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North End Challenge Cup (holders)

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Grant Buist	1999/00

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from

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2	Scott PETERS
3	Grant PATERSON
4	John WARD
5	Derek WEMYSS
6	Brian CRAIK
7	Allan RAMSAY
8	Steven STEWART
9	Ronnie KENNETH
10	David FISHER
11	David EVANS
12	Billy SPENCE
13	Barry McNAUGHTON
14	Gareth DAILLY
15	Ross GUNNION
16	Colin McGLASHAN
17	Scott FLYNN

LOCHEE UNITED

from

G/k	Russell BROWN
	Nairn GELLATLY
	Ross DORWARD
	Ray SMITH
	Kenny LAING
	Jackie THOMSON
	Barry BRITTON
	Marcus DAILLY
	David RILEY
	Steven MALONEY
	Craig ROBERTSON
	Ally PATERSON
	Jackie DEVINE
	Craig STOTT
	Marc MILNE
	Ewan PEACOCK
G/k	Paul MITCHELL

NORTH END CHALLENGE CUP 1st ROUND

TAYPORT v LOCHEE UNITED

SATURDAY 20th APRIL 2002

KICK-OFF 2.00pm

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This afternoon's referee is Mr D.Hynd from the Fife Region and he will be assisted by John Hayman and Chic Nicol, both Montrose

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TODAY'S VISITORS

Lochee United pinched a point from us in the first home game of the season here on the Canniepairt and, with this result hard on the heels of a win over Carnoustie on the opening day, everything in the Lochee garden seemed to be blooming. Alas, as autumn and then winter came along the Bluebells withered and, despite a burst of life again come springtime, the hope of a 4th place finish became but a distant dream. With their league fixtures completed last Saturday and exits already from all cups bar today's, regardless of this afternoon's result, it looks like a long summer ahead for Eddie Wolecki's boys. Ironically, Lochee were extremely keen to be in the Superleague next season whereas some of the teams which will finish above the Bluebells are understood to be none too keen for a step-up. Who knows? They might yet get there by default.

Lochee suffered a blow early season when Mark Murray, their experienced goalkeeper, was laid up with a finger injury from which he has yet to fully recover. Russell Brown, signed from Broughty Athletic, has taken Mark's jersey and he has back-up from Paul Mitchell who was signed from amateur football. Mark is currently assisting David Shankland and Ernie Scrimgeour with coaching duties.

Manager Eddie Wolecki had something of a clear-out for this season but, included in those who escaped the purge, were two players with local connections, left-sided defender Ross Dorward who stays and was brought up in Tayport and Wormit lad, central defender Kenny Laing, who had a spell with St Andrews United. A couple of wholehearted performers who have never let their manager down whilst playing against 'Port. Keeper Paul Mitchell, mentioned above, also has a Tayport connection, although somewhat tenuous. He is related somewhere along the line to that most colourful of 'Port supporters, Bunter Robertson.

More Tayport connections in midfielder Jackie Thomson who was at Tayport last season. Jake moved to Kirrie but a pre-deadline transfer last month saw United bring him to Thomson Park. The doyen of the Bluebells' squad for today's game is former Canniepairt favourite Jackie Devine. This time last season Divvy was preparing for the OVD Cup final with Carnoustie but after playing only a bit part with the Gowfers this season, Jackie secured a transfer to Lochee. After all, when you're only a few weeks short of hitting the big Four O, you want to be playing regularly. Approaching Four O, or no, Divvy can still deliver the goods as he showed earlier this year at Thomson Park when he opened the scoring against us in a league game. Speaking of that game, we should record our thanks to Lochee United for getting a game in at very short notice after our tie at St Andrews had been called off. Not just getting things organised on the playing side but also providing the substantial catering at very short notice.

Barry Britton, as competitive a player as you'll find, Ray Smith, Marcus Dailly and Ally Paterson will be familiar faces to Port supporters but there are newcomers in Nairn Gellatly (Balmoral United), David Riley (FWE), Steve Maloney (Forfar Albion), Craig Robertson (Kirrie), Craig Stott and Ewan Peacock (both Violet)

TODAY'S GAME

NORTH END CHALLENGE CUP 1st ROUND
TAYPORT v LOCHEE UNITED

This afternoon's tie is one which Association Match Secretary Jock Myles needs out of the way as it's causing a fixture logjam and the North End Challenge Cup can't progress until it's out of the way.

