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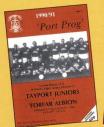






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TODAY'S CHAPE

TODAY'S GAME

We welcome Dundee Violet to the Canniepairt for our first Saturday home game of the season. Incredibly, our last fixture of last season was the Taycars Final at Glenesk v St Andrews United and here we are, in our first home Saturday of the season, playing our first game in defence of that trophy.

That there is a preliminary round is down to the fact that there are more Tayside than Fife entries and the first round proper will see numbers balanced. This will be drawn at the Tayside/Fife Association's AGM in Glenrothes on 26 September.

It's a pity one of Tayside's top sides has to fall at the first hurdle of a competition only second in importance to the Scottish Cup itself. There is maybe a case here for seeding the preliminary round, or at least giving the teams which finished in, say the top eight places in the Premier Division, a bye to the first round proper as a reward for their league placing of the previous season. It's a move that would be in the interests of the Tayside Association. In theory you could have the top eight Premier sides drawn together in the Preliminary Round and the bottom eight in the first division drawn together. It's not exactly helping Tayside's cup challenge and it's not what the sponsors are wanting, I'm sure.

It's sure to be an enthralling contest today, with Violet having started the season well and Tayport experiencing a less than auspicious beginning to their campaign. By all accounts the Pansies were unlucky to go down 1-0 in their opening game at North End while in their second outing they took the wind from Carnoustie's sails with young McKeith getting a stunning winner in a 3-2 win. Last Saturday newly promoted Montrose Roselea went down 2-0 at Glenesk, Bobby Brown and Kris Ward getting the goals.

Tayport are looking for a first win in three outings, two 1-1 draws on the bounce in which excellent stops by both the Elmwood and Downfield keepers at crucial times, denied Tayport the goals which might well have paved the way for all three points. As it was late equalisers in both games cost the Port four potentially vital points.



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(4-3 on penalties)	(3-5 on penalties)
R2 Tayport 3 Kelty Hearts 1	R3 Lochee Utd 1 Tayport 4
Semi-final Dundonald Bluebell 3	Γayport 2
Winners Hill of Beath Hawtho	rn
1996/97	
PR Blairgowrie 1 Violet 2	Kirrie 1 Tayport 7
R1 St Andrews 1 Violet 3	Tayport 3 Harp 1
R2 Violet 1 Scone Thistle 1	Downfield 0 Tayport 3
(2-4 on penalties)	R3 Tayport 1 Kelty 0
Semi-final Tayport 2 Arbroath SC	1
Final St Josephs 2 Tayport 1	l
1997/98	
PR Tayport w/o v Jeanfield	Violet 4 Forfar Alb 1
R1 Tayport 6 Thornton 3	Downfield 4 Violet 3
R2 Tayport 9 Lochore 0	R3 Tayport 1 H o' Beath 3
Winners Kelty Hearts	
1998/99	
PR Forfar WE 0 Tayport 5	Violet 2 Co. Angus 0
R1 Tayport 7 Dundonald 0	Kelty 4 Violet 2
R2 Lochgelly 0 Tayport	R3 H' Beath 0 Tayport 0
	(2-4 on penalties)
Semi final Glenrothes 0 Tayport 5	

Final Tayport 5 StAndrews 0

THE DEBATE RAGES ON

For the last few years there has been an ongoing debate over the state of Scottish Football and, in particular, the question of reconstruction of the Junior game. A proposed breakaway of the top clubs three years ago was stalled when the SJFA set up a working group to look at the game. However the momentum was lost and nothing came of this. The constitution of the SJFA does not lend itself to easy change and, with the ostriches holding the whip hand, the chance of major changes being voted in looks as likely as St Josephs coming out of abeyance.

One of the driving forces behind the move for change is *Pete Smyth* of Pyramid Football News Weekly who is a tireless advocate of a National Football League pyramid. Much of the debate takes place over the *Internet* and we reproduce an interesting contribution from *Mr Smyth* which was on the *Internet* last week.

"There is no point in having floodlights unless you have a regular use for them and the crowds to pay for them. That begs a big league and the current thinking is a WEST SENIOR league drawn from Central and Ayrshire, plus a MIDLANDS SENIOR, drawn from Lothian, Fife and Tayside starting in August 2000. If clubs have a choice of staying junior that would be nice. We think these games would average over 1000.

With the SFA sitting at 78 clubs, another 32-36 would totally destroy the inbuilt "SFL-SPL" majority and lead to an association run by the non-leaguers, with a complete PYRAMID no.1 priority. That in turn would lead to the end of all minor associations and a single membership system - as they have in most countries.

