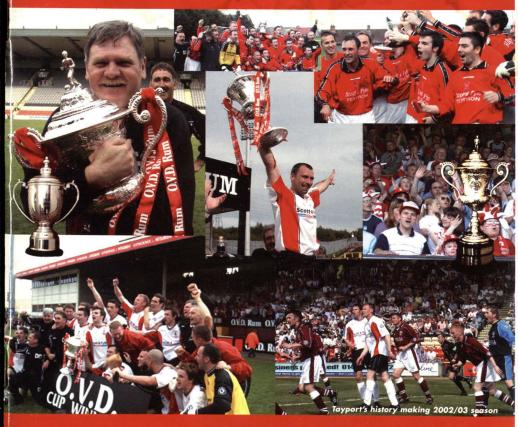
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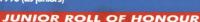


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STEVEN IS NEW SKIPPER

Steven Stewart aka Chiel has been appointed new club captain. When Grant Paterson decided to hang up the captain's armband, Manager Baikie didn't take long to think about a successor and Steven's appointment was confirmed when he made an announcement to his teammates as th ey warmed down after the Tow Law game. Steven made his debut in 1994 and returned to the Canniepairt in 2001 after eighteen months senior at East Stirling and Montrose.



Ross Takes Retirement

Club treasurer and committee member, former manager and former player and fan Ross Macmillan has announced his retirement. Having previously retired as a player with the Amateurs in the 60s and as a manager, principally of the club's Fife XI, Ross has decided to step down from the committee where, most recently, he has been treasurer, and enjoy a somewhat quieter life style.

Ross has been treasurer of the club throughout its greatest successes during the nineties and has played no small part in the advancement of the club during these times. All at the club wish him a happy and long retirement.

Hold on, though. He hasn't escaped that easily. Ross has indicated that he will still help at the Car Boot Sales where he is a weel kent figure at the gate and also elsewhere when required. He has not, of course, retired as a fan, so there's little Ross pictured before he became treasurer! doubt that he will still be heard on



the touchline from time to time giving his opinion on proceedings in his own unique fashion.

Richard McNicoll steps into the role of treasurer.

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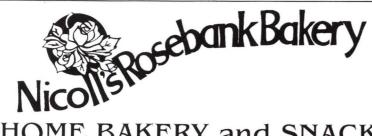


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TODAY'S GAME WHYTE and MACKAY SUPER LEAGUE TAYPORT v BATHGATE THISTLE

The Whyte and Mackay championship flag will be presented to Tayport prior to the match thus giving this afternoon's opponents Bathgate Thistle further incentive to spoil the day for Tayport in their first match in defence of the title. After twice being defeated by Port in the Superleague last season, the Creamery Park club hardly need further incentive to do well this afternoon.

A glance at the league table shows that these two defeats were effectively the reasons for Tayport and not Bathgate being crowned as champions.

Bathgate manager Willie Hill has brought in several players during the close season to bolster his squad. Amongst the newcomers are midfielders Craig Feroz and Jamie Dolan. Both have had many years of senior experience with Dolan having served Motherwell, Dundee United, Dunfermilne and most recently Partick Thistle among others. Dolan adds steel and tenacity to a side already not short of these qualities.

Bathgate have been in good pre-season form, winning their own Peter Hart Memorial trophy in which they defeated Bo'ness 3-2, Dolan getting the winner in a teethy tussle, and Armadale by 3-1. On Tuesday evening Bathgate won convincingly at Dalkeith in a local cuptie, so arrive here in confident mood.

Tayport will be without two of last season's stalwarts, Scott Peters and Allan Ramsay, both of whom are injured. Jonathan Mitchell has moved to East Fife and both Robbie Holden and keeper Duncan Bruce are on loan to Kinnoull.

The home fans will get their first look at new signings John Elliott and Ben Honeyman in a competitive situation. Elliott, formerly with Dundee and Cowdenbeath, impressed in his midfield role on the pre-season tour. Striker Honeyman, ex Dundee United, Forfar Athletic and most recently Brechin City, was out injured for much of last season but hopefully these problems are behind him.

There could be another player on board by kick-off but, at the time of writing, there is nothing to report.

THE BAIKIE DIARIES

Another extract from the Baikie Diaries from 10 years ago. Having recently returned from a tour of the north of England, it's quite appropriate that this extract is from <u>Saturday 7 August 1993</u> when Tayport had a short pre-season tour to Lancashire.

