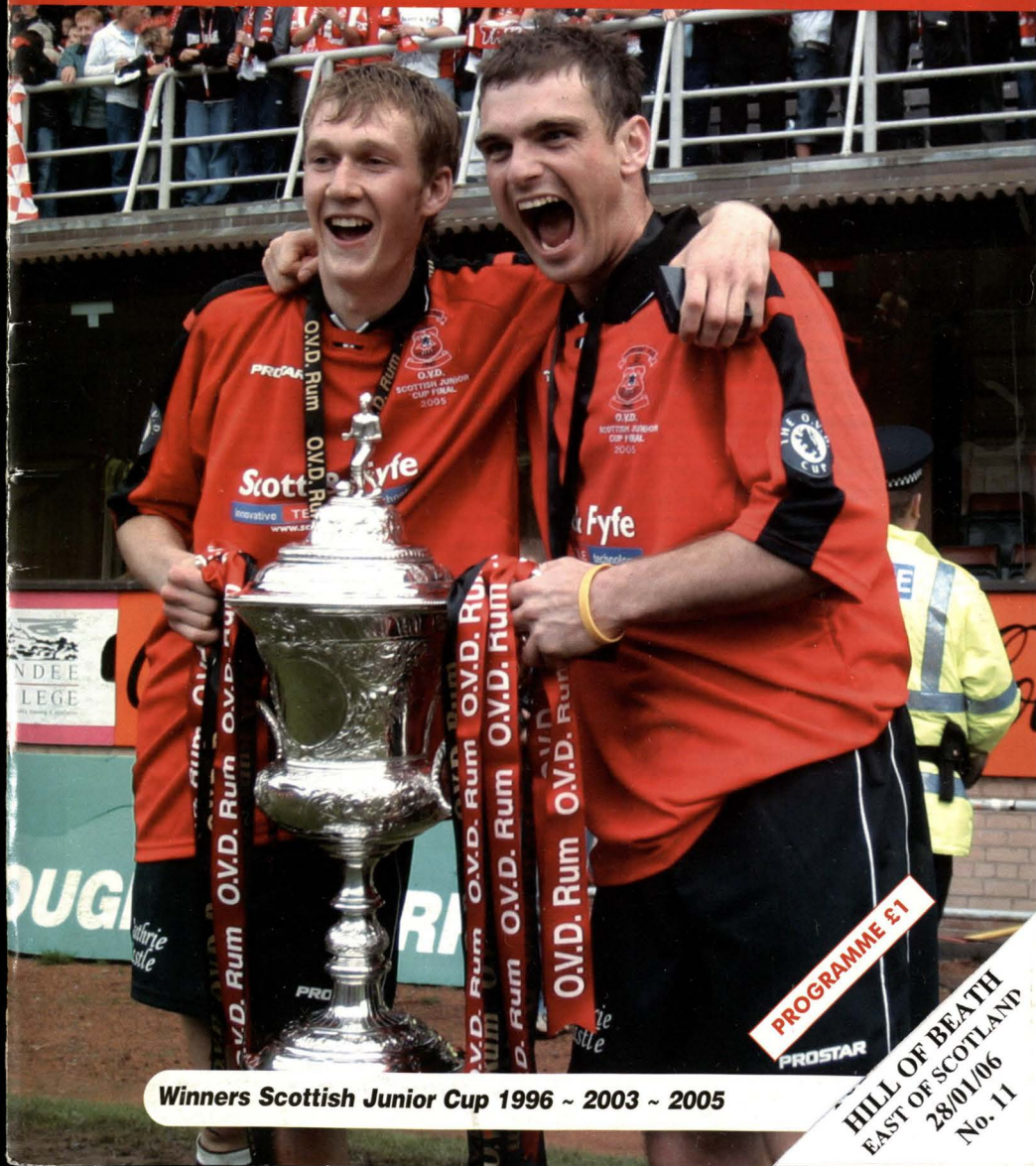


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## HILL of BEATH HAWTHORN - the season so far

DATE	COMPETITION	OPPONENTS	RESULT	SCORERS
13/08/05	East Superleague	Carnoustie (A)	L 0-2	.
17/08/05	East Superleague	Bo'ness United (A)	L 1-4	C. Courts.
20/08/05	East Superleague	Bonnyrigg Rose (A)	W 3-1	C. Courts, G. Meikle, B. Smith.
24/08/05	East Superleague	Glenrothes (A)	D 1-1	D. Wright.
27/08/05	East Superleague	Lochee United (A)	W 2-1	A. Roberts, M. Thomson.
03/09/05	East Superleague	Bathgate Thistle (A)	D 2-2	B. Smith, C. Courts.
10/09/05	East Superleague	Dundee North End (H)	W 3-1	B. Smith, D. Wilson, M. Grehan.
17/09/05	East Superleague	Arniston Rangers (H)	D 1-1	M. Thomson.
24/09/05	East Superleague	Whitburn (H)	W 2-1	A. Roberts (2).
01/10/05	OVD Cup Rd 1	Camelon (H)	L 0-3	.
08/10/05	East Superleague	Linlithgow Rose (H)	L 0-1	.
15/10/05	Fife & Lothians Cup	Fauldhouse United (H)	D 0-0	Won on penalty shoot out
22/10/05	East Superleague	Tayport (A)	D 0-0	.
29/10/05	East Superleague	Bo'ness United (H)	W 2-1	J. Mitchell, OG.
05/11/05	East Superleague	Dundee North End (A)	W 2-1	A. Roberts (2).
12/11/05	East Superleague	Tayport (H)	L 0-2	.
03/12/05	Maloco Cup Rd 1	Lochgelly Albert (H)	D 5-5	B. Smith (2), M. Thomson, A. Gray, S. Winiarski. Won on penalty shoot out
10/12/05	East Superleague	Bathgate Thistle (H)	L 1-2	Winiarski.
07/01/06	Redwood Cup Rd 1	Arbroath SC (A)	D 0-0	Lost on penalty shoot out.
21/01/06	Fife & Lothians Cup	Whitburn (A)	L 0-1	.
28/01/06	E. of Scotland R 1	Tayport (A)	.	.
TBA	Maloco Cup Rd 2	Glenrothes (A)	.	.
TBA	Kingdom Kegs Cup	St Andrews United (H)	.	.
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## OVD SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP FIFTH ROUND DRAW



The draw for the fifth round of the OVD Scottish Junior Cup was made last Tuesday in Glasgow and resulted as follows:

Arthurlie	v	Tayport	11/2 Arthurlie
Beith	v	St Andrews	Auchinleck
Bo'ness	v	Neilston	Tayport.
Clydebank	v	Bonnyrigg	7/1 Bathgate, Lochee Utd.
Fauldhouse Utd	v	Auchinleck	8/1 Bo'ness.
Irvine Meadow	v	Glenrothes	12/1 Bonnyrigg.
Kirkcaldy YM	v	Petershill	16/1 Beith, Glenrothes, Irvine Meadow
Lochee United	v	Bathgate	Petershill.
			20/1 Clydebank, Fauldhouse, Neilston.
			33/1 Kirkcaldy, St Andrews.

