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**TODAY'S GAME
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Pulling on the Harp Strings

Let's face it, the Scottish Cup is generally a bit of a flop. The same teams win it all the time and true shocks are rare. Even when exceptional results occur, like Stranraer's defeat of Falkirk this season, no one notices if the Old Firm are not involved. Every year a couple of strong Highland League teams knock out Albion Rovers and East Stirling much to Chick Young's perennial amazement.

The little publicised Qualifying Cup is more interesting, featuring teams like Golspie Sutherland and Wick Academy (a crude device to get them mentioned in two consecutive editions of TAG). Glasgow University are also allowed in, famous for their 0-15 reverse at St Mirren in 1960, as are Burntisland Shipyard, pride of the Kirkcaldy and District League.

The SFA have a hostile attitude to clubs who have not held consecutive membership of the Association. Clubs like Coldstream can play on a park pitch but Peebles Rovers (who have a seated stand) are not because their membership lapsed briefly when they once turned Junior. Needless to say the 170 or so clubs affiliated to the Scottish Junior FA are also barred.

Throw of the Dyce?

Whilst this excludes dozens of good quality teams, several of whom can attract four-figure gates, it does result in that wondrous national beer festival, the Scottish Junior Cup. Although three teams from the weakest North Region made the last 16 this year, there were still the usual hideous mismatches. Newcomers Portgordon made a 500 mile round trip to Ardrossan only to lose 13-0 at Winton Rovers. On the same day "North Aces" (copyright Aberdeen Green Final) Burghhead Thistle lost 12-0 to Ormiston Primrose. Surely the modern day equivalent of the Bon Accord / Dundee Harp scenario? Elsewhere Bonnyrigg Rose knocked spots off Dyce to the tune of 9-0. Allegations that Dyce threw the game were fuelled by the fact that 2 were own goals and 2 rebounded in from goalkeeper clearances.

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A personal highlight came during the 5th round tie between Downfield and Lesmahagow. Nothing happened for 40 minutes then Downfield succored to subdue the mass of Buckfast soaked visiting fans. Seconds later 'Gow had their best player, international midfielder Duncan Sinclair, sent off for his 8th assault of the game. At this point one of their subs, warming up in his tracksuit behind the goal, took offence at comments from a home supporter. He vaulted the perimeter fence and started to batter hell out of an unfortunate Dundonian, for which he too was shown the red card. Downfield eventually won 2-1 with a 40 yard free kick in the last minute.

However all this is but a prelude to my favourite subject, the life and times of Lochee Harp FC. Alert and sober readers may recall an account of last season's cup-tie with Dalkeith Thistle when a Harp player also went in pursuit of an opposition supporter. At least he had the common decency to wait until the final whistle. What



Gordon "The Beast" Sinclair

I didn't realise at the time was that this particular player made a habit of it.

Beastie Boy

Enter Gordon "The Beast" Sinclair whose "aggressive nature was to degenerate into a horrendous reign of terror as the season progressed" to quote the club programme. At first it looked like an inspired signing as The Beast notched goal after goal, brushing aside suspiciously feeble attempts to challenge him from visiting defenders. Things started to go wrong when he resorted to threatening his own team mates when they strayed into goalscoring positions that were rightfully his. The club's management team became concerned, that is to say: Manager - Jim Kelly; Physio - Albert Kelly; Treasurer - Jack Kelly; Committee Member - Harry Kelly; Team Captain - Mike Kelly; Catering - Jacqueline Kelly and Diane Kelly; Public Relations - Michael Kelly (OK the last one's not true but the rest are I swear).

Matters came to a head when Harp drew Islavale away in the Zamoyksi Cup. The game was played in Buckie and The Beast became irritable during the long bus journey. On arrival he announced that he was hungry, causing several committee men to flee fearing cannibalism. Making do with a handful of pies The Beast belched his way onto the park and was recognised by some local fans from his time with Deveronvale

in the Highland League. Regrettably he misinterpreted the friendly North East greeting "fit like loon?" (how are you lad for English readers) as "do you wanna fight ya lunatic?" Complete communication breakdown followed when the fan took The Beast's offer of a "Beeche Kiss" as a sexual advance and proceeded to loudly question his gender preferences from the terracing. No self-respecting Beast could take that lying down so naturally he left the field of play to chase his antagonist around the ground. Play was uninterrupted and the referee seemed strangely reluctant to speak to Sinclair. When the final whistle blew players and supporters fled in all directions. The Beast launched himself into a headlong dive over the wall, aiming a skull crushing butt at his adversary, and starting the traditional end of match punch up.

Time for a Sharp Exit?

