

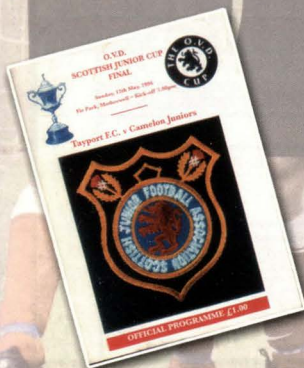
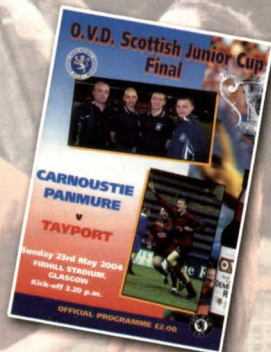
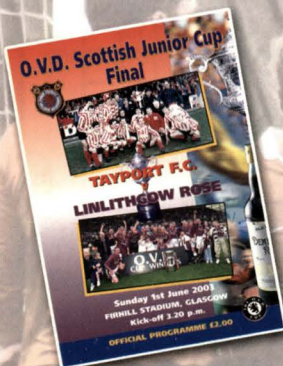
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1	Frazer FITZPATRICK		Ross McLEOD
20	Neal FERRIE		Matt MILLER
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3	Grant PATERSON		Sean MUSTARD
4	David BLACK		Ewan GRAHAM
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17	Stefan ELVIN		Colin PAGE
18	Joe PEPPER		Ronnie MASSIE
19	Lee BRYCE		Steve KERRIGAN
21	Michael O'DONNELL		Ralph BRAND
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- 6 Stefan Elvin
- 5 Darren Scott
- 4 Graham Nicoll
- 3 Ronnie Kenneth
- 3 Grant Manzie
- 3 Chris Webster
- 2 Mike Gray
- 1 Barry Donachie
- 1 Barry McNaughton
- 1 David Black
- 1 Own Goal

Shut-outs

- 4 Frazer Fitzpatrick
 - 1 Sam Morris
- Ex 7/11

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NEXT WEEK'S MATCH

Away v Arniston Rangers in Premier League

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THE WEE FOOTBALL QUIZ

- 1 Who is manager of Greenock Morton?
- 2 Former Aberdeen defender Russell Anderson now plays for which English club?
- 3 Name the six African countries playing in the World Cup Finals?
- 4 Which manager famously said 'If you've got three Scots in your team, you've got a chance. Any more and you've got trouble'?
- 5 "Thirty Nine Days of Gazza" is a book about Gazza's time at which club?

Answers towards back of programme

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EDDIE STEWART

Eddie Stewart was elected to Tayport Football Club's committee in June 1969. Although a lifetime Tayport resident, Eddie had chosen to play his football with neighbours Wormit FC 'because they trained' but sensing the emergence of a new regime on the East Common, Eddie sought a transfer to Tayport FC (not an easy task in those days as, when the clubs were not in agreement, the Midlands AFA's Executive Committee held a meeting to discuss such matters). Eddie convinced them of his desire to play for his local team and was transferred to Tayport, making his debut at left back in March 1969 in a 7-0 win over Tay Valley FC on East Common. The club went on to win the Midlands Division 2 title that season and later that year Eddie was elected to the Committee.



Things were very different in those days with the club playing on the Common as had been the case for many generations. Changing facilities were fairly primitive, a green wooden hut divided in two with a multi purpose Belfast sink in each side, cold water only and a gas mantle to illuminate the place.

Eddie was a neat and nippy player but a back complaint forced him to retire from playing and his last appearance was a Scottish Amateur Cup tie at Ballingry Rovers in October 1972. There were a couple of Alliance appearances later that season but his playing career was effectively over age 27yrs.

There would be a cameo appearance nine years later, however, when the Alliance XI was short of a goalie v Monifieth and chairman Eddie stepped into the breach as the last line of defence in a 5-4 win in 1981.

On retiring from playing Eddie continued as a committee member and succeeded Albert Oswald snr as club chairman in 1978. During Eddie's early years on the Committee the Club also made good progress off the park and commenced development of the club's new ground at the Canniepairt including the construction of changing accommodation. The new building was first used in 1977 with the first match taking place on the Canniepairt in 1979.

Progress was maintained with the club now running three amateur teams in Midlands and Fife Leagues and success was achieved in both Associations. Scottish Amateur Cup runs were the icing on the cake, culminating in an appearance in the 1986 semi final at Dens Park.

With a ground fit for purpose, progression to Junior status seemed a logical move and Eddie was chairman when Tayport FC played its first match in Junior football in 1990. Tayport would become one of most respected Junior football clubs in the country, with the Scottish Junior Cup proudly displayed at the Canniepairt on three occasions and the East Super League title twice.

Eddie was no ordinary chairman. On match days he would ensure players had what they needed in the dressing room before running the line or recovering wayward balls during the game. He always found time to have word with a new spectator and making sure a player's guest could find a cup of tea at half time. Post match he could be found back in the dressing room to start sorting out the muddy kit for the laundry.

