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## O. V. D. Scottish Junior Cup

SOME CRACKING TIES IN STORE



In contrast with the first round, the second round of the OVD Cup has thrown up some cracking ties.

None more so than at Barrhead where Arthurlie await Linlithgow Rose. Rose defend an unbeaten record this season, having won 14 out of 15 games. Arthurlie boss Fergie Ferguson hasn't endeared himself to the Rose support by labelling their team "predictable and lacking in ideas". Just the stuff to spice up the tie for a certain four figure crowd.

Also in the west, Benburb's Tinto Park will be buzzing for the visit of Glenafton. The Ayrshire team have won something like seven games on the trot while the Bens are on a wee unbeaten run of their own which has included 16-0 and 10-0 victories.

A healthy attendance is assured at Hill O'Beath where the Haws meet Newburgh. Hill O'Beath already look as if they've got the John Fyfe League sewn up, so the Scottish Cup is number one priority.

Armadale will find themselves on dodgy ground in north Ayrshire where they meet Beith although the knowledge that the locals have suffered three successive defeats will give them heart. Arnisdon Rangers travel to Lesmahagow where the home side, although not as daunting opposition as three or four years ago, will give the born again Rangers a severe test.

St Andrews United haven't had the best of draws in the OVD in recent seasons and a visit to Central Second League Neilston is a tricky one. Another side anxious to do well but on a difficult wicket is Kilwinning Rangers at Bonnyrigg Rose.

There are four North Region derby ties so that Region is at least guaranteed four teams in the last 64. Holders Camelon will wipe the floor with Luncarty and beaten finalist last year, Whitburn, will surely be too strong for Kirrie Thistle. At least the Kirrie Thistle Social Club will get a good result, win or lose. Kinnoull have attractive opponents and will have their best attendance for years with the visit of Pollok. It'll be tough for 'Noull but Pollok will be wary of the Perth side, recalling that they, Pollok, have made less than glorious exits from the competition in the last two seasons.

Remember, if you want all the scores, you should check Teletext after 8pm tonight page 177 and you should see how the games have gone.

### SCOTTISH CUP QUIZ

1. In 5 years Tayport have met nine Central League teams. Name them.
2. Which players have scored on Tayport's exit from the Cup?  

90/91 5th round (H) 1-4	_____
91/92 Q/Final (A) 1-3	_____
92/93 Final (N) 0-1	no scorer
93/94 3rd round (H) 1-2	_____
94/95 Q/Final (H) 0-2	no scorer
3. Apart from the big three (Auchinleck, Cumnock, Glenafton), which other Ayrshire team have Tayport played?
4. Which Region's teams have Tayport faced on the fewest occasions?
5. Who scored Tayport's first ever Scottish Cup goal?

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There is always a buzz about any Junior ground on Scottish Cup day and the visit of our fellow Fifers for the first time in a competitive match should ensure that today is no exception. Lochgelly Albert realise that visits to The Canniepairt are not every team's choice for an OVD Cup-tie but they are a team well equipped to give a stout hearted performance. Their confidence will not be found wanting, having just completed a seventh successive game without defeat at Rosyth last Saturday. Their run includes a draw with St Andrews and a win over Newburgh. A poor opening spell in August got Albert off to a bad start but they have recovered well as their recent run of results suggests.

We're not doing too badly ourselves so an enthralling cup-tie should be on the cards. Tayport are likely to show changes from the side which accounted for Forfar Albion last week. Team captain Sean Wilkie, unavailable last week, should return. There could be places at the start, too, for Hamish Mackay and Steven Stewart, neither of whom has started a match in the past four weeks.

Today's game is over 90 minutes only, regardless of the final scoreline. If drawn it will go to a second and decisive game next week at Lochgelly.

