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## TODAY'S TEAMS

| TAYPORT |                 |  | PENICUIK ATH |                   |
|---------|-----------------|--|--------------|-------------------|
| from    |                 |  | from         |                   |
| 1       | Iain ROSS       |  | G/K          | Billy BALD        |
| 20      | Neal FERRIE     |  | G/K          | Scott HALDANE     |
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| 18      | Fraser MILLIGAN |  |              | Grant KILLIN      |
| 19      | Mark WHATLEY    |  |              | Ryan GAY          |
| 21      | Andy WEST       |  |              |                   |
| 22      | Kenny McCULLEY  |  |              |                   |

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TAYPORT FC 1993/94



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## Today's Game

### ACA SPORTS PREMIER DIVISION TAYPORT v PENICUIK ATHLETIC

It's a crucial match for both clubs this afternoon (mind, you all matches seem to be so described ) with the promotion aspirations of both sides receiving a reality check. Tayport have slipped back to third in the table and Penicuik, a point behind with a game in hand over Tayport, have the incentive today of pushing Tayport further down the table. A defeat for Tayport or a draw would not only be a great boost to our visitors, but also to another five or six clubs with realistic sights on a promotion spot. Neither side has any cup-ties to which they can look forward so thoughts are 100% on the league campaign

Of course, it's only half way through the campaign for most of the clubs and there's a long way to go. In Tayport's last Premier campaign, after 11 games, we were sitting sixth from top place with 20 points, 14 points behind the leaders, yet still finished as champions. Although not all clubs have played the same number of games, only six points separate nine clubs, so there is little margin for error.

Following Tayport's 1-0 at Penicuik earlier in the season, the Midlothian club suffered another two league losses but since the turn of the year there have been three league wins on the bounce. Most recent was last week when two goals in the last few minutes edged out Armadale by 2-1. Netting the winner was recent signing striker Craig O'Reilly who has yet to start for the visitors but he could well do so today. O'Reilly (25) is not unknown in these parts having played two seasons with Dundee and indeed won a SFL Young Player of the Month awards whilst at Dens. He also played at Raith Rovers, Montrose and East Fife where he is best remembered for scoring the goal which eliminated Premier Division St Mirren from the League Cup in 2007

Major interest for the home fans will be the likely debuts of 19 year old striker Simon Murray, signed from Montrose FC four weeks ago but still to make his debut after successive match postponements and being ineligible for last week's cup-tie. Simon is familiar with the Premier Division, having been on loan to Downfield this season and actually played against his new team on the Caniiepairt earlier this season. Another new face who could debut today is left sided defender Gary Robertson (25) signed on Thursday from Dundee Violet.

Missing today will be Mark Whatley who has broken a foot, Robert Smith and Andy McDonald, both suspended, and there are injury doubts over Jamie Mackie and James Russell. Tayport may be looking for a first win in eight games but on the positive side, our unbeaten league run stretches back seven games to September.



## Today's Visitors PENICUIK ATHLETIC

The origins of organised football in Penicuik can be traced back to 1882, when several clubs operated in the area. Penicuik Athletic were formed in 1888 at a meeting in the Royal Hotel in Penicuik and established a pitch at Hays Park. A supermarket, the main road and Penicuik Health Centre now stand on the site.

In 1893 the East of Scotland League was formed at a time when Penicuik Athletic was a senior club but in 1904 the club adopted junior status and the club name was changed to Penicuik Juniors. A high point came in 1910 when the Juniors reached the semi-final of the Scottish Junior Cup only to lose narrowly to Kilwinning Rangers. The 1930s saw the club revert to the Senior East of Scotland League and Scottish Cup ties were played in Penicuik against Heart of Midlothian and St. Mirren before Penicuik Athletic rejoined the Juniors.

In 1966 Athletic reached the semi-final of the Scottish Junior Cup only to lose by the narrowest of margins to local rivals Bonnyrigg Rose. Inspired by their progress Athletic went one better in 1969, this time reaching the final at Hampden Park. Yet again the Athletic were to lose by the narrowest of margins, this time in a replay against Blantyre Victoria.

The 1970s saw probably the most successful period in the club's history when a social club was built at the ground. Many local trophies were won and the team was considered as one of the leading teams in the east of Scotland. However the biggest prize of all, the Scottish Junior Cup still eluded Athletic.

The club's fortunes fell into decline both on and off the park in the 1980s and the Social Club was forced to close in 1986 with mounting debts. The park had been used as security for various loans and the creditors put the park up for sale to clear the debts. The team continued to play despite the off-field problems and were showing signs of revival when a near fatal blow was delivered when the ground was sold on to be developed into a supermarket.

Throughout the 1990s several initiatives were embarked upon to secure a new ground but for a variety of reasons, were unsuccessful. Eventually a new ground was acquired and Penicuik Athletic were accepted back into the re-organised East Region and took their place in the second division in 2002-3. Promotion to the 1st Division was secured in season 2004 - 5 when Penicuik won the second division title.

