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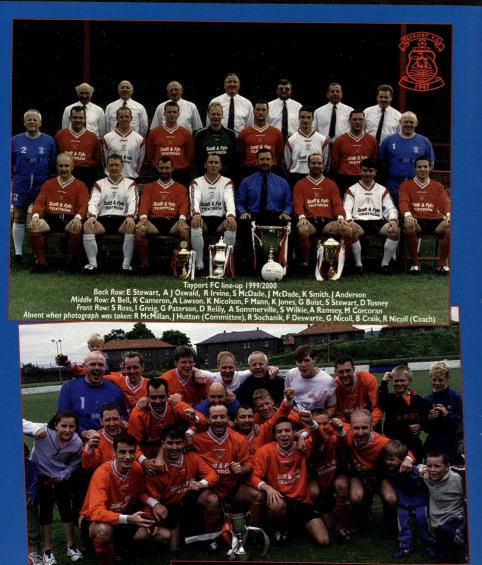
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#### **TODAY'S TEAMS**

#### **TAYPORT**

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3	Grant PATERSON	
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6	Sean WILKIE	
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Mark MILNE
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Dave McCAW
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#### **TODAY'S GAME**

#### NCR TAYSIDE PREMIER LEAGUE

#### TAYPORT v ELMWOOD

As Elmwood secretary Phil Hart said in Cobbies Inn last Saturday evening, Tayport did his team a big favour by cracking ten goals past Forfar Albion. He was making reference to the fact that both clubs were scrapping it out for Premier League survival and if came down to goal difference, Albion might particularly rue the ten goals lost at the Canniepairt.

Elmwood will be determined not to collapse as their rivals did and there is little doubt that 'Wood boss Jim Finlayson and his backroom staff will have planned their approach to the game to avoid such a scenario.

Elmwood showed in the early season meeting at Craigie Park that they are nobody's mugs and are very capable of an upset. It is very likely that a defensive strategy has been formulated to keep things tight while at the same time take full advantage of any slackness in the home rearguard.

In this respect key players will be former Tayport legend Fraser Mann in goal and Angus Gallacher up front. After so many successful years at the Canniepairt, Fraser will find it strange lining up for the opposition but this will in no way impact on his efforts to keep a clean sheet. Angus missed the last game between the teams and his goal threat was clearly missed by his teammates. Gallacher, who once played for Tayport Amateurs, got a move to North End a couple of seasons ago but things didn't work out for him and he returned to Elmwood. One of manager Finlayson's most recent acquisitions has been experienced defender Colin Mulligan who was allowed to leave Glenesk Park after finding himself out of John Holt's plans.

Tayport lost Derek Wemyss at the pre-match warm up last week but Grant Buist, struggling for weeks with an injury, stepped in and performed admirably. Tayport had another couple of players on the treatment table during the week but they don't look too serious. There is quality back-up however, with last week's substitutes Mark Corcoran, Graham Nicoll, Jake Thomson and Sean Wilkie all desperate to grab their opportunity.

There is little doubt that Elmwood will provide resolute opposition here this afternoon and Tayport will have to match that determination if they are to secure the points, particularly as they have to finish the season with four of their five league games away from home.

There has been a referee change for today's game, Graeme Curr, the original choice was pulled out to take a Senior game. At the time of writing his replacement hadn't been named.

#### CAN KILWINNING RECOVER FROM TRIBUNAL BLOW?

In last week's 'Port Prog we touched on the subject of the Bobby Dickson/Kilwinning Rangers saga. Today we tell the story of the saga.

Bobby Dickson, a science teacher from Cumnock, was invited to take over as manager of Kilwinnng Rangers and led them to unprecedented success in season 1998/99, collecting a clean sweep of honours including the Scottish Junior Cup. Last season, 1999/2000, Kilwinning only managed to win the league and a couple of local cups. In April, prior to the end of that season, Kilwinning boss Allan McLuckie, self-made millionaire and founder of Fullerton Computer Industries, sacked Dickson. Not a happy man, Dickson took unprecedented action by taking the matter to an industrial tribunal, claiming unfair dismissal, for the first time in the history of the junior game.