Ties are due on Saturday 14  
11th February 2006 2.15pm

Wm Hill's betting for the cup. Available until  
2.15pm on 11th February

Well, the hopes of 14 teams in last Tuesday's Cup draw were realised when Arthurlie and Tayport came out of the hat together. Arthurlie were quickly in touch with Tayport advising that a 2,000 + attendance is anticipated for Barrhead's Dunterlie Park. The fact that neither Rangers nor Celtic are playing (they play the following day) is expected to boost the gate.

Would you believe, the following was posted on the Scottish Junior's yahoo website by **Drunk Lochee Man** ON MONDAY

Anyone fancy making predictions for the draw. I fancy Arthurlie to have a home tie v Tayport.... Stuff dreams are made of for the other 14 teams in it!!

**Drunk Lochee Man** gets around and he was quick off the mark to post another message, this time on Arthurlie's website .

For what its worth, I hope (and think you will) absolutely pump them in the next round of the cup.

Back came an Arthurlie punter with....

I think drunk lochee man obviously was!!!! He seems to forget that the better team lost v Lie last year [Lochee beat Arthurlie on penalties] & then they got pumped by the port in the final!!!!!! ...

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## Harry Reports.....

Harry Watson, originally from Forres and now residing in Gateshead, whom we met whilst on tour of the North East of England during pre-season, and who attended our game at Glenrothes earlier this season, has posted the following report of Crook Town v St Blazey from Cornwall. Port fans will recall we played Crook on that trip, winning 4-1. They've been going well since and are now in the last 16 of the FA Vase.

**21 January 2006**

**CROOK TOWN V ST.BLAZEY (FA.VASE Round 4)**

TODAY I DECIDED TO GO TO THIS FA VASE MATCH IN SOUTH WEST DURHAM INVOLVING CROOK TOWN FROM THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DIVISION OF THE NORTHERN LEAGUE AND ST.BLAZEY FROM CORNWALL WHO HAD ONLY BEEN BEATEN ONCE AND WERE IN 4<sup>TH</sup> POSITION IN THE SOUTH WESTERN LEAGUE. THEY HAD WON THE SOUTH WESTERN LEAGUE 6 TIMES OUT OF THE LAST 7 SEASONS.THIS WAS AN 850 MILE ROUND TRIP FOR THE AWAY SIDE.

I WENT INTO THE CLUB HOUSE FOR A QUICK DRINK BEFORE THE BIG EVENT AND SPOKE TO ONE OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE SAINTS WHO SAID THE CLUB WAS SPONSORED BY A LOCAL FIRM AND THEY HAD FLOWN UP FROM EXETER TO NEWCASTLE AT 8 IN THE MORNING AND THEN TAKEN A BUS TO CROOK. WHILST HE WAS SPEAKING A COUPLE OF LADS FROM ST.BLAZEY CAME IN . THEY HAD DRIVEN TO CROOK, A MERE 7 HOUR JOURNEY!

AROUND 400 SPECTATORS, ABOUT 5 TIMES MORE THAN CROOK NORMALLY GET FOR A LEAGUE MATCH, WERE IN THE WOLINGTON ROAD GROUND WHEN THE SIDES RAN OUT. THE WEATHER WAS MILD FOR THIS TIME OF YEAR BUT THE PITCH WAS STILL MUDDY AND RUTTED.

ON 4 MINUTES IT WAS NO SURPRISE WHEN CROOK TOOK THE LEAD WHEN ROY ALLEN BEAT THE OFFSIDE TRAP AND ALTHOUGH FORCED WIDE BY A DEFENDER, STILL GOT HIS CROSS IN WITH THE DANGEROUS MILROY BLASTING THE BALL PAST MURPHY FROM POINT BLANK RANGE.A COUPLE OF MINUTES LATER ST.BLAZEY NEARLY EQUALIZED BUT FORWARD JUSTIN HARRINGTON, WITH A FREE HEADER, PUT IT OVER THE BAR. THE ACTION NEVER STOPPED AS ANOTHER FINE MOVE FROM CROOK SAW MILROY'S RISING SHOT SAVED BY MURPHY. ALTHOUGH ST.BLAZEY WERE ALWAYS DANGEROUS ON THE BREAK CROOK DESERVEDLY WENT IN LEADING 1 - 0

THE TOWN STARTED THE SAME WAY AS THE FIRST HALF BY TAKING CONTROL AND IT WAS NO SURPRISE WHEN THEY SCORED A 2<sup>ND</sup> ON THE HOUR , WHEN A LOW VOLLEYED SHOT FROM PAUL STOUT CREPT JUST INSIDE THE POST. THE GAME WAS OVER A MINUTE LATER AS ROY ALLEN BEAT THE OFFSIDE TRAP, ROUNDED MURPHY AND SLOTTED THE BALL IN TO MAKE IT 3-0. ST.BLAZEY TRIED TO GET BACK INTO THE GAME BUT IT WAS TOO MUCH AND CROOK WENT INTO THE LAST 16 FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER.

AS I DROVE HOME I REFLECTED ON £4 WELL SPENT ON A VERY ENTERTAINING MATCH.

THE PROGRAMME FOR THE GAME COST A £1 AND HAD 46 PAGES INCLUDING 18 PAGES OF ADVERTS. THERE WAS NOT TOO MUCH TO READ. IT HAS THE USUAL TEAM PEN PICTURES, 2 PAGES ON GLYNN HOOPER (ST.BLAZEY)TRAVELLING 450 MILES A WEEK TO TRAIN AND PLAY FOR HIS HOME TOWN TEAM, A QUIZ , HISTORY OF THE CLUB AND THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ROUND DRAW OF THE FA VASE. IT ALSO INCLUDED.RESULTS, FIXTURES AND A WEEKLY ROUND UP WHICH GIVES ALL THE SCORES FROM THE NORTHERN LEAGUE FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK. THERE IS ALSO A PIECE ON DEAN GORDON (EX MIDDLESBROUGH) WHO PLAYED A FEW MATCHES FOR CROOK AND HAD JUST SIGNED FOR BLACKPOOL.

*Harry*



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Tayport FC held their inaugural Footballers' Supper in the Tayport Arms last Saturday evening when a capacity attendance enjoyed the humour of Dave Nicoll and former Scottish Sporting Speaker of the Year John Gahagan, a favourite on the After Dinner Speaking Circuit.

