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**KIRRIE THISTLE**  
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has been a surprise to many  
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## TODAY'S TEAMS

### TAYPORT

#### From

- 1 Fraser MANN
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- 5 Keith NICOLSON
- 6 Sean WILKIE
- 7 Allan RAMSAY
- 8 Steven STEWART
- 9 Stephen ROSS
- 10 Dave REILLY
- 11 Grant MILLER
- 12 Paul REILLY
- 14 Ian GREIG
- 15 John YOUNG
- 16 Mark CORCORAN
- 17 Kenny CAMERON
- 19 Brian CRAIK

### Kirrie

#### From

- |                  |
|------------------|
| Jim MENMUIR      |
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| Ross GRAHAM      |
| Ian McKENNA      |
| Derek GUTHRIE    |

Referee

:

A. Smith

Ellon

Referee Assist.

:

Bill Gerrie (Westhill)

:

Dennis Ewing (Peterculter)

### Dundee North End Centenary Trophy.

### TAYPORT v Kirrie.

Saturday 6th March 1999.

Kick Off 2:30 pm

(Played to a finish)

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TODAY'S MATCH  
KIRRIE THISTLE  
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## TODAY'S GAME



A place in the last four of the Dundee North End Centenary Cup is at stake this afternoon. For Kirrie it is an opportunity to extend their current best ever run in the competition. For Tayport it is an opportunity to reach a fifth Centenary Cup semi-

final.

For their 40th tie in the competition Tayport could not have picked more difficult Tayside opponents than Kirrie who have shown in their two previous games against us this season that they have the ability to make today's game an exciting contest.

Kirrie were as impressive opponents as we've seen at the Canniepairt this season when, in a league game in August, a Hamish Soutar goal rocked us, before we pulled clear with a 3-1 victory. That this was no fluke performance, was confirmed in January when Kirrie became the only club to date to prevent Tayport from collecting full points when we were held 2-2 at Westview Park. Indeed it could have been worse as it took a Kenny Cameron goal, around eight minutes into time added on, to give us a share of the spoils.

Since our first meeting this season, Kirrie boss Wilson Coupar has secured the services of Ross Graham from St Josephs. The Blairgowrie based striker demonstrated in our last meeting the ability which previously persuaded Brechin City to sign him from Lochee United.

For Tayport, with the league championship wrapped up for a record-breaking sixth occasion in eight years, the attention will now be centred on the four remaining cup competitions, starting this afternoon.

Goalkeeper Fraser Mann took a knock against Violet last week, but has been making good progress under the direction of physio Andy Bell and is expected to be between the sticks as usual this afternoon. There is good news too on the progress of the other injured parties. Allan Ramsay is well on the way back to fitness and, although he will still be out for this week, Allan could be back in contention in time for the Taycars tie at Lochgelly. John Young put in a full session on Wednesday evening and will be in the squad today seeking to reclaim his midfield spot.

In charge today will be Ellon based official Alfie Smith and he is assisted by fellow North Region officials Dennis Ewing from Peterculter and Bill Gerrie from Westhill.