The Glasgow tribunal heard claims from Mr McLuckie that much of the groundwork in the club's most successful season (1998/99) had been done by previous boss Jim McSherry. During five hours of questioning Mr McLuckie said Kilwinning had won every trophy except one during the 98/99 season, "It is probably a feat that will never be repeated again, but it took many years to build up, he said. "We saw a lot of hard work coming to fruition that season".

But the following season he claimed the management committee became concerned about the lack of organisation, communication and discipline. The match secretary quit twice because he wasn't told about games. Mr McLuckie went on: "We were not pro-active enough in looking for new players, there is always room for improvement in any club. We had a successful team but there were always going to be opportunities to improve. "We did not see preparations being made to give us opportunities to improve" Mr McLuckie highlighted discipline problems with the team. He expressed disappointment that Mr Dickson had been fined for agressiveness and using foul language to officials when he was asked to leave the coaches' area in a league game against Beith.

He was also annoyed when he turned up for a match at Troon to discover the manager was on holiday in Spain.

Later club secretary told how unrest about the gaffer started when they were knocked out of the Scottish Cup last January. He said he told Mr Dickson:" You are not only famous for winning the cup, you are famous for liquidating the club." Mr Dickson refuted the chairman's claims about his performance, pointing out he had 'no bad vibes' and was never taken to task.

He told the tribunal: "I was unaware, and my coaching staff were unaware, of any flak from supporters. There were no demonstrations, no placards and no shouting at me as I left the park" He said he was shell-shocked when told of his sacking just after they won a game on April 12 last year. But he was

told the club was not progressing from the previous season and failing to beat provincial clubs like Auchinleck and Glenafton.

He went on: "I was astonished he called them provincial clubs. they are our main rivals. Then I was asked to go and tell the players I had just been sacked, and I was to go and tell the 20 staff waiting in the dressing room. I was upset. It was a very emotional time for me. "Everyone shook my hand, they were shocked. I felt humiliated. "Everyone was aware of my demise at Kilwinning Rangers. I had hundreds of phone calls asking me what was happening" Mr Dickson wants the tribunal to award him compensation.

Following the tribunal, McLuckie sensationally resigned saying: "I said last July That I would walk away if the matter went to a tribunal and I'm standing by that decision, even though I know it could mean the end of the club. Now, unless a major backer who is prepared to invest a five figure sum in the club is found, it will go to the wall and no amount of pleading or persuasion will make me change my mind." He said last week's tribunal was the last straw. I became involved 12 years ago and initially the club was going nowhere, but we then made the decision to have Fullarton Computer Industries sponsor the manager's wages and brought in Jim McSherry. He laid the foundations and Bobby Dickson carried on the work.

"Junior football is supposed to be a hobby, but you get rid of a manager and you are dragged up in front of a tribunal and told you should have issued the appropriate verbal and written warnings." McLuckie personally put up money for transfers, signing-on fees and players' wages. Kilwinning have no assets and once McLuckie stops signing the cheques, they'll have no money either. The club will not be able to pay any settlement awarded to Dickson, honour outstanding debts or play the players or coaching staff's wages.

"Bobby Dickson has broken new ground by taking a junior club to an industrial tribunal. He was paid well for what he put into the game, why can't he be like any other sacked manager and just walk away and look for another post? Instead, he has brought Kilwinning Rangers, one of the most successful clubs of the last decade to the brink of closure. It's a sad day for the club, its supporters and the people of Kilwinning. He made Junior football history when he won all these trophies in 1999, now he's making it again - for all the wrong reasons. We achieved great success but in the end I was too generous and I've made a rod for my own back. I got into junior football to get away from the pressures of business but the decision has come back to haunt me. I'm walking away and won't be back, this is a situation which nobody wins"

Kilwinning Rangers meet cup holders Whitburn in the 4th round of the Scottish Junior Cup at Whitburn this afternoon. In light of all that's gone on in the past two weeks, we await the result with interest

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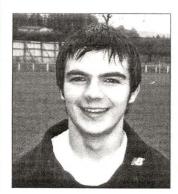


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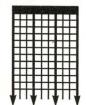


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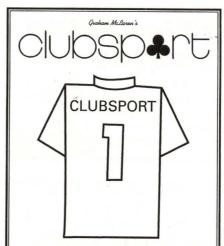
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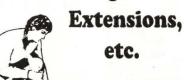
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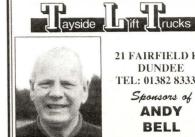
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#### ANDY'S ANGLE

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to the Canniepairt to the players and officials of Elmwood for our league game here today.