Lancaster City 1 Tayport 6.

Team :- Mann, P.Reilly, Malone, Sommerville, Wilkie; Miller, Spalding, Coventry; Devine, Mackay, E.Cameron. Subs:- Thoms, Baikie, Trialist.

Scorers:- Cameron 3, Mackay, Devine, og.

Comments:- Great result. I watched them (Lancaster) against Bolton Wanderers. They lost 4-1 but look a good side. On Friday they played 5-3-2 formation but against us they played 4-4-2 and tried to play an offside game which worked well early on but we destroyed it later. Everyone played well. Grant Miller did very well in midfield. Covy and Spalding were magnificent. The things I took out of the game most were the goals. We've been creating chances but not putting them away. On the day we had 10 good chances. 6 scored isn't bad.

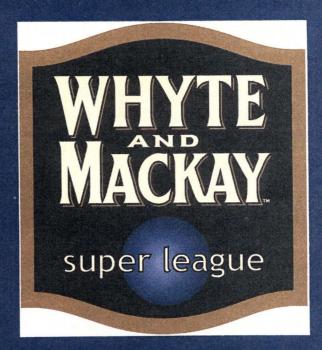
TAYPORT FAN IS LIFE SAVING HERO

Tayport FC season holder Cameron Little is to be awarded the Testimonial on Parchment from the Royal Humane Society after a daring rescue at the East Sands St Andrews last September. Working as a lifeguard whilst on holiday from University where he is studying law, Cameron and a local policeman dived into the sea to successfully rescue a suicidal man.



Cameron Little - local hero

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THE BAIKER'S BIT

Good afternoon to our fans and a warm welcome to our visitors Bathgate Thistle, for this opening Super League encounter.

I'm relatively pleased with our preparations to date. I must admit, though, I'd have used another couple of weeks break for our players. Unfortunately with the introduction of the Super Cup and the dates we had to play caused us, and I've no doubt the other clubs, considerable problems.



I've always regarded preparation as of paramount importance, so to be asked to enter the semi-final of a cup (which, by the way, I sincerely hope becomes a fixture in the Scottish Junior calendar at a more appropriate time of the season) totally ill-prepared, with eight players unfit or unavailable due to both dates being bang in the middle of the local holiday fortnight and half our players out of contract.

You can imagine my apprehension and state of mind at not being able to organise our pre-season as I always do, with today and the rest of the season in mind. Despite that, as I said, I'm relatively pleased, particularly with our last two games against Tow Law Town and Morpeth Town from the Northern Premier Division. The weekend was invaluable from the point of view of our general and match fitness. It also allowed our players to enjoy a weekend together and enhanced our unity, something that's going to be required throughout a season that's going to be a massive challenge for all of us at this club. None more so than this afternoon.

There's a saying that a job well begun is a job half done. That's as good a reason as any to prepare properly, both physically and mentally. Today we face a side who have in their ranks many very talented players whose attitude and commitment will be enhanced by the fact that they weren't far off winning the Super League last term.

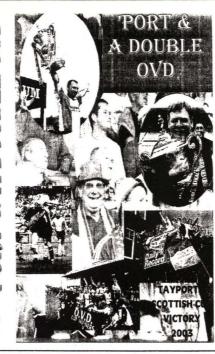
Today we must produce the character and desire, the workrate and the discipline we showed last weekend. Do so and I'm confident we can, and will gain three points and victory.

Dave Baikie



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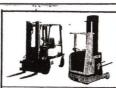
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Brian Craik opens the scoring in the Super Cup match at Prestonfield against Linlithgow Rose on 26th July. The 'Rose eventually won 4-2 only to lose to Pollok in the Super Cup Final a week later.

Below

Action from the friendly against Sunnybank on the Canniepairt on Saturday 2nd August that ended all square at 1-1.