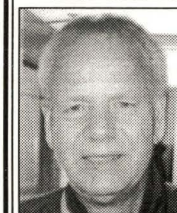
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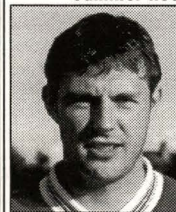
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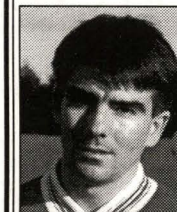
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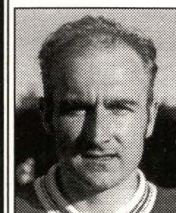
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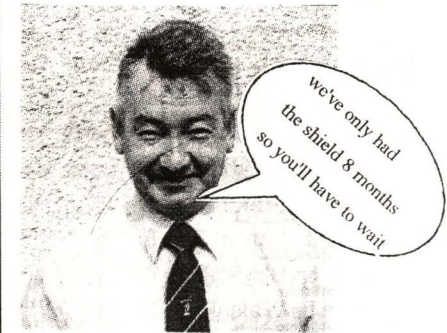
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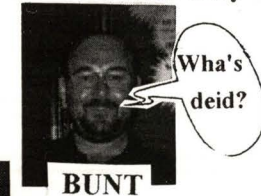
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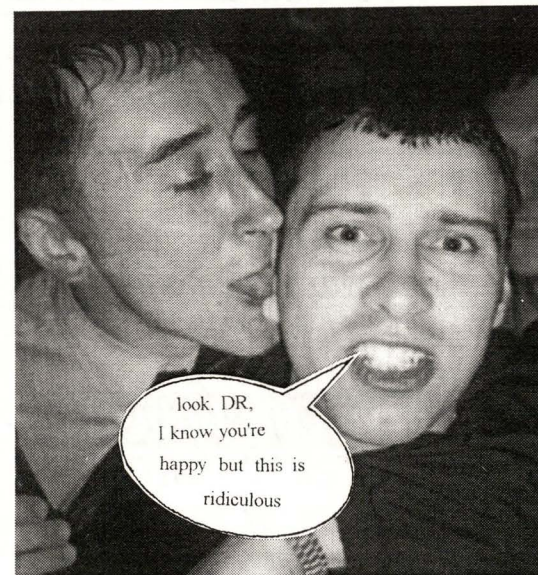
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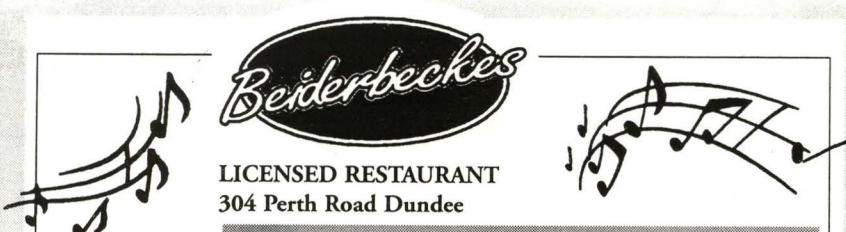
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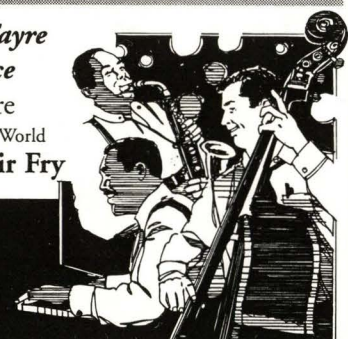
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PLAYER	Total	League	Local Cups	NEC Cup	Taycars	O.V.D. Cup
K.CAMERON.	50	31		7	5	7
D.REILLY	21	13		3	3	2
S.ROSS.	11	3			3	5
B.CRAIK	10	8		2		
S.STEWART	8	5		3		
J.YOUNG	6	4		1	1	
M.CORCORAN	5	4		1		
K.NICOLSON	4	2		1		1
A.RAMSAY	3	3				
P.REILLY	2	1		1		
G.PATERSON	1	1				
G.MILLER	1	1				
G.BUIST	1					1
I.GREIG	1	1				
O.G/s	1	1				
<b>TOTALS.</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>78</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>

## TAYPORT JUNIORS SHUT OUTS.

PLAYER	Total	League	Local Cups	NEC Cup	Taycars	O.V.D.Cup
F.MANN	21	15	1	2	2	1

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### NEXT SATURDAY'S OVD SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP QUARTER FINALS



No beating about the bush as far as next Saturday's quarter finals are concerned. The last four are predicted to be **Kelty Hearts, Maryhill, Auchinleck Talbot and Arthurlie**.

Looking at the other draws they could have had, it could have been worse for **Montrose Roselea**, so they won't be too despondent about travelling to Fife and a meeting with **Kelty**. Despite their excellent showing in the OVD tournament, Roselea will be very much underdogs here. Hearts have a very experienced side but if they do have an achilles heel, it could be over-confidence. If they can't get an early goal, the high expectancy of their fans could work against Kelty. Nevertheless the bookies will go for a comfortable margin of victory for the hosts.

**Maryhill v Petershill** looks almost too close to call and a single goal, either in a first game or a replay could be all that determines the winner. Maryhill were written off by many after an exodus when supremo Ronnie McDonald took over at Clyde. However ex Forfar Athletic front man Neil Watt took over and has pulled things round and this could just be Hill's year for the cup.