The Beast defected to Dundee Violet in the close season and returned to face Harp at Beechwood Park this year. The club issued a commemorative programme advising supporters to make a will before the game, and providing a cut-out bunch of bananas to distract The Beast from assaulting them. Alas my contact's bananas were unsuccessful diversions and he only escaped when The Beast tripped over his psychotic dog.

Lochee Harp's season, never uneventful, had already featured a stupendous Junior Cup tie at Central League giants Petershill. The players who boarded the 1977 Glenisla Coach Hire Special could scarcely have sensed the glories to come as they were enveloped in a cloud of black exhaust fumes. The driver's attire of several thick woollen jumpers, waterproofs and duflcoats suggested all was not well with the heating system. A fan heater dangling from the side by a wire near his head confirmed this.

The journey passed earnestly discussing tactics using empty packets of Woodbines and cans of Special Brew as props. It was agreed - pack the defence and boot the ball to all parts of Springburn to avoid a total gubbing. On arrival the Harp supporters courteously mingled with their hosts in the social club, politely taking bets of 8/1 on an away win. The whisky raffle was entered, won and swallowed in quick succession. The first 20 minutes of the match saw the policy of utter desperation work well and the defence stood firm. Not for nothing is only one of Harp's registered players listed as a forward, 37 year old Eric Mandelson.

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Cool Sharp Harp

Then the impossible - a huge punt upfield bounced off Big Rico's head for Steve Higgins to toe poke a goal. Two minutes later, with the Harp support still prostrate on

the vast terracing, Tony Lacey made it 2-0. Half time arrived and the fans steadied their nerves with a well-earned bucket of beer. Goalie Kenny McLeod played a blinder, the Peasies pulled a goal back but Harp held on for a famous victory. Players, supporters and dog kissed the turf. Kenny McLeod's dad, who had previously disowned him on numerous occasions, proclaimed his son to be the new Messiah.

Jim "my team selection was an inspiration" Kelly led the jubilant team into the Social Club for the usual buffet, only to find the Harp support had devoured the lot. The bus home required 5 "relief" stops. Its highlight was when treasurer Kelly, still distressed by the uncharacteristic generosity of manager Kelly in handing out free club ties, tried to retrieve one from the neck of a semi-conscious player. Other Kelly's broke

up the ensuing fight and mercifully the bus arrived back in Dundee to disgorge its drunken load.

It was Harp's greatest day since the 1992 Consolation League Cup victory, later chalked off for fielding ineligible players. Watch out - next year the Beeche Barny Army could be in a town near you!

Duncan MacKay

'THE ABSOLUTE GAME' columnist Duncan MacKay obviously has a soft spot for tonight's opponents Harp. Here we reproduce an article printed in the latest edition. The magazine is a worthwhile read and is available from both Tayport newsgagents.

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THE BAKER'S BIT

Tonight we entertain Lochee Harp for the third time this month. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome their players and officials back to the Canniepairt.

Firstly, I'd like to address Monday's performance versus Carnoustie Panmure. Over the past four seasons we've seen records tumble in our wake, all of course excellent achievements, of which I am very proud. Well, on Monday night we managed to reach another milestone. Tayport F.C.'s heaviest defeat in our short history, 2-5. This game had so many similarities to a defeat earlier this season, 2-3 at Jeanfield. I remember for 25-30 minutes we totally dominated the game, playing some excellent football, going 2-0 ahead and then we stopped.

On Monday we did exactly the same. At half time we concentrated on just keeping things going - pushing for a third goal which in turn could lead to five or six. 'There are more goals in this game' were my words. And for all the wrong reasons my prediction was correct.

It was pointed out to the players that we must stop particular Carnoustie players from dropping balls over our back four. It didn't happen. Our second half performance was the worst I have ever seen from this team. 'Disgraceful' is the only word I can think of to describe it and I don't mind telling you that I was ashamed to be associated with it. I absolutely hate to lose but would accept defeat if the players' had given 100% for the club and fans but that wasn't the case. I saw for the first time in my days at the club, Tayport players' heads drop. In my mind that's totally unacceptable.

On a positive note, after that league defeat at Jeanfield, we went on to win the first division title.

Tonight we play Lochee Harp in the Intersport Shield 2nd round. Our players have an opportunity to repay our support with an improved performance and better attitude. I'll accept no less and our players will be left in no doubt where they stand.

Support The Port, Dave Baikie.