Whether it was the club's bingo sessions, racenights far and near, car boot sales or any of the many other fundraising ideas the club came up with, Eddie was always heavily involved. Although only once a week nowadays, for many years the club ran twice weekly bingo sessions at which Eddie sold the books or called the numbers and often both.

He was the Club's representative at Junior FA meetings and was appointed first to the Tayside Region League Management Committee and then the East Region League Management Committee.

Eddie had a word for everybody and everybody had a word for Eddie. On leaving School in 1960, Eddie started work in the office of Donaldson's Sawmills in Tayport, [now demolished but was located adjacent to the current family home in Greenside Place] and progressed to a management role with the long established Timber Merchants and Importers. When Donaldson closed its Tayport operation, Eddie transferred to their Leven Sawmills. From there he moved for a relatively short period to work with Currie Timber in Perth and in recent years to Rembrand Timber at Tealing.



It is a testimony to Eddie Stewart that at his funeral there was standing room only in Tayport Parish Church and at Dundee Crematorium. In addition, many people took the time to pay tribute to him on the club's website (check out www.tayportfc.org, then click on 'club' then 'eddie'). Regrettably *The Courier* and *Evening Telegraph*, despite purporting to report local news and matters of local interest, gave Eddie's passing less than scant coverage but not so the Fife Herald which reported -

Last Thursday, the 12th November, news filtered through that Eddie Stewart, chairman of Tayport Football Club for the past thirty-one years, had passed away, following a relatively short illness, borne with tremendous courage.

The thoughts of all at the Canniepairt have been with Eddie's wife, Yvonne, children Mark, Nicola and Gill, and the rest of the family, at this sad time.

Tayport's East of Scotland Cup tie, away to Livingston United, was postponed as a mark of respect to one of football's great enthusiasts. Having also given sterling service as a player, Eddie served on the Tayport F.C. committee for over forty years, with the bulk of that time spent as chairman. Even more impressive than the significant number of years, was the effort and energy he brought to the role, always demonstrating his absolute devotion to the club.

Eddie's funeral took place on Tuesday, in Tayport Parish Church, with a further service at Dundee Crematorium. The vast turnout of family and friends was in keeping with the esteem in which he was held throughout the local community.

The club owes all of its success to people such as Eddie, and his drive and sense of commitment will be sorely missed at the Canniepairt. Recently inducted into the club's Hall of Fame, the inimitable Eddie Stewart will be fondly remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

The team itself will now take its first tentative steps back into action tomorrow, Saturday 21st November, when they travel to meet table-topping Forfar West End, at Strathmore Park.

Yes, the match, which kicks off at 2.00pm, is an important East Super League fixture and it would be wonderful if Tayport could post a victory, with a view to making up ground in the promotion race. That said, win, lose or draw, the game will provide another opportunity for players, management, committee and supporters to reflect on the passing of a remarkable man and a true friend, Eddie Stewart - 1945 to 2009.

Footnote: The match at Forfar was postponed because of bad weather but last week, a minute's silence in memory of Eddie was impeccably observed prior to the Emirates Scottish Junior Cup tie at Kilsyth

TODAY'S GAME

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TAYPORT v MONTROSE ROSELEA

Montrose got their season off to a flyer, winning the Tayside League Cup with four straight wins before accounting for Lochee United in the final following a penalty shoot out after a goalless stalemate. It was an achievement which might have set the Broomfield Park club up for a real challenge in the Premier Division but it hasn't materialised yet and they find themselves, like ourselves, at the wrong end of the table. They, too, probably consider they have under-achieved and are better than their current league position suggests. Although results don't lie, both teams will be determined today to demonstrate they are in a false position. Defeat and the signs are ominous. A keenly contested affair is therefore anticipated.

There has been steady improvement at Roselea in recent seasons—both on and off the field. The managerial duo of Ralph Brand and Dougie Craig are both experienced campaigners with a wealth of knowledge gleaned from their days on the Angus Senior circuit. They have identified a lack of goalpower as a weakness and since the start of the league campaign, have recruited two players with decent pedigrees—they played for Tayport!

Gary Fraser had a five month loan spell with us in the 2007/08 season. He was with Forfar Athletic at the time but had been with both Rangers and Celtic as a youngster. Gary subsequently left Forfar for Downfield and his move up the coast to Montrose was something of a surprise. Gary started on the bench last week against Bo'ness in the Scottish Cup but if he starts today, he will be looking to impress. Gary played 9 games + 6 sub scoring 3 goals.

Montrose took the lead v Bo'ness last week through another former Tayport - and Bo'ness - player Jonathan Mitchell who won a Scottish Cup winners medal with Tayport in 2003 when a goal from Birdie gave us a 1-0 win over Linlithgow. Jon started 20 games and appeared as sub 13 times, scoring 3 goals in his one season at the Canniepairt.

Still seeking their first league win of the season, Montrose will be looking for their luck to change. Missing from the visitors' squad will be Kevin Longmuir who has taken over as player/manager at neighbours Brechin Vics.