The four ties will all attract crowds well into four figures, more than most of the Seniors will attract outside the SPL, and the top OVD attendance will be at **Kilwinning** where the rejuvenated Buffs take on **Auchinleck Talbot**. These two sides are battling it out for the Ayrshire title and the only points either has dropped in their ten games or so to date was when they fought out a goalless draw over the festive season. In addition the sides met in the League Cup final in the autumn when Rangers emerged 2-1 victors. On the field indiscretions have cost Talbot the services of key players regularly this season and their suspensions could weigh against them. Kilwinning will fancy themselves to do the business on this occasion but I have a sneaking feeling that Auchinleck will shade it.

If it wasn't for the presence of Montrose in the last eight, **Larkhall Thistle** would be marked down as the outsiders by virtue of the fact that they languish in the middle of the Reebok Central League Division One with a fairly average record. Home advantage will give them a chance against holders **Arthurlie** but the Barrhead team look like continuing the pattern of the holders reaching - and losing - the final the following year. Despite facing only nine men for much of last week's replay with Camelon, 'Lie struggled for long spells and, had Davie Flynn and Christie McKenzie not missed good chances, they could well have been out.

With reconstruction in the air and therefore the opportunity to impress, the Juniors could have done without the shocking challenges which saw two Camelon players sent for a shower before the water had even had a chance to warm up. The fact that it was televised didn't help either. Hopefully next Saturday's ties will be free of the sort of unsavoury action that the newspapers and TV love to associate with the Junior game.

footnote: why doesn't the SJFA insist that Arthurlie get a better camera position when *Scotsport* is at Dunterlie. A worm's eye view doesn't help the image.







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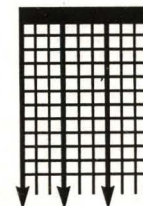
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## ANDY'S ANGLE



First of all may I wish a warm welcome to the players and officials of Kirrie Thistle and to the Port support to the Canniepairt today for our North End Centenary Cup game.

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate everyone connected with Tayport after finally clinching the championship against the Violet last week. If you look at the league campaign overall, it has been a tremendous achievement by the players to go and

win the competition so early and, may I add, convincingly. I am sure that you would agree that two seasons without being champions is far too long for a team of Tayport's calibre and I think the manner in which the league was lost last season was the driving force behind the determination to do so well this season. To say that the lads' pride was hurt then would be a huge understatement.

We must be positive and look to do even better in the remaining competitions. We can't now sit back and relax. We have to step up a gear, for there is no greater incentive for a team than to put one over the newly crowned champions therefore we have to raise our game accordingly.

We could not have picked more difficult opponents for our cup-tie today, for I have a healthy respect for Kirrie and the style of football they play. The respect for them is by far superceded by the desire to get a victory against them today for they are the only team to have spoiled our 100% record in the league. So we have the chance to rectify our last performance against them and reassert our dominance over teams in our own region.

Going back to last week's game, it's fair to say that it was not a pretty affair, but, at the end of the day, the result was the important thing. I think, though, the game was disappointing from a football and spectators point of view because there were so many minor infringements occurring all over the park. They were committed by both teams and this certainly interrupted the flow and continuity of the game, with it being constantly held up for free kicks. Because I regard Dundee Violet as a good football team, I was disappointed that between ourselves and Violet we managed two sendings off and a further eight cautions. It seems strange to me, because our discipline on and off the park has been exceptional this season. In a way I feel our sending off actually helped us, for the players certainly pulled together and the attitude shown was very pleasing.

When the goal did eventually come, it was one right out of the top drawer and was good enough to clinch any league title. It was also a personal achievement of 50 goals for KC. I am sure there are many more celebrations to come this season..

*Andrew Sommerville*



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DURING THIS PERIOD THE RECORDS HAVE TUMBLED REGULARLY AND SATURDAY'S CHAMPIONSHIP WIN IN FEBRUARY IS UNIQUE.

PLAYERS DAVE REILLY, MARK SPALDING, GRANT PATERSON AND SEAN WILKIE SHOULD ALSO TAKE A BOW. THE QUARTET HAS BEEN HERE SINCE DAY ONE AND EACH HAS BEEN A MODEL PLAYER IN HELPING ACHIEVE UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS.

HERE WE LOOK AT THE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP TABLES FROM THE FIRST SEASON TO DATE.