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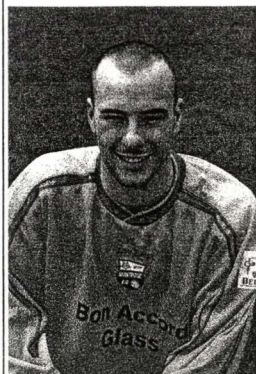
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But they've undersold themselves as it's actually only 37 years since Saints were in the last 16. In 1968/69, after seeing off Islavale, Coupar Angus, Banks of Dee, and Arbroath Vics, Saints were in the last 16 where they went down 4-1 (after a 1-1 draw) to eventual winners Cambuslang Rangers.

Tayport fans Willie 'Taggart' Henderson, Stewart Downie and Bill Hanlin are looking for sponsorship of their half time pint in Scotsraig Golf Club during home games. By nipping away for their refreshment a few minutes before the break and not returning until a few minutes after h.t., they have missed a number of Tayport goals. So, Keith knows what to do if the lads are struggling for a goal - give the guys a couple of quid and send them round the corner to the Gowfie.



Duncan McLean

### Duncan has a hard act to follow

With goals in the semi final and final of last season's OVD Scottish Junior Cup, Gary Middleton will be a hard act to follow, but Tayport would not transferred Smokey had they not had the opportunity to fix up Duncan McLean in his place. Duncan joined Dundee FC from school and made his debut for the Dark Blues at Perugia, Italy in the UEFA Cup in 2003. He played four games in the SPL that season, v Killie, Rangers, Partick Thistle and Hearts, scoring against the Edinburgh side. Duncan moved to Arbroath FC the following season, and despite only being at Gayfield until last season's January window, he was still the club's third top scorer. A year ago it was a move up the coast to Montrose where he notched 4 goals for the Links Park club before the end of the season.

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As soon as the draw was made this afternoon's tie was dubbed 'tie of the round'. Maybe because the sides met in the final of last season's Redwood Cup, maybe because it's a meeting of Fife's top two teams, or maybe it's because none of the other ties have caught the imagination.

Out of the Scottish, out of the Fife/Tayside and out of the Fife & Lothians Cup means today's game is win or bust for the Haws if they are to retain an interest in anything other than a couple of local cups between now and the end of the season. It'll not be a stroll in either of these cups, either, with St Andrews and Glenrothes to be faced in the next rounds. It's a situation which will have the Keir's Park side fired up this afternoon.

Manager Jock Finlayson identified weaknesses in his squad during the first half of the season and took action to strengthen his hand as soon as the window opened, signing former Keltie striker Craig Reynolds from Rosyth for a reputed £4,000, midfielder Gary Lamont from Whitburn and defender Darren Davidson from Glenrothes. Reynolds was cup-tied last week as Haws went down 1-0 to Whitburn in the Fife & Lothians Cup.

Moving out of Keir's Park was striker Andy Roberts who moved back across the Forth to join up with Dave Baikiie at Bo'ness. Roberts is currently top scorer for Hill of Beath and his record of 25 goals in 56 appearances was quite impressive. Manager Finlayson will be hoping Roberts' replacement can find the road to goal and end this year's current drought. Indeed they have had more players sent off in 2006 than they have scored goals!

Hill of Beath are strong on experience with seasoned campaigners like defender Ally Gray, ex-Dundee United and Brechin City striker Martyn Thomson, who netted the winner v Tayport in the Redwood Final, and former Stenny, Clyde and East Fife keeper Marc Graham.

Like their opponents Tayport have transferred a striker during the transfer window when Gary Middleton moved to Montrose FC, bringing in Duncan McLean from the Gable Endies in his place. Duncan came off the bench to make his first appearance for Port last Saturday and will be in line for a starting jersey today.

Steven Stewart is a big injury doubt and Robbie Henderson could again be struggling through injury. Alan Ramsay and Ross Gunnion, both missing through work commitments last week v Arncliffe, will be back in the frame but Lloyd Young is still on holiday.

Today's game will be decided on penalty kicks if the teams are level after 90 minutes. Three of Haws' five cup ties to date this season have been settled this way.



Keith Burgess writes..... IS SPONSORED BY

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Good afternoon and a very warm welcome to both sets of supporters for today's East of Scotland Cup clash against Hill of Beath.

Today's opponents are no strangers to us this season as we have played them both home and away in the East Super League. Both matches were very tight affairs with a 0 - 0 draw at the Canniepairt and a 2 - 0 victory for Tayport at Keir's Park a few weeks later. There was not much to choose between the teams in both games and I expect to be very close again this afternoon.



Last week at Arniston was a dull affair on a rain sodden park that was bumpy and muddy, which didn't suit our passing game. Too often passes went astray or were over-hit and frustration set in, with some players struggling with the underfoot conditions and Arniston's very direct style of play.

After a slow start we started to look dangerous and deservedly took the lead with a powerful Brian Livie header from a great set piece from Steven Stewart. But, instead of building on the early lead, we lost a poor goal ten minutes later when we failed to stop a cross into the box and Ross Barnes rose unchallenged at the back post to head past Fitzy. We felt we could have done more to prevent the cross coming in and certainly should have had one of our big defenders attacking the ball better. The rest of the half was pretty even but we created a couple of great opportunities to re-take the lead but failed because of Arniston's good defending and unusually bad finishing by our guys. Although it was not all one way traffic. We got a fright when Arniston struck a post on the 35 minute mark, only for the ball to rebound and land in Fitzy's arms.

The second period was similar to the first but we just got the feeling that we were starting to boss the game and after a couple of substitutions we went for the win that would put us three points clear at the top of the league. With ten minutes to go Roberto Morris took a quick free kick to our impressive debutant Duncam McLean who spotted Gareth Dailly's far post run, and delivered a great pass which Gareth expertly sidefooted past their keeper for the winner.

Although not entirely happy with our performance, we are delighted to have won a match on a pitch that was more like a ploughed field than a Super League surface. It only goes to show that, when we have to, our lads can dig deep and get the results when other teams might have accepted a draw. They must be praised for their efforts and hard graft last Saturday, but we will expect the same effort this afternoon against Jock Finlayson's side. Let's all get behind the team today.