### JOHN FYFE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hill O'Beath	11	9	2	0	45	13	20
St Andrews Utd	13	6	5	2	48	18	17
Dundonald Bluebell	12	7	2	3	39	19	16
Newburgh	13	6	4	3	32	20	16
Kelty Hearts	11	6	2	3	28	9	14
Rosyth Recreation	12	6	2	4	28	11	14
Lochgelly Albert	13	5	4	4	28	22	14
Glenrothes	9	5	3	1	20	9	13
Oakley United	10	5	3	2	22	15	13
Tulliallan Thistle	12	5	2	5	18	32	12
Crossgates Primrose	11	3	3	5	15	22	9
Lochore Welfare	13	3	1	9	22	58	7
Thornton Hibs	12	1	4	7	18	27	6
Kirkcaldy YM	14	2	1	11	23	54	5
Steelend Victoria	12	1	0	11	11	68	2

### LOCHGELLY ALBERT'S LAST NINE RESULTS

D	Rosyth	0	Lochgelly	0	(league)
W	Steelend	0	Lochgelly	2	(league)
W	Lochgelly	3	Newburgh	1	(John Fyfe Cup)
D	Lochgelly	2	St Andrews	2	(league)
W	Lochore	2	Lochgelly	6	(league)
W	Lochgelly	2	Crossgates	0	(league)
W	Kirkcaldy	1	Lochgelly	6	(league)
L	Glenrothes	3	Lochgelly	1	(Peddie Cup) aet
D	Lochgelly	0	Kelty Hearts	0	(league)



# TAYSIDE A. T. & T. LEAGUE DIVISION I

Statistics 1995/96 up to and including 4th November, 1995

Guide to Current Form		Most Recent Result to Right	
Team		Latest Results	
Arbroath Sporting Club		W	W
Broughty Athletic		L	D
Carnoustie Panmure		W	L
Downfield		W	W
Forfar Albion		L	D
Forfar West End		L	L
Kinnoull		L	W
Lochee United		W	L
Montrose Roselea		L	L
North End		W	L
Scone Thistle		D	D
St Josephs		D	W
Tayport		W	W
Violet		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	E 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
ARBROATH SC		1-0				2-3	0-2		1-0			1-4		
BROUGHTY			2-1		1-1			3-0		1-1	1-2			1-2
CARNOUSTIE	1-2				2-2	2-0		0-0	5-1					
DOWNFIELD	0-3		2-0				3-0	1-0					0-1	5-0
FORFAR ALB							0-1			3-1	1-4			3-2
FORFAR WE				0-2	0-3					1-3		0-3	0-4	
KINNOULL		2-0	0-1			3-2		1-4						2-0
LOCHEE UTD	6-0	0-0				3-1		4-3	2-1	1-1	0-1			
MONTROSE				1-3	1-3	2-2	1-7	1-3		1-1				
NORTH END			2-5	0-3				2-1					2-2	
SCONE TH	2-2		3-3	0-4			4-1		2-5					1-2
ST JOSEPHS						3-1		8-1	3-1	2-2				5-1
TAYPORT	2-2	7-0			5-1		3-2			2-0	1-0			
VIOLET	2-0		2-2			2-2		2-1		1-5			0-3	

## HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Tayport	11	9	2	0	31	7	20
St Josephs	11	8	2	1	35	11	18
Downfield	10	8	0	2	23	5	16
Lochee United	13	6	3	4	23	14	15
Carnoustie	11	4	4	3	22	16	12
North End	10	5	1	4	27	23	11
Kinnoull	10	5	0	5	19	18	10
Forfar Albion	9	4	2	3	17	17	10
Arbroath S.C.	11	4	2	5	14	22	10
Violet	12	4	2	6	16	30	10
Scone Thistle	12	1	5	6	24	32	7
Broughty Athletic	10	2	3	5	9	17	7
Forfar West End	11	1	2	8	11	29	4
Montrose Roselea	11	0	2	9	10	38	2

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24	D. Reilly	Tayport
16	McLaren	North End
11	Kelly	Carnoustie
11	D. Mitchell	Downfield
10	Cameron	Downfield
10	McGill	St Josephs
9	Mackay	Tayport
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## TODAY'S VISITORS - LOCHGELLY ALBERT

Albert are the first ever Fife Junior side to play a competitive fixture on The Canniepairt.

