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Tayport brought in four new faces for this season's campaign. Manager Dave Baikie had been tracking the players for some time, aware that he was allowing several trusty servants the opportunity to move to pastures new.

Here are the career details of the newcomers.

BARRIE GRAY. (Winger).

Transferred from St Josephs.

Played with Dundee United S.C. from Under 10's to Under 16's.. Signed for Arbroath and spent four seasons at Gayfield. Moved on to Forfar Athletic and then Brechin City, each for six months, before signing for St Joseph's where he spent one season.

GRANT BUIST (Defender)

Transferred from Broughty Athletic.

Spent schooldays with Fairmuir Boys Club from Under 13's to Under 17's.. Moved on to Ninewells Juveniles then to Logie Harp in the Midlands Amateurs. Stepped up to the Junior ranks with Broughty Athletic where he spent 5 seasons.

ALLAN RAMSAY (Midfield)

Transferred from Carnoustie Panmure.

Dundee S.C. Under 9's - Under 15's, then moving on to Lincraig Under 16's - 18's. Still in under age football, moved to Dundee United SC Under 18's for a season before being snapped up by Forfar Athletic where he spent 3 years. From Station Park, Allan moved on to Carnoustie Panmure where he had a further 3 years.

STEPHEN ROSS (Forward)

Transferred from Dundee North End.

Played with Vale of Tay Under 10's, then emigrated to Toronto, Canada before returning to these shores to play with St James Under 18's. Moved on to Kirrie Thistle but hopped off abroad again, this time to New Zealand for seven months to play semi professional with Telecom Southland. Back to Kirrie then off again to Canada where he turned out in the colours of Emerald FC. Home again in 1991 to play with Broughty Athletic from 1991 to 1993 before moving across the city for a season with Dundee North End.



THIS AFTERNOON'S VISITORS

SCONE THISTLE

Although originally formed as long ago as 1882, Scone Thistle, our visitors this afternoon, are fairly recent additions to the Tayside Junior FA, previously playing in the Perthshire Juvenile League. Until this season, 'the Jaggy Nettles' had never sampled First Division football.

All that was to change, however, when they won the Division Two title last season, by three points from Forfar Albion. Prior to the start of the season Scone met us here on the Canniepairt in the Albert Herschell Trophy, the annual charity competition between the respective Division champions. Tayport won 5-0 that evening and a tough term looked in prospect for Dutch boss Tom Van Der Ham. 'It'll be all right on the night' might have been Tom's thoughts because they opened their league campaign with a 2-2 draw with Arbroath SC and shook the Joeys by holding them to the same score at Fairfield four days later. A draw at Montrose and a crushing 4-1 win over Kinnoull and Scone had served notice that they had arrived - even getting a headline in *The Courier!*



Tom van der Ham

A heavy home defeat (0-4) from Downfield followed and, although Thistle have failed to add to their solitary win over Kinnoull, they have recorded a couple of creditable draws in the interim, at Broughty and at home to Carnoustie. Last week it took a last minute penalty at Thomson Park to deprive them of a point.

Although last season's ace marksman Rab Nicoll has resolved his differences with the club, don't look for too much attacking flair from Scone today. They will be happy to return west with a share of the points, always hoping of course to catch Tayport on the counterattack.

Keeper Neil Ferguson, with experience at all the Perth Junior clubs, is a sound last line of defence. Gavin Buist has also been with most of the Perth clubs and has turned out here for Jeanfield. Most of the Scone squad have done the rounds of the Perthshire Junior clubs and experienced defender Russell Cosgrove is no exception. Midfielder Andy Gordon is team skipper and hit one of the goals which caused the upset at Joeys. Dean Laing, another versatile type who was with Kinnoull and had Senior experience with Arbroath.