*Cheers, Keith*

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10/11	Bankfoot Athletic	13/5	Steelend Vics	21/10
1/4	Bo'ness United	4/1	Lochore Welfare	7/1
1/7	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	5/1	West Calder United	11/1
5/4	Broxburn Athletic	13/5	Broughty Athletic	6/4
1/4	Carnoustie Panmure	4/1	Pumpherton	7/1
7/4	Crossgates Primrose	5/2	Haddington Athletic	11/10
7/4	Dalkeith Thistle	5/2	Arbroath Sporting Club	11/10
14/5	Downfield	14/5	Kinnoull	4/6
2/5	Dundee Violet	10/3	Dundee East Craigie	9/2
5/2	Dundonald Bluebell	5/2	Edinburgh United	4/5
4/5	Fauldhouse United	5/2	Kelty Hearts	5/2
6/4	Forfar Albion	13/5	Brechin Vics	5/4
11/2	Forfar West End	7/2	Bathgate Thistle	1/3
1/8	Glenrothes	11/2	Ballingry Rovers	11/1
11/4	Harthill Royal	13/5	Penicuik Athletic	8/11
6/4	Kirkcaldy YM	21/10	Sauchie	6/4
1/3	Linlithgow Rose	7/2	Rosyth Recreation	11/2
2/1	Livingston United	11/4	Luncarty	10/11
14/5	Lochee Harp	14/5	Musselburgh Athletic	4/6
1/4	Lochee United	9/2	Tranent	6/1
4/1	Lochgelly Albert	10/3	Camelon	4/9
2/5	Montrose Roselea	10/3	Jeanfield Swifts	9/2
1/3	Newtongrange Star	7/2	Kirriemuir Thistle	11/2
4/7	Oakley United	16/5	Blackburn United	3/1
4/5	Scone Thistle	5/2	Dunbar United	5/2
2/5	St Andrews United	10/3	Blairgowrie	9/2
4/6	Stoneyburn	14/5	Coupar Angus	14/5
8/11	Tayport	13/5	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	11/4
11/10	Thornton Hibs	5/2	Newburgh	7/4
4/9	Whitburn	10/3	Dundee North End	4/1

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Date	Opposition	Com	Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Att
Aug 13	ARNISTON RANGERS	L	W 3 - 1	Bruce	Gunnion	Dailly 1 #	Morris	Wemyss	Young	Knox 1 %	Stewart	Henderson	Duell 1	Livie	Middleton (9)	Brown (9)	Paterson (11)	226
Aug 17	LOCHEE UNITED	L	W 1 - 0	Bruce	Gunnion	Paterson	Morris #	Wemyss	Dailly 1 #	Middleton #	Stewart	Duell	Knox #	Livie	Christie (7)	Young (10)		388
Aug 20	Whitburn	L	L 2 - 3	Bruce	Gunnion	Paterson	Morris	Wemyss	Livie	Middleton	Stewart	Duell 1 #	Knox	Henderson	Brown (3)	Malone (10)	Christie (11) 1	278
Aug 24	Carnoustie Panmure	L	D 1 - 1	Bruce	Gunnion #	Paterson	Morris	Wemyss	Livie	Young	Stewart 1	Duell	Dailly #	Middleton	Brown (7)	Malone (8)	Christie (11)	202
Aug 27	BONNYRIGG	L	L 1 - 2	Bruce	Gunnion	Paterson	Livie	Wemyss	Morris	Young	Stewart	Suell	Dailly 1	Middleton	Henderson (7)	Christie (3)		215
Sept 3	Linlithgow Rose	L	D 2 - 2	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Morris	Wemyss 1	Livie	Grant	Stewart	Duell 1 %	Dailly	Henderson	Middleton (3)	Peters (6)	Knox (11)	578
Sept 10	BATHGATE THISTLE	L	D 1 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Livie	Morris	Wemyss	Young #	Grant	Stewart	Henderson	Dailly	Middleton 1				203
Sept 17	BO'NESS UNITED	L	W 2 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Livie	Morris	Wemyss	Young	Grant	Stewart	Henderson	Dailly	Middleton #	Knox (6) #	Brown (9)	Gunnion (11)	233
Sept 24	Glenrothes	L	W 1 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Peters #	Livie 1	Morris #	Wemyss #	Young	Grant	Stewart	Henderson 2	Dailly	Middleton %	McNaughton (6)	Duell (9)	Gunnion (10)	198
Oct 1	LINLITHGOW ROSE	L	D 0 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion #	Dailly %	Morris ##	Livie	Peters #	Grant	Stewart	McNaughton	Henderson	Duell				330
Oct 8	Lochee United	L	W 3 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Peters	Livie	Morris	Wemyss	Gunnion	McNaughton	Stewart 1	Grant	Duell	Middleton 1	Henderson (5) 1	Knox (4)	Malone (11)	211
Oct 15	Kinnoull	F1	W 5 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Livie	Malone 1	Duell #	Stewart	McNaughton 2	Grant 1	Knox #	Henderson	Middleton 1	Young (10)	Bruce (1)	Brown (6)	138
Oct 22	HILL OF BEATH	L	D 0 - 0	Bruce	Gunnion	Livie	Morris	Duell	McNaughton	Grant	Stewart	Young	Middleton	Henderson (8)	Dailly (10)			272
Oct 29	Dundee North End	L	W 3 - 0	Bruce	Gunnion	Livie	Morris	Duell	Grant	McNaughton	Knox #	Stewart	Middleton 1	Henderson 2	Brown (6)	Young (9)		246
Nov 5	KELLO ROVERS	S2	W 3 - 0	Bruce	Gunnion	Livie	Morris	Duell 1	Grant	McNaughton #	Knox	Young	Middleton	Henderson 2	Paterson (10)	Dailly (9)		258
Nov 12	Hill of Beath	L	W 2 - 0	Bruce	Gunnion	Paterson	Morris	Livie	Stewart	Knox #	Malone	Dailly #	Middleton	Duell #	Grant (7) 1	Ramsay (8)	Young (9)	241
Nov 26	Thornhill Hibs	RL1	W 3 - 1	Bruce	Gunnion	Paterson	Duell	Livie	Grant 1	McNaughton 1	Knox #	Stewart	Henderson	Middleton 1	Brown (6)	Dailly (8)	Young (9)	113
Dec 3	Sauchie	S3	W 4 - 1	Bruce	Gunnion	Paterson	Morris	Livie	Grant	McNaughton 1	Dailly #	Stewart 1	Middleton	Duell	Henderson (11) 1	Young (8)		374
Dec 10	Bo'ness United	L	L 0 - 4	Bruce	Gunnion	Paterson	Morris	Livie	Dailly	McNaughton #	Stewart	Grant	Middleton #	Duell	Knox (3)	Young (8)	Henderson (10)	396
Dec 17	LOCHEE HARP	F2	W 4 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Malone 1	Paterson #	Livie	Wemyss	Young 1	McNaughton 1	Brown	Henderson	Ramsay	Dailly	Grant (10) 1	Kenneth (8)	Middleton (7)	128
Jan 7	DOWNFIELD	Ch2	W 3 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Gunnion	Paterson	Morris	Wemyss 1 #	Ramsay	McNaughton	Stewart	Henderson 1	Dailly	Middleton	Grant (9)	Duell (7)	Livie (10)	138
Jan 14	RENFREW	S4	W 1 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Wemyss	Morris #	Livie	Peters	Ramsay	McNaughton 1	Stewart	Duell #	Middleton #	Dailly	Grant (5)	Gunnion (10)		399
Jan 21	Arniston Rangers	L	W 2 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Morris	Wemyss	Livie 1	Peters	Stewart	McNaughton	Dailly 1	Grant	Duell	Kenneth	McLean (10)	Paterson (9)		186
Jan 28	HILL OF BEATH	ES	1.45															
Feb 4	CARNOUSTIE	L	2.00															
Feb 11	Arthurlie	S5	2.15															
Feb 18	Arbroath S C (p)	RL2																
Feb 25																		