Right

A Gareth Dailly effort is blocked against Sunnybank



March 1

Left

The Tayport bench enjoy the sun at Morpeth as the 'Port achieve a solid 1-0 win against the Northern League side during the Club's short pre season tour

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Aug 23	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	L					1											
Aug 30	LINLITHGOW ROSE	L												100.				
Sept 6	Glenrothes	L																
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Sept 27	Arniston Rangers	L																
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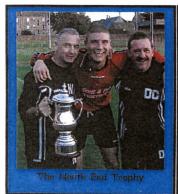
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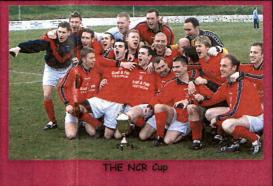
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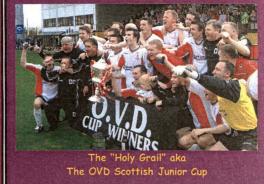
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Hill of Beath Hawthorn	22	8	0	3	26	14	8	2	1	24	10	26	50
Bathgate Thistle	22	6	4	1	21	11	7	1	3	22	19	13	44
Arniston Rangers	22	7	1	3	20	16	6	3	2	21	16	9	43
Linlithgow Rose	22	4	4	3	20	16	4	3	4	16	18	2	31
Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	22	5	1	5	18	18	3	3	5	13	17	-4	28
Oakley United	22	3	4	4	13	18	4	2	5	14	18	-7	27
Glenrothes	22	2	1	8	9	16	5	4	2	16	10	-1	26
Dundee North End	22	3	6	2	16	14	3	2	6	14	18	-2	26
Carnoustie Panmure	22	5	3	3	21	20	2	2	7	10	18	-7	26
Edinburgh United	22	1	1	9	8	22	0	3	8	9	24	-29	7
Dundee Violet	22	2	0	9	15	28	0	1	10	12	37	-38	7

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Bonnyrigg	0-3	1-2		3-1	2-0	1-2	0-1	1-1	3-2	3-2	1-2	3-2
Carnoustie	2-4	1-0	3-1		1-1	2-0	3-6	1-3	2-2	3-1	1-1	2-1
Edinburgh Utd	1-2	2-1	1-2	0-2		0-4	0-1	2-4	1-3	0-1	0-1	1-1
Glenrothes	0-2	1-2	1-3	0-1	2-0	是 《新》	1-2	0-0	0-1	0-4	0-1	4-0
Hill of Beath	1-2	0-2	4-1	4-1	1-0	4-1		4-0	3-1	3-0	0-5	2-1
Linlithgow	1-1	2-3	0-0	3-3	3-0	2-4	2-2		2-1	3-0	0-3	4-1
North End	2-0	2-2	0-0	3-3	2-0	0-0	1-4	0-0	小	0-0	0-3	6-2
Oakley Utd	1-1	1-5	2-1	1-0	4-4	0-0	1-2	1-2	0-0		0-2	2-1
Tayport	3-0	6-0	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	2-1	2-0	0-1		5-1
Violet	1-2	2-3	3-4	2-0	3-2	0-2	1-5	1-2	1-2	0-3	1-3	TEXAL D

Promotion/Relegation

The three bottom teams took the drop from the Whyte & Mackay East Super League. Namely - Dundee Violet and Carnoustie Panmure who return to the Tayside District League and Edinburgh United who drop down to the Lothians District League

Replacing them are Lochee United, Kelty Hearts and Bo'ness United. Lochee United won the Tayside District League in a very comfortable fashion but it was much closer in both the Lothians and Fife District Leagues. Kelty had to depend on a last day narrow victory at St Andrews United to pip Thornton Hibs. This was the second time in two seasons that Thornton had been thwarted on the last day of the season.

It was a particularly fascinating finish in the Lothians League with Bo'ness meeting Sauchie in the final match. A draw would have seen Whitburn, who had completed their fixtures, promoted. A win by Sauchie would see them go up while a win for Bo'ness would clinch it for them. A late winner in a 4-3 win resulted in Bo'ness clinching promotion.