In season 2005 - 6 Penicuik finished as runners up to Camelon in the 1st Division, narrowly missing out on promotion to the East Super League. Second place, however, gave Penicuik entry into the new Premier League of the East Region. Season 2006 - 7 Athletic found the going tough in the new Premier League and narrowly escaped one of the three relegation slots back to the District League. Relegation was avoided by beating Scottish Junior Cup finalists Kelly Hearts in the last league match of the season in front of over 500 fans. Season 2007/08 saw Penicuik improve their position in the Premier League by finishing in sixth place. Season 2008/09 brought further improvement in the league position with Penicuik finishing in fourth place. Season 2009/10 Penicuik had a poor start to the new season. A run of only one win in seven league matches before an enforced break for bad weather saw Penicuik drop into second bottom spot in the Premier League. Team manager, Snowy McKean stepped down and was replaced by Brian Ryrie and Craig Meikle, chosen from a strong list of applicants. Despite losing their first match in charge, sufficient points were gained from the remaining league fixtures to claim seventh spot in the league, finishing clear of the three relegation spots. Season 2010-11 Penicuik finished a respectable 5<sup>th</sup> in the Premier Division, ten points off a promotion place but a comfortable nine points off a relegation spot. A measure of Athletic's steady progress was their appearance in the semi finals of both East of Scotland and Fife & Lothians Cups

(adapted from Penicuik's website)

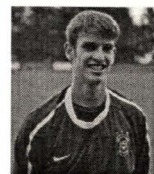
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## Has there ever been such a dearth of goals at The Canniepairt?

Ronnie Kenneth with 2 goals was Tayport's top league scorer on the Canniepairt in 2011. Joint runners-up were Messrs Elvin, Livie, Wemyss and Russell with a single goal each during the same period, the only Tayport players to have found their opponents' net in that twelve month period of league football. Yes, 7 goals is all the Canniepairt faithful had to cheer in 1,000 minutes of league football—and one of the seven goals was scored by an opponent!

Not that visiting fans had a lot to shout about, either. A mere 17 goals for them in eleven games.



A dearth of goals isn't a new phenomenon though. Even in 2005/06, our most recent Super League title winning season, the home fans had little to get excited about in terms of goals. 11 goals for and 7 conceded, a total of 18 goals in 12 games. Pop away for an ill-timed pee too often at Tayport and you could well not see a goal for a couple of years!

Indeed, since the advent of the Super League ten years ago, in only one season have Tayport broken the 20 goals barrier in their 12 league games at home — that was when we scored 21 in our most recent Scottish Cup winning season of 2004/05. It's not that the opposition have been scoring many either, we conceded only 5 in 2009/10 for example. Even in our two relegation seasons we only conceded 13 and 17 goals respectively at home.

This season's statistics of 3 goals scored in 5 homes games is disappointing but can be balanced out somewhat by having only conceded 4 goals in these games. That's an entertainment average, if you like, of 1.4 goals per games. When you compare that with the 2005/06 title winning season referred to above, of an average of 1.5 goals per game, it's maybe not too bad.

One thing's for sure though, if we're going to maintain a league challenge this year, things will have to improve on the goal scoring front.

It's accepted the way the game's played and the way the teams are set up tactically has changed and that it's unlikely we'll ever see the likes again of the days when Dave Reilly and Ronnie Kenneth would net 20 and 17 league goals respectively in a home league season as they did in 1995/96 and 2000/01 respectively. Goals, though, are the lifeblood of football. It's what fans want to see. Let's give it a go and get started today.



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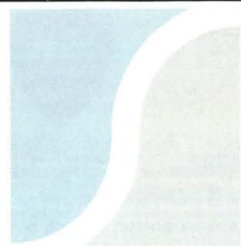
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| 4  | Penicuik Athletic | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 21 | 13 | 8   | 18  |
| 5  | Glenrothes        | 11 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 23 | 22 | 1   | 18  |
| 6  | Newtongrange Star | 13 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 28 | 20 | 8   | 16  |
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| 8  | Broughty Athletic | 14 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 16 | 28 | -12 | 16  |
| 9  | Broxburn Athletic | 12 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 20 | 20 | 0   | 15  |
| 10 | Armadaile Thistle | 13 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 16 | 20 | -3  | 11  |
| 11 | Downfield         | 13 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 18 | 31 | -13 | 9   |
| 12 | Arniston Rangers  | 11 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 10 | 25 | -15 | 9   |

| RESULTS CHART | Armadaile | Arniston | Ballingry | Broughty | Broxburn | Downfield | Glenrothes | Newtongrange | Oakley | Penicuik | Sauchie | TAYPORT |
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| Downfield     | 3 - 0     | 18/2     | 2 - 2     | 2 - 3    |          |           | 0 - 1      | 1 - 7        | 0 - 5  |          |         |         |
| Glenrothes    | 2 - 1     |          |           | 2 - 2    | 3 - 2    |           |            |              |        |          | 4 - 2   | 1 - 1   |
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| Oakley        | 2 - 2     | 4 - 0    |           |          | 4 - 0    |           | 18/2       | 1 - 1        |        | 3 - 2    |         |         |
| Penicuik      | 2 - 1     |          | 4 - 1     | 1 - 2    | 4 - 0    | 4 - 3     |            |              |        |          |         | 0 - 1   |
| Sauchie       | 3 - 2     | 3 - 0    |           |          |          | 2 - 1     |            |              |        | 1 - 0    |         |         |
| TAYPORT       |           |          | 1 - 0     | 0 - 1    | 0 - 0    | 1 - 1     |            |              | 1 - 2  | 18/2     |         |         |



## THE MANAGER WRITES

Looking ahead to today's East Premier League fixture, I'd like to begin by extending a warm welcome to all those associated with Penicuik. Our last match against them was a tight affair, with Penicuik having the upper hand during the first 45 minutes and the second half being more even. We managed to snatch the win, but I saw enough to know that Penicuik are one of the best sides we've played this season. Another tough match is in prospect today.