Tayport got a bit of luck last week when Stefan Elvin cashed in on a defensive error to dump Kilsyth. Although the win was merited, Willie will still be a trifle concerned that clear goalscoring chances were not exactly bountiful. However, wins breed confidence and the Tayport boss will be looking for his team to impress the fans today in what is only our sixth home appearance of the season.

Mark Whatley, a former Tayport Thistle youngster, has been signed on loan from Raith Rovers, and will be making his home debut. Also debuting is keeper Neal Ferrie, signed from North End in a swap deal which took Sam Morris to the Dokens. Given Fitzie's form last week, it will be no surprise that Neal is listed as sub. There will be another new face in the home line-up as last night we signed on loan young striker Lee Bryce from Raith Rovers.

Missing from the Tayport pool will be Chris Webster, who is injured but is likely to be signing for Kinnoull, his home town club, over the weekend and also Michael Gray. Michael, currently in his first year at Edinburgh University, has moved to East of Scotland Under 21 side Gyle Strollers where he will get substantially more game time. We wish both players well.

Barry McNaughton, unavailable last week, returns to the pool but Joe Pepper and Darren Scott are still a few weeks from fitness.

It's a first visit to the Canniepairt to take charge of a league game for today's referee, Lorraine Clark from Thornton

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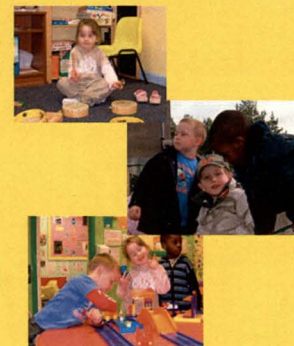


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A WORD FROM WILLIE

It was with real sadness that we had to say goodbye to our chairman Eddie Stewart. Many fitting tributes have been paid to a man who played a huge part in everything this club has achieved over the years, and he will be sorely missed.

On behalf of the coaching staff and the players we offer our sincere condolences to Yvonne and her family. Eddie will never be forgotten.

Today we welcome Montrose Roselea to the Canniepairt on Premier League business. Having not played a competitive game for 3 weeks, last week's Scottish Cup game against Kilsyth was always going to be difficult. In the end, the result was the most important thing although I felt that our second half performance in particular, merited the result. We now look forward the fourth round draw.

League success, as I have stated before, is our main priority this season. This means that we really need to start picking up wins to stay with the pack above us. We have had injuries this season that has resulted in a lack of consistency in team selection. Many of the players who have been out long term are starting to be included. Derek Wemyss now has 4 or 5 games under his belt and Stefan Elvin returned last week in the cup tie, and rounded off a good performance by getting the all important goal. Stuart Ferguson played a full 90 mins and both Graham Nicoll and Grant Manzie started the game last Saturday. I only have Darren Scott and Joe Pepper still out and both are not that far away from fitness.

I also feel a mention for Mark Whatley is required. Mark only trained with us twice before making his debut last week but he and David Black soon formed a good understanding. I felt Mark had a good debut, particularly with his second half display. There is a lot more to come from him and everyone else, as there is now genuine competition for every position in the team.

Points are important and we need to start putting them on the board on a consistent basis.

Lastly again from everyone I would like to thank the big support we took to Kilsyth last week. As always, you play a key part in supporting and encouraging the players and they really appreciate it.