Manager CHARLES WILSON is a kenspeckle figure in the Fife Juniors, having made over 600 appearances for Oakley United and being a member of the Hill O'Beath squad the season they won the Scottish Junior Cup.

Charlie is two seasons into a rebuilding programme at Gardiner's Park and the signs are there that his hard work and perseverance is starting to pay off. He brings with him a compact and versatile squad which is starting to make its mark in the Fife League.

COLIN CRABB and JOHN MCBRIDE vie for the keeper's jersey.

McBride, signed from Newburgh last season, is the more experienced of the two but Crabb, a recent signing from the amateur ranks, is the man in possession with two clean sheets in his last two outings.

Defender MARK MONTAGUE is in his fourth season at the club having previously played with Burntisland Shipyard. GRAHAM SOUTAR, also a defender, signed from Leslie Under 21's and is in his second season at Gardiner's Park.

Seasoned junior campaigner STEVE BARRY a key player in defence, was a big signing this year from rivals Dundonald Bluebell. MARK JORDAN, a recent signing from the amateurs, also plays in defence.

Team skipper is BILLY RENTON, a weel kent face in Fife Junior Circles having worn the colours of Hill O'Beath, Kelty Hearts and Crossgates amongst others. A veteran of the Junior game, Billy can turn out with equal effectiveness in defence or midfield. JAMES SEARLE, a midfielder, is in his second season following his move from Albert's under 18 team. Notched two goals in the recent win over Newburgh.

Another ex-Hill O'Beath man is the versatile JOHN CONNOR, who is in his fourth season with Albert. Tall midfielder GEORGE JOHNSTONE is another in his fourth season at the club after signing from the Haws. George has caught the eye of the Seniors with whom he has had trials this season anmd last.

DARREN FRANCIS, who found the net in the recent John Fyfe Cup win over Newburgh, is a Fife Under 23 Select team player. Signed two seasons ago from the Juveniles although had previously been Junior with Crossgates Primrose. SCOTT REID's switch from defence to attack has been an inspired move. The ex-Star Heart is currently the team's top scorer and netted both goals in the 2-0 win over Steelend Vics. two weeks ago.

ROBIN COOK is a talented striker who was formerly with Dunfermline Athletic although Albert signed him from Rosyth Recreation three seasons ago. MARK JAMES, a striker, is another of the Lochgelly squad who has been at Hill O'Beath. He picked up a cup winners medal there before moving to Albert four seasons ago.

The Lochgelly squad is completed by two players with Tayside connections. Young midfielder CHRIS BRUCE stays in Dundee and was signed from Dundee Juvenile football this season. Striker ANDREW JOHNSTONE, in his second season with the club, formerly turned out for Luncarty.



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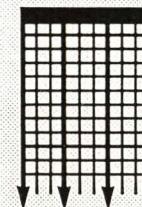
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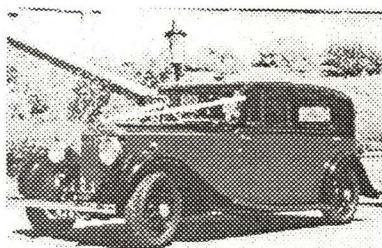
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## THE BAKER'S BIT

Lochgelly Albion provide our Scottish Cup 2nd round opposition this afternoon. I'd like to welcome their players and officials to The Canniepairt.

Once again we managed to grab another couple of league points. Last week it was at the expense of Forfar Albion. And, although I'm pleased with the 5-1 scoreline, it must be said that I was a bit disappointed with our overall application, especially in that first hour or so.

The only highlight in that period was of course the leading up work and the finishing at the goal. DR finished it off well but, for me, the goal belonged to Grant Miller whose run and final ball was, quite simply, a treat. It's something we work on often on the training ground. So it's even more pleasing when these moves come off. But, as I said, that was the only really bright spot of the first half.