I was pleased that we were able to get a friendly against a young East Fife side on Tuesday, scoring seven without reply. It was an ideal game at an ideal time, as it helped us get last week's bad result out of our system. It was pleasing that we had lots of different scorers as well, as we have been finding goals difficult to come by.

We then had a good training session on Thursday and, at the end, I spoke to the players and emphasised that we had eleven league fixtures to play and they would all be like cup finals. There is little or no room for error. The players realise it's a case of now or never. I don't want them to have any regrets at the end of the season.

Although we are in the midst of an unbeaten league run that stretches back to September, we have drawn a few too many of these fixtures. I still believe that we have some terrific players at Tayport and few teams can match us when we play to our potential, but if we don't, other teams will catch us out.

There is no hiding place for Tayport players. It's not just a case of turning up and playing a game. This is a professional set-up, where expectations are high. If you play for Tayport, you have to stand up and be counted. You have to be able to take criticism. That is part and parcel of football. People have a right to express their opinion, but, having said that, I don't want negativity from certain quarters to detract from the togetherness of the club. There are lots of positives for us to focus on. We have a young team, with a certain freshness. OK, young players will make mistakes, but we can make real progress with the players we have in this squad.

We've made a few changes to the squad since our last home fixture. We brought in Simon Murray, a striker, from Montrose. He had been on loan at Downfield and was a regular scorer for them. The one positive of the recent postponements is that Simon has been able to settle in and train with the rest of the squad. Simon will add something to the team and he brings with him a great deal of enthusiasm. We'd like to wish him the very best, as he begins his Tayport career.

Just this week, we also signed Gary Robertson from Violet. He is an experienced, left-sided player and he will bolster us on that side of the park. I want to welcome Gary to the club.

Going in the opposite direction is Grant Manzie. He hasn't been a regular for us in recent months and I feel the move to Violet will allow him to continue to develop. I do want to thank Grant for his contribution to the club over the last few years and wish him the very best of luck for the future.

I also want to give a warm welcome back to Barry Donachie. He had been away on a trip around the world with his wife and we're pleased he's now back with us. He is a born winner and it won't take him long to get back up to speed. He got 90 minutes in our friendly against East Fife, so he's coming along well. Barry actually came home a couple of weeks early. He was involved in a game of beach football out in Thailand, but he made one robust challenge too many against a team of Thai waiters and was chased out of the country. Their loss is our gain.