The game today is the penultimate home game of this season's league campaign. This is quite amazing considering we are still in the month of January.



The situation has come about due to the Canniepairt being playable when most other grounds are deemed unfit for play due to bad weather. This a credit to not only the park itself but also the people who put the effort in to maintain the park and keep it in the condition that makes it, in my opinion, the best park in the region. Last week's games confirm my comments. When most senior games were off in the country, our game went ahead and the team made the most of it, putting in a sterling performance.

A pleasing aspect for me at the moment, apart from the standard of play, is the new enthusiasm about our play. The players are taking to the field and enjoying themselves. Another indication that things are going well is that when we score a goal, players are back to celebrating and congratulating one another. Over the past few seasons, when we scored it was all too matter of fact, all too predictable and mundane, if you like. The difference now in my estimation is the introduction of so many new, younger players to the squad. This has helped the more experienced players regain the hunger for more success. It has given them another challenge and set new targets for them to achieve. After all, most players at Tayport had seen and done it all before.

This in no way takes away from the senior players. They have contributed by taking those younger, more inexperienced players under their wings and shown them the right habits, to be more professional about their approach to the game and turned them into winners. To sum things up, it is the blend of experience and youthful exuberance that has made the season - so far- a success.

As I was standing at the dugout during last week's game watching an excellent performance unfold I could hear the reaction of the supporters behind me. They were excited about the type of football they were watching and there was a real buzz about the place. The whole club is on a high at the moment and it would be hard to find better value for money in an entertainment sense anywhere in football circles.

This must continue today against Elmwood as we are now on the home straight in the run up to the championship, and hopefully set to continue the Tayport success story.

Andy Sommerville

#### TAYPORT FC SEASON 2000 - 2001

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26 AUG	Carnoustie (L)	D 1-1	FITZPATRICK	BUIST	GREIG	CRAIK	JONES 1	WILKIE	RAMSAY	CORCORAN	KENNETH	REILLY	EVANS	NICOLL (8)			204
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16 SEP	DOWNFIELD (L)	W 7-2	FITZPATRICK	BUIST	CRAIK	WARD	JONES 1	WILKIE	THOMSON	HARRIS 1	KENNETH 2	NICOLL	EVANS 3	REILLY (7)			176
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11 NOV	C'BUSLANG(S2r)	L 1-2	FITZPATRICK	BUIST	PATERSON	WARD	JONES	WILKIE	RAMSAY	CORCORAN	KENNETH 1	REILLY	NICOLL	CRAIK (11)	EVANS (8)	HARRIS (5)	352
18 NOV	Aberdeen LC(C2)	W 6-2	FITZPATRICK	BUIST	PATERSON	WARD	WEMYSS	WILKIE	RAMSAY	HARRIS	KENNETH 2	CRAIK 1	EVANS 3	CORCORAN(10)	GREIG((8)	NICOLL(11)	103
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#### MATCH REPORT by DUNMORE

Last Saturday saw Tayport notch up double figures for the sixth time as they crushed Forfar Albion 10-0 in a league match on the Canniepairt.

Brian Craik was the main beneficiary of the numerous opportunities, helping himself to four goals, half of which came from the penalty spot.

Needless to say, Ronnie Kenneth could not help but add his name to the scoresheet, chalking up another hattrick for the club. Strike partner Davie Evans also profited from the openings, claiming a brace against an Albion side which struggled to cope with the pace and ability of their hosts.

Goal of the game, however, came from Brian Harris. With the scoreline at 2-0, the midfielder tried his luck from forty yards out and, despite the efforts of the unfortunate goalkeeper, his wonderful strike sailed home. It is partly the prospect of seeing goals such as this which encourages supporters to attend football matches and 'Bomber' should be congratulated for having the vision and confidence to even attempt to hit the target from that audacious distance.

More of the same, in terms of entertainment, would certainly go down well this afternoon, as positive, free-scoring performances do help to brighten up the winter weekends.



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#### OVD SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP

The weather has played havoc with the fourth round of the OVD Cup but, despite Round 5 being due in two weeks, the next two Saturdays should see things more or less sorted out.