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Statistics 1993/94 up to and including 16th May, 1994

Guide to Current Form - all competitions - most recent result to the right

Team	Last 7 Results	Top Scorer
Arbroath S.C.	L L L D L W W	Feeney
Arbroath Vics	L L L L L L L	Markowski
Broughty Athletic	W W L D L L L	Donnelly
Carnoustie Panmure	W L L W L W W	Kelly
Downfield	L W W W W W D	Mitchell
Forfar Albion	L D D L W W W	Cree
Forfar West End	L W D W D L D	Soutar
Lochee Harp	L W D L L W W	Manderson
Jeanfield Swifts	L L L W W L L	Cameron
Kinnoull	L L L W L W L	Mailer
North End	W W W L W D L	Vance
St Josephs	L L W D D W L	Heggie
Tayport	W W W W W D L	Cameron
Violet	L L W W L W W	Smith

Results Chart - League Matches Only

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ARBROATH V	1-0		4-4	1-4	0-2	1-3	2-2	1-1	0-7	0-2	1-2	1-2	0-6	2-3
BROUGHTY	1-2	2-2		1-2	1-3	1-1	2-2	0-2	3-2	1-1	1-2	0-3	1-2	1-2
CNOUSTIE	2-3	2-1	4-5		3-5	5-2	1-1	2-2	3-4	2-2	3-2	3-1	2-2	3-3
DOWNFIELD	2-1	5-0	2-2	4-2		2-3	2-2	1-2	3-1	2-1	2-0	0-4	1-1	2-1
FORFAR ALB	1-3	2-0	2-0	4-3	0-1		2-4	0-1	2-3	2-2		1-1	0-2	2-3
FORFAR W E	3-3	4-1	2-3	1-1		3-1		1-2	0-1	1-3	1-0	3-2	0-0	0-1
JEANFIELD	1-2	3-2	1-4	3-4	1-1	2-3	1-1		2-1	2-2	3-2	0-4	3-2	2-1
KINNOULL	3-2	4-1	5-2	4-2	0-1	3-1	0-1	1-2		3-1	0-1	3-0	0-0	
LOCHEE HARP	2-4	0-2	1-0	0-5	1-4	2-1	1-5	1-0	3-1		2-4	2-1	0-3	1-3
NORTH END	1-3	3-2	2-2	2-2	0-2	2-1	2-4	1-0	4-1	3-0		2-0	1-1	3-2
ST JOSEPHS	5-0	7-0	5-1	2-1		3-0	1-0	7-0	2-2	2-2	1-1		0-2	2-0
TAYPORT	4-1	4-1	2-0	4-0	3-0	3-0	5-1	5-0	4-0	6-0	5-1	4-1		5-1
VIOLET		3-2	3-2	4-1	0-1	4-4	2-1	2-2	2-2	0-2	2-2	3-2	0-2	

HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Tayport	26	20	5	1	79	15	45
Downfield	24	16	4	4	56	29	36
St Josephs	25	12	4	9	59	33	28
Forfar West End	25	10	8	7	44	39	28
North End	25	11	5	9	43	41	27
Arbroath S.C.	25	11	4	10	42	52	26
Carnoustie	26	9	8	9	63	62	25
Dundee Violet	24	9	5	10	45	49	25
Jeanfield Swifts	26	9	7	10	39	55	25
Kinnoull	25	10	4	11	46	51	24
Lochee Harp	26	8	6	12	34	57	22
Forfar Albion	25	6	5	14	40	55	17
Broughty Athletic	26	4	8	14	43	62	16
Arbroath Victoria	26	2	7	17	31	81	8

SHARPSHOOTERS

Goals	Player	Club
33	Mitchell	Downfield
28	Cameron	Tayport
	Kelly	Carnoustie
24	Heggie	St Josephs
23	Soutar	Forfar West End
20	Mackay	Tayport
19	MacLaren	St Josephs
18	D. Reilly	Tayport
	McIlvaney	Downfield
17	Markowski	Arbroath Vics
16	Manderson	Lochee Harp
	Young	Downfield

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'DOWN BY THE HARBOUR'

TODAY'S GAME

Lochee Harp visit the Canniepairt this evening for the third time in as many weeks. On this occasion it is a second round tie in the Intersport Shield and the Beechwood side will be anxious to avoid a third successive defeat this season on the Canniepairt. In fact they've yet to beat us in any of the previous eleven meetings of the sides. Mind you, neither had Carnoustie before Monday night!

Monday evening's results involving today's participants have put a slightly different slant on tonight's proceedings. Harp secured first division safety with a 2-1 win over St Josephs and, as a result, will be in relaxed mood for the game.