I mentioned in last week's *Port Prog* the need to strive for that all-important breaking point when the opposition realise that there is no way back. That came with the second goal and, as their heads dropped, it allowed us to go on to better things.

As you will all know by now, as our fifth goal crossed the line, DR reached a personal milestone of 200 goals. I'd like to congratulate him but also remind him of what's written on the stone - "well done, you've reached the halfway point". Let's hope so anyway

Just as there's a new challenge ahead for DR, there's a big one ahead for Tayport FC this afternoon in the shape of Lochgelly Albion.

Unlike league games, the Scottish Cup demands that we get our act together from the first whistle. I don't need to remind our players what's at stake today. So let's get our attitude and discipline correct. Do so, then I see no reason as to why we can't be in the hat come 3.40pm.

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# 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	F. rfar 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)	W 2-0	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Buist	Wilkie	Ramsay 1	Maher	Ross	D. Reilly 1	Gray	Stewart (11)			192
Oct 28	ELMWOOD (N2)	W 10-0	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Buist	Wilkie	Ramsay 1	Maher	Ross 3	D. Reilly 4	Gray 2	Stewart (4)	Nicolson (6)	Mackay (11)	172
Nov 4	FORFAR ALBION (L)	W 5-1	Mann	Miller	Paterson	Spalding	Nicolson	Buist	Ramsay	Maher 1	Ross	D. Reilly 4	Gray	Stewart (7)	Mackay (9)		217
Nov 11	LOCHGELLY (S2)																
Nov 18																	
Nov 25	NEWBURGH (T1)																

Home Matches in Capitals

Figures after players names indicates goalscorers

Figures in brackets indicates number of player substituted

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## SNIFFING ABOUT WITH THE SNOOT

WHEN the *Glasgow Herald* dropped the *Glasgow* bit it was supposed to reflect the fact that it was a national newspaper. That being the case why is it that their Junior column on a Monday (excellent though it might be) dwells almost exclusively on the Central's three divisions and the Ayrshire League with lip service being paid to the East Region and the occasional sentence at the bottom of the column mentioning Tayside, Fife or the North Regions? It's probably time they put '*Glasgow*' back on the masthead

DEVERONVALE have three Dundee-based players at present and that number could rise to a full car-load soon. The Highland League side, Scottish Cup qualifiers this season, are understood to be keen on Elmwood's classy fullback Maurice McDonald.

TAYPORT'S Bellrock Tavern, one of the club's sponsors, is featured in the latest edition of CAMRA'S Good Beer Guide.

COBBIE'S Inn have stepped in to sponsor another of the club's players. Mine host and hostess, Andy and Janet have selected, surprise, surprise, Allan Ramsay! Allan doesn't drink but, like his sponsors he won't be bumping his head off any low ceilings.

JUST as well Davie Reilly isn't prone to over celebrating. Unlike Linlithgow Rose's Derek Halcrow who was ordered off. On netting his side's third goal in their recent 4-1 win over Ormiston, Halcrow overdid the celebrations so much with a spectator behind the goal (the mind boggles), that he was ordered off. He was cautioned for leaving the field without permission and having been booked earlier, off he went.

Still on the subjects of refs. Here's a cracking tale from the North Region. In the recent game between Stonehaven and Sunnybank referee Morrice, who had booked the Stonehaven No.3 in the 1st half, thought that it was the same lad who had offended again when in fact it was No.2. Mr Morrice flourished yellow and red cards and sent him off. Despite protests the Ref. was adamant and insisted that No.2 go off. Ten minutes later he noticed No.3 still on the park. It then clicked with Mr Morrice that he should not have ordered off the No.2. He tried to put things right by telling Stonehaven that No.2 could come back on. Too late. By this time the player had showered and changed so he let them bring on another player instead! Should be an interesting disciplinary meeting!

WAS it a mistake or are there mysterious goings on at Kingsway East. There was only one mistake in last Saturday's Tayside Junior league tables in *The Sporting Post*. That one slip of a key had put an extra ten goals in Tayport's 'goals against' column. Instead of 7 it was 17! Still, mustn't complain, it's better a single mistake than no tables at all.