Player	Club	Goals
Wright, Darren	Hill of Beath	13
McNaughton, Barry	Tayport	12
Smart, Craig	Hill of Beath	11
Craik, Brian	Tayport	10
Laidlaw, Steve	Bonnyrigg Rose	9
Thomson, Martyn	Hill of Beath	9
Flynn, Davie	Linlithgow Rose	8
Andrew, Benny	Glenrothes	7
Evans, David	Tayport	7
Bailey, Lee	Bonnyrigg Rose	6
Bonella, Darren	Dundee North End	6
Ward, John	Tayport	6
Watt, David	Bonnyrigg Rose	6
Devine, Chris	Dundee Violet	5
Murphy, David	Bathgate Thistle	5
Reilly, Dave	North End	5
Roberts, Andrew	Bathgate Thistle	5

Today's Fixtures 16 th August 2003									
Arniston	V	North End							
Bonnyrigg	V	Glenrothes							
Kelty Hearts	V	Hill of Beath							
Lochee Utd	V	Linlithgow							
Oakley Utd	V	Bo'ness Utd							
TAYPORT	V	Bathgate TH							

Fixtures 23 rd August 2003										
Bathgate Th	V	Lochee Utd								
Bo'ness Utd	V	Bonnyrigg								
North End	V	Kelty Hearts								
Glenrothes	V	Arniston								
Hill of Beath	V	TAYPORT								
Linlithgow	V	Oakley Utd								

Fixtures 30 th August 2003									
Arniston	٧	Bo'ness Utd							
Bonnyrigg	٧	Hill of Beath							
Kelty Hearts	٧	Bathgate Th							
Lochee Utd	V	Glenrothes							
Oakley Utd	٧	North End							
TAYPORT	٧	Linlithgow							

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Witness " Tae get a tap"

AD " Is your friend a plumber?"

Witness "Naw"

AD " Are you a plumber?"

Witness "Naw"

The witness is a bit bewildered by this line of questioning and the AD realises it, but notices that a court police officer is rubbing his fingers of one hand together in the universal gesture of money.

Daylight apparently dawns on the AD and he changes his line of questioning accordingly.

AD "So you went to the house to borrow money?"

Witness "Naw"

AD " Ah, you went to the house to lend money?"

In exasperation the AD says, " you told the court you went to your friend's house for a tap. What kind of tap was it?"

Witness " A Sellick tap"

WEBSITE INTIMATION

Surfers and those contacting the forum will have noticed that there have been problems with the site and, in particular, the updating of the site. However, things are on the move, so bear with us as we construct a bigger and more comprehensive site. Meanwhile you can access the changing site at a temporary address http://www33.brinkster.com/tayportfc/
Please accept our apologies

To pick up the Super League results on a Saturday, check out Radio Tay at 5pm or access the club newsline (01382) 552755 anytime after approx. 4.30pm thru' the weekend.

We are indebted to Iain Cougan for the photographs and design for this season's programme cover and also Alan Kinnersley for the photos from the Morpeth Town game.



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'Port bookies favourites for OVD Cup

Bookmakers, William Hill, have made TAYPORT favourities to win the OVD Scottish Junior Cup. Current odds for the leading contenders are as follows:

9/1 - TAYPORT

- 10/1 Linlithgow Rose, Pollok, Hill of Beath
- 12/1 Arthurlie, Kilwinning, Glenafton
- 14/1 Maryhill, Johnstone Burgh
- 16/1 Kilbirnie Ladeside, Auchinleck Talbot, Neilston
- 20/1 Kelty, Bonnyrigg, Bathgate Thistle, Bo'ness, Whitburn, Newtongrange, Carnoustie, Cumnock, Larkhall
- Fauldhouse, Camelon, Bellshill, North End, Arniston
- 33/1 Irvine Meadow, Beith, Troon, Clydebank, Benburb, Kilsyth, Petershill, Renfrew, Shotts, Shettleston
- 40/1 Cumbernauld, Glenrothes, Oakley, Rob Roy, Glencairn
- 50/I Lugar, Hurlford, Vale of Leven, Cambuslang, Largs, East Kilbride, St Anthony's, Lochee United, Thornton
- 66/1 Greenock, Lanark Utd, Sunnybank, Sauchie

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PLAYER OF THE YEAR Scott Peters

PLAYER'S PLAYER OF THE YEAR **Scott Peters**

FAN'S FAVOURITE John Ward

SUPPORTERS' CLUB PLAYER OF THE YEAR **Roberto Morris**

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Shared with 23 goals each GOAL OF THE SEASON

(Morris Couper Trophy) Steven Stewart v North End

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FINDLAY & CO CUP

(Holders: Carnoustie Panmure)

First round draw

Arbroath Sporting Club v East Craigie Arbroath Victoria v Brechin Victoria Bankfoot Athletic v TAYPORT Blairgowrie v Lochee United Broughty Athletic v Coupar Angus Elmwood v Carnoustie Panmure Kinnoull v Montrose Roselea Dundee North End v Kirriemuir Thistle