Auchinleck and Cumnock are currently pouring £1000's into their grounds - not to stay in the juniors. Irvine Meadow are doing the same. We are going to see these grounds full, pretty soon.

If I can criticise the Sentral League, they now have to move the final of the Beaton's League Cup, as Rangers home TV game against Valencia has been drawn for the same night - as we predicted- Tues Oct 26. It will now probably be Monday. When will they learn?

The new NATIONAL LEAGUE will spread it fixtures over Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, giving people quality and choice. It will be the end of the road for the kind of incompetence we are currently experiencing in the juniors."



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Despite regular investment in playing resources there has been no ready success for Dundee Violet. Every season in recent times has started well but Violet have eventually fallen off the pace and ended up in a mid table position. The general pattern is positive, however, with a steady improvement over the past four years, finishing 10th, 9th, 7th and last season, 5th.

There has been substantial investment again this season with the Harp duo of Ossie Heffell and Colin Mulligan joining the experienced Roy Price from Downfield as defensive acquisitions.

In midfield Brian Harris has been signed from Forfar Albion, and youngster Jonathon McKeith fixed up on a delayed transfer from Dundee United.

Up front a trio of signings from Juvenile football, Kris McLaren, Kris Ward and Greig Scott join Ian McLeod as the new faces. McLeod, formerly with Lochee Harp, came from Brechin City in the close season and the Pansies will be looking for a quick return on their investment.

Vying for a place in the starting XI will be ex Tayport Amateur and Junior, Andy Heggie. Another familar ex-Canniepairt favourite, the veteran Jackie Devine, has also been listed by our visitors today. Manager Steve Kell has put his faith in experience with ex Scottish Under age internationalist Jimmy Byrne joining former Brechin City stalwart Bobby Brown, Scott Glass and Eddie McAuley as possible starters.

Violet's keeper is Brian Brown who had a spell at Aberdeen (the way things are going at Pittodrie, they could do worse than ask him back) and he is backed up by Stevie Clarke who was signed from the amateurs ranks in Fife.

Violet and Tayport have in common the fact that they are the only two Tayside clubs ever to have lifted the Junior game's Holy Grail, the Scottish Junior Cup, albeit 67 seasons apart.

LOW KEY CLOSE SEASON

The football may have closed down for a few weeks close season but activity at The Canniepairt continued with car boot sales and a nine hour shift for the committee every second Sunday.

The Player of the Year function at RAF Leuchars proved to be less than wonderful, mainly thanks to the band failing to put in an appearance!

On the football front Kenny Jones was signed from Arbroath FC. Kenny, along with last season's absentee Barrie Gray and Newburgh's out of contract Graham Nicoll, who had requested training facilities, were the new faces when training resumed in early July. Included in the training schedules were fitness sessions at Tentsmuir Beach and Balruddery Meadows.

After a break of seven weeks came the first football of the millennium season, a pre-season friendly against a Dundee FC XI on the Canniepairt on August 3rd. Although the Dark Blues won 3-0 with a late goal plus two even later, in injury time, Tayport for lengthy spells had the better of the game.

Later that week a bid was accepted from Carnoustie for our three transfer listed players, John Young, Barrie Gray and Grant Miller. The transfers went through in time for St Andrews United's pre-season tournament on Sat 7 August. John and Grant were in the Gowfers line-up against us in the opening game but goals from Steven Stewart and Allan Ramsay gave us a 2-0 win. On the Sunday the final v Kirkintilloch Rob Roy was a disappointing affair. After a 0-0 draw we won on penalties thanks to some splendid efforts from the spot.

Our second signing of the close season was 20 years old St Andrews lad Graham Nicoll who hit 30 goals for Newburgh last season. An administrative oversight meant that Graham hadn't been retained by Newburgh thus allowing Tayport to secure his signature.

Two friendly matches v amateur sides Fintry Thistle (5-0) and NCR (6-0) was the last action prior to the Herschell Trophy on the Canniepairt on Wednesday 18 August. Bankfoot, last season's second division champions were downed by 3-0 with goals from Cameron, D.Reilly and Nicoll. Brian Craik received the Man of the Match award and the game realised £350 for the Radio Tay 'Caring for Kids' charity.