Only three clubs are through to the last sixteen, Newtongrange Star, Arniston Rangers and Carnoustie. Star cuffed Cumnock by 4-1 but the Ayrshire team shot themselves in the foot. After pulling one goal back after trailing to an early two goal deficit, 'Nock proceeded to miss a penalty then had two players sent off, one for a second successive week. The outcome thereafter was a foregone conclusion.

Indiscipline also cost North End dearly. Concerns about the condition of the pitch dominated pre-match debate but after losing the opening goal in 17 minutes Dokens' Graeme Davidson stunned the home fans with a speculative equaliser in 32 minutes. North End had Arniston rocking at the start of the second half but disaster struck just on the hour mark when, as *The Pink* stated, " a crazy few minutes saw red cards for Scott Flynn and Derek Paul and virtually killed off the hopes of the Taysiders" Flynn went for dissent and Paul for two cautions. North End's nine held out until three minutes from time. The third goal in injury time merely rubbed salt into the wound.

It was a hard fought victory for Carnoustie the previous week at Thornton Hibs. The state of the Memorial Park pitch was coming in for a lot of criticism. Fife Council look after the pitch and their Ground Maintenance Team was getting the blame. Faced with this problem, four Hibs committee took Friday off work to work on the park and their efforts were rewarded when the referee gave the green light on Saturday morning.

Panmure survived a second half penalty claim but, just as a replay looked certain, a slick passing movement was finished off by top scorer Darren Bonella. Even then, Bobby Geddes, as he had done in the last round, had to pull off a super late save to save the day.

Carnoustie boss Kenny Cameron conceded that his team hadn't played well, but that's the sort of breaks you need if you are to succeed in this competition.

The internet reported "A goal with 5 minutes to go gave Panmure an undeserved victory ........Thornton had the better of the game and Panmure could not have complained had they been beaten" However, as we all know, it's goals that count.

It's Tayside's poorest representation at the fifth round stage since 1997 when Tayport were the only survivors. We went on to the final that season. Can Carnoustie? You can check out their chances when they play here next week in the Concept Trophy.

#### A MANN FOR ALL SEASONS

Yes, Fraser Mann, who returns here this afternoon in Elmwood colours was a sub-editor's dream in his time with Tayport prompting such headlines as *What a Mann!* and *Fraser's The Main Mann* etc.



But, of course Fraser, who joined Elmwood in October of last year, was much more than that.

During the nineties with Tayport, Fraser carved out almost legendary status as Tayport's last line of defence after joining 'Port from Lochee United in the July 1991. Fraser went on to make 419 appearances until his last appearance in September 2000. Typically, Fraser kept a clean sheet in that game, as he had done in Tayport's colours in more than half his appearances with

the club.

In the Scottish Junior Cup, Fraser played in a Tayside goalkeeping record-beating 58 ties including three final appearances. Considering Tayside's Junior Cup record over the past 115 years, it could well be the twenty-second century until that record is beaten!

Whilst we wish Fraser all the best this afternoon, we will be hoping that he has the need to retrieve the ball from his net on his first game on the Canniepairt for his new club. Fraser, however, will be doing his darnest to keep his goal intact.

#### TAYPORT MATCH REPORTS ON THE WEB

Tayport fans should note that *Dunmore's* Tayport match reports can be found on the Internet on the Fife Herald's site at

www.fifeonline.co.uk

updated every Thursday

#### **TAYPORT FC GOALSCORERS 2000 - 2001**

	L	S	C	F/T	NEC	DJL	F	H	TOT
KENNETH	20	1	3	2			3	0	29
EVANS	12	0	3					0	15
CRAIK	6	0	4				1	1	12
REILLY	5	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	8
CORCORAN	3	0					1	2	6
NICOLL	7	0						0	7
HARRIS	4	0		1				0	4
JONES	2	0						0	2
PATERSON	2	0						0	2
RAMSAY	1	0	1					0	2
GREIG	2	0				+ 1		0	2
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LAWSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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OWN GOALS		0					1	0	1
TOTAL	64	1	13	3			<u>6</u>	3	90

#### O'DONNELL IGNORES TAYSIDE AND THE NORTH

There were no Tayside or North players in Scotland boss Jim O'Donnell's pool for the first international trial against a Petershill/ Pollok select which was originally scheduled for last Sunday. Indeed the only player selected from north of the Forth was Hill of Beath 'keeper Marc Graham. The absence of Tayside players perhaps reflects the Region's poor showing in this year's OVD Cup.