Ian Cameron is in his second season at Scone and normally turns out at right back. Knows the road to goal however, notching the team's pointwinning goal at Montrose earlier this season. Ex-Kinnoull Gary Christie is an attacking midfielder with an influential role in the side. The acquisition of striker Jimmy Fotheringham from Carnoustie saw Scone push the boat out as far as transfers are concerned and his Senior experience with Montrose and Arbroath is a decided asset. Alan Keddie is in his second spell at Scone having sampled soccer Australian style in the interim. Steven Wilson, a winger signed this season from Aerodrome Amateurs, known to his teammates as 'Speedy'. Frank Fair is another in his first season with the club having signed from under age football. Striker Gerry Donnelly has been with Scone for four seasons. Previously tasted Fife Junior football with Newburgh. Jimmy Fenton, a striker who has had his fair share of goals in the Juniors, many of which were for Jeanfield Swifts. Ian Flaherty is now in his third season at Scone and is normally given a man marking role in midfield.



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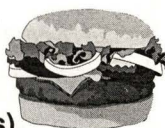
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After today we'll be 10 games into a 26 game league season. After 9 games last season we had dropped two points, an identical situation to this season. It took until 5th November before we played game #10 last season. It's always good to get league matches in as early as possible in the season - especially if we can manage to get victories.

Forget Scone's Herschell Cup defeat here in August. The Second Division Champions have drawn more than half their games since and clearly have adjusted to life in the fast lane. They will be stuffy opponents here. Scone showed last season they could give the best a run for their money, restricting Central League runners-up Arthurlie to a narrow victory in the third round of the Scottish Cup.

Tayport turned in a good performance last week against Banchory and some splendid goals and the play in general had the crowd in good voice. Hamish Mackay was out through injury last week and, unfortunately looks certain to miss out again today. The fact that his direct replacement, Stephen Ross notched a hat-trick, and the Region's top scorer Dave Reilly wasn't on the scoresheet (although he did have four 'assists'), augurs well.

We're resigned to being without Paul Reilly for some time but injuries to Grant Paterson and Steven Stewart as well as the absence through suspension of Keith Nicolson mean that our resources are stretched at present - a fact you'll appreciate if you were down here last week and saw Kevin Thoms come on as substitute. Mind you, old 'Peeping' did well, even hitting the bar with a raging shot and is a handy man to have around.



O.K., WHO'S BODY DO THESE LEGS BELONG TO

CLUE: The body's in a Tayport strip
ANSWER: Towards the back of the programme

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The *Down Memory Way* feature which appeared in the *Tele* a week or so ago gave lie to the tale that WILLIE BRAID, club member and season ticket holder, never played football. Although the photograph in the newspaper of Newport FC didn't list the names, Willie was readily recognisable as the stalwart defender in the back row.

Several of the players in the photo, taken at Claypotts Park a bit later than the date given in the paper - probably 1952, had or have Tayport connections.

Davie Ross and Jim Mathers, a former Tayport Amateurs club secretary, are resident in the town. Kenny Keir came from Leuchars and also featured in several Tayport line-ups in the fifties. Jim Strachan is the father of club member and season ticket holder Davie Strachan.

Chic Downie, hidden by shadow in the back row, is the father of Tayport Amateurs' stalwarts of the 70' and 80's, Jim, Rab and Neil. The late Donald Easton is the father-in-law of ex-Tayport Juniors committee member Ecky Beat. Alan Hendry, the Newport butcher, is a well known face round the corner from here at Scotsraig Golf Club.



The photo shows back (l-r) Ian Wood, Jim Barnett, Ian Robb, Davie Ross, Jim Mathers, Willie Braid, Chic Downie and Bill Duncan.
Front Jim Strachan, Tom Kinnear, Donald Easton, Kenny Keir, Alan Hendry, unknown, unknown.

REMEMBER, REMEMBER THE FIFTH OF NOVEMBER!

Yes, folks that's Guy Fawkes Night. As usual we'll be putting on our BONFIRE and FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA here on the Canniepairt. It's a Sunday night this year and it starts at 7pm. We've splashed out extra this year on fireworks to give you the best show yet. Remember too that refreshments will be on sale and, for the first time, we'll also have super sparklers and lite ropes on sale for the kids. Kids tickets are priced at 50p and adults are £1.50 and will be on sale from the papershops, pubs and committee.