### 1990/91 Division Two

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
TAYPORT	22	17	2	3	79	22 36
Kirrie This.	22	16	3	3	55	24 35
Blairgowrie	22	13	4	5	45	33 30
Harp	22	15	0	7	51	30 28
Broughty	22	10	4	8	36	26 26
Forfar Alb	22	9	6	7	41	32 24
Arbroath V.	22	10	2	10	31	31 22
Scone This.	22	8	5	9	41	52 21
Carnoustie	22	7	6	9	38	41 20
St Josephs	22	5	0	17	40	72 10
Brechin V.	22	2	3	17	28	69 7
Balbeggie	22	2	1	19	32	85 5

### 1991/92

### Division One

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
TAYPORT	26	19	5	2	74	15 43
Downfield	26	16	8	2	70	20 40
North End	26	15	6	5	53	34 36
Forfar WE	26	12	9	5	67	35 33
Arbroath SC	26	14	5	7	58	31 33
Jeanfield	26	12	4	10	42	39 28
Violet	26	10	7	9	54	56 27
Kirrie This	26	8	9	9	42	49 25
Kinnoull	26	9	6	11	32	39 24
Lochee U	26	7	6	13	36	63 20
East Craigie	26	8	3	15	44	70 19
Elmwood	26	6	6	14	36	57 18
Bankfoot	26	4	3	19	25	74 11
Blairgowrie	26	2	3	21	29	80 7

### GOAL DIFFERENCES

1990/91	57	1994/95	64	1998/99	73 (to date)
1991/92	59	1995/96	70		
1992/93	61	1996/97	57		
1993/94	64	1997/98	62		

### 1992/93

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
TAYPORT	26	21	4	1	79	18 46
Forfar WE	26	16	7	3	62	33 39
Downfield	26	16	5	5	65	24 37
Forfar Alb.	26	13	7	6	49	35 33
Jeanfield	26	13	4	4	53	39 30
Arbroath	26	13	3	10	63	48 29
Kinnoull	26	11	7	8	46	48 29
North End	26	12	4	10	48	48 28
Carnoustie	26	7	8	11	50	53 22
Harp	26	7	5	14	38	53 19
Violet	26	6	4	16	38	77 16
Lochee U	26	5	5	16	37	71 15
East Craigie	26	4	3	19	30	74 11
Kirrie This	26	2	6	18	41	78 10

### 1993/94

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
TAYPORT	26	20	5	1	79	15 45
Downfield	26	17	5	4	59	30 39
North End	26	12	5	9	45	42 29
St Josephs	26	12	4	10	59	35 28
Kinnoull	26	12	4	10	54	44 28
Arbroath	26	12	4	8	48	53 28
Forfar WE	26	9	9	8	45	40 27
Carnoustie	26	9	7	10	64	63 25
Violet	26	10	5	11	48	56 25
Jeanfield	26	9	7	10	39	55 25
Harp	26	8	6	12	34	57 22
Forfar Alb	26	7	5	14	42	55 19
Broughty	26	4	8	14	43	61 16
Arbroath V	26	2	4	20	31	82 8

### 1994/95

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
TAYPORT	26	20	6	0	76	12 46
St Josephs	26	22	2	2	70	28 46
Lochee U	26	13	9	4	61	34 35
Downfield	26	14	2	10	46	32 30
North End	26	13	4	9	58	45 30
Violet	26	11	7	8	43	39 29
Carnoustie	26	9	8	9	43	42 26
Arbroath	26	8	6	12	41	53 22
Kinnoull	26	7	7	12	41	49 21
Montrose	26	6	9	11	31	46 21
Forfar WE	26	6	7	13	28	41 19
Harp	26	6	3	17	30	74 15

### 1995/96

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
TAYPORT	26	23	2	1	87	17 48
Downfield	26	17	6	3	66	28 40
St Josephs	26	15	5	6	57	29 35
Lochee U	26	14	6	6	59	34 34
North End	26	15	3	8	64	45 33
Carnoustie	26	8	9	9	61	54 25
Arbroath	26	9	5	12	38	52 23
Kinnoull	26	10	2	14	38	48 22
Scone This	26	7	8	11	41	54 22
Violet	26	8	5	13	39	58 21
Forfar Alb	26	6	6	14	35	58 17
Broughty	26	4	9	13	33	58 17