Of course this is always the situation when a club has had a lengthy run in the OVD cup or has suffered a number of postponements in the same competition. Tayport is in this situation despite having played more fixtures than any other club in the Association and suffered fewer postponements than any other Junior club in the country.

One has got to question the wisdom of those clubs which voted in a sectional league cup which started in August and isn't yet finished. Would it not have been better, as was suggested, that the match secretary assesses the situation around the end of March to determine which clubs are going to run out of fixtures and those which are not? Would this not be the best time to draw up a league cup, thus allowing clubs a few more matches instead of grinding to a halt by the end of April?

What's this got to do with today's match, you may ask. Simply the fact that if Lochee United don't win this afternoon, then their end of season smoker can start at around 4pm. They've run out of games. As such the incentive to win becomes even greater for the Bluebells and a competitive match should ensue.

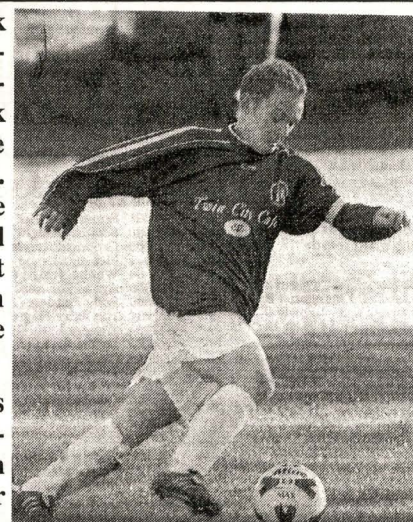
Two seasons ago Lochee United arrived at the Canniepairt and were expected the cannon fodder for a Port side which had secured the league and was on a good run. It didn't happen and Lochee ran out surprise 1-0 winners. This is what Tayport will have to guard against.

With two games a week soon becoming three, Tayport will take the opportunity to shuffle the pack again an effort to keep the players primed for action. Billy Spence won't feature and Scott Peters will still be missing but Scott Flynn, working on Wednesday past, will be available and eligible.

Lochee's last outing was last Saturday when a depressing 4-0 defeat from North End had Manager Wolecki raging. He's unlikely to tolerate a repeat and a much improved performance will be on the agenda.

Referee Hugh Dalgetty has called off and has been replaced by Dougie Hynd from the Fife Junior FA. Reason being that there are no available referees in the Tayside Association. So, if anybody out there fancies being a referee and earning a few bob. Contact the TJFA.

Today's game will be played to a finish with extra time and penalties if required.



Barry Britton (Lochee Utd)

SCOTT PETERS

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Forfar WE v Carnoustie

North End v Kinnoull

North End Challenge Cup R.2

Kirrie Thistle v Downfield

Arbroath SC v North End

Brechin Vics v Broughty Athletic

Violet 3 v 0 Elmwood

Tayport or Lochee Utd. v Forfar WE

Coupar Angus 1 v 2 Montrose Roselea

East Craigie v Carnoustie

Bankfoot v Jeanfield Swifts

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THE BAIKER'S BIT

Lochee United provide our opposition this afternoon and I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome both their players and officials to Tayport.



Wednesday night's victory over Kirrie Thisle was our 38th official game this season and, with us still in contention in six competitions, it's conceivable that we could finish the term having played 60 games. That means we can potentially play twenty two games in less than two months.

It's ridiculous really. I don't know how many times over the years that there has been talk of cutting the amount of cup competitions in the Tayside FA. So, what happens this time round? Yes, you've got it. The format of one cup is changed to increase the number of games played in order to reach the final. I'm afraid I don't see the logic. When I was at Arbroath we grumbled if we had one midweek game. At this rate, we'll be hoping for a midweek day off. Incredible.

The past month since the last issue of the programme has seen us play seven fixtures with us having prevailed in six of them, the defeat being Linlithgow Rose in the Scottish Cup semi-final, a big disappointment on the night. A case of what might have been.

I felt our preparation over the couple of weeks prior to the game went well. Unfortunately the physical nature of the game at Montrose left us with a number of injury problems. Derek Wemyss received treatment throughout the week and only just failed to make the game.

By half-time on the night, I felt reasonably happy with our performance, considering we were playing a very good side packed with experience. I expected them to have a lot of possession, which they had, but we defended well and our workrate was excellent. We had a couple of nervy performances but that was to be expected and we created the better chances in the first period but having the goal chalked off was a big blow.