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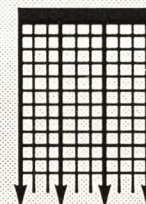
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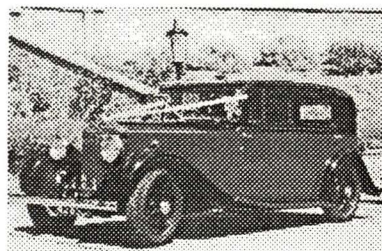
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THE BAKER'S BIT

Good afternoon to the Port Support and a warm welcome to the players and officials of our league opponents today, Scone Thistle.

I must admit that it was great to see a few goals going in last weekend. I'm aware that the standard of the opposition wasn't the strongest but we've got to be pleased at scoring six without reply. And of course it puts Tayport FC into tomorrow's 2nd round draw.

The game itself went as we'd planned. The most pleasing aspect for me was the way in which we approached the game and our attitude from the beginning. They say that 'a job well begun is a job half done', and it's a fact. I've seen it happen so many times in football. It only takes a couple of players to become sluggish, thinking that this will be a dawdle today, and it spreads throughout the team. Before you know it, you've dropped into a mode that you can't get out of. That didn't happen last Saturday.

I'd also like to think that our newer players are beginning to find their feet. It isn't easy at the best of times fitting in at a new club and, I suppose, moving to a successful club carries with it additional pressure to do well. But I think you'll agree that we've certainly not signed duds and, although I don't like to single out individual players, I'm positive that the young striker we introduced with 15 minutes of the match remaining, has a definite future in the game!

Speaking of the future, today's league game must be the most important thought on our minds. I know that it's not that long ago when we recorded a 5-0 win over Scone Thistle but unfortunately that result alone won't get us the two points this afternoon. Only the attitude and commitment of last Saturday can do that.

Support The Port, *Dave Baikie.*

BERT COLVILLE

It was with regret that we learned earlier this week of the death aged 68 of Bert Colville. Bert, who lived in Tayport for the best part of a quarter of a century, always retained an interest in local football, following the fortunes of, first, the Amateurs and, in recent seasons, becoming a member/season ticket holder for the Juniors.

Bert always had a pertinent comment to make about the team's performance or a suggestion to make on the running of the club and, as such, was always willing to talk on football. The club offers its condolences to Bert's widow, May and family.

TAYPORT JUNIORS - Match Stats.....Match Stats.....Match Stats.....Match Stats.....Match Stats.....Match Stats.....

Date	Opposition	Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	Att
Aug 16	SCONE THISTLE (H)	W 5-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Nicolson	Wilkie	Miller	Stewart	Mackay 2	D. Reilly 3	Maher	Buist (11)	Ross (8)	Coventry (4)	176
Aug 19	Forfar West End (L)	W 4-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Hunter	Nicolson	Malone	Miller 1	Stewart 1	Mackay	D. Reilly 1	Maher	Coventry 1 (6)	Trialist (4)	Baikie (9)	174
Aug 23	BROUGHTY ATH (L)	W 7-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Hunter	Nicolson	Wilkie	Miller	Stewart	Mackay 4	D. Reilly 3	Maher	Coventry (2)	Trialist (8)	Gray (4)	116
Aug 26	LOCHEE UTD (L)	W 3-2	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Hunter	Nicolson	Wilkie	Miller	Stewart	Mackay 2	D. Reilly 1	Maher	Buist (4)			251
Aug 30	Violet (L)	W 3-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Buist	Nicolson 1	Wilkie	Miller 1	Stewart	Mackay	D. Reilly 1	Maher	Gray (8)	Coventry (9)	Trialist (11)	153
Sept 2	ARBROATH S. C. (L)	D 2-2	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Buist	Nicolson	Wilkie	Miller	Stewart	Ross	D. Reilly 2	Maher	Coventry (11)	Gray (4)	Hunter (8)	136
Sept 9	Lochee United (L)	W 1-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Nicolson	Wilkie	Miller 1	Stewart	Ross	D. Reilly	Gray				347
Sept 16	North End (L)	D 2-2	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Nicolson	Wilkie	Miller	Stewart	Ross 1	D. Reilly 1	Gray	Coventry (11)	Buist (8)		317
Sept 23	LOCHEE HARP (N1)	W 3-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Nicolson	Wilkie	Ramsay	Maher	Mackay 1	D. Reilly 2	Ross	Miller (7)	Buist (5)	Coventry (11)	159
Sept 30	ST JOSEPHS (L)	W 1-0	Mann	P. Reilly	Paterson	Spalding	Buist	Wilkie	Stewart	Ramsay	Mackay	D. Reilly	Maher 1	Malone (2)	Gray (7)		388
Oct 7	Downfield (L)	W 1-0	Mann	Buist	Paterson	Spalding	Nicolson	Wilkie	Miller	Ramsay	Mackay	D. Reilly 1	Maher	Gray (2)	Ross (9)		391
Oct 14	BANCHORY ST. T. (S1)	W 6-0	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Nicolson 1	Wilkie	Ramsay	Maher 2	Ross 3	D. Reilly	Gray	Stewart (7)	Buist (2)	Thoms (3)	306
Oct 21	SCONE THISTLE (L)																
Oct 28	ELMWOOD (N2)																
Nov 4																	
Nov 11																	
Nov 18																	
Nov 25																	