We crashed to our heaviest ever defeat - 5v2 at home to Carnoustie Panmure - equalling the losing margin of three goals against Pollok in the 190/91 season. The Carnoustie result was astonishing. With thirteen minutes of the game played we were 2-0 ahead and were looking like running up a handsome total to comfortably progress to the next round of the Cream of the Barley Trophy - a competition in which we've never done well. Referee Hunter must have also thought that we were going to score a barrowload and refused us a couple of penalties which would have put the tie out of sight.

Panmure pulled themselves together in the second half and, after opening their account in 56 minutes proceeded to score in just about every attack which they mounted. When the fourth goal went in you'd have thought that the local pubs had suddenly announced that they were giving away free beer such was the exodus to the gate!

If we win tonight we can extend our home season to another game - the winners have home advantage over Downfield next Wednesday in the quarter final. There was one plus point from Monday's game. Andy Dolan came through 90 minutes unscathed after his cartilage operation. Grant Paterson missed the Carnoustie game after being injured at Downfield and could be an absentee again tonight.

Harp come here with back to back wins behind them having disposed of Kinnoull in this competition last Saturday and they will be seeking to make it three in a row. Harp also know that they've to win tonight to keep their season alive so they will be giving it their best shot. Top scorer veteran campaigner Eric Manderson continues to enjoy a run of success in front of goal - he was on the mark against St Josephs on Monday and will require to be watched.

This is a unique occasion in that it's the first ever Friday game to be played on the Canniepairt. Hopefully it will be a memorable occasion.

