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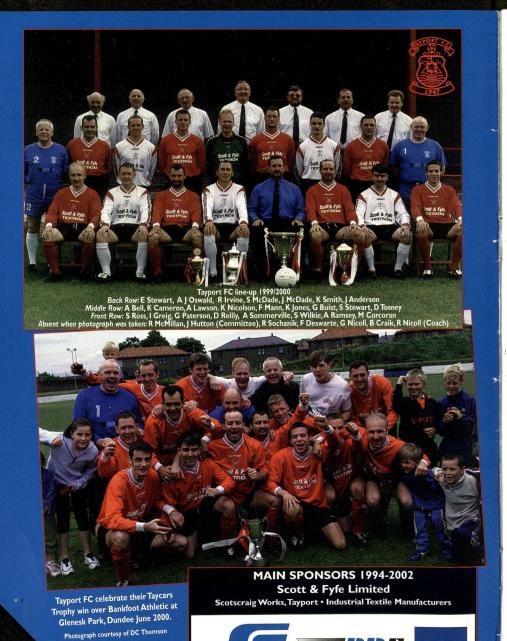
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# TODAY'S TEAMS



**TAYPORT** 

### **JEANFIELD SWIFTS**

	from
G/K	Frazer FITZPATRICK
2	Grant BUIST
3	Grant PATERSON
4	John WARD
5	Derek WEMYSS
6	Sean WILKIE
7	Allan RAMSAY
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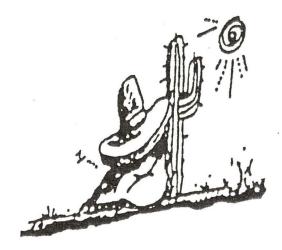
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### **TODAY'S GAME**

### TAYSIDE LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

#### TAYPORT v JEANFIELD SWIFTS

Tayport are back at the Canniepairt for the first time since the very disappointing OVD Cup defeat, looking to exorcise the memory of that afternoon. Jeanfield, however, will have different ideas. Their last two outings have given their followers some cheer as they battle to establish themselves in the Premier Division.

Two weeks ago a Neil Johnston goal gave Swifts one of the best results of the day with a 1-0 win at Peterhead against North Region Champions Longside in the Concept Group Trophy. Then last Saturday, although they went down 2-4 to rapidly improving North End, the Perth club received much praise for their performance.

This afternoon's game has a lot at stake for both sides, and, although Tayport have already twice beaten Swifts this season, that will mean nothing as Andy Brannigan's side go in looking for the points that will help take them away from the relegation zone.

Jeanfield have several newcomers to their side this season. keeper Stephen Blair came from Kinnoull and Yanek Zdrzalek, a central defender, came from Tulloch Under 18's. Midfielders Gary Miller and Steven Crook were signed from Scone Thistle and Luncarty respectively while striker Kevin Pymm moved to Simpson Park after a short spell at Carnoustie for whom he had signed from Bankfoot. Mark Hamilton was picked up on a free from North End.

Swifts are certain to be without defender Bryan Green who has been out injured for a lengthy spell while midfielder David Jack is unavailable. With top scorer Craig Rattray having moved to Bankfoot earlier this season, Jeanfield operate with a fairly small pool and it's always possible that coach Ian 'Pepe' Shepherd, one of the few players to have scored a hat-trick against the 'Port, could be included in the squad. Tayport will still be without Kenny Jones, whose ankle injury sustained v Cambuslang, could have him sidelined for a couple of weeks yet. Jake Thomson has missed the last two games through injury and Brian Harris is unavailable.

The press have made a big play of the fact that Carnoustie have closed the gap on Tayport, through winning league games whilst we've been on cup duty. This an opportunity to widen that gap again. For Swifts, already three games into the second half of their league programme, winning points is crucial. An interesting game looks to be on the cards.

### PLAYER PROFILE

#### RONNIE KENNETH

AGE: 27 BORN: Dundee. STAY NOW: Stobie

BROTHERS/SISTERS: 2 brothers, 3 sisters

MARRIED/ENGAGED: no

CHILDREN: daughter, Karyss

SCHOOLS/COLLEGE: Harris Academy

OCCUPATION: Scaffolder with Dundee Plant

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FOOTBALL CAREER: Riverside Ath., St Josephs, Carnoustie, Tayport

BOYHOOD FOOTBALL HERO: Kenny Dalglish

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: scoring 7 in a game for Carnoustie

PLAYER WHO HAS IMPRESSED YOU MOST: Grant Paterson

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Kenny Jones

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OTHER SPORTS: Enjoy all sports

TASTES IN MUSIC: various from Elvis to Ocean Colour Scene, Stone

Roses and Hanney

LAST BOOK READ: One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest.