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PRESS REPORT

" Brechin Vics also have an uphill battle away to Vale of Clyde who have played in four finals, winning the trophy three times....."

The Courier previewing the OVD Cup-ties. Interesting, yes, but what it didn't tell you was the last time was 1904!

" Co-manager George Grier has done his homework on the opposition and the Spiders are expected to clear this hurdle. "

- The Courier previewing Turriff 4 Downfield 1.

" Downfield may not find it quite so easy after a long trip north to face Turriff,"

- Junicus in the Evening Telegraph(11/10/95)* Telegraph 1 Courier 0!

" Despite worries over a lengthy injury list, Tayport coasted to the second round of the OVD Scottish Cup at The Canniepairt last Saturday.....However, despite ace goal grabber Mackay being one of the absentees, 'Port proved too strong for a plucky Banchory side and found a new goalscoring hero in close season signing Steve Ross who helped himself to a hat-trick"

- Fife Herald (20/10/95) Tayport 6 Banchory St TERNAN 0.

" Scone met Tayport in the pipe-opener to the Tayside season, when they played in the annual charity cup match. On that occasion Tayport won handsomely, but Scone had a depleted squad then. Tomorrow Tom Van Der Ham chooses from a full squad of 17 "

- Perthshire Advertiser (20/10/95)

AMATEURS' GREAT START TO THE SEASON

After several seasons in the doldrums during which the team has slipped out of the Midlands Premier Division into Division One and been relegated to Division Two (subsequently receiving a reprieve and winning a play-off to retain Division One status), Tayport Amateurs, at the end of last season, staged an amazing revival in winning something like six of their last seven games to avoid relegation to Division Two. The Amateurs have maintained this form this season and presently sit proudly at the top of Division One, having dropped only one point in their opening five games.

For the management team of Gary Kirk, John Anderson and Brian Smith it's a reward for their patience during the rebuilding process. Training attendances are good with those in the squad at present possessing the commitment to the club which had been lacking in recent years.

The team has a tricky task at Letham (Angus) in the league today. Forthcoming fixtures to which the team can look forward are home to Stoneywood (Aberdeen) in the 2nd Round of the Scottish Amateur Cup on 4th November and away to Ballinluig in the North of Tay Cup on Saturday 18th November.

FIVE PORT PLAYERS IN REGION SQUAD

Five Tayport players have been included in the Tayside pool for the Harlequin Trophy match against the East Region at Simpson Park, Perth next Tuesday at 7.30pm.

The five, Grant Paterson, Sean Wilkie, Gary Maher, Allan Ramsay and the Region's top scorer Dave Reilly, have shown some splendid form this season and their selection is thoroughly deserved.

The rest of the Tayside squad is G.Clark, J.McMullin, R.Price and K.Jones (Downfield), M.Murray and W.Hutchison (Jeanfield Swifts), I.Gray and R.McLaren (North End), J.Henry (Lochee United), G.Malone (St Joseph's), D.Scott (Forfar Albion), M.Kelly (Carnoustie Panmure), M.Tanner (Kinnoull) and J.Jeffries (Broughty Athletic).

Dave Baikie is team manager and Larry Leonard (Downfield) is the team physio.