The new season finally got underway on Saturday 21 August, well after many of the other Junior associations, with an opening fixture at Lochee United. (not much imagination in the fixture planning - both our opening games were identical to last season). Big talking point was Lochee's Wily Willie Grier's gamesmanship. The width of the Thomson Park pitch was reduced by an incredible 8 yards for the game but the ploy didn't work and despite losing Tayside's quickest goal of the season in under a minute, Tayport rallied to win 2-1 to get their new Premier Division campaign off to a winning start.

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ANDY'S ANGLE

First of all I would like to welcome the players and officials of Dundee Violet to Canniepairt for today's Taycars Trophy match. This being our first programme of the season, I would much prefer to be writing on the back of better results. In my personal experience of Tayport's early form, I have never known us to get off to a worst start. Two games drawn, as you know, is four points dropped but I would like to look



back at the performances rather than the result.

In the games we played we have dominated and created numerous chances. If we could have converted a small amount of those chances, we would have won both games convincingly. I'm sure that once our strikers get their eye in, there will be no holding us. This is by no means a criticism of the front players as I believe they are a different breed from the others. Their game largely revolves around confidence and, once they have bagged a few goals, they will be back at the top of the Tayside Juniors' scoring charts.

Whilst I am disappointed at dropping points so early in the season, one consolation is that our rivals have been dropping points as well.

Kirrie are the early pacesetters, still with a 100pc record. It will be interesting to see if they can handle the pressure of leading the table with every other team raising their game against them. At the end of the day, however, the championship is not a sprint, it is a marathon and Tayport are well equipped to last the course and I am confident that we can retain our title.

I would like to close by drawing your attention to the fact that this is Tayport's 10th season in the Juniors and this season also, four players will be celebrating ten years at the club. In today's game it is an exceptional feat to be at the same club for this length of time and to have four players achieve this, is a testament to the club itself.

There will be certain events organised throughout next year for these players and I would urge supporters, sponsors and everyone associated with the club to show their appreciation by becoming involved in these events. Any suggestions can be passed to myself or through the committee.

Andy Sommerville

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28th August	Elmwood (L)	D 1-1	MANN	BUIST	PATERSON	SPALDING	NICOLSON	JONES	RAMSAY	STEWART	ROSS	D.REILLY 1	CAMERON	CRAIK (7)	CORCORAN (9)	NICOLL (8)	166
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Our thanks go all our Port Prog advertisers and player sponsors. Volume 10 of the Port Prog features some new advertisers and we are delighted to have them on board. **BRE Ltd** have generously sponsored the Port Prog and are also to take out trackside advertising at the Canniepairt.

The Bellrock Tavern has increased its advertising, taking the inside back page, while Paul Reilly has secured the Auld Hoose as his sponsor for the season. Other new advertisers in this volume include Tayport Barbers in Castle Street and Beertech Limited, sponsor of Graham Nicoll.

Welcome to the Canniepairt to two new faces this season. Central defender Kenny Jones, who joined from Arbroath FC, is a familar figure, having previously been with St Josephs and Downfield. Twenty years old striker Graham Nicoll spent the last two seasons with Newburgh Juniors after moving from East Fife FC. We trust they both have long and successful stays at the Canniepairt

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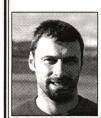
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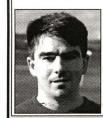
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Five of the side, Downie, Hart, Wilson, Howe and

Cuthill played for Taypor

Howe,

John Ruddie, Ian

John Kenny,

- Andy Low,

How things have changed.

HORROR PHOTOS No.1

And it's a real horror to start with. It's Andy Bunter Robertson, the man who's cadged drinks from Sudan to Taiwan, is seen here, front left, with fellow footsoldiers of the Tartan Army in Bordeaux in 1998. If you look closely you can just make out his words..." Drinks all round... Who's paying?"



Big Jock Myles, the Tayside secretary, has become a radio star! There will be a live Radio Tay AM link-up with Big Jock on his mobile each Saturday around 2.15pm when he'll give his thoughts on the day's Tayside Junior card.

TODAY'S TAYSIDE FIXTURES

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Preliminary Round

Premier Division

Brechin V. v Kinnoull

Montrose v Carnoustie

Broughty v Bankfoot

North End v Arbroath SC

Downfield v Jeanfield

Division One

Forfar Alb v Elmwood

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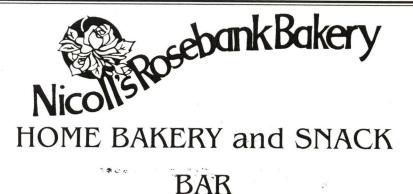
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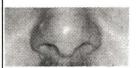


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Apparently there was much anguish at Arbroath SC on the first Saturday of the season when Downfield failed to put in an appearance in time for the kick-off and the game started well after schedule. The Downfield bus had failed to put in an appearance at Downfield and Arbroath were angry over the fact that the lateness was compounded by Downfield changing at their own ground. And quite right too. Such an arrangement smacks of lack of professionalism and should not be tolerated by the league. Teams should be instructed to arrive at their opponents' ground at least 45 minutes prior to kick off.