Byes - Downfield, Dundee Violet, Forfar West End, Forfar Albion, Jeanfield Swifts, Lochee Harp, Luncarty and Scone Thistle

The date of the first round ties has not, as yet, been announced

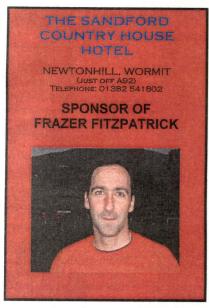
NCR (North/Tayside) Cup

(Holders: Tayport)

The draw for the NCR Cup has already taken place with first round ties due to take place on Saturday 20th September. The first round draw is regionalised and the Tayside part of the draw is:

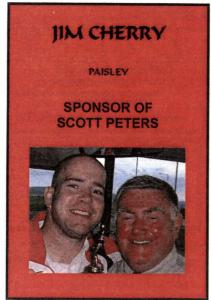
Bankfoot Athletic v Dundee North End Brechin Victoria v TAYPORT Dundee Downfield v Elmwood Dundee East Craigie v Broughty Athletic Dundee Violet v Blairgowrie Kinnoull v Luncarty Lochee Harp v Kirriemuir Thistle Scone Thistle v Forfar West End

All other Tayside Clubs have received byes









Can ah get ma ba' back, please?

A text message flashed from Tayport to the Tayport committee at Durham late on Saturday night with the shock news that former committee man and keen Port supporter Big Eck Beat had been playing football. Surely not? He with the two left feet, he who retired when he was still in short breeks. But yes, apparently so.

At a garden barbecue in Dougall Street on Saturday evening, young 'Port supporter Lewis Davie was between the sticks when the bold Eck stepped up to show how a penalty kick should be tucked away. "I'll show you how big Wardy tucks them away," says Big Eck placing the ball on the spot. Even Eck couldn't miss the huge target defended only by ten year old Lewis. How wrong could one be?

Inevitably, the ball sailed high and wide of the goal, flew over the wall into a neighbour's garden and landed with an al-



PLONKER!

mighty crash - right through a greenhouse. Any doubt that the message, as relayed to Durham, was as inaccurate as Eck's penalty was dispelled as early as 8.05 on Monday morning when, of all people, *Snout* encountered a Beat of Tayport joiner walking in the direction of Dougall Street carrying a large pane of glass!

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RETAINING THE TITLE WILL NOT BE EASY

says DUNMORE

As Tayport embark upon another season, their fourteenth in the junior ranks, it would be remiss not to review the final weeks of the historic 2002/03 campaign. The details of the fabulous OVD Scottish Junior Cup success are well documented but, since the last edition of the 'Port Programme, the Canniepairt has become the home to two more trophies.

The most significant of these pieces of silverware was, of course, the Whyte and Mackay East Region Super League championship. Within a week of the unforgettable Firhill triumph, Tayport had completed a unique double, by clinching the league crown. Davie Evans and Ralph Hunter struck in a midweek match against Dundee North End, leaving Dave Baikie's troops just three points from the title.

Bonnyrigg, therefore, became the venue for the title party. After conceding an early goal, Tayport's strength of character shone through late in the game, when goals from Scott Peters and John Ward led to a 2-1 win, setting the stage for captain Grant Paterson to become the first ever player to raise aloft the league trophy.

It was fitting that Peters and Ward scored the all-important goals, as their contribution to the campaign had been immense, as demonstrated by their collection of Player of the Year awards. A less established figure, however, netted the goal which won Tayport the North End Challenge Cup in the final match of a long season. Trailing to Violet, a late equaliser from Jonathan Mitchell took the cup final into extra time and, seconds from a penalty shoot-out, rising star Robbie Holden plundered the last gasp winner. The young striker's glory goal deserved to make all of the headlines for a match which none who was present is likely to forget.

Last year's adventure began at Bathgate and Thistle are again our opponents on the opening day of 2003/04. The Creamery Park outfit proved themselves to be a solid unit last term and will be keen to mount a substantial challenge for the Whyte and Mackay East Super League this time around.