**FAVOURITES:** 

MOVIE: Trainspotting MOVIE STAR: Al Pacino

TV SHOW: Match of the Day. BOOZER: Smugglers

TIPPLE:Anything! FOOD: Curry

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**ACTION PACKED:** Tayport and Lads' Club fight it out in a goalmouth scramble during the Tayside club's 6-2 victory at Woodside.

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# Nine clubs dumped in Concept Trophy

HOPES of local cup success suffered a blow as nine of the 13 North clubs in the second round of the Concept Group Trophy were dumped by their Tayside rivals.

Battling Lads' Club looked on course for a major shock when a 20-second Colin Pirie strike gave them the lead at Woodside.

t Woodside. have a real go at us.

Despite another strike After a hard few weeks of eventually crumbled against the superior fitness of was like they the 1996 O.V.D. Scottish Cup champions - losing out 6-2.

Despite exiting two successive major cups in a fortnight

pressed Shepherd. "At times it was like they had 12 players on the park because they stroked the ball about so well.

"I'll be surprised if they don't win the cup. It will take a strong side to beat them."

With a young squad, languishing in the lower half of Juniors

by Sean Wallace

the First Division, Shepherd hopes the experience can run off on them.

"Hopefully our players can learn a lot from this tie. If only to show them they are not as good as they thought they were.

"We probably scored too against big-spending Tayport early as it allowed them to

from Drew McDonald cup ties Shepherd wel-the Aberdeen side comes a return to league action and is upbeat about an improvement in . results. had 12 players

"We have a lot of young players on the park who may take time to adapt. We may have to introduce more players just to

Shepherd remained full of praise for the visitors.

"They were a different class of opposition from what we are used to," said an impressed Shepherd "Attimes" in the middle of a transitional period vet hose Andy Somerville reckons they remain major players in junior football.

> "We've experienced major changes but all the new players are of a high standard and just need to gel.

The Aberdeen Evening Express report on the Concept Trophy tie at Woodside, Aberdeen. (supplied by 'Port supporter in exile up north, Willie Carmichael)



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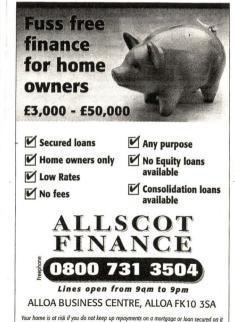
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## **ANDY'S ANGLE**

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

My angle starts off today with a couple of disappointing topics. Firstly, our exit from the Scottish Cup was a huge blow to all and sundry at the club. Such is Tayport's love afair with the national trophy



that many people judge the entire season's success by the length of run which we have had in the cup. I feel this is a flawed point of view because, to win such a trophy, we need a combination of factors to come together.

There is no doubt that we were capable of progressing into the next round but there are no excuses on my part or on part of the players. The fact is that, on the day, we did not perform to the standard of which we are capable. This is why the Scottish is such a difficult competition to win. You also need the luck of the draw and officials' decisions also play a part in who goes through, not to mention lady luck herself. These factors all contribute to progress in a one-off situation. My own personal point of view is that the league competition is more important to win. It shows over the course of many games, who is the best team in the region and you have to perform consistently well to become champions.

It is now with regret that that I have to inform you of the resignation of Ron Nicoll from the coaching staff. As for his reasons, I am unsure myself, his explanation was vague, to say the least. Knowing Ron, however, he will bounce back and be involved in the game again soon., so our best wishes go with him and we hope he finds what he is looking for.

There may be another departure from the club in that Dave Reilly has asked for a transfer, his reasons for wanting a move are maybe more understandable. Dave is an honest player and he just wants to play every week. DR has achieved the absolute in every aspect of the Junior game having been capped and a Scottish Cup winner and collected honours almost too numerous to mention. There will be no shortage of clubs looking for his signature, as he is one of the most respected players I have had the privilege to manage and play alongside. If he moves, I hope he can come back to this club in some capacity in the future as he has the qualities required of a coach or manager.

Back to a more positive note and our league game this afternoon. It is vitally important to win all three points today, only if to stop the local press getting too excited about the fact that is only a one point gap between ourselves and our nearest challengers.

