## GERS LEAD THE WAY OFF THE PITCH

FORGET the pie and bovril — Rangers are again taking an innovative lead in matchday catering.

The Club which brought you, amongst others, Blue-nose Burgers, Bears Pakora and Loyal Charcoal Burgers, are set to take the initiative again in time for the opening of the Main Stand Upper Deck.

For supporters in that area of the stadium will be offered such tasty delights as pizzas, fish and chicken snacks, steak and king rib sandwiches as well as pancake rolls and mince samosas — and all that is in addition to the normal tasty treats.

Peter Kingstone, Manager of Rangers Catering said: "This is the first time such an idea has been tried before in British football.

"We looked at the market and asked ourselves did people really buy pies and bovril as snacks when they were not at the football.

"People tend to buy the things we are introducing and we are confident the idea will be a success."

### TICKET DETAILS

**Dunfermline v Rangers**  
**East End Park**  
**Saturday November 9 1991**  
**Kick-Off 3 pm.**

Whilst tickets for this all-ticket league match could be purchased only by season ticket holders and only by postal application, the closing date has now passed and applications are being processed at present. Supporters Clubs to uplift their limited allocations on Friday 1 or Monday 4 November and no tickets will be retained thereafter.

■ THE charity group Childline Scotland would like to thank all Rangers supporters who donated at their can collection before the Hearts game on October 19.

In an hour, the fundraising raised over £610 which will go towards helping kids throughout the country who are in trouble or need.

■ **RANGERS PRO** John Greig is switching sports temporarily — but the Club will reap all the benefits.

For John will be hosting corporate facilities offered by Rangers at the British Open Golf Championship at Muirfield next July.

The Club have exclusive use of the Open Arms Hotel at Dirleton, only a mile from the famous venue in East Lothian.

Four course lunch, afternoon tea, admission tickets and travel to and from the course are included in the package.

And John, a keen golfer himself, will be on hand throughout the four days to keep guests entertained.

Further details about the facilities are available by contacting John Greig at Ibrox Stadium on 041 427 8606.

## McCOIST — THE MOVIE



ONE of the busiest men around Ibrox this week has been Ally McCoist.

Fans' favourite McCoist has been busy off-the-field filming behind-the-scenes footage for his new video which is due for a Christmas release.

And a camera crew from Caledonian Television has been busy shadowing McCoist at work, rest and play.

The video will feature the highlights of Ally's career at Rangers since he joined from Sunderland in 1983.

And it will also include accolades from blue nose supporter Andy Cameron, St Mirren skipper Roy Aitken — and Celtic captain Paul McStay.

Ally told the Matchday Programme: "I'm thrilled to bits about the video and it's been great fun to film. Hopefully the Rangers fans will enjoy watching it just as much."

On-the-field, super striker McCoist has led something of a goal blitz recently, scoring nine goals in six matches to prove he's Scotland's best goalscorer.

And today's match against Celtic will give him an opportunity to add to an impressive striking tally against oldest rivals Celtic.

Ally added: "I always enjoy playing Celtic, but to be honest as long as we beat them I don't care who scores the goals!"