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08.08.09	Lochee United	LC	L 1 - 3	Fitzpatrick	Black	Paterson	Morris	Ferguson	Gray	McNaughton	O'Doherty	Kenneth	Elvin 1	Scott	S. Smith (9)			159
15.08.09	LOCHEE HARP	LC	W 3 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Black	Donachie 1	Morris	Ferguson	Hunter	McNaughton	O'Doherty	O'Connor	Elvin 1	Scott 1	Gray (11)	Samara (3)		90
19.08.09	Dundee Violet	LC	W 7 - 3	Fitzpatrick	Black	Donachie	Morris	Ferguson	Hunter	McNaughton 1	Gray 2	O'Connor	Elvin 1	Scott 2	O'Doherty (7)	Webster (4) 1	Samara (11)	126
22.08.09	Dundee North End	LC	W 6 - 0	S. Morris	Black	Donachie	O'Donnell	Ferguson	Hunter	Webster 1	O'Doherty	O'Connor	Elvin 1	Scott 1	Paterson (4)	Manzie (11) 1	Nicoll (7) 2	127
29.08.09	Ballingry Rovers	L	L 0 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Black	Donachie *	Morris	Ferguson	Hunter	Nicoll	O'Doherty	O'Connor	Elvin	Scott	Gray (7)	Manzie (11)	McNaughton(8)	134
5.09.09	ARNISTON 'GERS	L	W 2 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Black 1	Donachie *	Morris *	Pepper	Hunter *	McNaughton	O'Doherty	Manzie *	Elvin	Scott 1	Gray (16)	O'Connor (3)	Webster (15)	132
12.09.09	Carnoustie P'mure	L	W 3 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Black	Donachie	Morris	Pepper	Hunter	Kenneth	O'Doherty	Manzie 1	Elvin 1	Webster 1	Gray (9)	O'Connor (11)	McNaughton (8)	180
19.09.09	Fauldhouse Utd	L	D 1 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Black	Donachie *	Morris *	O'Donnell	Hunter %	Kenneth	McNaughton	Manzie 1	Elvin	Webster	S Stewart (10)*	Scott (7)		118
26.09.09	Livingston United	EoS	P	Postponed		bereavement	at	Livingston										
03.10.09	BLAIRGOWRIE	L	P	Postponed		too windy	for	football	according	to referee								
10.10.09	ARMADALE THIS	L	W 1 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Black	Donachie	Stewart	Ferguson	Hunter	Kenneth 1 *	McNaughton	Manzie	O'Donnell	Scott	Gray (9)	O'Connor (11)	Pepper (12)	134
17.10.09	Pericuik Athletic	L	L 1 - 2	Fitzpatrick	Black	Donachie	Stewart	Ferguson*	Hunter	Kenneth	O'Doherty	McNaughton	Manzie	Webster	Gray (10)	O'Connor (9)	Pepper (11)	174
24.10.09	KINNOULL	L	D 2 - 2	Fitzpatrick*	Donachie	Paterson *	Stewart	Wemyss *	Hunter	Kenneth 2	O'Doherty	O'Connor	Nicoll	Webster *	Manzie (10)	McNaughton(9)		179
31.10.09	Blackburn United	SC r 2	W 2 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Black	Paterson *	Morris *	Wemyss	Hunter *	Kenneth	O'Doherty	O'Donnell	Donachie	Webster	Nicoll (11) 2	Manzie (7)		149
7.11.09	BLAIRGOWRIE	L	L 0 - 1	Fitzpatrick	Black	Paterson	Morris	Wemyss	Hunter	Kenneth	O'Doherty	O'Donnell	Donachie	Webster	McNaughton (6)	Manzie (9)	Nicoll (8)	151
14.11.09	Livingston United	EoS	P	Postponed		bereavement	of	club	chairman	Eddie	Stewart							
21.11.09	Forfar West End	L	P	Postponed		water	logged	pitch										
28.11.09	Kilsyth Rangers	SC r 3	W 1 - 0	Fitzpatrick	Black	Ferguson	Morris	Wemyss	Hunter	Nicoll	Mark Whitley	Manzie	Elvin 1	Donachie	O'Connor (11)	Kenneth (7)	O'Donnell (10)	258
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12.12.09	Arniston Rangers	L																
19.12.09	BALLINGRY ROV	L																
9.01.10	Livingston (prov)	EoS r 1																
16.01.10	yet to be drawn	SC r 4																

Last week's Emirates tie from the Kilsyth angle

Ignore the scoreline; Tayport did not win this game, it was handed to them on a plate, all they had to do to go through to the next round was contain an insipid Rangers for eighty minutes then accept the present of a goal due to a howler of a mistake by the home defence. This was a match which never lived up to the expectations of the crowd, played in a fog which seemed to dull the ambitions of both teams to progress. It would have been better if it had totally blanked out the scene. The final whistle ended ninety minutes of frustration for the home support and probably relief that they would not face a journey to Tayport next week.

KEY: Competitions: L - East Premier League; S - Scottish Junior Cup; ES - East of Scotland Cup; RL - Redwood Leisure Cup; Ch - Challenge Cup; C - Currie Cup; LC - D J Laing League Cup. Number after letter indicates round of competition. Other: Number after player - goals scored; Number in brackets after player - player replaced; % - Player dismissed; * - Player cautioned; a - lost on penalties; b - won on penalties

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LEAGUE TABLE	Home						Away						GD	Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A			
Kinnoull	10	3	2	0	12	5	2	1	2	6	7	6	18	
Forfar West End	7	4	0	0	14	2	1	2	0	6	5	13	17	
Ballingry Rovers	9	3	1	0	9	6	2	1	2	5	7	1	17	
Arnis-ton Rangers	8	3	1	0	8	3	2	0	2	6	5	6	16	
Carnoustie Panmure	10	3	0	2	10	7	2	1	2	7	12	-2	16	
Penicuik Athletic	11	3	1	1	10	6	0	2	4	5	12	-3	12	
Armadale Thistle	9	1	1	2	10	10	2	1	2	11	7	4	11	
TAYPORT	8	2	1	1	5	3	1	1	2	5	5	2	11	
St Andrews United	10	3	0	2	9	10	1	2	2	8	12	-5	11	
Fauldhouse United	10	1	3	1	9	9	1	1	3	11	14	-3	10	
Blairgowrie	9	1	3	1	8	10	1	0	3	8	14	-8	9	
Montrose Roselea	9	0	1	4	6	12	0	2	2	5	10	-11	3	