Andy Sommerville

# TAYPORT FC SEASON 2000 - 2001

Home Games in capitals. <u>L</u> = NCR Premier Division. <u>S</u> = OVD Scottish Junior Cup. <u>C</u> = Concept Trophy. <u>F/T</u> = Fife/Tayside <u>NEC</u> = North End Challenge Cup. <u>DJL</u> = D.J.Laing Homes Cup. <u>F</u> = Findlay (formerly Currie) Cup. <u>H</u> = Herschell Trophy

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	Elmwood (L)		FITZPATRICK		GREIG	THOMSON		WILKIE		HARRIS	CORCORAN	REILLY	NICOLL 2	EVANS (9) 1	KENNETH (4)		124
-	Carnoustie (L)		FITZPATRICK		GREIG	CRAIK	JONES 1			CORCORAN		REILLY	EVANS	NICOLL (8)			204
	NORTH END (L)		FITZPATRICK		GREIG	THOMSON	JONES	WILKIE		HARRIS 1	KENNETH 1	NICOLL	EVANS 2	REILLY(4) 1	CRAIK (9)	LAWSON (3)	217
	Lochee United (L)		FITZPATRICK		GREIG 1	CRAIK	JONES		RAMSAY	HARRIS	KENNETH 1	NICOLL	EVANS	REILLY (4)	CORCORAN (11)	- 4	178
	DOWNFIELD (L)		FITZPATRICK		CRAIK	WARD	JONES 1			HARRIS 1	KENNETH 2	NICOLL	EVANS 3	REILLY (7)		(12,	176
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by **Dunmore** 

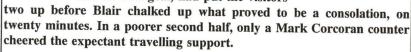
Given the excitement which can be generated by a lengthy run in the Scottish Cup, the defeat at home to Cambuslang Rangers (11/11) will undoubtedly rank as the most disappointing result of Tayport's season. From the start of the match, it was clear that'Lang were out to cause an upset, and their lively play was rewarded in the opening quarter when Mark Daisley fired home the first goal of the afternoon.

Despite not playing to their potential, 'Port grabbed a relatively late equaliser, courtesy of ace frontman Ronnie Kenneth. This strike would have convinced many that the Tayside champs were, ultimately, going to prevail. However an entirely different scenario unfolded, with striker Billy Holmes notching a last gasp winner, consigning Tayport to their earliest ever OVD Cup exit.

The Canniepairt men have enjoyed better fortune over the past fortnight, progressing comfortably in both the Concept Group Trophy and the Findlay & Co. Cup. Aberdeen Lads' Club (18/11) were the first victims, at Jamieson Park, with the cup holders eventually running out 6-2 winners, but only after conceding a goal inside 45 seconds.

Davie Evans' neat hat-trick edged his side 3-2 in front by the half-hour mark, before a Brian Craik effort and a Ronnie Kenneth double provided a true reflection of the gulf between the teams.

The trip to Blairgowrie (25/11) also saw Tayport score six times, with Ronnie Kenneth the hat-trick hero on this occasion, his treble coming in an amazing four-minute spell just before the break. Brian Craik and an own goal, had put the visitors



While these last two away fixtures have perhaps been lacking in glamour, the importance of the local and inter-regional competitions has increased significantly, as the club strive to put the "Scottish" defeat behind them, and build yet another successful domestic campaign.

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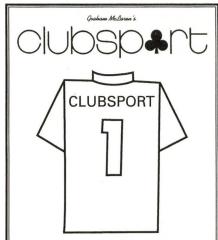
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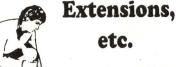
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### OVD SCOTTISH CUP THIRD ROUND FOUR TAYSIDE CLUBS IN ACTION THIS AFTERNOON



It's a mixed bag for Tayside's cup survivors this afternoon. Lochee Harp look to have the toughest tie being paired with Auchinleck Talbot at Beechwood.. The Homebase car park is certain to be overflowing for this one with Talbot being one of the country's best supported clubs. Despite their long history of giant killing, it's surely unlikely that Harp will be in the hat for the next round.. Stranger things have happened, though.

Carnoustie have home advantage against Lanark United and with the experience and confidence currently in the Panmure side, the Gowfers unbeaten record doesn't look likely to be ended here against the Central League Division One side.