In some ways I wish we had played badly in my eyes and it had still been 0-0. In that scenario I'd probably have had a few choice words at the interval because I'm quite sure my counterpart did and he got an immediate response although from my point of view we lost two bad goals. Our players, however, showed a lot of character to come back with a goal, hitting the woodwork for the second time in the game and creating a couple of decent chances.

I'm proud of our players and what they have achieved to date and even moreso in this past week to record three victories, six vital league points and to reach our third final of the season. Today we've an opportunity to advance in another competition. I believe we can do just that if our attitude is correct.

Support The Port,

Dave Baikie

TAYPORT FOOTBALL CLUB SEASON 2001 - 2002

Date	opponents	venue	comp	score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Att.
15/08/01	Bankfoot	N	HT	W 3-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Peters	Boylan	Greig	Fisher	Kenneth 1	Grant 1	Dailly	Evans (9)	Harris 1(11)	Wilkie (6)	186
18/08/01	Elmwood	A	L	W 8-1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Boylan	Wemyss	Wilkie	Ramsay	Harris	Grant 2	Greig 1	Evans 4	Fisher(5)	Spence 1(9)		106
22/08/01	LOCHEE UTD	H	L	D 2-2	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Greig	Wemyss	Wilkie	Ramsay 1	Harris	Grant	Fisher 1	Evans	McNa'ton (4)	Spence(9)		176
25/08/01	Forfar WE	A	LC	W 6-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Boylan	Ramsay	Fisher	Grant 3	Peters	Evans 3	McNa'ton (7)	Harris (2)		135
29/08/01	Downfield	A	L	W 4-1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Boylan	McNa'ton 1	Harris	Grant	Peters 1	Evans 2	Fisher (8)	Greig (10)	Spence (11)	144
01/09/01	BANKFOOT	H	LC	W 7-1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson 1	Ward 2	Wemyss	Peters1	Ramsay	McNa'ton 1	Spence 2	Fisher	Evans	Grant (6)	Boylan (9)	Harris (10)	114
08/09/01	NORTH END	H	L	W 1-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Peters	Ramsay	Harris	Grant	Spence 1	McNa'ton	Buist (8)	Craik (10)		203
15/09/01	FORFAR WE	H	LC	D 2-2	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Boylan	Ramsay	Harris	Grant 1	McNa'ton	Evans 1	Spence (8)			129
22/09/01	Bankfoot	A	LC	W 4-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss1	Craik 1	Ramsay	Fisher	Spence	McNa'ton	Evans 2	Harris (7)	Boylan (9)		79
29/09/01	Forfar WE	A	L	W 4-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Dailly 1	Ward	Wemyss	Craik 1	Ramsay 1	Harris	Grant 1	McNa'ton	Evans	Fisher (6)	Boylan (2)	Lawson (7)	88
06/10/01	BROUGHTY	H	LC	W 5-1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion1	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Craik 2	Dailly	McN'a'ton	Grant	Fisher	Evans 2	Harris (9)	Boylan (8)	Lawson (7)	155
13/10/01	Dundee Vio.	A	L	D 3-3	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Craik 1	Dailly	Harris	McNa'ton 1	Fisher	Evans 1	Peters (8)			172
20/10/01	MONTROSE	H	LC	W 1-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward 1	Wemyss	Craik	Dailly	Peters	McNa'ton	Dailly	Evans	Fisher (6)			109
27/10/01	KIRRIE THIS	H	L	W 2-0	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss 1	Craik	Ramsay	McNa'ton 1	Grant	Fisher	Evans	Dailly (6)	Lawson (9)	Spence (8)	127
03/11/01	Formartine	A	C	W 3-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	McNa'ton	Ward	Wemyss 1	Peters	Ramsay	McNa'ton 1	Grant	Dailly	Evans	Fisher (10)	Craik(11) 1	Spence (9)	172
10/11/01	SCONE THIS.	H	S	W 2-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Lawson	Ward 1	Wemyss	Peters1	Ramsay	Fisher	Craik	Dailly	Evans	Paterson (3)	Harris (11)		161
17/11/01	BANKFOOT	H	L	L 2-4	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward 1	Wemyss	McNa'ton	Ramsay	Harris	Grant	Dailly	Fisher 1	Craik(9)	Evans(8)	Gunnion(7)	129