RESULTS CHART	Armadale	Arnis-ton	Ballingry	Blairgowrie	Carnoustie	Fauldhouse	Forfar WE	Kinnoull	Montrose	Penicuik	St Andrews	TAYPORT
Armadale Th					1-3		2-3			4-1	3-3	
Arnis-ton Rgrs			2-1			4-1			1-1	1-0		
Ballingry Rvrs	2-2			5-4	1-0							1-0
Blairgowrie	1-4	2-1			3-3					0-0	2-2	
Carnoustie Pan		1-2			3-2			2-0			3-0	1-3
Fauldhouse Utd			2-2					0-2	2-2	4-2		1-1
Forfar WE				4-1	7-0	2-1				1-0		
Kinnoull	1-0		3-0				2-2		4-1	2-2		
Montrose Rose	2-5		0-1		2-3		1-1				1-2	
Penicuik Ath					1-1			1-2	3-1		3-1	2-1
St Andrews Utd		0-3	0-1	5-2		2-4		2-0				
TAYPORT	1-0	2-0		0-1				2-2				

PREMIER LEAGUE RESULTS - GUIDE TO FORM						
Last five league matches – most recent to the right						
Armadale Thistle	L	D	W	D	L	W
Arnis-ton Rangers	L	W	D	W	W	W
Ballingry Rovers	D	W	L	L	L	W
Blairgowrie	L	L	W	D	L	
Carnoustie Panmure	W	W	W	L	W	
Fauldhouse United	L	L	W	D	D	
Forfar West End	W	W	W	D	W	
Kinnoull	D	W	W	W	L	
Montrose Roselea	D	L	D	L	L	
Penicuik Athletic	L	D	L	W	L	
St Andrews United	L	D	L	L	W	
TAYPORT	D	W	L	D	L	

PREMIER LEAGUE TOP GOAL SCORERS		
Player	Club	Goals
Duell, Bryan	Forfar West End	11
Johnstone, Lee	Armadale Thistle	9
Adam, James	Ballingry Rovers	6
Chilton, Craig	Armadale Thistle	6
Harvey, John	Penicuik Athletic	6
Reilly, Andy	Carnoustie Panmure	6
Fraser, John	Ballingry Rovers	5
Martin, Kenny	Fauldhouse United	5
Sutherland, Gary	St Andrews United	5
Sweeney, Gary	Kinnoull	5
Anton, Chris	Kinnoull	4
Cruickshank, Alan	Blairgowrie	4
Cumming, Kevin	Carnoustie Panmure	4
Felvis, Brian	Fauldhouse United	4
Forster, Ally	Arnis-ton Rangers	4
Maxwell, Kris	St Andrews United	4

RESULTS		
Saturday 7 th November		
Armadale	1-3	Carnoustie
Fauldhouse	2-2	Montrose
Forfar WE	1-0	Penicuik
Kinnoull	3-0	Ballingry
TAYPORT	0-1	Blairgowrie
RESULTS		
Saturday 28 th November		
Arnis-ton	1-0	Penicuik
Carnoustie	2-0	Kinnoull
St Andrews	5-2	Blairgowrie

RESULTS		
Saturday 14 th November		
Carnoustie	3-0	St Andrews
Montrose	2-5	Armadale
FIXTURES		
Saturday 5 th December		
Armadale	v	Fauldhouse
Blairgowrie	v	Carnoustie
Kinnoull	v	Arnis-ton
Penicuik	v	Ballingry
St Andrews	v	Forfar WE
TAYPORT	v	Montrose

RESULTS		
Saturday 21 st November		
Ballingry	1-0	Carnoustie
Blairgowrie	3-3	Fauldhouse
Kinnoull	4-1	Montrose
Penicuik	3-1	St Andrews
FIXTURES		
Saturday 12 th December		
Armadale	v	Kinnoull
Arnis-ton	v	TAYPORT
Ballingry	v	Forfar WE
Carnoustie	v	Penicuik
Fauldhouse	v	St Andrews
Montrose	v	Blairgowrie

Stop Press. The draw for the 4th round of the Emirates Scottish Junior Cup will take place on Tuesday week, 15 December, at 12.30pm at Hampden Park. Making the draw will be Referee supremo Hugh Dallas and Denise Holmes, Emirates Sales Manager



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DUNMORE'S ANGLE

"Even Eddie would have struggled to find the ball in the Kilsyth fog"

It has been a difficult month for the club, with the passing of our chairman and friend, Eddie Stewart. Tayport F.C. has lost one of its driving forces and a great void has been left at the Canniepairt. Eddie's passion for football in general, and Tayport in particular was boundless. A high-profile presence, it was clear to all who knew him how hard he worked for the club. Even on the rare occasions when it seemed that there was nothing to do, Eddie was busy finding something to do.

Over the years, many of us have witnessed the often comical sight of Eddie climbing over fences, into bushes and hedges, and even into burns, retrieving wayward footballs. He did it because somebody had to do it. From now on, every time I see a player blast a shot out of bounds while warming-up, I'll think of Eddie and his absolute determination to get the ball back.