Other threats to Tayport are likely to be Hill of Beath and Scottish Cup runners-up, Linlithgow Rose. Also looking to make an impact will be Arniston Rangers and Bonnyrigg, both of whom have produced some attractive football over the past twelve months.

With one quarter of the league's twelve teams being relegated, there will always be a freshness within the set-up. This season's newcomers, Bo'ness United, Lochee United and Kelty Hearts all have aspirations of doing well and would appear to have better credentials than at least two of the clubs who slipped back into the district divisions. Retaining the title will not be easy, but the bid to do so will be intriguing. Let the games commence!



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TAYPORT IN THE FIFE AMATEUR CUP

PART 7

After accounting for two of Fife's most powerful outfits, Ballingry Rovers and Star Hearts en route to the final of the 1979/80 Fife Amateur Cup, Tayport were hot favourites to lift the trophy in the final against Windygates Amateurs at Cowdenbeath's Central Park on Wednesday 30th April. But it wasn't to be.



Tayport brought back striker Ian Howe for his first game since the semi-final to the exclusion of Ian Brown who was substitute along with Rab Downie. Bobby Wilson replaced Peter Wilson in central defence.

The game was as uninspiring as the Central Park surroundings and Tayport trailed by a goal at half-time. Pre-match hopes of cup success were rekindled by an Alex Reid equaliser and the game went into extra time. Tayport's luck was out, though, and a second chance to lift the County's premier amateur trophy went out the window when, against the run of play, Windygates grabbed the winner.

Representing Tayport that evening over 23 years ago were Ian Lyall; Alan Hart, Ian Mathers, Bobby Wilson, Doug Henderson; Alex Reid, Jim Downie, Peter Cuthill; Ian Howe, Raymond White, Gordon Hughes. Subs Ian Brown and Rab Downie.

Things were looking good for another crack at the elusive trophy when Tayport started season 1980/81 with an unbeaten 14 game run. 1st round opponents were, once again, Star Hearts but it was to be an early and inglorious exit for 'Port - hammered 4-0 on The Canniepairt. Several new faces were in that side - Ian Noble, Stewart Gibson, Abe Watson, Bruce Burnett, Brian Simpson and Alan Paterson.

It was to be the last occasion on which Tayport were to contest the Fife Cup fielding a 1st Xl. From there on in the second Xl, which was known as the Fife Xl, was entered in the Fife Cup with the 1st Xl entering the North of Tay Cup.

A trip to Burntisland United proved to be a disaster for the 'Port 2nd string, beaten 8 - 2 in a first round tie in October 1981. The team that day - Ian Lyall; Kevin Malone, Willie Gardiner, Ian Brown, Colin Gray; Richard Rennie, Alan Paterson, Brian Simpson; Bruce Burnett, Brian Davidson and Allan Harte. Subs were Doug Henderson and Roy Lessels.

To be concluded in the next Port Prog

SNIFFING ABOUT WITH



THE SNOUT

Tulliallan Thistle announced that they could not participate this season and decided to go into abeyance for a year - the third occasion that Tulliallan have been forced to take such action in recent years. Similar problems at Bonnybridge, who have also taken a year out, but good news from further west where Clydebank are back in business. The former senior club who were replaced by Airdrie United in the Bell's Scottish League joined the junior association's West Region

The opportunity to be one of five old East Region clubs to get into the new Super League last year was spurned by Whitburn and they continue to rue that decision, it would appear, now that only one club can step up from their district league. Burnies top scorer Davie McGlynn was reluctanlty put on the transfer list after asking away. When asked for his reasons, McGlynn cited travelling but said "there are other reasons which I feel the committee would be better answering. If we had been in the Super League with ambition, then the situation could have been better..."

The club has received a welcome donation of £125, the profit from the bus Kirsty Oswald ran to the Scottish Cup Final. Our thanks to Kirsty and all those involved.

Furthest travelled of any Tayport club member on holiday must have been Scott Peters who visited the Yukon to attend his sister- in-law's wedding. Some soccer clubs have competitions where holiday snaps are submitted of club members/fans wearing a replica strip in far flung places. The more far flung and unusual takes the prize. Reckon if Scott had his photo taken up there in the Arctic circle, then he'd have won the TFC prize!

When Partick Thistle played a pre-season friendly against junior neighbours Maryhill, the SPL side insisted they take half the gate receipts in respect of 'appearance' money.