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SATURDAY 11th JUNE

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Date	Opposition	Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	Att
Aug 16	ST JOSEPHS (H)	W 2-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	D. Reilly	Coventry	Mackay 1	Cameron 1	Devine	Malone	Hunter (8)	400
Aug 18	ST JOSEPHS (L)	W 4-1	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	D. Reilly	Coventry	Mackay 2	Cameron 2	Devine	Malone	Hunter	350
Aug 21	FORFAR W.E. (L)	W 5-1	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	D. Reilly 1	Coventry 2	Mackay	Cameron 2	Devine	Malone (5)	Hunter (3)	220
Aug 25	Lochee Harp (L)	W 3-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Mackay	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry 1	Cameron	D. Reilly 1	Devine 1	Miller (7)	Thoms (9)	183
Aug 28	DOWNFIELD (L)	W 3-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Mackay 1	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry 2	Cameron	D. Reilly	Devine	Miller (7)	Thoms (4)	335
Sept 4	NORTH END (L)	W 5-1	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Mackay	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry	Cameron 3	D. Reilly 1	Devine 1	Miller (2)	Thoms (11)	288
Sept 11	Jeanfield (L)	L 2-3	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Mackay 1	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry	Cameron 1	D. Reilly	Devine	Thoms (8)	A. Dolan (2)	155
Sept 18	Kinnoull (L)	D 0-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Mackay	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry	Cameron	D. Reilly	Devine	Thoms (10)	A. Dolan (8)	171
Sept 25	ARBROATH V. (L)	W 4-1	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Mackay 1	Wilkie	Hunter	A. Dolan 1	Cameron	D. Reilly	Devine 2	Miller (4)	Thoms (9)	203
Oct 2	KINNOULL (P1)	D 1-1+	Mann	Malone	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Coventry	Hunter	A. Dolan	Mackay	D. Reilly	Devine 1	Lamont (6)	Cameron (10)	197
Oct 9	Dundee Violet (L)	W 2-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	A. Dolan 2	Coventry	Mackay	D. Reilly	Devine	Cameron (2)	Hunter (11)	106
Oct 16	CARNOUSTIE (L)	W 4-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Coventry 1	A. Dolan 1	Mackay	Cameron	Devine 1	D. Reilly 1 (9)	Hunter (8)	209
Oct 23	ARBROATH SC (L)	W 4-1	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville 1	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry	Thoms	Cameron 1	Lamont 1	Devine 1 (8)	Miller (4)	176
Oct 30	KIRRIE TH. (Z1)	W 5-1	Mann	Miller	Spalding	Lamont 1	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry 1	Cameron	D. Reilly 1	Devine 2	Paterson (3)	A. Dolan (8)	201
Nov 6	Broughty Ath. (L)	W 2-1	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville 1	Mackay	Hunter	Coventry	Thoms 1	A. Dolan	Lamont	Gray (4)	Devine	174
Nov 13	Camelon (S2)	D 3-3	Mann	P. Reilly	Spalding	Hunter	Sommerville	Wilkie	A. Dolan	Coventry 1	Mackay	D. Reilly	Devine 2	Lamont (2)	Thoms (9)	857
Dec 4	CAMELON (S2R)	D 0-0+	Mann	Spalding	Paterson	Coventry	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	A. Dolan	Mackay	Cameron	Devine	D. Reilly (8)	Miller (4)	405
Dec 11	ARMADALE (S3)	L 1-2	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry	Mackay	Cameron	Devine	Thoms 1 (4)	D. Reilly (8)	505
Dec 18	Downfield (P2)	L 0-2	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Devine	D. Reilly	Thoms	Cameron	Lamont	A. Dolan (9)	Gray (4)	319
Jan 8	BROUGHTY (L)	W 2-0	Tosney	Spalding	Paterson	Gray	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	A. Dolan	Thoms	D. Reilly 2	Devine	Coventry (2)	Cameron (9)	193
Jan 15	VIOLET (L)	W 5-1	Anderson	Spalding	Paterson	Gray 1	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	Coventry 1	Cameron	D. Reilly 2	Devine	Mackay 1 (2)	A. Dolan	183
Jan 22	North End (L)	D 1-1	Anderson	Spalding	Paterson	Gray	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	A. Dolan 1	Mackay	D. Reilly	Devine	Cameron (9)	Miller	234
Feb 5	Bankfoot (Z2)	W 2-1	Anderson	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Mackay	Hunter	A. Dolan	Cameron 1	D. Reilly 1	Devine	Gray (8)	Thoms	108
Feb 12	FORFAR ALB (L)	W 3-0	Anderson	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Mackay	A. Dolan	Hunter 1	Gray 1	Cameron	D. Reilly 1	Devine	Sommerville	Malone	181
Feb 19	Arbroath Vics (L)	W 6-0	Anderson	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	A. Dolan	Mackay 2	Cameron 3	Devine 1	Gray (7)	Thoms (11)	159
Feb 26	KINNOULL (L)	W 4-0	Anderson	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	A. Dolan	Mackay 1	Cameron 2	Devine	Gray (7)	Thoms 1 (9)	139
Mar 5	Arbroath S.C. (L)	W 2-1	Anderson	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	A. Dolan	Wilkie	Hunter	Gray	D. Reilly 1	Cameron	Devine 1	Thoms	Mackay	128
Mar 12	BANKS ODEE (Z3)	L 1-2	Anderson	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	A. Dolan	Wilkie	Irons	Gray	Cameron 1	D. Reilly	Devine	Thoms (5)	Malone (2)	227
Mar 19	Forfar Albion (L)	W 2-0	Mann	Malone	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	D. Reilly	Mackay 2	Cameron	Devine	Gray (7)	Irons (11)	77
Mar 26	Forfar West End (L)	D 0-0	Mann	Malone	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	D. Reilly	Mackay	Cameron	Devine	Gray (8)	Miller (2)	223
Apr 2	Carnoustie (L)	D 2-2	Mann	Malone	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	D. Reilly	Mackay	Cameron 2	Devine	Gray (11)	Miller (2)	174
Apr 9	North End (C1)	W 6-1	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville 1	Wilkie	Hunter	Gray	Mackay 2	Cameron 1	D. Reilly 2	Thoms (9)	Devine	112
Apr 16	JEANFIELD (W2)	W 3-1	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	Gray	Mackay	Cameron 2	D. Reilly 1	Thoms	Devine	141
Apr 23	Violet (C2)	W 4-0	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville 1	Wilkie	Hunter 1	Gray	Mackay 1	D. Reilly	Devine 1	Thoms (4)	Malone	162
Apr 27	JEANFIELD (L)	W 5-0	Mann	Malone	Miller	Spalding 1	Sommerville 1	Wilkie	Hunter	Gray	Mackay 3	D. Reilly	Devine	Cameron (2)	Thoms (11)	156
Apr 30	St Josephs (L)	W 2-0	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	Gray	Mackay	D. Reilly 1	Devine	Cameron 1 (8)	Thoms (9)	371
May 4	LOCHEE HARP (L)	W 6-0	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville 1	Wilkie	Hunter	Gray	Mackay 1	Cameron 3	Devine 1	D. Reilly	Thoms	161
May 7	LOCHEE HARP(W3)	W 2-0	Mann	Malone	Miller	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	D. Reilly 1	Gray	Mackay 1	Cameron	Devine	Thoms (10)	A. Dolan (4)	216
May 14	Downfield (L)	D 1-1	Mann	Malone	Paterson	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Miller	Gray	Mackay	D. Reilly	Cameron 1	Hunter (3)	A. Dolan	263
May 16	CARNOUSTIE (C3)	L 2-5	Mann	Miller	A. Dolan	Spalding	Sommerville	Wilkie	Hunter	Gray	Mackay	D. Reilly 1	Cameron 1	Devine (8)	Thoms	173
May 20	LOCHEE HARP (I2)															