He might have struggled a wee bit on Saturday, given the poor visibility at Duncansfield, where Tayport returned to action. Kilsyth was a foggy place for the Emirates Scottish Junior Cup tie and, after a patchy first half, 'Port came good to book their place in the fourth round draw.

The only goal of the game was scored by Stefan Elvin, on his comeback from a lengthy injury lay-off. The second half counter, however, was a disastrous one for Kilsyth. Defender Tough got his angles all wrong in passing back to goalkeeper Duke, who was left stranded as the ball travelled goalwards. Various players gave chase, but it was Elvin who reacted quickest to slam the ball into the net and seal Tayport's passage.

It was a deserved win, with only a couple of first half moments causing any real concern for the visitors. Kilsyth struck the underside of the bar, then, later after Scott Hunter had headed off the line, Frazer Fitzpatrick produced a point-blank save to thwart the hosts.

Hunter actually had a couple of notable attempts himself, being unlucky not to give Tayport the lead, while Grant Manzie, Roberto Morris, impressive debutant Mark Whatley and Elvin all went fairly close for the Canniepairt men, before the breakthrough finally came.

David Black was unfortunate to collect a second caution in the latter stages, leaving 'Port with ten men for a few minutes, but there was never any real danger of Kilsyth forcing an equaliser. It was a brave performance from Tayport and all of those watching would have approved of the win.

Blether with Bomber Saturday 5th December 2009

Cup Curse?

A couple of weeks ago now, I was lucky to attend McDiarmid Park, and see Dundee lift the Alba Challenge Cup in thrilling fashion, coming from 2-0 down to win the game by the odd goal in five. In the build up to the match, I also noticed much was said in the papers about the fact no team had achieved the feat of winning that particular cup and gaining promotion in the same season, and some reporters even suggested post match that this could be a curse for Jocky Scott's men.

Cup competitions bring something different to every level of football, and especially when it's the national competition, players appear sometimes under certain circumstances, to give a little bit more, supporters may get a little bit more excited, and perhaps even attend a game they would usually have given a miss had it been 'just' league business.

But could there be something in this, with a cup being just a distraction for what is really important?

Let's play devil's advocate for a minute...

Most famously in recent years, Rangers and Celtic have claimed to be victims of their own success. In 2003, managing what was widely regarded as an aging team on their last legs, Alex McLeish guided The Gers to not only the SPL crown, but also a Scottish Cup win the following week, beating Dundee 1-0 in the final at Hampden. In the months before, Celtic, with Sutton, Larsson, and Petrov et al; had reached the final of the UEFA Cup, going down 3-2 (after extra time) to Jose Mourinho's Porto in the final. The general opinion of everyone appeared to be that Celtic were by far the better side that year, but became tired and lethargic from all the travelling their adventure brought. And Rangers, more recently, enjoyed a healthy lead at the top of the SPL, before losing to Motherwell and Aberdeen after being defeated by Zenit St. Petersburg in the same competition as their rivals a few years before. A revived and some would say fresher, Celtic team scooped the title on the last day of the season.

So do cups play second fiddle these days? Bearing in mind that in most other countries outside the UK, knockout competitions are merely opportunity for teams to play fringe players, and perhaps show off their youth talent, why are we surprised? The top English teams appear to have already started this trend, with the Carling Cup in particular, being where managers choose to field an almost 2nd XI. It was interesting to hear however, to hear Blackburn Rovers' caretaker boss Neil McDonald after watching his side defeat top of the table Chelsea in the same competition during the week "Maybe they should have taken a look at our home form before they decided to play a weakened team" he said. With an attitude like that, you can imagine what motivations he used in the dressing room for his team talk!

And then there's Tayport. Travelled to Kilsyth last week, possible the largest away support of the season, and there was just *something different*. Something that suggested there was an extra edge to the game. Could that be due to the club's history, due to the fact it was our first game since our Chairman Eddie sadly passed away, or just because it was *the* Scottish Cup.

You ask Willie Garner, or any of the players what the goal is for the season, and you will hear one word back - "promotion". However if you ask Steven Stewart, or Grant Paterson, who have been there, and know what it's like to sit on a bus travelling back to The Canniepairt, with Simply The Best booming out from the speakers, and holding *that* trophy, don't be surprised if they hesitate a little....

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In the wake of the latest Cardiff massacre, the future of Scottish football appears shrouded under a particularly black cloud. It was therefore with no little enthusiasm that the Bore stumbled upon a potential silver lining in the guise of the Victory Shield. The Shield in question is an annual competition played for by representative under-16 teams of the four Home Nations. Scotland had given themselves the chance of outright victory after victories over Wales and Northern Ireland. Despite taking an early lead it was not to be, and the Auld Enemy headed home with a 2-1 victory.

The casual observer could be forgiven for assuming that this is evidence of positive progress at grass roots level, but this would be to ignore the overwhelming trend of the past decade in which the Scots have managed only one shared victory. Nothing unusual in that, until you consider that in the previous half century they had managed 16 outright victories and 10 shared titles. So why the drought? What possible factors could have contributed to this slump?