The East Region have selected an impressive 16 man squad for the game. It is Myles Hogarth, Gordon Fraser and Rab Cochrane (all Newtowngrange Star), Ronnie McPherson, Dougie Todd and Stevie Muir (all Linlithgow Rose), Stevie Prior and Paul Taylor (both Whitburn), Gavin Halliday and Graham Little (both Ormiston Primrose), Jim Ellis and David Flynn (both Camelon), Billy Stewart (Armadale), Eddie Halford and John Sludden(Bo'ness), Danny Curran (Dunbar United).
Manager of the East Squad is John Buckley.

Flynn, Camelon's ace in their OVD Cup win last season, is currently the East Region's top scorer while Ormiston's Little has notched four goals in three appearances for Dunfermline Athletic Reserves and is tipped to take the step up to the Division One leaders.

Tomorrow afternoon at Camelon the Scottish Junior International team plays the OVD Cup holders at Carmuir Park.

The Scotland squad is Hogarth(Newtowngrange), Budinauckas, (Armadale), Williams (Benburb), Halford(Bo'ness), Archer (Arthurlie), Anderson (Arthurlie), Fulton (Arthurlie), Elliot (Pollok), Paisley (Pollok), Smith (Petershill), Henderson (Hall Russell United), Neilson(Shettleston), Little (Ormiston), Spence (Hill O'Beath) and Walker (Glenafton).

No doubt quite a strong collection of players but the selection gives rise to the question - are no Tayside players considered good enough? Tayside is the only Region not represented in manager Denis Gray's pool.
Other questions can also be asked viz. why play a game at Camelon and have the OVD Cup draw 120 miles away at the same time? Should the SJFA hierarchy not be represented at both?

NEXT SATURDAY'S FIXTURE

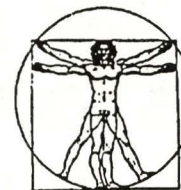
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SNIFFING ABOUT WITH THE SNOOT

CUMNOCK won Ayrshire's Jackie Scarlett League Cup last Monday evening when they beat Ardeer 3-1 before a crowd of 2,000 at Somerset Park. By all accounts it was a cracking final between two sides that have only just regained their places in Division One this season.

SHARP eyed Port Supporters tuning into Monday evening's TV News will have spotted a familiar sight on the report of the opening of the Skye Bridge. One of the mobile stands which are resident here at The Canniepairt was on duty at the opening ceremony providing the dignitaries with refuge from the wind and rain.

ONE of East Craigie's scorers in their 3-3 OVD Scottish Cup draw at Renfrew was Bertie Traynor, signed from Violet on the eve of the game for a nominal fee.

OVD Cup holders Camelon sprung a surprise by buying Christie McKenzie back from Alloa Athletic and pitching him into their side for the 5-1 win over Perthshire. McKenzie, the hero of their cup run, moved to Alloa in the close season.

Shotts Bon Accord, who were thrown out of the Juniors for a year have now parted with most of their squad. Only two players remain on their transfer list.

REFEREE Felipe Compinez awarded a last minute penalty in a regional competition in Peru. Social Santa scored the winner from the spot and in so doing took the title. Turned out that it wasn't one of the smartest decisions Mr Compinez has ever made. The poor man was stoned to death afterwards. They sure take their football seriously in South America!

TOM Brown who played for Glenafton against Tayport in the 1993 OVD Cup Final at Firhill had a fairytale debut for Scotland last midweek. The stocky striker, now with Kilmarnock, came on as substitute against Sweden B and notched the winning goal.



WHYTE & Mackay Cup (Fife & Lothians Cup) holders, St Andrews crashed out of this season's competition, beaten 5-1 at Armadale. There must have been a story behind that result so last week's *St Andrews Citizen* was opened with eager anticipation. But, surprise, surprise, there was no report, not even a mention of the game. Maybe I was only dreaming and the game didn't even take place!

STEVE Dolan, who trains once a week with Tayport, recently scored one of the Deveronvale goals which knocked Elgin City out of the Scottish Cup. Steve admitted that 'Vale were a trifle fortunate to beat Elgin but is eagerly looking forward to the draw for the cup proper. It's the first time in 40 years or so that Banff club have made it to this stage in the tournament.