Enjoy today's match.  
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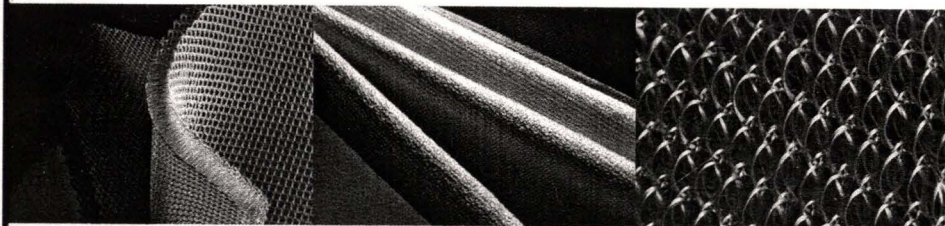
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| 6 Aug 11  | Dundee Violet     | LC    | W 2 - 1 | Ian Ross | Fraser Milligan | Livie            | Morris         | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Jamie Mackie | Russell 1   | Kenneth    | Paul Tosh 1 | Robert Smith | Andy McDonald (3) | Darren Scott (9) | Elvin (11)       | 157 |
| 13 Aug 11 | BROUGHTY ATH      | LC    | L 0 - 1 | Ross     | Milligan        | Kenneth McCulley | Russell        | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Manzie       | Elvin       | Kenneth    | Tosh        | Smith        | Ryan Welsh (11)   |                  |                  | 112 |
| 20 Aug 11 | North End         | LC    | L 0 - 1 | Ross     | Milligan %      | Livie            | McCulley       | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Russell    | Tosh        | Smith        | Welsh (4)         | Kenneth (10)     | Anton **=(9)     | 159 |
| 27 Aug 11 | Armadale Thistle  | L     | W 2 - 0 | Ross     | Russell         | McDonald         | Livie          | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Manzie     | Tosh 1      | Smith 1      | Kenneth           | Ryan Welsh       | Andy West        | 138 |
| 3 Sep 11  | OAKLEY UTD        | L     | L 1 - 2 | Ross     | Russell *       | Livie            | Morris         | Wemyss 1   | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Manzie     | Tosh        | Smith        | Anton (2)         | Kenneth (10)     |                  | 138 |
| 10 Sep 11 | Newtongrange      | L     | W 2 - 0 | Ross     | Milligan        | Welsh            | Morris         | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin 1     | Kenneth 1  | Anton       | Smith *      |                   |                  |                  | 215 |
| 17 Sep 11 | LIVINGSTON UTD    | EoS 1 | W 4 - 0 | Ferrie   | Milligan        | Welsh            | Morris 2       | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Kenneth 2  | Anton       | McDonald *   | Manzie (3)        | David Black (4)  | Russell (11)     | 136 |
| 24 Sep 11 | BROUGHTY ATH      | L     | L 0 - 1 | Ross     | Milligan        | Livie            | Tosh           | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Kenneth    | Anton       | Smith        | Black (10)        |                  |                  | 139 |
| 1 Oct 11  | Arniston Rangers  | L     | W 2 - 0 | Ross     | Milligan        | Livie 1          | Raeseide 1     | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Kenneth *  | Russell     | Smith        | Anton (10)        | Black (2)        | Manzie (11)      | 84  |
| 8 Oct 11  | Sauchie           | L     | P       |          | MATCH           | POSTPONED        | Referee deemed | Sauchie    | pitch      | unplayable   |             |            |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |
| 15 Oct 11 | BALLINGRY ROV     | L     | W 1 - 0 | Ross     | Milligan        | Livie            | Morris         | Wemyss *   | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin *     | Manzie     | Russell 1   | Smith        | Anton (10)        | MacDonald (11)   |                  | 116 |
| 22 Oct 11 | Penicuik Athletic | L     | W 1 - 0 | Ross     | Milligan        | Livie            | Morris *       | Raeseide   | Whatley    | MacDonald *  | Elvin       | Manzie *   | Russell     | Tosh         | Mackie (9) 1      | McCulley (7)     |                  | 175 |
| 29 Oct 11 | ARBROATH VICS     | S 2   | W 5 - 0 | Ross     | Milligan *      | McDonald *       | Morris         | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie 1     | Elvin 1     | Manzie     | Russell 1   | Tosh 2       | Anton (3)         | West (10)        | Welsh (11)       | 133 |
| 5 Nov 11  | DOWNFIELD         | L     | D 1 - 1 | Ross     | Milligan        | McDonald         | Morris *       | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Manzie     | Russell     | Tosh         | Anton (9)         | Kenneth (11) 1   | Smith (10)       | 143 |
| 12 Nov 11 | BROXBURN          | L     | D 0 - 0 | Ross *   | Milligan        | Livie            | Morris *       | Wemyss     | Raeseide * | Mackie       | Elvin       | Kenneth *  | Russell     | McCulley     | Anton (2)         | Tosh* (9)        | Whatley (8)      | 148 |
| 19 Nov 11 | Glenrothes        | L     | D 1 - 1 | Ferrie   | Milligan        | Livie            | Morris *       | Wemyss %   | Whatley    | Mackie       | Elvin       | Tosh       | Russell     | McCulley     | Anton (10)        | Kenneth (7) 1    |                  | 151 |
| 26 Nov 11 | Lochee United     | S 3   | D 2 - 2 | Ross     | Milligan *      | Livie            | Morris         | Raeseide 1 | Whatley    | Mackie 1     | Anton       | Kenneth *  | Russell     | McCulley     | Smith (10)        | Welsh (11)       | Tosh (9)         | 308 |
| 3 Dec 11  | LOCHEE UTD        | S 3 r | L 0 - 3 | Ross     | Milligan *      | Livie            | Morris *       | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Mackie *     | Anton       | Kenneth    | Tosh *      | McCulley     | Smith (4)         | Manzie (9)       |                  | 313 |
| 40 Dec 11 | Broughty Athletic | L     | P       |          | MATCH           | POSTPONED        | frozen         | pitch      | at         | Broughty     |             |            |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |
| 47 Dec 11 | Broughty Athletic | L     | P       |          | MATCH           | POSTPONED        | frozen         | pitch      | at         | Broughty     |             |            |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |
| 7 Jan 12  | Broughty Athletic | L     | D 0 - 0 | Ferrie   | Milligan *      | McCulley         | Morris         | Wemyss     | Whatley    | Smith %      | Elvin       | West       | Tosh        | Welsh        | Anton (11)        | Russell (9)      | Peter McAvoy ( ) | 91  |
| 14 Jan 12 | GLENROTHES        | L     | P       |          | MATCH           | POSTPONED        | frozen         | pitch      | at         | Canniepairt  |             |            |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |
| 21 Jan 12 | Ballingry Rovers  | L     | P       |          | MATCH           | POSTPONED        | Ballingry      | called     | game off   | no water     | in pavilion | apparently |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |
| 28 Jan 12 | SAUCHIE           | L     | P       |          | MATCH           | POSTPONED        | Frozen         | Pitch      |            |              |             |            |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |
| 04 Feb 12 | Fauldhouse        | EoS 3 | P       |          | MATCH           | POSTPONED        | Frozen         | Pitch      |            |              |             |            |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |
| 11 Feb 12 | Fauldhouse        | EoS 3 | L 0 - 2 | Ferrie   | Milligan %      | McCulley *       | Morris %       | Wemyss     | McDonald % | Mackie       | Elvin       | Kenneth    | Tosh        | Welsh        | Anton (11)        | West (7)         | Russell (3)      | 106 |
| 18 Feb 12 | PENICUIK ATHLETIC | L     |         |          |                 |                  |                |            |            |              |             |            |             |              |                   |                  |                  |     |

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES



**20 YEARS AGO  
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Tayport were enjoying the experience of their first season in the top Tayside division and were handily placed in second spot, a point behind leaders Downfield with a game in hand. It is perhaps interesting to note that it may only have been January but the Tayside Championship was already drawing to a close with East Craigie, for example, having played 23 league games and only three left to complete their season.