**Downfield** could hardly have asked for a better tie at this stage in the competition, than mid-table Ayrshire second division side **Maybole**. The Spiders will start favourites but one has the nagging suspicion that their tendency to shoot themselves in the foot on such occasions could be their undoing.

North End travel to a venue and opposition familiar to Tayport fans when they play at Central Park, Crosshill against Lochore Welfare. It's a tight park and the home side are no mugs, having accounted for East Region high flyers Bo'ness in the last round. This tie will be a measure of the Dokens' ability to make their mark on the competition. Get past this one and an extended run could be on the cards.

Along the road at **Hill of Beath**, the locals await a visit from **Newtongrange Star** in one of the ties of the day. Having accounted for Glenafton in the last round, Haws will not be wanting to slip up here.

A neutral Junior fan could quite easily take in action from five ties this afternoon with Kelty v Renfrew, Dundonald v Blantyre Vics and Crossgates v Kilwinning also playing at home. With Thornton also at home (v. Dalry), it's a big day for Fife clubs.

Travelling are Oakley United (at Greenock) and one of the best fancied Fife hopes Glenrothes, who are up at Longside and, given the investment that Glens' manager Colin Downie has made, the Fifers should make it through.

Other top ties are Maryhill v Linlithgow Rose and Benburb v Bonnyrigg Rose. A cup shock? What about Whitburn v Hurlford United? The visitors have improved beyond all recognition of their recent seasons' form and could surprise the holders.

Our conquerors, Cambuslang have a derby tie at home to Rutherglen Glencairn. As well as having the results of the local teams on the *Newsline* on Saturday, we'll also try to get some of the results of other ties.

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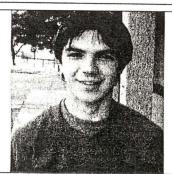
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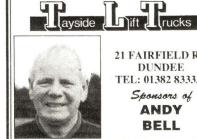
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# FROM THE ARCHIVES 20 YEARS AGO - 6 DECEMBER 1980

Tayport Amateurs made their exit from the Scottish Amateur Cup at the 4th round stage this Saturday 20 years ago, beaten 3-0 at Windygates. It was a pretty miserable afternoon and the weather mirrored the performance, the only consolation being the local whisky being dispensed in copious quantities after the game in the local hotel.

Tayport's line-up was Ian Lyall, Ian Noble, Alan Hart, Bobby Wilson, Brian Simpson, Stewart Gibson, (Willie Gardiner), Abe Watson, Peter Cuthill, Alex Reid, Ian Howe, Bruce Burnett: Rab Downie.

The Fife XI weren't playing but the previous week had cuffed St Andrews University in a League match when they fielded Richard Callander, Jimmy Anderson, Alan Gray, Willie Gardiner, Doug Henderson, Alan Paterson, Jim Downie, Bobby Waddell, Ken Smith (Ian Dobie), Brian Davidson, (Sandy Hamilton) Brian Simpson. Waddell (2), Davidson, Paterson and Simpson were the scorers.

The Alliance XI were in action that last week in November, losing 2-3 to Invergowrie. Team was Graeme Rodger, Colin Gray, Rab Burns, Ian MacAlindon, Rab Downie, Richard Rennie, Lyall Clark, Colin Doherty, Neil Downie, (John Aitken), Stuart Davie, Ian Ness (Dean Anderson) Scorers were Ness and Davie.

Seven of the above teams are likely to be in action tomorrow playing for the Tayport Veterans XI. Alan Gray is currently player/manager of Tayport Amateurs.

Of course the reason two of the sides weren't playing on 6/12/80 was down to the fact that all roads that day led to Dens Park for the final of the Bell's Scottish League Cup where United won 3-0. Dundee were in the first division at that time and the Cup final attendance of 24,500 was sandwiched between 958 at Dumbarton and 1026 at East Stirling. Incidentally current Carnoustie Panmure 'keeper Bobby Geddes was between the sticks for the Dark Blues that day.



### LETTER FROM CANADA





Jackie and the boys arrived safely here about six weeks ago now. Liam has been at school for five weeks and is really liking it. Jackie and Kieran have also settled in well.

We are staying at my dad's just now until we get our own house which will be well into next year (got to keep on saving!!) We bought a new car the other week so we are now mobile which saves me borrowing my dad's car all the time.

I have a job in Barrie as a Finance manager for a company called Expertech Inc. which is great, as I do not have to commute the hour or so to Toronto.