### 1996/97

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
St Josephs	26	23	2	1	91	7 71
TAYPORT	26	22	2	2	64	7 68
North End	26	16	3	7	56	30 54
Carnoustie	26	16	4	6	74	40 52
Arbroath	26	15	3	8	64	40 48
Kinnoull	26	10	4	12	36	41 31
Downfield	26	7	7	12	40	45 28
East Craigie	26	6	9	11	32	51 27
Violet	26	6	8	12	32	53 26
Jeanfield	26	7	5	14	26	66 26
Lochee U	26	6	7	13	30	47 25
Scone This	26	6	4	16	22	66 22
Bankfoot	26	5	6	15	30	60 21
Forfar Alb	26	5	0	21	34	78 15

### 1997/98

P	W	D	L	F	A	P
North End	26	22	1	3	68	21 67
TAYPORT	26	21	2	3	81	19 65
St Josephs	26	20	3	3	75	26 63
Carnoustie	26	12	5	9	63	45 41
Forfar WE	26	12	3	11	51	50 39
Lochee U	26	11	6	9	35	36 39
Violet	26	11	5	10	45	42 38
Arbroath	26	9	8	9	42	41 35
Downfield	26	10	5	11	48	48 35
Kirrie This	26	9	5	12	35	49 32
Elmwood	26	6	6	14	30	52 24
Jeanfield	26	5	6	15	47	82 21
East Craigie	26	4	2	20	29	85 14
Kinnoull	26	0	3	23	20	73 3



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## PRESS REPORT

**Tayport 4 Lochee Harp 0**

**FIFE HERALD**

"Tayport notched up a comfortable, if unspectacular, victory against Lochee Harp, at the Canniepairt on Saturday, to move within three points of the Tayside league title. Given that there are still four league games remaining, only an unprecedented run of disastrous league defeats would prevent 'Port from being crowned champions"

**Tayport 1 Dundee Violet 0**

**THE SUN**

"The red-hot Tayside toppers will clinch the NCR First Division crown with victory over Dundee Violet today, even though there's still FOUR MONTHS of the junior season to go"

**THE PRESS & JOURNAL**

"In Perthshire (*sic*) Tayport were celebrating after wrapping up the Tayside League First Division title with a 1-0 win at home to Violet. Both sides were reduced to ten men before striker Kenny Cameron fired home the winner for the hosts on the hour mark"

**THE SUN**

"Port clinched the Tayside title with a 1-0 win over Dundee Violet on Saturday, after just one local cup success in the past two seasons for the side who cleaned up under Dave Baikie. Skipper Wilkie admitted: "It's been too long a wait for for a club of our standing. Clubs tend to have a run of success, then you have to go back and start again. We're hoping this will be the start of a new era for Tayport. We're still in four or five cups too and we want a clean sweep of the domestic and inter-region honours. Anything we're left in we want. We're greedy for success"

**THE COURIER**

"Kenny Cameron's 50th goal of the season gave Tayport a 1-0 victory over Violet on Saturday and the first division championship. It was special occasion for manager Andy Sommerville, who won championship medals as a player at Canniepairt and now collects his first as a boss"





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## SNIFFING ABOUT WITH THE SNOOT



A welcome visitor to the Canniepairt last Saturday was Hamish Mackay. A Tayport legend, big Hambo was making one of his all too infrequent visits to see the lads in action and still looked fit enough to pull on a red jersey and grab a share of the action.

In all Snout's experience, never has he heard such universal post match condemnation of a referee's performance than that of Mr Thurston v Violet last Saturday. Men, women, home fans, away fans, young fans, old fans, Tayport players & officials, Violet players & officials, all were less than complimentary in their assessment. Of course we are not allowed to comment, but surely they were not all wrong. Referee Association observer Mr McBurney was in the enclosure and it would be interesting to have had a glance at his notes. It was maybe just a bad day and I suppose we are all entitled to one of these.



Congratulations to Patty and Gill on the birth of their wee lad last week. Definitely a Tayport signing prospect for 2016.

Carnoustie's North End Centenary Cup defeat at Inverurie Loco has left its legacy with both Gary Mearns and Murray McDowell receiving lengthy suspensions for being sent off in that game. Mearns got 6 games and McDowell 4 games.