This weekend in January 1992 Tayport were taking a break from league action with a Zamoyski Cup second round tie versus Lochee United on The Canniepairt. Tayport were in the midst of a run of thirteen successive wins which would stretch from 30 November to 29 February.

There was an estimated attendance of 250 as the following Tayport players ran out to face their local rivals - Fraser Mann; Paul Reilly, Grant Paterson, Mark Spalding, Andy Sommerville, Frankie Dolan, Billy Coventry, Grant Cushnie, Dave Reilly, Jackie Devine, Gary Lamont. The two substitutes were Jimmy Hunter and Ronnie Robb.

Tayport ran out 2-1 winners with goals from Coventry and Dave Reilly.

The late Davie Ayre's match report in the Fife Herald is reproduced below

## Missed chances but 'Port go through

**Tayport Juniors ..... 2  
Lochee United 1 .....**

Perhaps it was the difficult underfoot conditions, or maybe thoughts were on tomorrow Scottish Cup tie. Whatever it was Tayport made hard work of disposing of a Lochee United side whom they thrashed 5-1 in a league match less than two months ago.

Despite creating the bulk of the chances throughout the 90 minutes, Tayport were almost shocked by the visitors on several occasions due in the main to some slipshod stuff by the home defence which had Fraser Mann earning his com with a strong of fine saves.

McAllister had almost

given Lochee the lead in the 15th minute when his well struck shot came back off the top of the Tayport bar before the Reilly brothers combined well. Dave heading down for Paul to volley narrowly past.

The home team were stunned on the half hour mark when Lochee took the lead in bizarre fashion. A long, high ball was punted in the general direction of the home goal by Bell in his own half of the field. The Tayport defence opened up as Lochee's Ross followed the ball as it continued toward goal and Alex Mann without any other player making contact.

Tayport's answer was

quick and decisive. Within 60 seconds Dave Reilly had slung over a fine ball from the right and Coventry rose to send the ball looping over Groulay and into the net.

It looked as if the floodgates would open when seven minutes into the second half, Devine fired Tayport ahead after controlling a Spalding cross from the right.

In an amazing 15 minute spell, Groulay's goal was under siege. First Lamont just failed to connect with a driven Devine cross, Coventry narrowly missed after connecting with a Reilly through ball, Sommerville bulletted a header off the bar and Cushnie almost notched from a tight angle after being

put through by Devine. Having weathered this storm, United almost levelled the tie with 10 minutes remaining when Ross picked up a slack ball from the home defence and brought out a great save from Mann. In the end Tayport were happy to settle for the one goal margin and go into the third round Zamoyski Cup draw. The ball for this match was kindly donated by Dave Griel of the Brig O Tay Lounge Bar and Restaurant, Newport.

Tomorrow Tayport are at home to West Lothian opponents Livingston United in the fourth round of the Q&A Scottish Cup. The match, which has a 2.30pm kick off, has been sponsored by Andrew Robertson Associates, and the match ball donated by Jackie Martin of J. Martin Builders Ltd.



## FLOOD FEARS THREATEN CANNIEPAIRT

### Fears over coastline being reclaimed by rising waters

THE FLOODING OF Tayport, which has been a recurring theme in recent years, is set to become a permanent feature of the town's landscape, according to a report by the Fife Council's latest Fife Shoreline Management Plan. The report, which was published last week, states that the town is at risk of being reclaimed by rising waters in the next 20 years. The report also states that the town is at risk of being flooded in the next 20 years as sea levels rise and as many as 2,822 properties could be under water by 2110.

A press report last week (well, it was last week before we were hit by postponements) reporting on Fife Council's latest Fife Shoreline Management Plan highlighted the risk to The Canniepairt over the next 20 years.

In the plan, Fife Council's Head of Transportation, Dr Bob McLellan, stated that more than 1,200 properties in Fife are at risk of being flooded in the next 20 years as sea levels rise and as many as 2,822 properties could be under water by 2110.

The report continued by saying that, if action was not taken, Tayport would be worst affected in Fife with 284 properties at risk. "Tayport is quite large and heavily built up with a number of residential properties backing straight on to the coastline. "Sea level rise and coastal flooding heavily affects the town of Tayport, which is currently already defended by seawalls and rock revetment"

Although those living in the Harbour Road, Links Road and Shanwell Road South areas will be understandably concerned about their properties and the difficulty insuring same, we at the football club cannot be complacent. Anybody who has witnessed the erosion and change to the Tentsmuir shoreline in the last few years will be only too aware of the power of the sea.

The Council claims that building coastal defences will cost hundreds of millions of pounds.

### Steven steps in to help his old boss

When Kelty manager Keith Burgess found himself short of a defender in his team against Bathgate Thistle in a Super League game two the other week, he picked up the phone to one of his Tayport old boys Steven Stewart, asked him to put in a night's training with Tayport and turn out a couple of days later at Creamery Park.

Steven duly obliged, teaming up with two former 'Port team mates Robbie Henderson and Brian Dull to put in a 90 minute shift. No happy ending, though, with Hearts going down by the only goal of the game which kept Bathgate's title hopes very much alive.