24/11/01	Broughty Ath	A	L	W 2-1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Peters	Ramsay	McNa'ton	Grant 2	Dailly	Evans	Craik(11)	Fisher(10)		130
1/12/01	Oakley Utd.	A	F	W 1-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Peters	Ramsay	McNa'ton	Grant	Dailly	Craik	Evans (9)	Stewart(7)	Fisher(11)	163
8/12/01	Formartine	A	S	D 1-1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Peters	Ramsay	McNa'ton	Grant	Dailly 1	Stewart	Craik (9)			189
15/12/01	FORMARTINE	H	S	W 3-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Peters	Ramsay 1	McNa'ton	Stewart	Dailly 1	Craik 1	Evans (7)	Fisher (10)	Spence (11)	212
22/12/01	DUNDEE VIO.	H	L	W 2-1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss 1	Peters	Fisher	Spence 1	Stewart	Dailly	Craik	McNa'ton(6)	Grant (9)	Evans (11)	181
12/01/02	Pollok	A	S	D 0-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Peters	Craik	Ramsay	McNa'ton	Grant	Dailly	Stewart	Fisher(7)	Spence(10)	Evans(9)	1001
19/01/02	POLLOK	H	Sr	W 2-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Peters	Craik	Ramsay	McNa'ton 1	Kenneth 1	Dailly	McGlashan	Evans (9)	Fisher (7)		670
26/01/02	ARB'ATH SC	H	L	W 4-2	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	McNa'ton	Dailly	Fisher	McGlashan	Stewart	Evans 1	Kenneth(11)	Peters(8)1	Craik(10)1	188
02/09/02	LUNCARTY	H	C	W 8-0	Fitzpatrick	Peters	McGlashan	Ward	Wemyss	Craik 1	McNa'ton	McGlashan	Kenneth 2	Stewart 1	Evans 2	Gunnion (5)	Fisher (6)	Dailly (7)	121
09/02/02	Renfrew	A	S	D1-1	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Craik 1	Ramsay	McGlashan	Kenneth	Stewart	Dailly	Gunnion(5)	McN'ton(8)		747
16/02/02	RENFREW	H	Sr	W 1-0	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss 1	Craik	Ramsay	McGlashan	Kenneth	McN'aton	Dailly	Gunnion (8)	Evans (6)		576
23/02/02	Lochee Utd	A	L	W 5-1	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward 2	Wemyss	Craik 1	Ramsay	McNa'ton	Kenneth 1	Stewart	Gunnion	Evans (6)	Fisher (7) 1		151
02/03/02	FORFAR WE	H	C	W 5-0	Fitzpatrick	Peters 1	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	McNa'ton	Gunnion	Stewart	Kenneth 3	Fisher	Evans 1	Craik (8)			169
09/03/02	Bathgate	A	S	D 2-2	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss 1	McNa'on 1	Ramsay	Stewart	Kenneth	Craik	Gunnion	Fisher (7)	Evans (10)		977
16/03/02	BATHGATE	H	S	W 1-0	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson 1	Ward	Wemyss	Craik	Ramsay	McN'aton	Kenneth	Dailly	Gunnion	Fisher (7)	Stewart(9)		772
23/03/02	St Andrews U	A	F	W 3-1	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward 2	Wemyss	Gunnion	McGl'an 1	Stewart	Kenneth	Fisher	Evans	Dailly (2)	McN'aton(1)	Spence(10)	237
30/03/02	Montrose	A	Fi	W2-1	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Craik 1	Ramsay	McGlashan	McNa'ton 1	Dailly	Gunnion	Stewart (5)	Kenneth (9)	Flynn (7)	131
05/04/02	Linlithgow	N	S	L 1-2	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward	Gunnion	McN'ton	Ramsay	McGlashan	Kenneth	Craik	Dailly	Stewart (10)	Fisher (7)		4401
10/04/02	ELMWOOD	H	L	W 3-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward 1	Flynn	Dailly	Ramsay	Stewart	Kenneth 1	Fisher	Evans				130
13/04/02	CARNOUSTIE H	C	W	1-0	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Craik	Ramsay	Stewart 1	Kenneth	McNa'ton	Gunnion	Dailly (2)	McGl'an (6)	Evans (9)	343
17/04/02	Kirrie Thistle	A	L	W 1-0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Ward	Wemyss	Dailly	Ramsay	Stewart	McGlashan	Fisher	Evans 1	McN'ton (6)			95
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REVIEW

by *Dunmore*

A week past Friday evening saw Tayport's OVD Scottish Junior Cup bid come to an end, when they succumbed to East Region cracks **Linlithgow Rose**, at the semi-final stage. While the defeat was obviously a disappointment to all concerned, the highlight of the ten match cup campaign was taking part in the semi itself, in front of 4,500 fans, on a fine playing surface at Livingston FC FC's Almondvale Stadium.