Kenny Smith's Grampian Hotel is no more. The Tayport committeeman has had the popular west end howff on the market for some time but, on Sunday night past, the bar closed for the last time. It's understood that the property will revert to being a private house.

Kelty Hearts have signed Billy Spence from Arbroath FC for a fee understood to be in the region of £4,000. Signed by Dave Baikie from Hill O' Beath, Spence made a scoring debut for their rivals when he came on as sub. last week.

The reconstruction bandwagon keeps rolling on. Latest proposal comes from the East Region's Blackburn United who have tabled another amalgamation plan. This plan will be distributed to Tayside clubs at their meeting this Tuesday. Clubs will then have an opportunity to consult their members before reporting back. Let's hope the doom and gloom merchants can look at things from a positive viewpoint for a change.



## FROM THE ARCHIVES

### SEASON 1990/91

1990/91 was Tayport Juniors' first season and the team that put the biggest dent in that inaugural year was Kirrie Thistle who won both league division two games against the Port - a unique occurrence to date. It wasn't enough however, as we pipped them by a point for the title. Here we reproduce match reports from these two games eight years ago

# Tayport suffer setback

KIRRIEMUIR THISTLE.....2  
TAYPORT JUNIORS.....1

Hoping to consolidate their position at the top of Division 2, Tayport travelled to Kirrie last Saturday, minus the services of Gary Christie, who was carrying an injury from the previous mid-week match.

Despite the boost of a goal mid-way through the first half from Coventry, a combination of erratic finishing, fine defensive work by the homesters and a 'gift' equaliser to Kirrie, combined to deprive Tayport of their hoped-for "Ball in Kirriemuir".

The deadlock of an evenly matched first quarter was broken following good work by Lamont and Rae, the latter crossing from the right to allow Coventry to head home the opener.

To say the equalising goal 15 minutes later was bizarre is putting it mildly.

A disputed free kick was awarded on the edge of the Tayport box. McNicol struck a half-hearted shot through the visitors' static wall and it lodged behind Tosney. A mixture of sloppiness and a misapprehension that the

free-kick was indirect seemed to be the reason for this unexpected setback.

Tayport, striving to regain the lead, were stunned when, after 63 minutes, the referee denied them the penalty following a blatant handball which had even the home side looking in disbelief.

The visitors' frustration was heightened two minutes later when Hamish Soutar volleyed a crossfield ball from the corner of the box, leaving Tosney helpless.

As the minutes ticked away, Tayport threw everything into attack and at times the home penalty area resembled a pin ball table.

Despite the late substitutions of Heggie and Baikie for

Coventry and Thoms, the gods were not with Tayport this week and they suffered their first reverse of the season.

Tayport — Tosney, Malone, Wilkie, Dolan, Paterson, Rae, Spalding, Coventry, (Heggie), Thoms (Baikie), Reilly, Lamont.

Tomorrow the Juniors have a break from the league when they take on St Joseph in the first round, first leg of the Perthshire Advertiser Cup.

The match is at home and kick-off is 3 p.m.

The match ball for this game has been kindly donated by Mr A. Dickson, Tayport.

## Tayport v. Kirrie Th.

The game kicked off in arctic conditions with a blizzard at Kirrie's backs. After five minutes McNicol went close with a free kick for Kirrie.

Kirrie went ahead in 30 minutes when SINCLAIR headed home Gallacher's free-kick from the right at the far post.

In 40 minutes Gallacher set up SINCLAIR to score Kirrie's second from close range and one minute later Kirrie struck again with a magnificent hooked shot from GALLACHER from 35 yards out which left Toshney stranded.

Half-time—Tayport 0, Kirrie 3.

With the wind now at their backs Tayport pressed and in 50 minutes Lamont ran on to Toshney's kick, but Martin saved.

One minute later, Coventry's

## JUNIORS

header was cleared off the Kirrie goal line, but IRONS hooked in the rebound.

Tayport continued to press and from Lamont's free kick Coventry flashed a header just wide. Then in 54 minutes Thoms set up Reilly who put the ball wide from five yards.

In 60 minutes Kirrie's Sinclair was booked for kicking the ball away.