Congratulations to Kinnoull who reached the last 16 of the Scottish Junior Cup for the first time since 1971/72 with a superb 4-0 win at Lanark United. No shortage of ex-Port players involved in the Perth team's success—Chris Webster, Adam O'Connor, Gary Fraser and Duncan Bruce. Incidentally, Sauchie had their best cup run that season, reaching the quarter finals, before being eliminated 4-2 by Newtongrange Star. Kinnoull have a great chance to make the last 8 when they play at home to Shotts Bon Accord this afternoon.

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## DUNMORE REPORTS.....

Today sees Tayport play their first competitive fixture on the Canniepairt since the Emirates Scottish Junior Cup exit to Lochee United, on the first Saturday in December. The 3-0 scoreline slightly flattered the Bluebells, but they were undoubtedly worthy winners.

During the first half, Lochee had all the pressure, but Tayport kept their visitors at bay. Ironically, 'Port improved after the break, yet conceded three goals. Jon Voigt was the architect of the first, setting up Grant Lawson, midway through the half. In the final minute, Voigt added his own name to the scoresheet, to ensure victory. Then, deep in stoppage time, the misery was compounded when Iain Ross was sent off and Graham Hay completed the scoring, from the spot. Ross, it must be said, could not really be faulted for the penalty incident, but had to accept a frustrating red card.

The league fixture against Broughty was then twice postponed and this was followed by two planned blank Saturdays, around the festive period. The Whitton Park encounter finally took place in early January, but wasn't really worth the wait. 'Port had to settle for a point, in a goalless draw. The dismissal of Robert Smith, against his former club, did not help Tayport's cause, but neither did it change the complexion of the match. Neal Ferrie, for instance, did not have to make a save, with Broughty missing the target with both of their positive efforts on goal.

Several more subsequent postponements then caused further frustration for the Canniepairt outfit. The home match against Glenrothes fell victim to the weather, the trip to Ballingry was called off due to plumbing problems at Ore Park and the home match against Sauchie was called off, as was the first scheduled trip to Fauldhouse.

Tayport finally got back into action last weekend, but maybe shouldn't have bothered. Hosts Fauldhouse won the third round East of Scotland Cup tie, with two second half counters. They also missed two controversially-awarded penalty kicks. These decisions told a story about the performance of the match official. That four players were also ordered off added to the bewilderment. Roberto Morris was first to be red-carded, for the last-man foul which led to the first missed spot kick. (The infringement looked to have taken place outside the box, but the referee was convinced otherwise) Andy McDonald was dismissed after the break, for an altercation with home midfielder, Baird, who had floored the Tayport man. Fraser Milligan saw red late on, for a second bookable offence. It was not Tayport's day. Let's hope for better this afternoon.



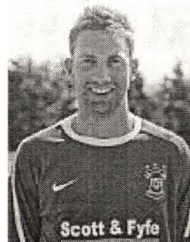
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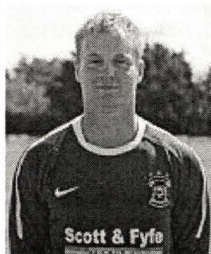
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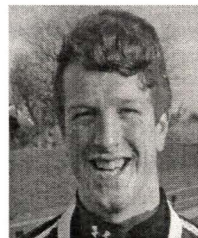
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The 1959 pic of Broughty Athletic which was in a recent EveningTele's



Blether with Brown featured three kenspeckle Tayport townspeople, two of whom have sadly passed away.

The inside trio is Reggie Dewar, Pud Jeffrey and Jim Rodger.

Jim, a former Scottish Internationalist, lives just round the corner from the Canniepairt.

## Since our last programme...

Grant Manzie has moved to Dundee Violet and goes with our best wishes to do well with the Pansies. Grant made his debut in August 2009, scoring in a 6-0 demolition of Dundee North End in the League Cup. Grant went on to make 65 appearances scoring 15 goals.

Dave Baikie, frustrated at being out of the game after being sacked at Linlithgow, took over as manager at Ballingry, Rovers third such appointment this season. Baikie says he's told Ballingry he'll give it until the end of the season and see how things go.

An East Region League re structure is again on the cards. Clubs attended a meeting and delegates were expecting that some progress might be made but, apart from various suggestions being made, there was no progress. So, what was the outcome? Another meeting! There is no doubt it is difficult to take on board all the various interests and anticipate the scenarios that are likely to develop as a result of a restructure, but if there is to be a restructure, then there has got to be firm leadership to see it through.

It is with regret that we have to report two recent deaths.

Bill Wilson, a season ticket holder at the Canniepairt for over twenty years, passed away earlier this week. Bill, a former Principal of Elmwood College and a Japanese interpreter in wartime, was an enthusiastic and knowledgeable follower of the club's fortunes, who very rarely missed a home game until earlier this season when illness prevented his attendance.

Also sadly passing away this week was Tayport born Jimmy McCafferty who played with club's Alliance League side from 1979 to 1981. Jimmy played 26 games, scoring 12 goals. The highlight of his club career was as a member of the Tayport team which won the Alliance Cup, beating Invergowrie 3-2 in the 1979 final.