Home Matches in Capitals Figures after players names indicates goalscorers.
 Letter in brackets after opposition indicates competition as follows :
 P - Perthshire Advertiser Cup W - Whyte & Mackay Cup

Figures in brackets indicates number of player substituted.
 H - Herschell Charity Trophy L - McEwan's Lager League Division I
 C - Cream of Barley Trophy Z - Zamoyksi Cup

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 S - OVD Scottish Cup
 I - Intersport Shield

CUP FINAL HIGH JINKS SURE TO HAVE REPERCUSSIONS

The OVD Scottish Cup Final certainly caught the attention of the media - after the game! There's no doubt that the Largs win was overshadowed by the four sendings-off which put the final firmly in the public eye with the national press and television seizing on the opportunity of a good story.

The Duncan Ferguson saga has made headbutting issues big news and how the press have loved it! We read about the SJFA withholding the sponsors' cash pending an enquiry, indignation when Glasgow's Procurator Fiscal decided to take no action and about Largs' disgraced captain Jimmy Murray having the audacity to appear on the rostrum to receive the cup in front of a live television audience. My goodness, Gerry and Gordon couldn't believe it! The SJFA say it won't happen again and are to investigate the circumstances which allowed it to happen.

What'll the outcome be? Well, OVD whilst not condoning the players' behaviour, say that they are happy to continue with the sponsorship - I'll bet they are. This song and dance has given OVD more exposure than they could ever have expected.

The SJFA will sit down and fine both clubs heavily and suspend the four players involved. They will also lay down directives about ordered off players not being presented with their medals.

Headbutting is always a contentious issue in football. Amateur clubs' players must get a minimum one year ban from all football if ordered off for the merest suggestion of a headbutt. Duncan Ferguson got 12 games yet the referee didn't even send him off and it's only a couple of years ago that Clydebank's Ken Eadie nipped an opponent in a match shown on TV, yet only missed his side's next match and collected some penalty points. Some consistency is called for in Scottish football.

What about the Cup Final itself? It was a much better spectacle than last season, it must be said, but Glenafton weren't much better. They seemed to be biding their time, hoping for the inevitable breakthrough, but things ran away from them after the break.

Largs weren't overawed by the occasion and stuck to their task. Barnstaple in the goal was coolness personified. Davie Elliot was an inspiration in midfield with his tireless running while up front McCurdy and Quigg gave Glens' defence no time to settle.

With the SFA refusing to allow the final to be played at Hampden, Rangers stepped in with Ibrox and a fine setting for the final it proved to be. The attraction of Ibrox certainly helped swell the crowd to 8,668, some 2,000 odd more than attended at Firhill last season.

Dave Baikie was a guest at the final in his capacity as the manager of the Tayside Select XI and Tayport were further represented by a busload who took up their places at the Largs end no doubt wistfully thinking back to last year and what might have been. Ah well, there's always next year.

COACHING CATCHES ON

An incredible 87 youngsters turned up at the Canniepairt last Saturday morning for the first of the SFA's coaching courses for five to twelve year olds. Dave Baikie and his team of coaches had their work acclimated out getting things organised but everything seemed to go off well.

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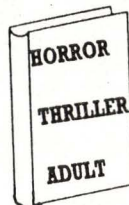
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TAYPORT JUNIORS - The Club Records

Overall

Biggest Home Win	11 - 1	v. Kinnoull (League)	10-10-92
Biggest Away Win	11 - 1	v. Kinnoull (Zamoyski Cup)	23 - 1-93
Biggest Home Defeat	1 - 4	v. Pollok (Scottish Cup)	9 - 3-91
	2 - 5	V. Carnoustie Panmure	16- 5-94
Biggest Away Defeat	1 - 3	v. Glenafton (Scottish Cup)	28- 3-92
Longest Unbeaten Run	33 games		19- 9-92 to 8- 5-93
Longest Winning Sequence	12 games		30-11-91 to 29-2-92
Longest Losing Sequence	2 games		9- 3-91 to 16-3-91
			15-5-93 to 23-5-93
			11-12-93 to 8-1-94
Longest Run Without Win	3 games		19- 8-91 to 24-8-91
Longest Sequence of Scoring	58 games		15- 8-90 to 19-8-91
Longest Sequence of Failing to Score	2 games		12- 6-93 to 16-6-93
Longest Sequence Without Losing Goal	5 games		4- 4-92 to 29-4-92
			1- 2-92 to 29-2-92
			13- 3-93 to 14-4-93
			16- 4-94 to 14- 5-94