During the build-up to the game, there was much reference to 'Port's three previous last-four appearances, rekindling memories of Hamish Mackay's hat-trick, Steven Stewart's netbuster and Steve Hutcheon's brace. Any talk of this year's match, however, will always be accompanied by a question: should Ronnie Kenneth's first half 'goal' have been allowed to stand? Not for the first time this season, Tayport's star striker was frustrated by a debatable offside decision, which would have significant impact on proceedings.

Following the goalless first forty five minutes, Linlithgow came out for the second half with all guns blazing. Former Tayport winger Mark Corcoran, who has certainly developed as a player since his move to Prestonfield, emerged as the key man in their success, so much so that there was an audible buzz amongst the Rose support whenever he received the ball. Not that Corcoran ran riot against his old teammates, but when he did escape down the left flank, barely a minute after the restart, he produced a goalscoring cross, and followed this up shortly afterwards with a corner kick which enabled the prolific Davie Flynn to inflict yet more damage.



IT'S THERE... Jimmy Creaney (left) and Davie Flynn set off in pursuit of Mark Corcoran after goalkeeper Fitzpatrick and his skipper Paterson combined to divert Mark Corcoran's shot into the net - but Mark's already off and celebrating on his own.

Colin McGlashan was in the right place at the right time to give his side a substantial lifeline, on the hour mark, but with 'Port having twice hit the crossbar, it was simply Linlithgow's day.

A bruising encounter away to **Montrose Roselea** (30/3) was hardly ideal preparation for the big match, with influential defender Derek Wemyss picking up a knock which would cruelly deprive him of taking his usual place in Friday's starting line-up.

Goals from Brian Craik and Barry McNaughton at least saw 'Port make progress in the Findlay & Co Cup, with the 2-1 scoreline flattering the robust first division hosts.

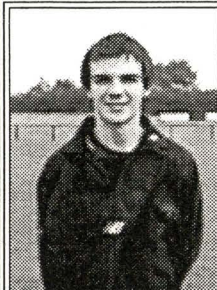
The previous weekend (23/3), Tayport also made progress in the Fife Tayside Inter-regional competition, requiring extra-time to eventually see off **St Andrews United**. Colin McGlashan's terrific early opener was cancelled out by a Hunter penalty kick, towards half-time. The inspirational John Ward edged Tayport through, netting a crashing header, then a well taken spot kick to complete the 3-1 win.

On Wed 10/4, **Elmwood** visited the Canniepairt for a rare league fixture. 'Wood kept the champions at bay for the best part of an hour, but Davie Evans broke the deadlock with a clinical strike from the edge of the area. This goal was followed swiftly by a John Ward penalty. Ronnie Kenneth claimed responsibility for the next spot kick, taking the final tally to three goals without reply.

In terms of profile, last Saturday's Canniepairt clash versus **Carnoustie Panmure** was more akin to our previous home Saturday match, when Grant Paterson's deflected goal defeated **Bathgate Thistle** in the Scottish Cup quarter-final replay (16/3) which gave the club the chance to contest the national semi-final. It was the second time in a week that a cup final place was at stake, with **Sunnybank** already through to meet the winners.

As in the match against Bathgate, Tayport won by virtue of a solitary early goal from an experienced player. Steven Stewart profited from Ronnie Kenneth's centre, to set up a final clash against the North Region's Sunnybank, and deal the Westfield Parkers a psychological blow ahead of the pending league meetings.

League points were at stake on Wednesday (17/4) when 'Port had to travel to **Kirriemuir**. For the second successive midweek, Davie Evans opened the scoring with a cracking strike from outside the box. Towards the end of the encounter, 'Port came close on several occasions, but had to settle for a narrow yet vital victory



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It should be known that our illustrious treasurer (pictured her in an age when he wasn't so forgetful) has been getting some stick recently for, what appears to be bouts of amnesia. It all started on the way home from St Andrews Utd the other Saturday when, instead of getting on the bus, he took a lift home to his house then discovered he had left his car at The Canniepairt where the bus was heading. He



arrived by taxi, much to the amusement of his waiting committee colleagues.