The most obvious development is the Sky Sports sponsorship which provides live coverage and, one assumes, no shortage of cash flowing into the coffers of the home associations. Less well-known is that the SFA has since taken ownership of the representative squad away from the Scottish Schools Football Association and brought it under its own umbrella. Players are now selected by the SFA coaches attached to the youth development sections of our clubs.

Players were once chosen from a trial weekend at Largs in which teams representing schools from the North, South, East and West of Scotland would meet in a series of matches. The coaches of these teams would then choose a combined squad. It was a system that gave every schoolboy in Scotland the same chance of representing their country. It was a system that took no account of whether or not a player was affiliated with a senior club.

The term "schoolboy" is still used by the Sky commentators and it is of course literally correct. The irony is that none of these players have been allowed to represent their school since the day they turned 14. Could it be that this "ring-fencing" of our most talented youngsters might be counter-productive? Could it be that the SFA are actually undermining our national sport? The evidence for the prosecution is continuing to mount.

The Wee Football Quiz—answers

1 James Grady. 2. Sunderland 3. South Africa, Nigeria, Ghana, Algeria, Ivory Coast, Cameroon 4. Bill Shankly 5. Kettering Town

Fly Emirates

EMIRATES SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP THIRD ROUND RESULTS

Fly Emirates

Aberdeen East End	0-4	Forfar West End	Hillhead	5/12	Irvine Meadow
Arbroath Vics	0-2	Blantyre Vics	Kello Rovers	1-4	Beith
Arthurlie	6-0	Kirkcaldy YM	Kilbirnie Ladeside	3-0	Kilwinning Rangers
Ballingry Rovers	2-0	Saltcoats Victoria	Kilsyth Rangers	0-1	TAYPORT
Bathgate Thistle	5/12	Culter	Kirkintilloch Rob Roy	4-1	Thornton Hibs
Bonnyrigg Rose	4-0	Broxburn Athletic	Lanark United	0-1	Hurlford United
Craigmark Burntonians	0-1	Clydebank	Largs Thistle	3-2	Broughty Athletic
Cumnock	2-1	Dunipace	Linlithgow Rose	1-1	Kelty Hearts
Downfield	0-6	Cambuslang Rangers	Maryhill	1-1	Forth Wanderers
Dufftown	1-2	Larkhall Thistle	Montrose Roselea	2-3	Bo'ness United
Dundee Violet	2-0	Armadale Thistle	Newtongrange Star	4-0	Lewis United
Dundonald Bluebell	5/12	Annbank United	Port Glasgow	5/12	Royal Albert
East Kilbride Thistle	5/12	Hill of Beath	Renfrew	3-2	West Calder United
Fauldhouse United	0-2	Lochee United	Rutherglen Glencairn	v	Johnstone Burgh/Vale of Clyde
Girvan	5/12	Auchinleck Talbot	St Anthonys	0-3	Shotts Bon Accord
Glenrothes	3-1	Whitburn	Whitlotts Victoria	2-0	Dalry Thistle

TODAY'S MATCHES SECOND ROUND

Johnstone Burgh	v	Vale of Clyde	Port Predictions
Bathgate Thistle	v	Culter	Home Win
Dundonald Bluebell	v	Annbank United	Home Win
East Kilbride Thistle	v	Hill of Beath	Home Win
Girvan	v	Auchinleck Talbot	Away Win
Hillhead	v	Irvine Meadow	Away Win
Port Glasgow	v	Royal Albert	Home Win

THIRD ROUND REPLAYS

Forth Wanderers	v	Maryhill	Home Win
Kelty Hearts	v	Linlithgow Rose	Home Win

The draw for the fourth round of the Emirates Scottish Junior Cup is provisionally fixed for next Tuesday at Hampden Park and we'll have the details on the club's website as soon as we get them.

While both second and third round ties remain outstanding the competitors so far into the fourth round, which will be played on Saturday 16th January, look strong. To date there have been no real surprises in the third round with the win by Dundee Violet over Armadale Thistle being the nearest there was to a surprise or was it?

It is unlikely that a team from the North Region will feature in round four with the two remaining teams Culter and Hillhead meeting stern opposition. Few would bet against Bathgate winning at home to Culter and even less would be anticipating Hillhead beating Irvine Meadow fresh from their success in the "big" Scottish Cup. Prior to today's matches Dundee Violet are the only team outwith the top two leagues in the East who will enter the hat for the fourth round draw while in the West there are five teams from outwith the two Super Leagues.

Of today's fixtures, look out for a potential shock at East Kilbride where East Super League, Hill of Beath are visiting. With a limited squad and three players suspended the Haws were desperately shopping around for players last weekend and it was rumoured that veteran John Mitchell was going to don a jersey to make up an eleven. Whether things have changed in the ensuing week is not known.