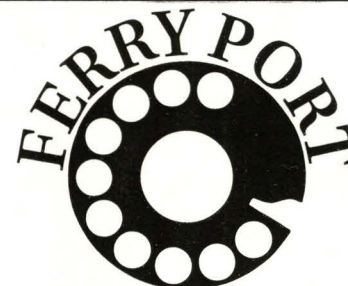
Tayport pulled another goal back in 80 minutes. Christie's corner was knocked on by Dolan and CUSHNIE headed over Martin into the net.

Tayport's Cushnie was booked for pulling back Sinclair as the Kirrie man threatened to break clear.

Final—Tayport 2, Kirrie Thistle 3.  
● Tayport Juniors play St Joseph's in a re-arranged McEwan's Lager League Division Two match at Tayport tomorrow. Kick-off 1.45.

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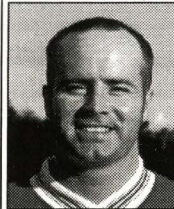
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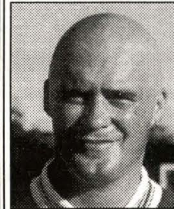
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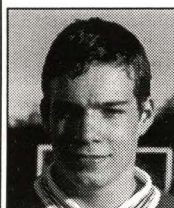
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## THE NORTH END CENTENARY CUP



### TODAY'S QUARTER FINAL TIES



TAYPORT v KIRRIE THISTLE  
SUNNYBANK v FC STONEYWOOD

BANKFOOT v EAST END  
TURRIFF v INVERURIE

Only three Tayside clubs remain in the competition at this stage and unfortunately, one of these three will exit the competition this afternoon at the conclusion of events here on the Canniepairt. It is a competition which has long been dominated by Tayside clubs but not so this season. Although they don't like you talking about such things, the showing in this competition, the Scottish, the Taycars and the unprecedented early finish of the title race, confirms that this won't be remembered as a vintage season as far as the Tayside Association is concerned.

The other Tayside challenge today comes from **Bankfoot Athletic** who are at home to **East End** from the Granite City. It's definitely a winnable tie for the Bankies. East End are having a good season but, like their opponents, they are not in the top division. However leading the promotion race will give them confidence. This is a quality which will have ebbed from title favourites Bankfoot slightly these past few weeks after two cup exits in February. An extra time defeat from Lochore in the Taycars was followed two weeks later by Saturday past's Whyte & Mackay defeat by East Craigie. Ex-Canniepairt winger Barry Gardiner's opener seemed destined to put the Perthshire club on the way to the next round but Craigie stood their ground and eventually emerged 2-1 winners. Bankfoot to go through.

North clubs are paired in the other two ties. At **Sunnybank** it's the meeting of the locals and **FC Stoneywood**, currently the North Regions two top rated clubs, so it should be quite a battle but home advantage should hold sway.

At **Turriff**, home advantage will again be a key factor when **Inverurie Loco Works** come visiting but it's not been the best of seasons to date for Turriff and the form team here should overcome the disadvantage of playing away and go through. Loco to win.

The draw for the semi-finals will be made in Sunnybank FC's Social Club this afternoon immediately after the host club's tie with FC Stoneywood. Win or lose we'll have the draw on the newslane this evening along with the scores update.



# N.C.R. LEAGUE DIVISION 1 1998/99

At 5th March 1999

	PI	W	D	L	F	A	G/D	Pts
TAYPORT	19	18	1	0	78	5	73	55
CARNOUSTIE	19	11	4	4	44	28	16	37
NORTH END	16	12	0	4	34	16	18	36
VIOLET	19	10	3	6	41	30	11	33
ARBROATH SC	21	8	3	10	36	42	-6	27
KIRRIE	16	7	4	5	37	24	13	25
LOCHEE UTD	19	6	7	6	40	46	-6	25
DOWNFIELD	16	5	3	8	34	30	4	18
ELMWOOD	20	4	4	12	30	59	-29	16
FORFAR WE	14	3	2	9	15	30	-15	11
ST.JOSEPHS	19	3	1	15	17	78	-61	10
LOCHEE HARP	12	1	2	9	11	28	-17	5