Next he waited for wife Moira outside the Co-op for three quarters of an hour to collect her from work before remembering it was her day off.

This week he was due to visit the dentist and carefully marked the calendar at his work at Luvi-an's and asked colleagues Dan-iella and Cheryll to ensure he didn't forget. What did he do? Only went off to the dentist the wrong day!

Now Ross, pay attention. We will tell you this only once. Car Boot Sale is on Monday and the Cup Final is on Sunday.

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TAYPORT	14	11	2	1	43	16	27	35	W	W	W
NORTH END	18	10	2	5	31	16	15	32	L	W	L
FORFAR WE	18	8	4	6	35	31	4	28	W	W	W
LOCHEE UTD.	22	6	6	10	32	41	-9	24	L	L	D
VIOLET	16	6	5	5	31	24	7	23	W	D	W
BANKFOOT	18	6	3	9	27	32	-5	21	D	W	D
DOWNFIELD	19	5	6	8	30	45	-15	21	L	D	D
BROUGHTY	19	7	0	12	31	41	-19	21	L	L	L
ELMWOOD	17	5	5	7	26	37	-8	20	D	L	W
KIRRIE THIS.	17	3	6	8	20	37	-17	15	L	D	L
ARBROATH SC	20	3	3	14	33	58	-25	12	D	L	L

	ASC	B'foot	Brty	C'tie	D'Field	E'wood	FWE	KTh	L.Utd	NE	Tay.	Vio
Arbroath SC		2 v 1	0 v 1	1 v 2	1 v 2	2 v 2	2 v 3	6 v 2	3 v 3	0 v 2		2 v 1
Bankfoot	4 v 1		2 v 0	0 v 3	1 v 1		2 v 0	1 v 2	1 v 3	0 v 2		0 v 0
Broughty	4 v 1	3 v 2		1 v 4	1 v 2	2 v 1	1 v 3		1 v 2	0 v 1	1 v 2	1 v 2
Carnoustie	5 v 2	6 v 1	6 v 3		3 v 2	3 v 1		3 v 1	3 v 0	1 v 0		4 v 0
Downfield	4 v 3	0 v 3	2 v 4	1 v 2		2 v 3		2 v 1	1 v 3		1 v 4	1 v 9
Elmwood		1 v 0	1 v 2	2 v 0	2 v 2		4 v 2	2 v 2	0 v 0	3 v 4	1 v 8	
Forfar WE	3 v 1	3 v 3	2 v 0	1 v 3	1 v 1	1 v 2		5 v 1	1 v 0	2 v 2	0 v 4	
Kirrie This	1 v 1		3 v 2	2 v 5	0 v 0		1 v 1		2 v 2	1 v 4	0 v 1	
Lochee Utd	4 v 1	3 v 0	3 v 4	0 v 2	1 v 3	3 v 0	1 v 2	0 v 0		0 v 4	1 v 5	1 v 1
North End	3 v 0		2 v 0	0 v 2	1 v 1		2 v 1	0 v 1	4 v 0			0 v 2
TAYPORT	4 v 2	2 v 4				3 v 0		2 v 0	2 v 2	1 v 0		2 v 1
Violet	7 v 2	0 v 2			2 v 2	1 v 1	1 v 4		1 v 0	1 v 0	3 v 3	

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

TUESDAY 23rd APRIL

D.J. LAING LEAGUE CUP FINAL

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DUNDEE NORTH END v TAYPORT

KICK-OFF 6.30pm

SATURDAY 27th APRIL

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QUARTER FINAL

THORNTON HIBS v TAYPORT

AT MEMORIAL PARK, THORNTON

KICK-OFF 2pm

QUEST FOR THE SUPERLEAGUE GATHERS MOMENTUM

One can safely forget the noises coming from Ayrshire about their clubs breaking away from the SJFA rather than join the West Superleague. One wonders what they were thinking about a year ago when they voted for the change. Too little too late.

The noises from the East seem to have died down as things fall into place. Twelve places up for grabs. Four look pretty certain to be there. Carnoustie, Tayport, Linlithgow and Whitburn.