## Tayport FC—current squad stats

No.	Name	Previous club	debut	y	games	sub	TOTAL	goals
1	Frazer Fitzpatrick	Montrose FC	15.08.00	Jeanfield Swifts	245	0	245	0
21	Duncan Bruce	Dundee Utd	29.04.02	Broughty Athletic	21	4	25	0
2	Scott Peters	Arbroath FC	17.02.01	East Craigie	176	10	186	32
3	Grant Paterson	Riverside Ath	22.08.90	Forfar Albion	748	13	761	21
4	Craig Brown	Alloa Athletic	13.08.05	Arniston Rangers	1	7	8	0
5	Derek Wemyss	Riverside Ath	07.10.00	Forfar Albion	141	14	155	19
6	Lloyd Young	Rath Rovers	19.03.05	Oakley United	16	15	31	3
7	Allan Ramsay	Carnoustie	23.09.95	Lochee Harp	337	48	385	30
8	Steven Stewart	NCR Ams	17.08.94	Lochee United	391	57	448	80
9	Martin Grant	Cowdenbeath	03.09.05	Linlithgow Rose	14	4	18	4
10	Ronnie Kenneth	Carnoustie	18/08/00	Jeanfield Swifts	65	13	78	73
11	Duncan McLean	Montrose FC	21.01.06	Arniston Rangers	0	1	1	0
12	Roberto Morris	Forfar Ath	07.08.02	Montrose Roselea	144	1	145	3
13	Barry McNaughton	Lochee Harp	22.08.01	Lochee United	158	34	192	44
14	Gareth Dailly	Montrose FC	24.03.01	Lochee United	143	37	180	25
15	Ross Gunnion	Bankfoot	15.08.01	Bankfoot Athletic	159	16	175	3
17	Robbie Henderson	Montrose FC	14.08.04	Bo'ness United	41	21	62	28
18	Bryan Duell	Forfar West End	13.08.05	Arniston Rangers	18	2	20	4
19	Brian Livie	Forfar Albion	14.08.04	Bo'ness United	39	16	55	5
20	Gordon Malone	Maryfield Juvs	19.08.81	SMT	53	8	61	35

Note: These are the clubs with which the players played prior to joining Tayport for the first time. Several subsequently signed for the club for a second spell :- Bruce (Kinnoull), Malone (North End), Stewart (Montrose), Kenneth (Carnoustie) Malone's first 43 games for the club were in pre-Junior days

KEY: Competitions: L – Whyte & Mackay East Super League; S – OVD Scottish Junior Cup; ES – East of Scotland Cup; RL – Redwood Leisure Cup; Ch – Challenge Cup; F – Findlay & Co Cup; Number after letter indicates round of competition. Other: Number after player – goals scored; Number in brackets after player – player replaced; \* - after extra time; + - after extra time and penalties % - Player dismissed; # - Player cautioned

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# FROM THE ARCHIVES

**35 YEARS AGO**

**Saturday 30th January 1971**

**Tayport (1st XI) 1 Harris FP 1 Midlands League at East Common, Tayport**

The line-up :- Derek White; Ian Mathers, Eddie Stewart; Ian Dempster, Jim Scott, Ian White; Abby Oswald, Doug Henderson, Jim Lindsay, Richard Redpath, Ian Paterson; Sub Frank Leslie. **Scorer** :- Redpath

**Saturday 23rd January 1971**

**Tayport (2nd XI) 0 Broughty United (2nd XI) 3 Alliance Cup 2nd rd at East Common**

The line-up :- John Porter; Graeme Welsh, Andy Morrison; George Ritchie, Tony Gillespie, Ronnie Redpath; Davie Ayre, Jimmy Lindsay, Alan Davie, Maurice Flynn, Stewart Ritchie; Sub: Ian Mackie

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**25 YEARS AGO**

**Saturday 31st January 1981**

(on 24th January Midlands XI played a friendly at Colinsburgh and won 11-0)

**Harris FP 1 Tayport (1st XI) 2 Midlands League Division 1 at Eton Street**

The line-up :- Ian Lyall; Ian Noble, Alan Gray, Alan Hart, Ian Brown; Stewart Gibson, Abe Watson, Peter Cuthill; Ian Howe, Alex Reid, Barry Toner; Subs :- Bobby Wilson and Brian Simpson. **Scorers** :- Gibson and Reid

**Saturday 24th January 1981**

**Crail Amateurs 1 Tayport (Fife XI) 14 East Fife Amateurs Div 2 at Crail**

Richard Callander; Ronnie Stewart, Bobby Wilson, Jimmy Robb, Dean Anderson; Sandy Hamilton, Richard Rennie, Doug Henderson; Alan Paterson, Brian Davidson, Bruce Burnett; Subs:- Abby Oswald, Roddy Davie.

**Scorers** - Rennie (4), Burnett (3), Wilson, Paterson, Robb, Davidson, Henderson, Davie, own goal

**Saturday 24th January 1981**

**Tayport (Alliance XI) 3 Longforgan 2nd XI 2 Alliance League on East Common**

Graeme Rodger; John Aitken, Frank Feechan, Ian McAlindon, Colin Gray; Colin Doherty, Jimmy Anderson, Rab Downie; Neil Downie, Rab Burns, Roy Lessels; Subs Stuart Davie and Ian Ness



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I knew it. Last week I had a dream ; it was a re-run of the game at Dunterlie Park in 1992, very vivid. Anyway .....

It's been a good couple of weeks for Tayport, who have now won four consecutive matches, in four different tournaments. Even better, the last two wins have come in the two competitions which define the junior season.

A fortnight ago, 'Port saw off West table-toppers Renfrew, to reach the last-sixteen of the 'Scottish'. There was a significant tactical triumph for the management team, whose decision to play a back-three was more than vindicated, as the holders bossed the game throughout.

Frazer Fitzpatrick did have one key save to make, midway through the first half, but, otherwise, Tayport dominated. An error from the visiting goalkeeper led to Barry McNaughton's winning effort, although, on balance, nobody could deny that the result was justified.

That victory sets up the almighty fifth round clash against Arthurlie, who many believe to be the best outfit in the west of the country. Controversy has surrounded the Barrhead club recently, which will make them even more determined in their quest for the glory they have experienced twice before, in 1937 and 1998.