TAYSIDE A. T. & T. LEAGUE DIVISION I

Statistics 1995/96 up to and including 14th October, 1995

Guide to Current Form Most Recent Result to Right

Team	Latest Results
Arbroath Sporting Club	W W W D W L W L L W
Broughty Athletic	L D W L W L D W D L
Carnoustie Panmure	W L L W W D W W D W
Downfield	W W W W W W W L L
Forfar Albion	L D W W W D W W W L
Forfar West End	L L L D L L L W L L
Kinnoull	L W L L W W L L W W
Lochee United	W L L W L W D L D W
Montrose Roselea	L L L L L L L L L L
North End	W L L L W D W L W D
Scone Thistle	D D W L D L D L D L
St Josephs	D W W W W W D L W W
Tayport	W W W D W D W W W W
Violet	L L L D L W L W L L

Results Chart - League Matches Only

A.T.&T. LEAGUE DIVISION I RESULTS 1995/96	A R B R O A T H S C	B R O U G H T Y	C A R N O U S T I E	D O W N F I E L D	F O R F A R A L B	F O R F A R W E S T E N D	K I N N O U L L	L O C H E E U T D	M O N T R O S E	N O R T H E N D	S C O N E T H	S T J O S E P H S	T A Y P O R T	V I O L E T
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BROUGHTY			2-1		1-1			3-0			1-1	1-2		
CARNOUSTIE	1-2				2-2	2-0		0-0	5-1					
DOWNFIELD							3-0	1-0					0-1	5-0
FORFAR ALB											3-1	1-4		3-2
FORFAR WE				0-2	0-3					1-3			0-4	
KINNOULL		2-0	0-1			3-2				1-4				2-0
LOCHEE UTD		0-0				3-1			4-3	2-1	1-1	0-1		
MONTROSE				1-3	1-3			1-3			1-1			
NORTH END			2-5	0-3				2-1					2-2	
SCONE TH	2-2		3-3	0-4			4-1							1-2
ST JOSEPHS								8-1	3-1	2-2				5-1
TAYPORT	2-2	7-0						3-2				1-0		
VIOLET						2-2	2-1		1-5				0-3	

HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Tayport	9	7	2	0	24	6	16
Downfield	8	7	0	1	21	2	14
St Josephs	9	6	2	1	29	10	14
Carnoustie	9	4	3	2	20	12	11
Lochee United	11	4	3	4	16	14	11
Forfar Albion	7	4	2	1	16	11	10
North End	9	4	1	4	22	21	9
Arbroath S C	8	3	2	3	11	14	8
Kinnoull	8	4	0	4	11	14	8
Scone Thistle	10	1	5	4	22	25	7
Broughty Athletic	9	2	3	4	8	15	7
Violet	9	2	1	6	10	27	5
Forfar West End	9	1	1	7	9	24	3
Montrose Roselea	9	0	1	8	7	29	1

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Goals	Player	Club
15	D Reilly	Tayport
13	McLaren	North End
9	Mackay	Tayport
9	Kelly	Carnoustie
9	D Mitchell	Downfield
8	Cameron	Downfield
6	Powell	Carnoustie
6	McLaughlin	St Josephs
5	Heggie	St Josephs

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SPIDERS IN THE NEWS

A Port Supporter suggested the other day that Downfield were perhaps grabbing more than their share of the headlines in *The Courier* and *Evening Telegraph* in recent weeks. Well we had a look and it's a fact. In October, Downfield were featured in 4 of the 5 *Courier* headlines and 3 out of 3 *Tele* headlines.

Nobody is denying that Downfield have made a reasonably good start to the season - before last Saturday - but surely the sub-editors can show a bit more imagination and give some of the other clubs a share of the limelight. Since the season started, Downfield have had six of the headlines, North End and Tayport three each and the only others to feature have been Scone, Bankfoot and Arbroath SC with one each.