Others look very good bets, Hill of Beath, Lochore, Bonnyrigg Rose, Bathgate and North End. The fact that Forfar West End and Violet play each other gives North End a bit of breathing space, as they have slipped a bit in recent weeks after long looking odds on favourites for a step up.

That leaves two places and B'o'ness Utd or Edinburgh United will likely fill the last East slot. In Fife Thornton, Glenrothes, Kelty and Oakley look like fighting to the end for the final Fife place. All very interesting.

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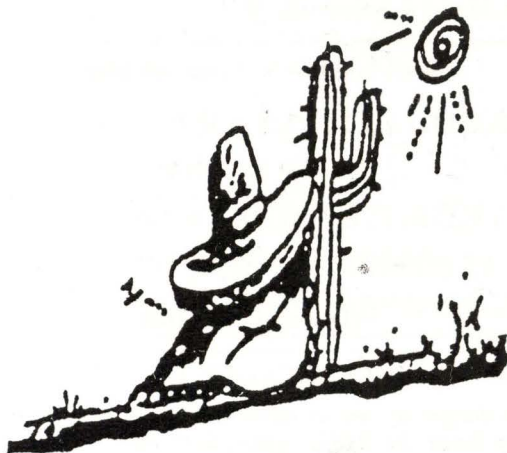
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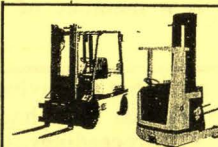
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OH DAD, YOU NEVER DID..... DID YOU?

Grant Paterson, son of the Tayport captain of the same name, was the Tayport mascot for the semi-final tie with Linlithgow at Livingston and our photo shows the wee man posing in front of the Livvy trophy cabinet prior to the match. Of course, being so young he'll be unlikely to remember much of what went on. However his dad can always remind him that he was there to see his old man record a unique double. After 73 ties without a goal, Patty finally netted the elusive first goal in tie No. 74 against Bathgate. He only had to wait until the next tie for No.2. Unfortunately it was at the wrong end! Corcoran was credited with Rose's first goal but the TV pictures revealed that Grant put the ball into his own net. C'est la vie.



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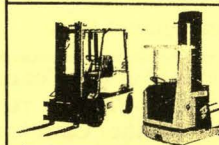
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SNIFFING ABOUT WITH THE SNOOT



The Juniors were on the front pages at the weekend after the shooting incident at Blantyre Vics when some punter, no doubt fuelled up on Buckfast, started shooting at the players in the Blantyre v Shotts match from a concealed position, a nearby house according to some reports. Three players were treated for wounds caused by the shots. The game was abandoned and three players need hospital treatment for wounds caused by the shots.

Something similar took place at Whitburn earlier this season when a lit firework was launched from the terracing at the Arniston Rangers keeper. Not content with that, they later started shooting at the poor keeper with air rifles.

There was general disappointment expressed at the state of the St Andrews United pitch on the occasion of our recent visit to play in a Redwood Leisure tie. In the past the Recreation Park surface was always held to be an example of a super playing surface. Don't know what's gone wrong at the Rec. but the present surface is more akin to a tattie field than the former bowling green-type surface.

There's the possibility that five former 'Port players could be lining up against us for North End in the final of the DJ Laing League Cup at Carnoustie next Tuesday. With regular keeper Graeme Finnan injured recently, Fraser Mann has been between the sticks for a team already containing Sean Wilkie, Dave Reilly, Stevie Ross and Barry Gardiner. To add to the Tayport connection, Paul Reilly is a member of the management team.

The final of the Concept Trophy may be a month away but Sunnybank wasted no time in running the rule over their opponents. They had a man at the Canniepairt taking copious notes of proceedings last Saturday. There's not been a North winner since the inaugural tournament back in 1989, so with home advantage, they'll be all out to topple us on 27th May. To be fair it's not really home but the venue, Keith Park near Pittodrie, home of Wilson's XI is in Aberdeen.

It's been a bad few days for local Junior clubs Harp and Violet. Both have been hit by break-ins. A fire was started after the Beechwood incident earlier this week and a large quantity of beer and spirits was taken from Glenesk Park last week during an overnight raid.

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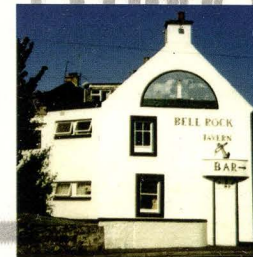
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