Tayport Councillor Maggie Taylor neighbouring Councillor Andrew Arbuckle were two of the few elected officials who attended the Civic Reception in Glenrothes last week given by Fife Council to the players and officials of Tayport, Raith Rovers and East Fife to recognise their respective footballing successes of last season.



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THE WEST OF SCOTLAND REGION

HOW THEY FINISHED IN 2002/03

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	Pd	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts		Pd	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts	
Pollok	22	11	10	With	50	27	43	Arthurlie	22		5	4	41	19	44	
Neilston	22	12	7	3	42	31	43	Troon	22	14	2	6	38	30	41	
Glenafton Athletic	22	11	7	4	39	20	40	Bellshill Athletic	22	12	5	5	38	30	41	
Kilwinning Rangers	22	10	5	7	38	24	35	Beith	22	11	4	7	48	34	37	
Johnstone Burgh	22	9	5	8	27	28	32	Shettleston	22	9	5	8	29	23	32	
Kilbirnie Ladeside	22	8	7	7	31	31	31	Petershill	22	9	5	8	36	33	32	
Larkhall Thistle	22	7	8	7	34	30	29	Shotts Bon Accord	22	7	5	10	31	38	26	
Maryhill	22	8	5	9	31	32	29	Renfrew	22	6	6	10	32	47	24	
Cumnock	22	8	4	10	28	40	28	Hurlford United	22	4	11	7	28	42	23	
Auchinleck Talbot	22	7	6	9	40	36	27	Cumbernauld United	22	5	8	9	26	27	20	
Irvine Meadow	22	5	4	13	29	45	19	Cambuslang Rangers	22	4	8	10	23	34	20	
Benburb	22	1	2	19	18	63	5	Largs Thistle	22	3	6	13	20	37	15	

ROCKWARE GLASS Ayrshire District League							ABERCORN Central District Leag First Division							
THE RELEASE OF THE PARTY OF THE	Pd	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts		Pd	W	D	L	F	
Lugar Boswell Thistle	24	20	2	2	88	26	62	Kilsyth Rangers	22	15	4	3	61	
Maybole	24	18	3	3	67	27	57	Rutherglen Glencairn	22	13	4	5	48	
Muirkirk	24	15	1	8	57	39	46	Greenock	22	12	4	6	34	
Kello Rovers	24	13	4	7	68	46	43	Vale of Leven	22	10	7	5	38	
Dalry Thistle	24	11	6	7	45	45	39	Lanark United	22	10	5	7	40	
Irvine Victoria	24	11	5	8	46	38	38	East Kilbride Thistle	22	8	8	6	37	
Saltcoats Victoria	24	11	3	10	45	55	36	Kirkintilloch Ron Roy	22	7	5	10	32	
Craigmark Burnt	24	10	5	9	46	50	35	Glasgow Perthshire	22	7	4	11	39	
Ardrossan Winton Rov	24	8	2	14	38	49	26	Vale of Clyde	22	6	7	9	34	
Annbank United	24	7	4	13	48	56	25	St. Rochs	22	6	4	12	34	
Ardeer Thistle	24	5	1	18	42	81	16	Lesmahagow	22	5	5	12	28	
Whitletts Victoria	24	5	0	19	38	78	15	Blantyre Victotia	22	2	5	15		
Darvel	24	3	2	19	30	68	11							

WEST SUPER LEAGUE

The West Super League proved to be as competitive as expected with Pollok winning the title on goal difference. A bit more clear at the other end of the table with Irvine Meadow and Benburb taking the drop to the First Division. Replacing them are Arthurlie and Troon which maintains Central/Ayrshire balance in the top league. Cambuslang and Largs drop down the District Leagues.

Stonehouse Violet

Coltness United

Carluke Rovers

Royal Albert

ABERCO	ABERCORN Central District League												
	Second												
	Pd	W	D	L	F	A	Pts						
St. Anthonys	24	16	7	1	66	26	55						
Port Glasgow	24	15	6	3	65	36	52						
Dunipace	24	13	8	3	59	27	47						
Ashield	24	14	1	9	58	43	43						
Baillieston	24	9	7	8	52	49	34						
Forth Wanderers	24	10	4	10	43	47	34						
Wishaw	24	8	9	7	45	40	33						
Yoker Athletic	24	9	3	12	42	55	30						
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During the 'Port's run to the OVD Scottish Junior Cup success last season we accounted for five teams from the West. These were Johnstone Burgh, Irvine Meadow, Cumnock and Maryhill who finished 5th, 11th, 9th and 8th in the Premier Super League and Wishaw who finished 7th in the Central District League Division 2.