Scottish Cup

Biggest Home Win	7 - 1	v. Blackburn	2 - 2-91
	7 - 1	v. Cumbernauld	31-10-92
Biggest Away Win	5 - 0	v. Lewis United	30-11-91
Biggest Home Defeat	1 - 4	v. Pollok	9 - 3-91
Biggest Away Defeat	1 - 3	v. Glenafton	28 - 3-92

League

Biggest Home Win in Division I	11 - 1	v. Kinnoull	1992/93
Biggest Away Win in Division I	6 - 0	v. Bankfoot	1991/92
	6 - 0	v. East Craigie	1991/92
	6 - 0	v. Arbroath Vics	1993/94
Biggest Home Win in Division II	9 - 0	v. St Joseph's	1990/91
Biggest Away Win in Division II	7 - 1	v. Balbeggie	1990/91
Biggest Home Defeat in Division I	0 - 1	v. Forfar Albion	1992/93
Biggest Away Defeat in Division I	2 - 3	v. Jeanfield Swifts	1991/92 & 1993/94
	1 - 2	v. Forfar West End	1991/92
Biggest Home Defeat in Division II	2 - 3	v. Kirrie Thistle	1990/91
	1 - 2	v. Arbroath Vics	1990/91
Biggest Away Defeat in Division II	1 - 2	v. Kirrie Thistle	1990/91
Longest Winning Sequence	11 games		8- 2-91 to 8- 6-91
Longest Losing Sequence	1 game		
Longest Sequence of Scoring	25 games		15 -8-90 to 19- 8-91
Longest Sequence without Losing Goal	7 games		14-12-91 to 25-4-92

Most Goals in One Match

Dave Reilly	4	v. Balbeggie	1990/91 (L)
Hamish Mackay	4	v. Harp	1992/93 (L)

Players who have scored Hat-tricks

Dave Reilly	- 8	Hamish Mackay	- 7	Kevin Thoms	- 4
Jackie Devine	- 3	Ewan Cameron	- 3	Ian Harris	- 2

Record Crowds

Home - 2,187 v. Downfield (3-4-93) Away - 6,500 v. Glenafton (23-5-93)

Sniffing about with THE SNOOT

WONDER why the Tayside JFA persist in describing the Intersport competition as a cup when it's actually a shield that the clubs are playing for. Same in the Cream of the Barley. It's frequently described as a cup when in fact it's a plaque.

SUCH was the surprise at Monday evening's shock scoreline v Carnoustie that Tayside secretary Big Jock was still in bed on Tuesday morning when the calls started coming in to enquire whether the 2-5 scoreline in the Courier was a misprint.

INCREDIBLY, we conceded as many goals in twenty five minutes against Carnoustie on Monday as we had conceded in our previous ELEVEN games!

IT will be a different ball game on the Canniepairt on Sunday 21st August when the club committee turn out against the Rotary Club of North Fife in a Charity Cricket match. The respective clubs have yet to decide who or what is to benefit from the match but the Football Club will be seeking revenge for the narrow defeat sustained when the sides last met.

ST JOSEPH'S Willie Brown's 15 year old son was Joey's substitute for the league game earlier this week against Harp. Joey's went down 1-2 but rumours that faxed instructions from the Vatican were received prior to the match have been dismissed! The result, of course ensures that Harp definitely stay up while Forfar Albion are relegated.

STILL on Forfar Albion, it's easy to see that Albion's Bob Shields doesn't do the Courier Junior column any more. A glance at the Port Prog's 'headlines' feature reveals that Albion were one of the sides which never got a look in. No prizes for noticing which name crawls all over the page!

THE close season merry-go-round of players is almost upon us. Despite making a significant investment without getting much return, St Joseph's are rumoured to be set to rebuild again with Forfar Athletic's Gordon Winter and Arbroath's Charlie Adams as prime targets.

IT's about time Big Jock and his fellow office bearers got tough with those clubs which fail to phone in their scores in time for publication in the press on a Saturday evening. Arbroath SC and Luncarty were the guilty parties last week. Doesn't do much for the Association's image.

CAR Boot Sales on the Canniepairt are back in full swing. The club's application for Planning Permission was granted by North East Fife District Council. The next sale is this Sunday and further sales will be held fortnightly until the end of September.