THE draw for the next round of the OVD Scottish Junior Cup will be made in Camelon Juniors' Social Club on Sunday 19th November.

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## BONFIRE IS A ROARING SUCCESS

The annual GUY FAWKES BONFIRE & FIREWORK DISPLAY held here on The Canniepairt last Sunday evening was, by general consensus, the best yet. Of course, the pleasant weather helped greatly but the bonfire was a spectacular sight as Guy Fawkes became engulfed in flames. Thanks to a clear sky, the fireworks also were displayed at their best.

It was our best 'gate' of the season to date and our thanks go to all those who attended. Thanks also to the pupils of Primary 5/6 who made great job of constructing Guy but the comment that it looked kinda like Ecky Beat was a bit unfair. The School's collection of 'a penny for the Guy' raised £80 for the Leukaemia and Cancer Fund for Children.

Other snippets from the event - The Lite Ropes for the kids were a great success; The vice-chairman has claimed a new jersey from the club after a mortar exploded when it shouldn't have; We're going to have to do something next year about that music which accompanied the fireworks; Rumours that the girls in the Tea Bar at last Saturday's match had been interfering with the Guy whilst he was on display there have, we understand, been strongly refuted!

Our thanks go to all those who helped collect the material and construct the bonfire during the week and to those who helped out by stewarding etc. on the evening of the bonfire.

## GLENS ARE OVD TEAM OF THE 90'S - SO FAR

Based on the number of appearances each club has made in the OVD Scottish Junior Cup during the 1990's, GLENAFTON ATHLETIC are out in front with 42 appearances. Confirmation that the Central League's grip on the Cup in the 90's has slackened significantly is the fact that only ARTHURLIE make the top six, coming second top with 39 appearances.

Next come TAYPORT and AUCHINLECK TALBOT with 34 appearances each. The current strength of the Tayside game is confirmed by the fact that DOWNFIELD are in fifth spot on 30. Next come HILL O'BEATH on 26, the same number of appearances as WHITBURN and ARMADALE.

Giants they may be in their own back yard, but POLLOK haven't done so well in the OVD in recent seasons with only 23 appearances and, just making the top ten are the present cup holders CAMELON on 22.

Bubbling under, as they used to say in the old 'Pick of the Pops' days, are LINLITHGOW ROSE on 20 and LESMAHAGOW on 19 appearances.

Will this season's winner come from the above clubs or is there a LARGS THISTLE waiting to turn the form book upside down?



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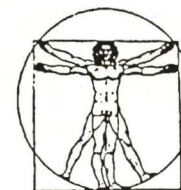
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### ARCHIVE PHOTO FILE



A Tayport Amateurs line-up of around 45 years ago. Exact date unknown but thought to be the early 1950's. (no doubts the debates will now start as to when exactly it was and where it was taken) As far as we can make out, the names are correct but, again we are open to correction. Back (l-r) Willie Walker, Clem Dempster, George Cockburn, Tom Bryson, Henry Mackay, Tam Walker. Front Ian Hill, Willie Richardson, Davie Hughes, George Smith and Jim Wilkie.

Some faces are, of course, fairly familiar. Davie Hughes is one of our groundsmen here at the Canniepairt and Tom Bryson and Jim Wilkie are season ticket holders. Willie Walker is one of the leading lights in the local pigeon club and George Cockburn used to have Cobbies Inn, hence the name, where he is still a regular. Henry Mackay was at one of our matches last season. Tam Walker, who passed away fairly recently, was a regular subscriber to the Port Prog. His widow, Muriel, insists on continuing to receive every edition.

#### ANSWERS

1. Larkhall Thistle, Pollok (90/91); Arthurlie(91/92); Cumbernauld, Benburb, Shettleston (92/93); Forth Wanderers, Port Glasgow, Kilsyth Rangers (94/95)
2. Kevin Thoms, Kevin Thoms, Kevin Thoms.
3. Muirkirk Thistle
4. Fife. Prior to today, only St Andrews United.
5. Mark Spalding.