Leaving aside the Scottish Junior Cup, three crucial Whyte & Mackay East Super League points were collected from last weekend's trip to Newbyres Park. Brian Livie headed Tayport into the lead, only for Arniston Rangers, minus Ben Honeyman, to snatch an equaliser, when Ross Barnes met Mark Duthie's right flank cross. Duthie could have fired Rangers ahead, only to hit the post, and it was the visitors who would eventually find a winner. It came late, though, in the 80th minute. A quickly-taken Roberto Morris free kick found new boy Duncan McLean and his ball across goal was turned in by Gareth Dailly.

It was a satisfying debut for McLean and a very satisfying win for 'Port. For the three title-chasers, the pressure to win games is mounting and the recent past suggests that one of the trio is probably better equipped than the others. Time, however, will tell.

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## **SNIFFING ABOUT THE WITH THE SNOUT**



Tayport's winning goal at Arniston last Saturday had the Harris Academy hallmark. The three players involved in the move, Morris, McLean and Dailly are all former pupils of the Dundee school. Incidentally, new signing Duncan McLean's only previous appearance at the Canniepairt was for Harris v Morgan Academy in a Dundee Schools final when he netted both Harris goals in a 2-3 defeat by their rivals.

Two Tayport FC connections in last week's Bell's Scottish League clashes. At Central Park, Cowdenbeath, John Ward and Gary Middleton, teammates as Tayport lifted the Scottish Junior Cup at Tannadice last season, were in direct opposition, when the Blue Brazil met Montrose. Although the Gables Endies went down 2-0, the Sunday Mail gave Smoky a 7/10 rating, whilst John got 6/10. Our man at the game, however, didn't see it that way. There was a more tenuous connection at Hamilton Accies where St Mirren drew 0-0. Mark Corcoran turned out for the Buddies but was thwarted by Man of the Match, young Accies keeper Raymond Jellema. Raymond is the stepson of Andy (Bunt) Robertson, sponsor of Grant Paterson. That's ma boy, said Bunt in his many texts from Dubai last Saturday.

A glance at Tayport FC's website last Friday must have had new signing Duncan McLean scratching his head. Because there was his photograph - in a Tayport top despite never having pulled the shirt over his head or indeed ever recalling having the photo taken. Ah, such are the wonders of modern technology!

By defeating Renfrew to reach the last sixteen of the Scottish Cup, and using the fifth round stage as a benchmark, Tayport managed to keep their noses in front of Glenrothes and Hill of Beath with the claim to be Fife's most successful ever club ever in the 120 years history of the competition. Tayport have been there on 11 occasions, Glens and Haws have made 10 appearances each at this stage of the cup.

Former Tayport striker Ben Honeyman seems to be out of the picture at Arniston and is anxious to get a move before the window closes next week. He has been in discussions with Glenrothes and late this week there was interest shown by Rosyth Recreation who are looking good to be Oakley's main challengers for the Fife title and a step up to the Super League.

In a surprise transfer move, Montrose FC have signed Iain Macleod from North End with Kevin Don and Robert Smith moving to the Dokens in exchange. Also moving to North End Park is Tayport's Jim Henry. Yes, he's not played for 18 months but was still a Port player. The clubs agreed on a nominal fee.

## **P L A Y E R S P O N S O R S H I P**

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**TAYPORT'S SUPER LEAGUE SCORERS**

Gary Middleton (now Montrose), John Ward (Cowdenbeath) and Brian Craik (Lochee Harp) at the top of Tayport's leading all-time Super League goalscorers' chart. Barry McNaughton has the top of this particular table in sight. The current standings are

Gary Middleton	16	Derek Wemyss	6
Brian Craik	16	Ralph Hunter	6
John Ward	16	Dave Reilly	6
		Sean Christie	5
Barry McNaughton	14	Brian Livie	4
		Bryan Duell	4
Steven Stewart	10	Roberto Morris	3
Robbie Henderson	10	Ben Honeyman	3
		John Elliott	3
Gareth Dailly	9	Allan Ramsay	2
Davie Evans	8	Lloyd Young	2
		John Knox	1
Scott Peters	7	Ross Gunnion	1
		Martin Grant	1
		Johnny Mitchell	1

**REDWOOD LEISURE (FIFE/TAYSIDE) CUP**

**FIRST ROUND DRAW/RESULTS**

Arbroath Sporting Club	0 - 0 (4 - 1 on pens)	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
Blaigowrie	2 - 0	Ballingry Rovers
Broughty Ath	3 - 1	Lochore Welfare
Crossgates Primrose	1 - 4	Carnoustie Panmure
Coupar Angus	4/2	Dundonald Bluebell
Glenrothes	1 - 1 (5 - 4 on pens)	Forfar West End
Kinnoull	0 - 5	Kelty Hearts
Kirkcaldy YMCA	3 - 1	Scone Thistle
Lochee Harp	3 - 5	Oakley United
Lochee United	5 - 0	Newburgh
Lochgelly Albert	2 - 4	Montrose Roselea
Kirriemuir Thistle	2 - 2 (3 - 4 on pens)	Jeanfield Swifts
Rosyth Recreation	3 - 3 (5 - 4 on pens)	Downfield
St Andrews United	1 - 2	Dundee North End
Steeleend Victoria	2 - 4	Dundee Violet
Thornton Hibs	1 - 3	Tayport

**SECOND ROUND DRAW**

Ties on 18<sup>th</sup> February

Matches subject to possible OVD Scottish Junior Cup Replays

Arbroath Sporting Club	v	Tayport
Blaigowrie	v	Dundee Violet
Broughty Athletic	v	Oakley United
Dundee North End	v	Coupar Angus/Dundonald Bluebell
Glenrothes	v	Lochee United
Jeanfield Swifts	v	Kirkcaldy YM
Montrose Roselea	v	Kelty Hearts
Rosyth Recreation	v	Carnoustie Panmure



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## BBC SPORT FOOTBALL

New Scottish Cup hope for juniors

Junior clubs and others out-with the SPL and Scottish Football League could soon be allowed into the Scottish Cup.

The idea is being re-examined, despite it being rejected last season.



Tayport won the Junior Cup last season

Scottish FA chief executive David Taylor told BBC Sport: "The early rounds of the Scottish Cup could do with more teams to make it more attractive for everyone involved."

"The juniors now have superleagues and perhaps the winners and the Junior Cup winners could be invited."

Taylor, himself a former junior player, was speaking at the draw of the OVD Junior Cup.

Clubs from the Highland League and amateur leagues already take part, but he hinted that their participation could also be expanded.

The draw for the last 16 stage of the OVD Scottish Cup got it's fair share of exposure in this week's press, probably moreso because the two bookies' favourites were drawn together.

Keith Burgess s interviewed in *The Sun*, played things low key but commented that 'it's as tough a draw as we could have expected'.

Arthurlie manager Frank Lynch gave his thoughts on the Scottish draw, to *The Evening Times*.

