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HEAD COACH of Rangers B Team David McCallum believes 'nothing is going to be straightforward' in the Scottish Lowland League season, but that will only benefit the young Gers.

The Light Blues' had four under-18's in the line-up on Saturday to continue their positive start to the Lowland League season. After three consecutive wins and clean sheets at the start of their campaign, the youngsters are hoping to continue their winning streak against Civil Service

McCallum, spoke exclusively with RangersTV after they collected another three points at Falkirk Stadium against East Stirlingshire on Saturday afternoon, and he continued to highlight the standard of the Lowland League and the benefit that it will provide for the squad. He said: "I think the

Strollers on Tuesday night.

standard has proven to be what we expected, and the games are



becoming quite challenging.

"I think we deserved to be 1-0 up in the first half, I think in the second half we had to be resilient and we had to defend our box a lot. Nothing is going to be straightforward and it's good that is the way it's going to be."

McCallum continued to add how playing in these competitive matches against experienced players and teams will help develop the youthful teams' performance throughout the that we came through in the end. From our point of view, it was pleasing the way our boys defended our box properly. We had to be really dominant in that area to make sure we kept a clean sheet again.

The Light Blues' goalkeeper, Jay Hogarth, also spoke with RangersTV after the match on Saturday and underlined how encouraging the start of the campaign has been for the squad, saying: "It's really positive. It was just a case of

season. He added: "I think it wasn't just a physical challenge but a football challenge tactically and technically as well. More importantly, it was the performance of the guys. If we get the performance right, we have a better chance of getting the result.

"I think every part of our team, individually and as a group, were challenged and it was pleasing staying concentrated and when called upon making the saves, and thankfully I did."

The young Ger also spoke about how important it is to have fans in the stadium supporting the B Team in their exciting season, adding "It was good to have a crowd and a few of my family members watching."

By Heather Miller



RANGERS B U BO'NESS UTD SCOTTISH LOWLAND LEAGUE

17 JULY | DUMBARTON STADIUM

2 - 0

LINE-UP: HOGARTH DEVINE KING MCCLELLAND MAXWELL STACHAN MCKINNON LINDSAY WESTON LYALL

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SUBS:

CERVANTES, MCKINNON, FRASER, MILLER, ALLAN, RITCHIE-HOSLER, EBIOWEI





RANGERS B kickstarted their Lowland League season with a win at Dumbarton Stadium against Bo'Ness United.

David McCallum and his side collected the three points from their first competitive match after a second-half goals from Tony Weston and Robbie Ure. Gers began well and kept possession in the early minutes from kickoff with Bo'Ness Utd pressing high into the home defence. Ryan Stevenson intercepted a throw-in for an early chance for the visitors, crossing into the box but it was an easy take for Jay Hogarth. Zander Miller drove forward into the Rangers B box and was awarded a free-kick to the left of the box after a tackle from Lindsay. Stevenson delivered a threatening ball to find Darren McCormack but he headed it over the crossbar. Minutes later, Rangers were on the counter-attack after a dangerous delivery into the Bo'Ness final third. Weston managed to control the cross within the box cutting it past the white shirts to the feet of Ure who was unable to keep his shot low, firing it just over the bar. With 15 minutes left in the first half, Lindsay almost opened the scoring for Rangers after a powerful strike in the United box, but was unable to find the back of the net, firing it over the bar.

just outside the 18-yard box after Ure was brought down. Kyle McClelland stood up to take it but was deflected by the visitors' wall and out for a corner. Ure then nearly broke the deadlock after a strong strike on the line of the eighteen-yard box but fired it wide of the keeper. The second half began as the first had ended, with Rangers B continuing to put pressure on Bo'Ness. James Maxwell sent a promising cross into the away side's box but Adam Devine was unable to connect with the ball going out for a throw-in. Cole McKinnon then struck a post, while Murphy again saved well from Ure, McClelland and Weston. The goal was coming, and in the 68th minute, Tony Weston netted the historic first goal for Rangers B in the Lowland League. He found space through the Bo'Mess defence and drove forward for a chance on goal, putting it straight past Murphy and into the back of the net. Gers almost made it two, after Kane Richie-Holser drove up the wing and into the Bo'Ness box, cutting it into Arron Lyall whose strike came back off the goalkeeper. Robbie Ure made it 2-0 in the last seconds of the game. He ran through on goal and after a deflection on his initial strike, his second effort was fired past the keeper to put the game to bed.

Gers were then awarded a free-kick





SCOTTISH LOWLAND LEAGUE

20 JULY | AINSLIE PARK

0 - 2

LINE-UP: HOGARTH DEVINE KING MCCLELLAND FRASER STRACHAN MCKINNON LINDSAY WESTON LYALL, URE.

SUBS:

CERVANTES, MACKINNON, MILLER (80), ALLAN, RITCHIE-HOSLER (53), EBIOWEI





DAVID McCALLUM'S Rangers B side collected three points and a clean sheet in their first away fixture of the Lowland League after two goals from **Robbie Ure and Cole McKinnon.**

Gers kept their composure and the majority of possession throughout the first half of the game, with effective build-up play and the creation of multiple chances for themselves. A few minutes after kick-off, Arron Lyall almost opened the scoring with a powerful strike inside the box but falling just wide of the goal. B Team Captain, Kyle McClelland, delivered an excellent cross to Robbie Fraser just outside the 18-yard box who's first touch landed to the feet of Lyall. Fraser made a forceful header moments later after a lovely delivery from Cole McKinnon but was denied by the home side's keeper. Tony Weston was then booked after a challenge on Michael Allan just outside the away side's box. Spartans were awarded a freekick but the cross was cleared by the young Light Blues defenders. The Gers kept their pace up and Fraser made an excellent run down the wing, driving past Spartans' defence to deliver a cross into the home side's final third, linking up well with Weston whose header landed on top of the goal after being unable to keep it low. Charlie Lindsay fed a dangerous