## LOCHGELLY IS STEEPED IN FOOTBALL HISTORY

Since the latter part of the nineteenth century, following an influx of miners from West Lothian to the area to sink the Melund Pit in 1884, there has been organised football in Lochgelly. The boom in football saw the game take over from cricket and quitting as the principal sport in the area. Lochgelly Athletic was formed as early as 1887/88 and played in the Edinburgh FA.

A year or so later a group of local Irishmen formed a new club, Fifeshire Hibernians, but within a couple of years the two clubs had merged to form Lochgelly United.

Lochgelly United was to play Senior football for the next 38 years with a number of local Junior clubs acting as feeders to the Senior side. The club's history is littered with tales of money problems, riots at matches, pitch invasions etc.. At one game in 1894 the opposition, despite having two players carried off and three hirpling by half-time, were winning 4-1 with ten minutes to play. It was too much for the locals - the crowd invaded the park and the game was abandoned as the players, spectators, officials and Police all became embroiled in the ensuing melee. Derby matches against teams from the other mining communities weren't for the faint hearted. A Fife Cup-tie against Dunfermline in 1895 was abandoned after an Athletic player, who had formerly played with Lochgelly, was chased off the field by a howling mob and the Athletic players were stoned and divoted as they made their escape. Incidentally the player chased off chose not to return and headed instead for the Klondyke. In a match v Cowdenbeath in 1899, two players sent off for fighting continued their feud on the sideline and were charged and fined 10/- with an alternative of 7 days in the jail. The next season, with United now playing in the Northern League against the likes of Forfar, Brechin and Dundee 'A', one of their star players took exception to being dropped and was fined 2/6d for bashing a committee member in the Bay Horse Tavern. Today's hooliganism all sounds a bit tame compared with 100 years ago!

Lochgelly's biggest game to date was a 2nd round Scottish Cup-tie against Celtic in Glasgow in 1905 but they went down 3-0. In 1912 Lochgelly had two Senior teams, Lochgelly Juniors turning Senior as Lochgelly FC. United, though, had the main thrust of the local support but raising funds was always a problem. Everything was tried, even a friendly against a touring team of midgets, 'Uno's Midgets' - the origin of the saying "Your ba' wee man"?

The Great War saw football close down but Lochgelly United were revived in 1919. That season 10,000 saw United lose 0-3 at home to Third Lanark in the Scottish Cup 3rd round. In 1923 9,000 saw them go down narrowly to Celtic in the Scottish Cup. Despite a cup visit to Ibrox, United were struggling financially because of poor form in the league and went down to Division 3. Although the club had an overdraft at the bank, it struggled on but the General Strike and Coal Strike had a devastating effect. The club decided to play only cup-ties in 1927/28 and played their last ever game, at Glebe Park, Brechin in January 1928, a Scottish Cup-tie which was lost 3-1.

Another Senior team, Lochgelly Amateurs, was formed but they didn't make much of things. Their gate takings in 1932/33 being only £68 and the establishment of a new Junior side in the town in 1933/34 was not a welcome move for the Seniors and, with their Recreation Park Ground already earmarked for housing, Senior football in Lochgelly died for ever in April 1934 when Lochgelly Amateurs played their last game, losing to Dunfermline in cup-tie.

The Junior club established that season was Lochgelly Albert, our visitors today, who, incidentally play in the same colours, black and gold, as did Lochgelly United. Albert are the only survivors of a plethora of Lochgelly based junior clubs, most of which played in the early part of the century. Two years after Albert went Junior, Lochgelly Violet followed them into the Junior ranks but in 1949 went into abeyance for two years to allow ground repairs to be made. The repairs must have been fairly substantial because the club is still in abeyance today. Why do we mention Lochgelly Violet? Because the person who probably sold you this programme, present Tayport committee member Alex Spence is a former player with Lochgelly Violet.