My season ended in October for Barrie City. I played 7 games and scored 5 goals. We won the league on the very last kick of the ball against a team that had to beat us for them to win the league. We were 1-2 down and five minutes into injury time when I was brought down in the box. My team mate stepped up and converted the penalty and the game was over. There was not even any time left to take the kick-off. The other team was gutted.

However three weeks later we met them in the final of the playoffs (which are a big thing here) and were gubbed 5-1. We were being beaten 4-0 at half-time- the worst defensive display I have ever seen! So it has been pretty eventful.

I am now away to play indoors for the winter. There is a big dome in Barrie with an indoor pitch on which we play 7-a-sides. So that will keep me occupied.

I'm getting the results every week from my Mum and John and I was very disappointed at the result v Cambuslang.

Anyway, that's all the news for now from Canada. (It looks like it is going to snow). Pass on my regards to everyone and best of luck for the rest of the season. Thanks very much for the gifts we received before we left, we really appreciated the thought

Regards,

Stevie Ross



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### PRESS REPORT

The SUN (13/11/00 Tayport 1 Cambuslang Rangers 2

"Cambuslang stunned the Tayside champs with a last minute replay winner to book a third round spot. Shattered 'Port skipper Sean Wilkie said 'It's a massive, massive disappointment for everyone at the club....we are giving away sloppy goals and that's something we'll need to cut out if we want to have any chance of winning leagues or cups'

#### FIFE HERALD (24/11/00)

Aberdeen Lads Club 1 Tayport 6

"Despite again losing an early goal, Tayport comfortably secured their place in the next round of the Concept Group Trophy, with a Davie Evans hat-trick being the highlight of a cold, but bright afternoon at Jamieson Park"



# Down to one point

#### The Evening Telegraph (27/11/00)

"The gap between the First Division and Premier League was all too apparent at Blairgowrie where the home side fought bravely, but were outgunned by tayport who coasted to a 6-1 victory"

"The gap between Tayport and Carnoustie was reduced to one point

following Saturday's results. With Tayport on cup duty at Blairgowrie, the Gowfers took full advantage by thumping visiting Forfar Albion 5-0''

#### PERTHSHIRE ADVERTISER (28/11/00)

''Blairgowrie, at home to Tayport, fell to the Premier League's top side 6-1. While it has to be said that Blair were obviously beaten by a superior side, there wasn't as wide a margin between the teams as the score would suggest''

# SNIFFING ABOUT WITH THE SNOUT



The SFA visited Tayside clubs last week when the Park Gardens Registration secretary Sandy Bryson (not Sandy Bruce as the Courier reported) and two lady members of his registration team put on a roadshow at the North End club. The intention was to go over the often complex business of registrations and other related topics. It was a successful evening and demonstrates the welcome change of approach by the SFA to leave the marble halls of Park Gardens and visit the various outposts

Although he wouldn't know it at the time, Lee Wilson will go down in Fife Juniors history by virtue of the fact that he scored the very last goal ever scored by Tulliallan Thistle. Thistle's 6-1 home defeat by Bonnybridge a week past Saturday proved to be the Kincardine-on-Forth club's last game as they announced the following week that the club was to fold. Lack of committee and lack of funds were the reported reasons and there seems little likelihood that the club, founded in 1962, will be resuscitated.

The Testimonial Year for players Grant Paterson, Sean Wilkie, Mark Spalding and Dave Reilly has been wound up following a number of successful events which netted the quartet a sum in excess of £5,000. The main events were a match v Dundee United, a Testimonial Dinner and a Golf Day at Scotscraig GC.

This afternoon's referee Doug McCorquodale experienced one of his most embarrassing moments two weeks ago whilst refereeing Blairgowrie v Culter in the Concept Group Trophy. Blair tried to make a substitution ten minutes from the end of extra time but Corky wouldn't have it, stating that the substitute hadn't been listed on the teamlines. Despite Blair's insistence that he had been, the sub didn't get on. On checking the teamlines after the game, Mr McC. discovered that the sub. was indeed listed. The referee was profuse in his apologies. Despite losing the only goal of the game shortly afterwards, Blair, to their credit, didn't make a song and dance over the issue acknowledging that Corky had been one of the Junior game's best refs. in the past ten years and that anyone can make a mistake!

Brian 'Bomber' Harris is unavailable today beacause his band, *Hanney*, is doing a gig at Manchester's *Day & Night Cafe*. Bomber is *Hanney's* lead vocalist and also writes their material.

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