WEST DISTRICT

Only one team from each of the Ayrshire and Central District leagues gain promotion and they are Lugar Boswell Thistle from the Ayrshire league and Kilsyth Rangers from the Central league. This again by coincidence retains the Ayrshire/Central balance.

Movement between the First and Second Divisions of the Central league is far greater with three Clubs swapping places.

THE EAST OF SCOTLAND REGION

DISTRICT LEAGUES

HOW THEY FINISHED IN 2002/03

Whyte & Mackay Lothian District League First Division											
	Pd	W	D	L	F	A	Pts				
Bo'ness United	18	10	5	3	45	29	35				
Whitburn	18	11	2	5	30	26	35				
Sauchie	18	9	5	4	49	30	32				
Fauldhouse United	18	10	0	8	38	35	30				
Musselburgh Athletic	18	8	2	8	31	34	26				
Newtongrange Star	18	7	4	7	33	24	25				
Camelon	18	6	5	7	39	37	23				
Armadale Thistle	18	7	1	10	29	39	22				
Pumpherston	18	4	3	11	25	36	15				
Bonnybridge	18	3	3	12	25	54	12				

Whyte & Mackay Lothian District League Second Division											
	Pd	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts				
Harthill Royal	20	13	5	2			44				
Dunbar United	20	11	4	5	48		37				
Penicuick Athletic	20	10	7	3	30	16	37				
Broxburn Athletic	20	10	4	6	39	26	34				
Blackburn United	20	9	7	4	37	29	34				
West Calder United	20	8	4	8	38	37	28				
Dalkeith Thistle	20	8	3	9	29	33	27				
Tranent	20	6	5	9	34	38	23				
Haddington Athletic	20	5	4	11	40	54	19				
Livingston United	20	2	5	13	26	48	11				
Stoneyburn	20	3	2	15	20	55	11				

Whyte & Mackay Tayside District League Premier Division											
	Pd	W	D	L	F	A	Pts				
Loches United	18	14	3	-1	61	23	45				
Arbroath Sporting Club	18	11	2	5	39	31	35				
Broughty Athletic	18	10	4	4	38	29	34				
Montrose Roselea	18	9	5	4	44	28	32				
Forfar West End	18	6	6	6	29	31	24				
Downfield	18	6	3	9	40	42	21				
Elmwood	18	6	3	9	26	32	21				
Kirriemuir Thistle	18	4	5	9	29	41	17				
East Craigle	18	2	5	11	27	50	11				
Arbroath Victoria	18	2	4	12	22	48	10				

Whyte & Mackay Tayside District League First Division										
	Pd	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Scone Thistle	18	14	1	3		21	43			
Kinnoull	18	13	3	2	68	17	42			
Forfar Albion	18	12	2	4	40	26	38			
Blairgowrie	18	9	3	6	42	24	30			
Coupar Angus	18	8	6	4	41	24	30			
Lochee Harp	18	8	0	10	40	46	24			
Luncarty	18	6	5	7	31	34	23			
Jeanfield Swifts	18	5	1	12	23	49	16			
Brechin Victoria	18	1	3	14	19	69	6			
Bankfoot Athletic	18	0	4	14	16	60	4			

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Whyte & Mackay Fife District League											
	Pd	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts				
Kelty Hearts	22	18	3	1	65	18	57				
Thornton Hibernian	22	17	3	2	59	12	54				
Dundonald Bluebell	22	12	5	5	61	27	41				
Lochore Welfare	22	11	5	6	44	32	38				
St Andrews United	22	9	5	8	51	45	32				
Crossgates Primrose	22	8	5	9	33	36	29				
Kirkcaldy YMCA	22	8	5	9	40	47	29				
Steelend Victoria	22	7	4	11	24	44	25				
Rosyth Recreation	22	7	3	12	33	47	24				
Newburgh	22	5	4	13	38	52	19				
Lochgelly Albert	22	5	3	14	28	60	18				
Tulliallan Thistle	22	2	1	19	25	81	7				

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