He said: "It's the tie of the round by a mile, yet, by the same token, it's an easy one for me as a manager. "With all due respect, if we'd drawn Kirkcaldy YM then the pressure would very much be on us to go through, which is not the case against Tayport. And somehow I don't see me needing to motivate our players too much." "Only a fool would dismiss a Tayport squad boasting tried and trusted OVD campaigners such as Roberto Morris, Steven Stewart, Scott Peters and Grant Paterson in their ranks."

However, the Lie gaffer reckons his team will be the ones having a slight edge going into the contest.

"At this stage, a home draw is as much as you can ask for and, in that respect, I'm sure Tayport would much prefer to be in our shoes."

Even the BBC are getting in on the act now. The article reproduced on the left appeared on the BBC Sport website this week.

It was an opportunist article, given that SFA chief executive David Taylor had made the draw but it does serve to keep 'change' on the agenda.

It's going to happen sometime. We had all the squealing and squawking when Super Leagues were first proposed and the dinosaurs who continually held things back for years were proved to be wrong.

The SJFA, played a strong hand on that issue, It's time the Scottish Executive took a hand in this issue.



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## WHYTE & MACKAY EAST SUPER LEAGUE STATISTICS AS AT 21<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2006

**LEAGUE TABLE**

TEAM	Home						Away						GD	Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A			
TAYPORT	16	3	3	1	8	5	5	2	2	16	12	7	29	
Bathgate Thistle	13	3	3	0	6	3	4	2	1	9	6	6	26	
Whitburn	12	3	1	1	10	7	5	0	2	15	5	13	25	
Hill of Beath Hawthorn	15	3	1	3	9	9	3	3	2	11	12	-1	22	
Carnoustie Panmure	15	3	3	3	13	11	3	0	3	9	12	-1	21	
Bo'ness United	15	2	4	1	13	7	2	2	4	10	13	3	18	
Lochee United	13	4	0	3	16	13	1	3	2	5	7	1	18	
Linlithgow Rose	13	3	1	2	12	9	2	2	3	9	14	-2	18	
Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	12	3	0	7	11	10	2	1	3	9	9	1	16	
Arniston Rangers	15	3	1	4	16	21	1	3	3	11	14	-8	16	
Glenrothes	11	2	1	2	6	3	1	1	4	5	12	-4	11	
Dundee North End	14	1	2	6	7	16	0	1	4	7	13	-15	6	

**LEAGUE RESULTS CHART**

	Arniston	Bathgate	Bo'ness	Bonnyrigg	Carnoustie	Glenrothes	Hill of Beath	Linlithgow	Lochee	North End	TAYPORT	Whitburn
Arniston			2-1	3-2	2-3	2-3		3-2		2-2	1-2	1-6
Bathgate Th	1-0		0-0		2-1	1-0	2-2		0-0			
Bo'ness	1-1			0-0	1-2	2-2	4-1		1-1		4-0	
Bonnyrigg		0-1					1-3	4-2	4-2	4-2		0-2
Carnoustie	1-1	1-2	2-2	3-2		3-0	2-0		0-1		1-1	0-2
Glenrothes				2-0	3-0		1-1				0-1	0-1
Hill of Beath	1-1	1-2	2-1					0-1		3-1	0-2	2-1
Linlithgow	2-3	2-1	1-2		3-1	2-0					2-2	
Lochee Utd	5-4					2-0	1-2	5-1		2-1	1-3	0-2
North End		1-1	1-2	0-3	1-2		1-2	0-1	1-1		0-3	2-1
TAYPORT	3-1	1-1	2-1	1-2			0-0	0-0	1-0			
Whitburn		0-1	3-1					2-2		2-1	3-2	

**LEAGUE GUIDE TO FORM**

(last 5 league matches - most recent result to the right)

	W	L	W	D	L
Arniston Rangers					
Bathgate Thistle	W	W	L	W	D
Bo'ness United	L	L	D	W	D
Bonnyrigg Rose	L	W	L	L	W
Carnoustie Panmure	W	L	L	D	D
Glenrothes	L	L	L	W	W
Hill of Beath	D	W	W	L	L
Linlithgow Rose	L	D	W	W	L
Lochee United	W	L	W	D	D
North End	L	D	D	W	L
TAYPORT	D	W	W	L	W
Whitburn	D	L	W	W	L

**LEAGUE GOALSCORERS**

PLAYER	CLUB	GOALS
STRICKLAND, Colin	Whitburn	10
ELLIOTT, John	Bonnyrigg Rose	6
HAGEN, Phil	Lochee United	6
HERD, Gordon	Linlithgow Rose	6
WARD, Alan	Bo'ness United	6
ANDREW, Benny	Glenrothes	5
BLACKWOOD, Paul	Lochee United	5
HENDERSON, Robbie	Tayport	5
HONEYMAN, Ben	Arniston Rangers	5
ROBERTS, Andy	Bo'ness United	5
DAILY, Gareth	Tayport	4
KELLY, Jon	Carnoustie Panmure	4

**RESULTS**14<sup>th</sup> January

Carnoustie	1-1	Arniston
North End	2-1	Whitburn

**RESULTS**21<sup>st</sup> January

Arniston	1-2	TAYPORT
Bonnyrigg	4-2	North End
Carnoustie	2-2	Bo'ness Utd

**FIXTURES**28<sup>th</sup> January

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## EDDIE BRINGS NEW APPROACH TO LINKS PARK

During the last few years, new Montrose manager Eddie Wolecki saw his somewhat controversial managerial methods bring an East Region challenge from Lochee United, culminating in an East Super League title last season. This success saw Wolecki in the frame when a Senior managerial post become vacant and Montrose FC, who had been suffering one of the worst periods in their history, gave Eddie his chance.

The following article by Gable Ender which appeared in a recent Montrose FC programme will be of interest to followers of the Junior game.

### A CONVERSATION WITH EDDIE WOLECKI & THE NEW COACHING TEAM

I managed to catch up with Eddie, Ewan Peacock (first team coach), Malcolm MacFayden (Performance Analyst & Sports Psychologist), and Mark Murray (goalkeeping coach), at the end of their first week with the club, the day the Berwick match was sadly postponed. Here's the transcript of our chat, which is quite revealing on the new approach that they will bring to Montrose FC.

Gable Ender: A couple of you have been players at Links Park. What's it like being back here?

Eddie Wolecki: Well, the new stand was here when I was a player at the club, and the facilities are much the same. But it's good to see so many familiar faces still here. It makes settling in to the job much easier.

GE: There's been a lot in the papers this week about the 'scientific approach' you have to the game. Can you explain what that is, and how it differs from the approach of a more traditional football manager?

EW: How long have you got? (Laughs) ..well..the first difference is that we don't practice just for the sake of it. Practice without specific aims is just pointless. We make our training specific to the way we want the team to play, we don't train just for the sake of it.