## Elsewhere today

### Emirates Scottish Junior Cup

Not really unexpectedly (according to the our abandoned programme for the recent home game which was postponed!), Lochee United and St Andrews United got through to the last sixteen disposing of one time west kingpins, Pollok and Cumnock respectively. Tougher this week against Irvine Meadow at Thomson Park for Lochee but the Dundee side have a great cup spirit and a victory is not beyond them. Kilbirnie are holding up the West Super League and therefore St Andrews will have the scent of victory in their nostrils but after their win last week in Ayrshire, they will have to guard against complacency. Kinnoull caused something of a surprise winning 4-0 away to West 2nd tier side Lanark in the last round and they too, will have to be wary, playing at home to Shotts Bon Accord who are in the same division as Lanark. With Kelty at Largs, Bo'ness at Arthurlie and Bonnyrigg at Ashfield, there's a good chance of a sizeable East representation in the last eight.

### Premier League

Four games on today's card. Downfield can put daylight between themselves and their opponents with a win at home to Arniston. (home) Three points would also see them go above Armadale who are on cup business. Newtongrange slipped up at Ballingry last week but should account for a faltering Broxburn side (home). Oakley were shocked by Kirrie in a cup-tie last week and may find it tough at home to a Glenrothes (draw)

### Super League

A win for either Linlithgow or Bathgate at Prestonfield would see the winners top the table so it will probably be a draw and Hill of Beath will stay top (draw). A draw at Prestonfield is the result Camelon will be looking for whilst hoping they can pull all three from their game at Laing Park where Carnoustie must win to help in their battle to avoid the drop (home)



## EMIRATES SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP 4TH RD

Six East Region clubs have made it to this afternoon's last 16 stage — Kelty Hearts, Kinnoull, Bo'ness, Bonnyrigg Rose, St Andrews United and Lochee United. Arniston came within a whisker of joining them, only going out to Largs on penalty kicks after last week's replay at Gorebridge finished all square.

UPDATE

### Outstanding 3rd Round results

Kilbirnie w/o RAF Lossiemouth  
Troon 2 v 2 **Haddington Athletic**  
Thorniewood United 2 v 5 Larkhall  
Bellshill Athletic 2 v 1 Greenock  
Stonehouse 1 v 2 **Arniston**  
Cumnock 6 v 2 **Kirkcaldy**  
Ashfield 1 v 1 Whitletts Vics  
Kilwinning Rangers 3 v 1 Blantyre  
Dunipace 0 v 1 Irvine Meadow  
**Sauchie** 2 v 2 Neilston  
Shotts Bon Accord 2 v 2 Annbank  
Cambuslang 2 v 0 **East Craigie**  
**Whitburn** 1 v 1 Glentana  
Camelon 0 v 0 **Kelty**  
**Broxburn Athletic** 2 v 2 Girvan

### Replays

**Tayport** 0 v 3 **Lochee United**  
Pollok 6 v 0 **Blairstown**  
**Armada** 1 v 2 Kilsyth  
**Haddington** 1 v 1 Troon  
Troon won on penalties  
Ashfield 2 v 0 Whitletts Vics  
Neilston 0 v 1 **Sauchie**  
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Glentana 1 v 2 **Whitburn**  
[ @ Broxburn ]  
**Kelty Hearts** 1 v 0 **Camelon**  
Girvan 4 v 3 **Broxburn Athletic**  
Annbank United 0 v 3 Shotts

### 4th Round Results

**Kelty** 4 v 2 **Whitburn**  
Kilwinning 1 v 0 Glenafton  
**Musselburgh** 1 v 3 Auchinleck  
Pollok 1 v 1 **Lochee United**  
**St Andrews Utd** 1 v 1 Cumnock  
Carlisle Rovers 0 v 1 Irvine Meadow  
**Dundee Violet** 0 v 1 Ashfield  
Kilsyth Rangers 1 v 3 Arthurlie  
**Sauchie** 2 v 3 Bo'ness

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4th

### Round (continued)

Cambuslang 1 v 2 Shotts  
**Bonnyrigg Rose** 3 v 2 Maybole  
Girvan 2 v 4 St Rochs  
Lanark United 0 v 4 **Kinnoull**  
Largs Thistle 1 v 1 **Arniston Rangers**  
Kilbirnie Ladeside 3 v 1 Troon  
Larkhall 2 v 1 Bellshill

### Replays

**Lochee United** 5v2 Pollok  
Cumnock 2v4 **St Andrews United**  
**Arniston Rangers** 1v1 Largs Thistle (Largs won on penalties)

### TODAY'S 5th ROUND TIES

Arthurlie v Bo'ness  
Ashfield v Bonnyrigg Rose  
Auchinleck Talbot v St Roch's  
Kilwinning Rangers v Larkhall  
Thistle  
Kinnoull v Shotts Bon Accord  
Lochee United v Irvine Meadow XI  
Largs Thistle v Kelty Hearts  
St Andrews Utd v Kilbirnie Ladeside

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## The Rangers Crisis

You can't say we didn't alert you to the situation. Reproduced here is an article which appeared in the Tayport FC match programme in November 2009

# The Pub Bore

On Rangers  
and their  
woes

How the mighty have fallen. Rangers brought to their knees by their bank. The entire first team squad up for sale. The rise and fall of Govan's finest is wholly representative of what could prove to be the most disastrous quarter century in the once proud history of Scottish football.