The squad was Ellison (Bonnyrigg), Graham (Hill Of Beath), Wingate, Swift (both Benburb), Mullin, Gallacher, Currie (all Kilwinning), Biggart, Friels (both Auchinleck), McGinty, Kerr (both Cumnock), McLaughlan (Glenafton), McMahon (Linlithgow), Murray (Glencairn), Gilmour (Whitburn). On standby were Heaton and McGuiness (Johnstone Burgh) and Nelson and Young (both Maryhill.)

The trial was to have been the first of a series in preparation for the Guinness Quadrangle Tournament in Northern Ireland in April





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#### PRESS REPORT

#### FORFAR DISPATCH (11/01/01

Kirrie Thistle 0-6 Tayport

"...Kirrie Thistle played host to Tayside premier league leaders Tayport, and did well to keep things tight for the best part of an hour. But then the floodgates opened, as Tayport strengthened their grip on pole position, hitting six without reply"



Tayport 9-0 Coupar Angus Juniors

Nicoll nets four in friendly.



"....while the finishing had been of a high standard, Tayport did miss two penalties in the closing stages. The first culprit was Davie Evans, Ronnie Kenneth, too, was thwarted by an

#### EVENING TELEGRAPH (19/01/01)

JUNICUS preview

inspired 'keeper"

".....although not at their best in the 1-0 win over Thornton, the Gowfers are still confident they can catch Tayport, but they know they cannot afford any slip-ups in the run-in"

#### SUNDAY POST (21/01/01)

**Tayport 10-0 Forfar Albion** 

"Tayport stretched their lead at the top of the Premier League to 15 points as they ran riot against Forfar Albion with a 10-0 win. Brain (sic) Craik led the way with four goals, and top scorer Ronnie Kenny (sic) chipped in with a hat-trick. Davie Evans fired a double and Brian Harris wound up the scoring"

#### THE SUN (22/01/01)

"Goal-hungry Tayport took their tally to an amazing 35 for [34 actually] and none against in their last four games as they routed Forfar Albion 10-0 to move 15 points clear at the top of the NCR Premier Division"





# SNIFFING ABOUT WITH THE SNOUT



Tayport supporters who may have taken in The Generation Game on television last Saturday evening would have spotted Ian Greig's mother Maragret and brother Sandy taking part in the show. Greigy apparently turned down the chance to appear but he'll tell us that, had he taken part, the pairing would have cleared the first round hurdle.

It's possible that, after next week's home Concept Cup-tie against Carnoustie Panmure, Tayport could be left with only one game to play at home until the end of the season in June. Only one league game is left to be played at home and other home games would depend on home draws in cup-ties.

Inverurie Locos, One of the few North Region Premier sides that Tayport has never played against are set to step up to the Highland League. Loco haven't tasted success other than on a moderate scale locally but have a near 20,000 fan base and operate reputedly the north's best youth policy. An open meeting is to be held in the town next week to gauge local feeling over the move. Highland League officials, actively seeking clubs after the loss of Peterhead and Elgin, are reported to have given a cautious welcome to the news.

Tayside is still getting a poor deal in The Courier. The Fife Juniors column outshines its Tayside counterpart week in and week out. Two Saturdays ago, for example, the Fife notes - covering fewer teams - had 30% more column space for its preview of the days games.

Paul 'Junior' Reilly, now coaching at North End, was on the bench for the OVD replay at Arniston Rangers last Saturday. Brother Davie was cup-tied and therefore missed the 1-3 defeat.

Newcastle Jesters ice hockey club signed a Russian from Italian club Asiago on the understanding that Asiago would be getting a replacement, also from Russia.. Unfortunately for Asiago and Newcastle, the player didn't arrive as planned. His team in Russia is owned by the Russian mafia. They didn't want him to go and to make sure he didn't, they shot him. And we worry over Bosman!

The draw for the fifth round of the OVD Cup will be made on Westsound Radio, the Ayrshire based local radio station at 6pm tonight. Fine if you live on the Clyde coast but not much good if you live in Carnoustie. Radio Scotland probably couldn't find time to slot it in between indoor hockey and a draughts championship somewhere.

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