How many who watched Glasgow Schools Under 18's beat their Aberdeen counterparts 3-2 on the Canniepairt a year past May realised they were watching a player who would be transferred for £300,000 a year later? Included in that Glasgow side was Burton O'Brien who moved from St Mirren to Blackburn Rovers at the end of last season.

There's been an influx of Nicolls into the town. Coach Ron has been joined by older son Graham who signed in the close season. But younger son Stuart has been making his mark in the town also. Stuart was one of the Ferryport Theatre company's leading lights in their summer production in the Gregory Hall. We are just waiting now for Mary to make her mark!

Steve Craib who signed for Clyde from Lochee United in the close season quickly made his mark at Broadwood - but for the wrong reason. Clyde had held Hibs to a draw after extra time and were in with a chance in the penalty shoot-out until Steve missed a vital penalty to send the Premier side through.

A red face for assistant match secretary Angus Adam when he issued the new season's fixtures and forgot that the top division in Tayside has been renamed the PREMIER LEAGUE. Check your season ticket and you'll see that others made the same mistake.

Port supporters were less than happy with *The Courier* report on the friendly v Dundee which more or less described us as a bunch of hammer throwers that had set out to kick Dundee's foreign trialists off the park. Jocky Scott thought differently, telling our chairman that he'd give us a friendly anytime as it was a pleasure playing a Junior side that put the emphasis on playing football. Jocky made similar comments in the following evening *Tele*. Comments the next day by those not at the match made it clear *The Courier* had done us a disservice. Our man got on to the reporter, one of the newspaper's two main football writers, and received an apology. The sad thing is...the reporter lives in Tayport.



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Why a photo of some of the Amateurs in the civic chambers in Ougree, Belgium, last year, you may ask? The lad in the middle with the bagpipes is SCOTT HAMPTON. Last week Scott collected the record Tayport FC Super Six Lottery prize payout of £3,300. Quite a lift for young Scott who stays in St Andrews and works in Guardbridge Paper Mill. Next time maybe, just maybe it could be

For the record the others in the photo are keeper Ryan Sochanik and Jim Croll

PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

There was a large vote towards the end of last season for the various awards. Significantly all the awards were shared by the club's trio of Internationalists last season.

Allan Ramsay topped a fine season in which he won his first cap by collecting the Player of the Year, Fans' Favourite and Supporters' Club Player of the Year awards.

Kenny Cameron got the Top Scorer award and Players' Player of the Year award while Steven Stewart received the Morris Couper trophy for the Goal of the Season, a stunning overhead kick in the 9-0 North End Centenary Cup win at Glentanar.

Incidentally Steven has presented one of his International jerseys to the club and this can be seen framed in the upstairs lounge in the clubhouse.

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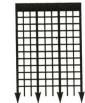


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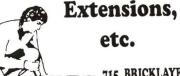
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At 3rd September 1999

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VIOLET	3	2	0	1	5	3	2	6
BANKFOOT	3	2	0	1	7	6	1	6
ELMWOOD	3	1	2	0	7	4	3	5
NORTH END	3	1	2	0	6	5	1	5
TAYPORT	3	1	2	0	4	3	1	5
DOWNFIELD	3	1	1	1	3	3	0	4
CARNOUSTIE	3	1	0	2	12	10	2	3
LOCHEE UTD	3	1	0	2	6	6	0	3
ARBROATH SC	3	1	0	2	3	5	-2	3
FORFAR WE	3	0	1	2	8	14	-6	1
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TAYPORT JUNIORS SHARPSHOOTERS

PLAYER	Total	League	Local Cups	NEC Cup	Taycars	O.V.D. Cup
D.REILLY	2	2				
S.ROSS	2	2				
TOTALS.	4	4				

TAYPORT JUNIORS SHUT OUTS.

PLAY	ER	Total	League	Local Cups	NEC Cup	Taycars	O.V.D.Cup
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The draw for the 1st Round of the OVD Scottish Junior Cup will take place at Firhill Stadium on Monday 13th September. The Newsline will not be updated with Tayport's opponents in the draw until around 5pm. Ties are due 9th October

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