Spartans defence who provided a ball into the box but it was collected in the hands of Blair Carswell keeping it level going into half-time. Rangers continued to build their momentum and pace in the second 45 minutes, pressing high up the park. Moments into the second half, Gers opened the scoring with an excellent strike from outside the 18-yard box from Cole McKinnon, putting it straight past Carswell taking the young Gers into the lead. Fraser continued to build the momentum for McCallum's side afterwards, driving forward past Michael Herd and cutting a delivery across the face of the goal to Weston, who was unable to keep his initial touch under control allowing Spartans to intercept. With 20 minutes left on the clock, Ure made it two for the Gers. Lindsay fed a lovely through ball to the 17-year-old striker who kept his composure to slot it straight past the keeper to put the game to bed. Fraser wanted to create one last chance for his side, he was on the attack down the wing again delivering a dangerous ball across the face of the goal but was just unable to connect with anyone in the middle with the game ending 2-0 to the visitors at Ainslie Park.







EAST STIRLING / RANGERS B

SCOTTISH LOWLAND LEAGUE

24 JULY | FALKIRK STADIUM

0 - 1

LINE-UP: HOGARTH DEVINE KING MCCLELLAND FRASER STRACHAN (75) , MCKINNON LINDSAY WESTON LYALL (90) URE

SUBS:

CERVANTES, MACKINNON, MILLER (75), ALLAN, DUNLOP, RITCHIE-HOSLER (56),





ANOTHER youthful Rangers B side continued their winning streak with victory at the Falkirk stadium against East Stirlingshire.

David McCallum's side collected another three points and kept a clean sheet in front of a sold-out crowd under the current restrictions. The Light Blues had four under-18 players in the line-up today to help continue their winning start to this Lowland League campaign. East Stirlingshire pressed high in the early minutes from the first whistle, pushing into the Rangers defensive third. The young Gers kept their composure defending and clearing the ball well with the home side pressuring the backline. Gers almost opened the scoring within the first minutes of the first half after Robbie Fraser delivered a threatening ball into the box, linking up with Tony Weston. Weston headed the ball but it was deflected off a defender and out for a Rangers corner. McCallum's side began to find their rhythm towards the end of the second half and held most of the possession from East Stirlingshire. Charlie Lindsay nearly netted the first of the game after the Rangers were awarded a free-kick just outside the box after a foul on Tony Weston. Lindsay's shot was struck low firing past the line of defenders feet, but Ross Connelly managed to get a hand to it.

Rangers continued to create lovely pieces of play. Cole McKinnon delivered a super flick ball over the head of the home side's defenders to connect with Lindsay whose strike was just wide of the goalpost again. Seconds later Lyall struck the crossbar from a tremendous shot from outside the 18-yard box. The goal was coming for the B Team and it came from Cole McKinnon in the last seconds of the first half. After an initial deflection from a strike, Weston cut back the ball into play across the face of the goal and McKinnon's shot found its way past the keeper and into the back of the net allowing the youngsters to gain the lead going into the halftime break. East Stirlingshire were awarded a freekick at the beginning of the second half after Kyle McClelland took down Jamie Henderson. Henderson took the set-piece but the ball landed straight into the arms of Jay Hogarth. Kieran Gibbons struck the post for East Stirlingshire in the final minutes of the game, and then Rangers were on the counter-attack with a lovely cross from Murray Miller, but he was unable to connect with any blue shirts in the box with the result ending 1-0 at the full time whistle.



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DATE	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	KO
17 JUL 2021 (H)	Bo'ness United	SLL	3:00PM
20 JUL 2021 (A)	Spartans	SLL	7:45PM
24 JUL 2021 (A)	East Stirlingshire	SLL	3:00PM
27 JUL 2021 (H)	Cival Service Strollers	SLL	7:45PM
31 JUL 2021 (A)	Celtic B	SLL	3:00PM

08 AUG 2021 (H)	East Kilbride	SLL	3:00PM
14 AUG 2021 (H)	Gretna 2008	SLL	3:00PM
17 AUG 2021 (H)	University of Stirling	SLL	7:45PM
21 AUG 2021 (A)	Edinburgh University	SLL	3:00PM
28 AUG 2021 (H)	Vale of Leithen	SLL	3:00PM
04 SEP 2021 (A)	BSC Glasgow	SLL	3:00PM
11 SEP 2021 (A)	Bonnyrigg Rose	SLL	3:00PM
25 SEP 2021 (A)	Gala Fairydean Rovers	SLL	3:00PM

02 OCT 2021 (A)	Berwick Rangers	SLL	3:00PM
05 OCT 2021 (H)	Cumbernauld Colts	SLL	7:45PM
09 OCT 2021 (H)	Caledonian Braves	SLL	3:00PM

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01 JAN 2022 (H)	Celtic B	SLL	3:00PM
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15 JAN 2022 (A)	Caledonian Braves	SLL	3:00PM
29 JAN 2022 (A)	Civil Service Strollers	SLL	3:00PM

12 FEB 2022 (H)	East Stirlingshire	SLL	3:00PM
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GOALKEEPERS

AARON CERVANTES

JAY HOGARTH

LEWIS BUDINAUCKAS

DEFENDERS

ADAM DEVINE

ROBBIE FRASER

KYLE MCCLELLAND

LEWIS MACKINNON

MIDFIELDERS **COLE MCKINNON CHARLIE LINDSAY MURRAY MILLER ALEX LOWRY MALCOLM EBIOWEI**

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ROSS MCCAUSLAND

KANE RITCHIE-HOSLER

ARRON LYALL

CHRIS MCKEE

TONY WESTON