1986 and the arrival of Graeme Souness saw Rangers start to exercise their financial muscle as they attracted England internationals north of the border with bumper wage packets and the offer of European football. By season 1992/93, with their Glasgow rivals also beginning to realise some of their massive financial potential, Scotland's domestic league looked to be in rude health. The Scottish champions achieved home and away victories against English champions Leeds United and only one goal deprived them of a place in the European Cup final. But this was a height that neither Rangers, nor any other Scottish team, was to get close to ever again.

It is no coincidence that 1992/93 was also the inaugural season of the Premiership. No longer would money be fairly distributed throughout the 92 league teams; now the English elite were free to reap the riches of satellite television. In the years that followed Rangers, desperate to establish themselves at Europe's top table, spent money that the income streams generated by Scottish football could never match. David Murray must still have nightmares about the £12 million spent on Tore André Flo.

Saddled with a crippling debt of over £70 million, Murray turned to the club's loyal supporters around the world. A share issue would allow them to take some ownership of their beloved club and help alleviate their financial woes. The fact that the call was almost wholly ignored should act as a warning to those who believe that the supporters are ready to ride to the club's rescue. Murray was forced to cover the issue with £50 million of his own money.

But now David Murray is skint and as a result the banks are no longer prepared to keep extending the credit offered to Rangers. Quite simply Scottish football is no longer profitable, if indeed it ever was. Gone are the players that could be sold for huge profits. Gone are the bumper TV deals. Gone are the millionaire investors. Income seems in terminal decline. The current market value cannot be much more than £7-8 million for the entire Rangers squad. Who can blame Lloyds for getting what they can while the playing staff are still under contract? Before long Rangers will have to sell Ibrox. A proud history might soon be all that remains.

The bore's views are the result of too many pints and in no way represent those of TFC



## SNIFFING AROUND WITH *THE SNOUT*

The club is looking for a stand-by Bingo caller for our Sunday evening sessions at The Canniepairt. Since the Sheik returned to the Middle East we've been a man down. It will take up a couple of hours on a Sunday evening from time to time and is far from an onerous task. Anyone interested should contact the secretary.

Former Tayport and Glens midfielder Reon Juskowiak has signed for Dundonald Bluebell. Reo has been fixed up by Bluebells boss Colin Downie, the former Tayport player and Glenrothes manager, on a 30 month contract.

A belated well done to Auchinleck Talbot who gave the Junior game its biggest boost for many years by putting on a splendid show v Hearts at Tynecastle a few weeks ago despite going down 1-0. The goal they conceded a few minutes from time was very unlucky when keeper Andy Leishman crashed into his own defender going for the same ball thus allowing the Jambos to get the winner. Talbot weren't finished though and in time added on they equalised only to have the goal chalked off for offside. The wrong decision, as the TV replay later showed. A great occasion for the Auchinleck club who had the consolation of knowing that their tie pulled in the biggest cup crowd of the day in Scotland. Who knows, there but for the dinosaurs of Scottish football....?

*Fauldhouse by Train* isn't ever likely to be Scotrail's advertising slogan, but at least four of our supporters chose to let the train take the strain and used this as their means to follow the team to the western extremities of West Lothian last Saturday. Well done to these guys. Just a pity they had little to cheer.



You would be right to wonder why we feature a recent issue of 'Amateur Gardening Weekly' in a football programme. The article features Tayport man Alan Law's garden in Grey Street, Tayport. It has been featured in the magazine because Alan's garden is crammed with ingenious features all made from recycled materials and providing a haven for bees, butterflies and birds. As the magazine says 'old carpets, reclaimed timber, and even scaffolding poles have all been given a second lease of life in the Law's Scottish garden'.

Why the football connection? Well, not strictly football, more the football club's car boot sales to which Alan Law is a regular visitor always looking to pick up odds and ends which will enhance his now famous garden. A timely reminder, then, that the Car Boot Sales resume at the Canniepairt 25th March

The local area was fortunate when the 5th round of the Emirates Scottish Cup was drawn in that the three survivors, Lochee United, Kinnoull and St Andrews United were kept apart and, even better, were drawn at home. Disappointingly, however, all the other local based sides Carnoustie, Downfield, Tayport, East Craigie and North End who play Violet, are playing at home today. So, there's a feast of football from which to choose for all those Dundee FC fans whose team found themselves without a game today when Ayr United, their scheduled opponents, knocked Falkirk out of the cup during the week.

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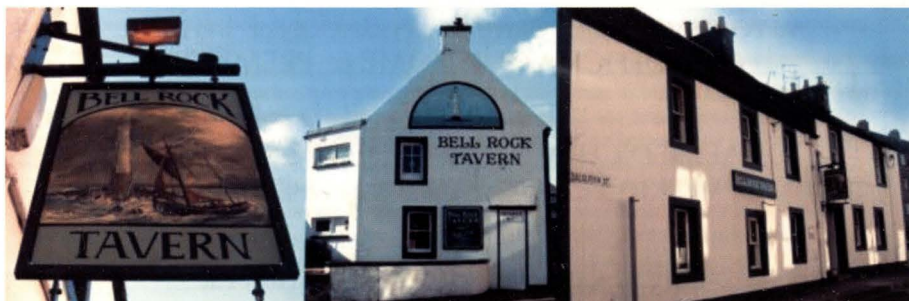
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