Odds offered by William Hill to win the Emirates Scottish Junior Cup (subject to change):

6/1 Auchinleck Talbot	33/1 Rutherglen Glencairn
7/1 Bo'ness United, Irvine Meadow	40/1 Ballingry Rovers, Vale of Clyde
10/1 Linlithgow Rose	50/1 East Kilbride Thistle
12/1 Lochee United	66/1 Shotts Bon Accord, Renfrew
14/1 Arthurlie, Beith, Newtongrange Star	100/1 Annbank Utd, Blantyre Vics, Culter, Girvan, Hurlford Utd, Maryhill, Whitlotts Vics
16/1 Kilbirnie Ladeside	150/1 Cambuslang Rangers, Larkhall Thistle, Port Glasgow
20/1 Bathgate Th, Bonnyrigg Rose, Clydebank, Glenrothes, Hill of Beath, Largs Th, Kirkintilloch Rob Roy, Tayport	200/1 Dundee Violet, Dundonald Bluebell
25/1 Cumnock, Forfar West End, Kelty Hearts	500/1 Forth Wanderers, Hillhead, Johnstone Burgh
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Football

Clubs - Ferry Athletic U15s, Monifieth Athletic (16s,17s), Arbroath FC, Dundee North End (loan), Arbroath FC, Tayport (loan), Tayport

Honours - individually, Player of the Year at Monifieth. League Cup winner at Monifieth. Redwood Leisure Cup winner with Tayport

Most difficult opponent - Derek McInnes when he was playing for St Johnstone Reserves and I was playing in midfield for Arbroath Reserves

Player who has impressed you most - James McCarthy, formerly Hamilton Accies, now Wigan Athletic (pictured below)

Clubs supported as a boy - Liverpool & Dundee United

Most admired player of the modern era - Steven Gerrard

What annoys you most in football - guys that feign injury to get opponents in bother

'Must watch' football programme on TV - Match of the Day



Domestic

Age - 19

Born - Northallerton, N.Yorks but Dundee since 5 or 6

Brought up - Broughty Ferry

Stay now - Broughty Ferry

WoG - neither. Footloose and fancy free!

Current occupation - Student at Dundee University studying quantity surveying

Favourites

Newspaper - Daily Record

TV Programme - Gavin & Stacey

Music Tastes - Indy & dance but probably a bit of everything except anything cheesy

Movie - Role Models.

Last book read? Peter Kay's autobiography

Pub - Papa Jacques in the Ferry. **Nightclub** - Fat Sam's

Pint - Tennent's Lager

SNIFFING ABOUT WITH THE SNOOT



Spectators will have observed changes to the treescape [is there such a word? - Ed.] here at the Canniepairt. The task of topping the trees at the east end of the ground is ongoing to allow more sunlight to reach that end of the ground in the mornings but more immediate action was required when recent gales brought down some trees adjacent to the storage containers (known to all as Tom, Dick, Harry and Fort Apache). Supporter Fred Bremner spotted the danger from a huge limb hanging over the path and alerted us to the danger. The Council have subsequently taken down the damaged trees and are to examine others with a view to assessing future risk from storms and gales

Eric Sinclair, Dundee's legendary striker from the late 70s and early 80s renewed acquaintances with Tayport FC committee members last week at Kilsyth Rangers. Eric, well known in the central belt, having managed Bo'ness and Linlithgow amongst others, is fondly remembered here for having led Tayport (Amateurs) to their one and only Midlands title back in 1981/82.

Local connection with this week's incident in the Persian Gulf. David Bloomer, one of the guys captured by Iran when their yacht strayed of course between Dubai and Bahrain, was supping ale in the Bellrock Tavern only three months ago. David's a friend of Andy Robertson aka Bunter, Grant Paterson's sponsor, and was staying a few days in Bunter's light-house along the Braes in Tayport. Bunter tells us it could have been worse. Bunt's wife Margaret had been taking sailing lessons from David and had been invited to join the crew for this ill fated trip. Bunt tells us he put his foot down and Margaret didn't go as the Bunts were on the point of setting off for Hong Kong and he was conscious of a similar incident a couple of years ago. Bunt adds that Margaret 'turned green with shock' when they learned of the capture from BBC News.

Tayport lad Ross Dorward who has spent most of his junior career with Lochee United before moving to St Andrews United late last season is getting a testimonial match this Sunday when Lochee United meet an East Region Junior select at Thomson Park. Nothing unusual in that, you may think, but this will be Ross's second testimonial match, his first being just over a year ago when the 'Lochee Faithful' played the Lochee United Super League winning team from the previous season at Thomson Park in a match also billed as the Ross Dorward Testimonial. Not bad going! For this Sunday's game former Tayport boss Keith Burgess, the Scottish Juniors' International Manager, is in charge and he is bringing his squad to the Canniepairt tomorrow morning for a pre-match get together. Keith is treating the game as a trial match with next Easter's international tournament in mind.

Arriving in the club's mail the other day was a complimentary copy of the DVD produced to celebrate Pollok FC's 100 years - '100 YEARS OF LOK—A short film about Pollok Football Club'. Quite a classy production which features interviews with players, long serving committee members and supporters. It was created by Urbancroft (www.urbancroft.co.uk) the film company run by Port Supporter Martyn Robertson, now a Glasgow resident.

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