Lochgelly Albert have had their ups and downs in the last sixty odd years, but they can claim to hold the Fife junior crowd record. 11,645 squeezed into Gardiner's Park to see Bo'ness win a 6th Round Scottish Junior Cup-tie in 1948. Albert came close to extinction during the 1980's but hard graft by the committee pulled things round and the club from a town with such a rich football history can look forward with confidence to the new century.

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Arthurlie (C) v Linlithgow Rose (E) D	Kirriemuir Thistle (T) v Whitburn (E) A
Baillieston (C) v Stonehouse Violet (C) D	Largs Thistle (A) v Culter (N) D
Beith (A) v Armadale Thistle (E) D	Lesmahagow (C) v Arncliffe Rangers (E) D
Benburb (C) v Glenafton Ath (A) H	Lochee Harp (T) v Tulliallan Thistle (F) A
Blackburn United (E) v Livingston Utd (E) H	Lochee United (T) v Forth Wanderers (C) H
Bo'ness United (E) v Yoker Athletic (C) H	Lochore Welfare (F) v Balbeggie (T) D
Bonnyrigg Rose (E) v Kilwinning Rgrs (A) A	Maybole (A) v Coltness United (C) H
Camelon (E) v Luncarty (T) H	Muirkirk (A) v Harthill Royal (E) A
Carnoustie Pan (T) v Lugar Boswell Th (A) H	Musselburgh Ath (E) v Ormiston P'rose (E) D
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Cruden Bay (N) v Crossgates Prim (F) H	Petershill (C) v Formartine Utd (N) H
Cumbernauld Utd (C) v Cambuslang Rgrs (C) D	Rosyth Recreation (F) v Lanark United (C) H
Cumnock (A) v Bankfoot Athletic (T) H	Saltcoats Victoria (A) v Kelty Hearts (F) A
Deveronside (N) v Buckie Rovers (N) H	Sauchie (E) v Dundee Violet (T) A
D'dee East Craigie (T) v Larkhall Thistle (C) A	Scone Thistle (T) v Vale of Clyde (C) A
Dundee St Joseph's (T) v Kinloss (N) H	Shettleston (C) v Dunipace (C) H
East Kilbride Th. (C) v Islavale (N) H	St Anthony's (C) v Forres Thistle (N) H
Edinburgh United (E) v Dundee North End (T) H	St Roch's (C) v Vale of Leven (C) H
Fauldhouse Utd (E) v Annbank United (A) A	Steelend (F) v West Calder Utd (E) A
Forfar West End (T) v Lewis United (N) D	Stonehaven (N) v Blairgowrie (T) H
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Kilbirnie Ladeside (A) v Arbroath Victoria (T) H	Turriff United (N) v Greenock (C) H
Kilsyth Rangers (C) v Newtongrange Star (E) A	Whitlatts Victoria (A) v Wishaw (C) D

The letter in brackets after each team's name indicates the region in which they normally play as follows:  
A - Ayrshire C - Central E - East F - Fife N - North T - Tayside

### NEW COMPETITION LOOKS A CERTAIN STARTER

Tayport's chairman and manager travelled down to Ayrshire last Sunday to meet with representatives of the other clubs which had been invited to compete in a new "Super League" type competition. Because of time restraints this season, the format is different from that originally envisaged. The eight clubs, Tayport, Pollok, 'Glenafton, Arthurlie, Hill O' Beath, Auchinleck, Whitburn and another, as yet unnamed club, will play the competition on a knockout basis on the lines of the UEFA Cup.

The games will be played home and away with aggregate scores counting. In event of a draw over the two legs away goals will count double. If the teams are still tied then there will be no extra time, only a penalty shoot out.

The first tie will be on Sunday 4th February with the return leg on Sunday 3rd March. The draw for these ties is likely to be made later this month. Negotiations are on-going, discussing such matters as sponsorship. Further details will be intimated as they become available.