Not an easy trip for Downfield	Spiders taking their chances Mitchell is back on goal trail Downfield lose 100% record	Downfield's 100% record on the line
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Shock Scottish Cup defeat for Spiders	Spiders cruise on at top	Slick Spiders in impressive form
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Before anyone at Downfield Park gets their knickers in a twist, this is not a dig at The Spiders, it's a comment on the Press. We appreciate that the local press give a fair amount of column inches per week to the Juniors and we've been the first to praise the Press when plaudits are deserved. Therefore any comments we make are, hopefully, constructive.

p.s. when are we going to see some league tables? Junior tables have appeared once this season (in the *Tele* on a Thursday night) Amateur tables haven't appeared at all.



WHO'S BODY ?

Physio Andy Bell



THE OVD SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP FIRST ROUND REVIEW



Space restrictions prevented the Port Prog's first round predictions last week but we had a 70% success rate - honest! It turned out to be a real disaster day for the North Region clubs, some of which received some almighty hammerings.

Take Inverurie Juniors, for example, who lost 16-0 at Benburb hard on the heels of a 12-1 defeat from Cruden Bay. Armadale found deepest Morayshire far from inhospitable, returning a 10-0 win at Burghead. Fochabers lost 7-1 at Newburgh and Lossiemouth went down 0-9 at Arthurlie. It wasn't all bad news for the North clubs, though, Turrieff beat Downfield 4-1. It certainly surprised 'The Courier's' junior correspondent who obviously had forgotten that Turrieff knocked out the mighty Pollok last season.

Good Results? Maryhill held Pollok to a draw. Inverurie Loco beat East Region's Division Two's promotion hopefuls Pumphreston 4-3 away from home. Jeanfield got a replay at Bonnyrigg although the East Region side have yet to record a Division One win this season.

Shocks? North End's draw at Dalkeith. The locals are bottom of Division Two with not a point to their name. Muirkirk's 4-3 defeat of newly crowned Central League Abercorn Cup winners Blantyre Vics.

How will today's replays go? All ties have to be played to a finish. The draw tomorrow afternoon at Banks o' Dee Social Club will, therefore, be a clear cut affair. Want to know Tayport's fate? Phone one of the local pubs (numbers in the Port Prog adverts) after 2 o' clock or so.

Here are the Port Prog Predictions

Linlithgow v Bellshill	HOME	Ashfield v Banks o' Dee	HOME
Elmwood v Blairgowrie	HOME	Jeanfield v Bonnyrigg Rose	AWAY
East Craigie v Renfrew	AWAY	North End v Dalkeith	HOME
Pollok v Maryhill	HOME	New Elgin v Tulliallan	AWAY

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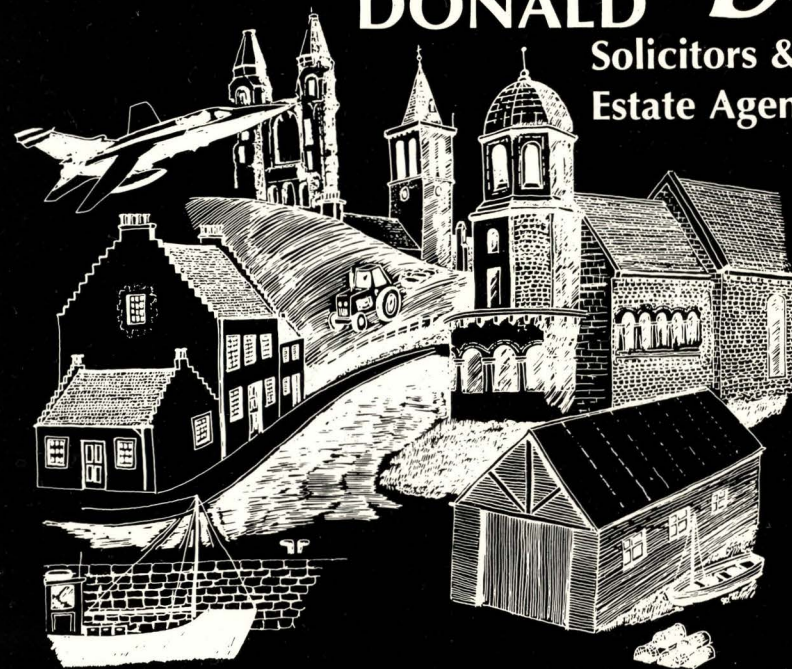
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