# N.C.R. LEAGUE DIVISION 1 RESULTS 1998/99

At 5th March 1999

	ASC	CAR	DOV	ELM	F/W	KIR	L/H	L/U	N/E	JOE	TAY	VIO
ARBROATH SC		4-1	4-2	5-4	2-2	0-2	1-0	2-2	0-2	3-0	0-3	0-2
CARNOUSTIE	4-2		1-1	5-2		2-1	3-1	5-3		6-1	0-2	2-2
DOWNFIELD	1-2	1-3		5-2		5-1	5-0	0-0	2-3	3-1		2-3
ELMWOOD	2-1	2-2			0-4	0-5	1-1	2-3	2-1	4-0	0-4	3-2
FORFAR WE	1-2	1-2		1-0		0-0		0-2	1-2		0-5	
KIRRIE		0-2	3-0	1-1			2-1		3-1	7-1	2-2	6-2
LOCHEE HARP	0-2				3-2			3-3	0-1	1-2		
LOCHEE UTD	4-2	1-2	2-2	3-3	3-1	2-2			1-5	3-0	0-2	2-2
NORTH END	3-1	1-0		1-0				5-1		1-0	0-2	1-2
ST.JOSEPHS	1-1	1-3	1-4	3-2	1-2	2-1			1-6		0-14	0-7
TAYPORT	4-1	1-0	2-0	9-0	5-0	3-1	4-0	7-1		6-0		1-0
VIOLET	2-1	1-1	3-1	3-0	3-0		2-1	1-4	0-1	4-2	0-2	

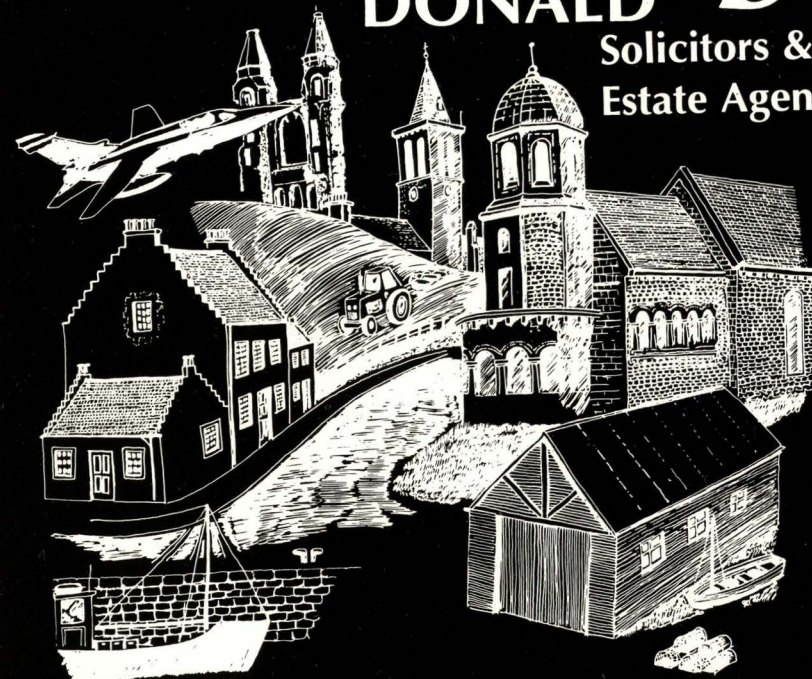
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CARNOUSTIE	L	L	L	W	W	W	L	L	D	W
DOWNFIELD	L	L	Idle	Idle	W	L	D	Idle	D	L
ELMWOOD	L	L	Idle	L	D	W	L	D	W	Idle
FORFAR WE	Idle	W	Idle	D	W	L	W	Idle	L	L
KIRRIE	W	W	D	Idle	L	W	Idle	W	L	W
LOCHEE HARP	D	W	Idle	Idle	L	L	L	D	L	W
LOCHEE UTD	W	L	Idle	Idle	D	L	D	D	L	W
NORTH END	L	W	Idle	Idle	W	W	W	Idle	W	W
ST.JOSEPHS	D	L	L	Idle	L	W	L	L	W	L
TAYPORT	W	W	D	L	W	W	W	W	W	W
VIOLET	L	W	W	Idle	L	L	W	D	D	L

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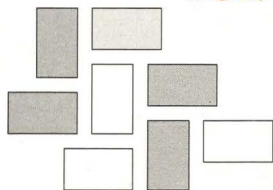
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