## PRESS REPORT

"Rosyth's surge up the league table could result in a place among the leading clubs if they add to a seven game unbeaten run with a victory over visitors Lochgelly Albert. The Albert are not far behind their hosts, though, and after a similar string of results, this could be a closely fought affair"  
*The Courier* (4/11/95) previewing Rosyth 0 Lochgelly 0.

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"Port, who face Lochgelly next week, have been quickly into their stride despite injury worries and the form of Dave Reilly is a bonus"

- *The Courier* (4/11/95) previewing Tayport v Forfar Albion.

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"Rosyth and Lochgelly Albert shared the points after a dour struggle which failed to produce a goal"

- *The Courier* (6/11/95)

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"Dave Reilly, Tayside Region's top marksman, reached a new milestone on Saturday. The internationalist made it eight goals in two games with another four in the 5-1 victory over Forfar Albion. Albion put up a fight, but their lack of experience showed against the champions, who turned in another smooth performance."

- *The Courier* (6/11/95) Tayport 5 Forfar Albion 1.

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"Tayport's Reilly hit four goals for a second successive week as the league leaders demolished Forfar Albion on the Canniepairt.....Gary Maher had the other Tayport goal with substitute Scott Reid ending Tayport keeper Fraser Mann's hopes of a seventh successive shut-out with a consolation goal in injury time"

- *Sunday Post* (5/11/95)

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"Leaders Tayport found little difficulty overcoming Forfar Albion 5-1 and the game was a personal triumph for striker Dave Reilly. Not only did he score four goals, in doing so he scored his 200th goal for Tayport"

- *Evening Telegraph* (8/11/95)

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"Right on the 90 minute mark Reilly wrote his name into the record books with Tayport's fifth, his own fourth and a career best 200 for the club. Skipper Paterson burst clear of the Forfar defence and drew the keeper before unselfishly squaring the ball for DR to tap into the empty net prompting an ovation from the delighted home support"

- *Fife Herald* (10/11/95)

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"They will need to be something special to beat us.....I can't see any team beating us at the moment"

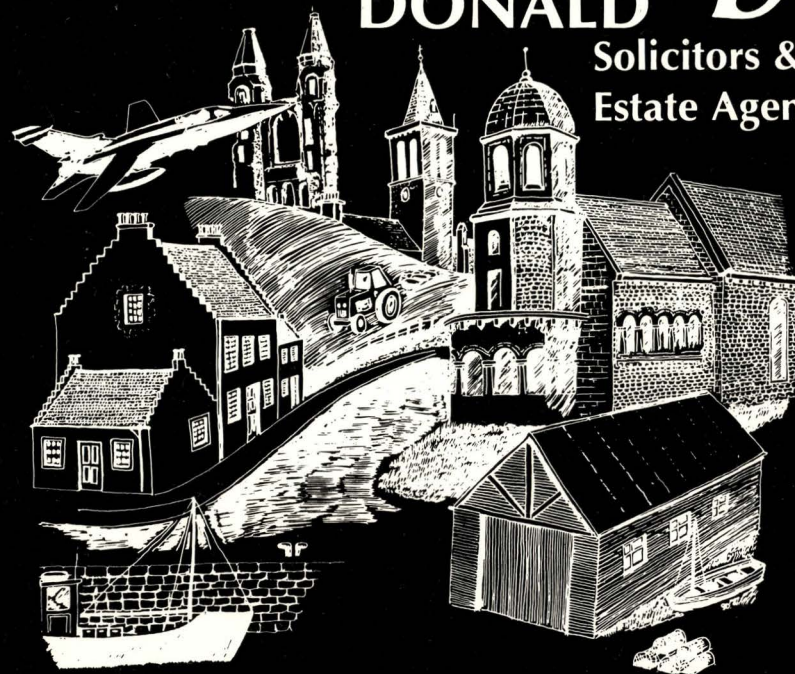
- Super confident Linlithgow Rose goalkeeper Ronnie McPherson on his club's OVD tie against Arthurlie today (*Edinburgh Evening Pink* 4/11/95)

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