Ewan Peacock: Training is also about monitoring the fitness of the players, about recovery from the last game, and preparation for the next. That's where things like cryogenics come in (Gable Ender looks puzzled), that's ice baths, not pleasant, but they aid quick recovery. Our aim is to get the players at their highest peak performance wise for the game, then take them through quick recovery afterwards, before preparing for the next game.

Malcolm MacFayden: Our approach is all about analysis. There's a continuous cycle; of recognising problems, evaluating them, addressing them, and moving on to the next one. Everything we introduce to the players has been researched thoroughly, and has been shown to work.

GE: So, what system do you favour? 4-4-2? 3-5-2?

EW: To be honest I don't favour a particular system. We adapt the needs of the team to each individual game. I'd say we favour a particular methodology rather than a system; that is, we keep possession of the ball; we make it very hard for the opposition to get it back; when we don't have the ball, we work very hard to get it back. I'm in favour of passing, free flowing, attacking football played at pace.

EP: I suppose what you could say is that the team will have a good work ethic, both offensively and defensively. Everyone will be clear on what job it is they have to do, and how we expect them to do it.

GE: All of you have been working hard in the Junior scene over the last few seasons. Have you been keeping an eye on Division Three in that time, or have you some catching up to do now?

EW: No, we haven't looked much at Division 3 up until now. At Lochee, we were concentrating 100% on the Superleague, and it would have been folly to divert our attention elsewhere. But now, at Montrose, we are 100% focused on this division and on how to turn our opponents over. I had three ex managers compile a dossier on the league for us, and we

received detailed comments on all the third division teams, including Montrose. Some of those comments made for interesting reading!

GE: You are completing a sports science degree at Abertay University in May. Have you plans for other employment outside the game?

EW: That's true, my degree finishes in May. Taken together, we must be the most educated team of coaches in this league. I'll have to wait and see what happens with that. I have some part time work with Abertay at the moment, but I imagine the job here at Links Park will fill up the rest of my week.

GE: What other managers have influenced the way you all see the game?

EW: Well, I think we've picked up a lot from looking at Arsene Wenger's methods at Arsenal..

EP: ..yeh, I was lucky enough, when I was studying towards my coaching badge, to work alongside Jose Mourinho. I found his ideas really interesting, not just in their own right, but also for the huge contrast between his methods, and those recommended by the SFA. It's an important point, this. Look at the top European managers. Mourinho never played at the top level. Gerard Houllier only played amateur football, and ended up as a schoolteacher for a while. Similarly, Rafa Benitez never played at the highest level, nor did Wenger. All these guys have sports degrees qualifications, though.

MM: I find that it's important to have education as well as experience. The two go hand in hand. Education on its own, or big name experience on its own, is rarely enough.

EW: Sometimes you see clubs where results on the field are allowed to paper over the cracks in the way that the team plays. There can be far too much focus on short term results, at the expense of the performance of the team, and that is more damaging in the long term. In saying that, of course, all of us are here to be judged on results. But it's the quality of our work with the players that will produce good performances, and in turn the results will come.

GE: You've had a chance to take the squad in three training sessions now.

Are there any players you have in mind to bring in?

EW: Well, I wouldn't like to be too specific just yet. What I can tell you is the type of player we will look to bring to the club- we'll be looking to sign players who can add height, strength and pace to the team. I like technically good players, and those who have a good character to bring to the dressing room. We see ourselves as building for the long term here- we will take our time to build a team for the long term at Montrose. That's not just on the park, too - I have still to appoint an assistant manager here. I have approached someone, and will wait for his answer- I feel he's the right candidate, so am happy to wait until the end of this season if necessary.

GE: Let's fast forward to May 2006. The season is over. What league position would you be happy with- what do you want out of the remainder of the season?

EW: (laughs), I'd love a couple of tickets to the Champions League final!

What we'd want to see at the end of the season is a consistency of performance on the park, and a strong base for us to build on for next season. We want to see a buzz in the squad.

EP: Good performances and a good atmosphere in the dressing room will reap its own benefits in terms of results. We'd like to see good results and performances, built up from our work in training and on matchdays.

EW: I tell you something else- this manager's office is going to become 'lived in' very quickly. At Lochee, when I started there, the manager's office was basically a neglected wee room where you changed before a training session. By the time we left Thomson Park, it was buzzing, with folk coming and going all the time, conversations, ideas being exchanged. That's what I want to create here at Links Park, too.



## TAYSIDE DISTRICT CUP DRAWS

### FINDLAY & CO CUP

#### First Round Results

Arbroath Victoria	0 - 4	Dundee Violet
Broughty Athletic	3 - 7	Lochee Harp
Coupar Angus	1 - 4	Jeanfield Swifts
Forfar Albion	1 - 1 (2-3 on pens)	Arbroath Sporting Club
Kinnoull	0 - 5	Tayport
Kirriemuir Thistle	0 - 1	Dundee North End
Lochee United	3 - 1	Downfield

#### Second Round Draw/Results

Dundee Violet	v	Montrose Roselea
Blairgowrie	11/2	Carnoustie Panmure
Brechin Victoria	4/2	Arbroath Sporting Club
Jeanfield Swifts	v	Dundee North End
Forfar West End	3 - 3 (4-2 on pens)	Scone Thistle
Tayport	4 - 0	Lochee Harp
Lochee United	v	Bankfoot Athletic
Luncarty	1 - 3	Dundee East Craigie

### CHALLENGE CUP

#### First Round Draw/Results

Arbroath Victoria	1 - 5	Downfield
Bankfoot Athletic	0 - 6	Jeanfield Swifts
Brechin Victoria	1 - 5	Arbroath Sporting Club
Dundee Violet	2 - 2 (5-3 on pens)	Dundee North End
Kinnoull	11/2	Dundee East Craigie
Kirriemuir Thistle	4 - 1	Forfar Albion
Lochee United	4 - 1	Broughty Athletic

#### Second Round Draw/Results

Blairgowrie	1 - 4	Lochee Harp
Carnoustie Panmure	v	Kirriemuir Thistle
Coupar Angus	v	Luncarty
Dundee Violet	v	Forfar West End
Jeanfield Swifts	v	Arbroath S C
Lochee United	v	Scone Thistle
Montrose Roselea	v	Kinnoull or Dundee East Craigie
Tayport	3 - 1	Downfield

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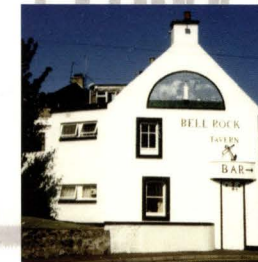
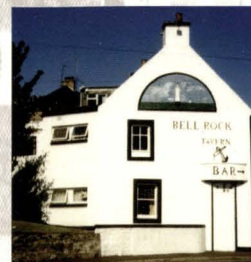
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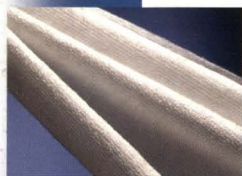




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