PRESS COMMENT

" Tayport's final league game of the season last Wednesday produced half a dozen goals - including another hat-trick from top scorer Cameron - as Harp staged a second half collapse when the newly crowned champions turned on the skill after the break. "

- Fife Herald(13/5/94) Tayport 6 Lochee Harp 0

"although the goalglut of the previous encounter failed to materialise, this was due in no small way to an outstanding display by keeper McLeod as he foiled the Tayport forwards on numerous occasions "

- Fife Herald (13/5/94) Tayport 2 Lochee Harp 0

" Tayport were on level terms within a minute when a bad mistake by keeper Grant Clark allowed Cameron the very easy task of sidefooting the ball home into an empty net "

- Sporting Post (14/5/94) Downfield 1 Tayport 1

" Another soccer showpiece boiled over at Ibrox yesterday after four players were sent off - one for alleged headbutting. With Junior F.A. and SFA top brass watching, five minutes of mayhem scarred the OVD Scottish Cup Final."

- Daily Record (16/5/94)

" Largs tore up the Junior Cup script and made a mockery of the bookies and their odds of 9/2.

- Daily Record (16/5/94)

" A brilliant goal by ex-Hibs' striker Pat McCurdy on the half hour paved the way for the biggest upset in years "

- Daily Record (16/5/94) Largs 1 Glenafto 0.

GINA PATERSON

It was with sadness that players, supporters and committee learned of the recent death of Gina Paterson. Gina became a Tayport fan when her son Grant signed for the club in August 1990 and she proved to be a popular figure here at the Canniepairt and a staunch supporter from then on. Gina rarely missed a match home or away, even when illness was taking its toll in recent months.

There was a large turnout at Dundee Crematorium to pay their last respects and they heard the minister speak highly and warmly of Gina. Our sincere condolences go to Grant, the family and Gina's friend and companion, Jim Robertson.

" IT'S LARGS' CUP - A FAIRY STORY COMES TRUE ! "

LARGS THISTLE 1 GLENAFTON ATHLETIC 0

So, LARGS THISTLE confounded all the pundits by lifting the OVD Scottish Junior Cup against all the odds. What a magnificent feeling it must have been to be a 'Theesul' supporter at twenty to five on Sunday evening. What a ball there must have been in Largs on Sunday night when the 55 buses returned from Ibrox.

When the Ayrshire second division team travelled to Aberdeen for their first game in the competition only a couple of months after being stuffed 10-0 by Beith who, in their right mind, would have envisaged them reaching the final, never mind winning it! Well, they won that one thanks to a Pat McCurdy goal and Stephen Quigg winner from the penalty spot, edging out Hermes by 2-1.

The next round paired Largs with St Anthony's at Largs. The run looked to have ended when the locals trailed by a goal with only a couple of minutes left but big Archie Halley, who played for Glenafton against us, saved the bacon with the equaliser. The replay at St Anthony's in the shadow of Ibrox ended in a rout with Thistle winning 6-1 against a team which ended with nine men. Quigg(3), Phairs, Rodgers and Halley did the damage. Across the road the same afternoon United were gubbing Rangers by 3-0 - a repeat of that score would do fine tomorrow (that's just been added to annoy Ecky Beat).

Largs hit the road to Fife in the next round to hit six without reply against Lochore Welfare who included in their line-up Cammy Fraser who had been in the Violet side when we clinched the title at Glenesk last season. McCurdy(3), D.Elliott, Quigg and Wall were the Largs marksmen.

Round five brought Aberdeen's Hall Russell United to Largs. The home side raced into a three goal lead and looked set for the quarters but the visitors hit back with a vengeance to draw level. By the end of the game Largs were hanging on and were lucky to scrape a replay. Russell, Halley and Feeney were the Largs scorers. No problems in the replay up north, a 3-0 win with Feeney, McCurdy and Rodgers netting the goals which took them into the last eight. The treasurer was reported to be less than happy when the match secretary announced fish suppers on the house when the bus stopped off at Stonehaven. Are all treasurers the same?!

Next port of call was Pollok where everyone (apart from the Largsies - is that what you call folk from Largs?) assumed that it was the end of the line. Thistle finally made the Junior world sit up with a win against the odds. David Elliot was sent off for the second time in the competition but they won through with goals from Quigg(2).

THE semi final paired Largs with Ayrshire rivals Kilwinning Rangers and once again Largs were rank outsiders. The game was played at Somerset Park, Ayr and the evening got off to a bad start. The team coach failed to turn up and the official party had to commandeer a supporters' coach which wasn't much more than an ancient, beat-up service bus. Arriving late at Somerset, Largs discovered that Kilwinning had pinched the home dressing room which had been earmarked for Thistle. This wouldn't have unduly bothered them - Largs hadn't won a home tie in reaching the Semi. The rest is history. McCurdy put Largs ahead, Jardine equalised and McCurdy netted the winner from the spot to send Largs to Ibrox.

McCurdy was the man who did the damage again in the final, netting the game's only goal to send the Largs' legions back to enjoy the biggest party that the seaside town has ever seen.

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