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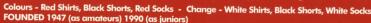
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S. Ross (B. Gray) D. Reilly

G. Maher (J. Henry) Scorer – S. Ross (2) Att. 4.652 1 June 2003 1-0 (aet) v Linlithgow Rose at Firhill, Glasgow

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S. Peters J. Mitchell S. Stewart (D. Scott) B. Craik (A. Ramsay) B. McNaughton

G. Dailly (D. Evans)
Scorer – Craik
Att. 4.613

29 May 2005 2-0 v Lochee United

at Tannadice
F. Fitzpatrick

R. Morris G. Paterson (L. Young) J. Ward

D. Wemyss S. Peters B. McNaughton

S. Stewart
R. Henderson (A. Ramsay)
G. Middleton (R. Hunter)

B. Livie

Scorers – Middleton, Henderson
Att. 6,868

AWARDS 2010/11

Player of the Year (presented 1991 by Messrs Oswald, Redpath & Stewart) – Stefan Elvin;
Players Player of the Year (presented 1991 in memory of Rev. G.S. Ayre) – Neal Ferrie;
Fans' Favourite – Derek Wennyss:

Young Player of the Year (presented 2011 by Bella Carmichael in memory of her late husband Dite Carmichael) - Stefan Elvin; Travel Club Player of the Year (presented by the Travel Club in memory of the late Davie Ayre) - Stefan Elvin;

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Top Scorer award (presented by Andrew Robertson) – James Russell;
Website (www.tayportfc.org) Player of the Year –

Brian Livie & Stefan Elvin (shared).

Our front cover picture shows the Tayport FC line-up prior to the final of the Jacques Vandebosch Challenge Cup final in Belgium April 1982.

Back Row: Bruce Burnett, Rab Downie, Barry Toner, Bobby Wilson, Angus Charity, Phil Smith, Gus Malone, Alan Hart, Neil Downie

Front Row: Kevin Murphy, Ken Smith, Colin Gray, Jim Bissett, Ian Howe, Alan Harte

TODAY'S TEAMS

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| 4 | Barry DONACHIE | | Sean SIMPSON | | | | | |
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| 15 | Robert SMITH | | Lee BRYCE | | | | | |
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| 17 | Stefan ELVIN | | 3 | | | | | |
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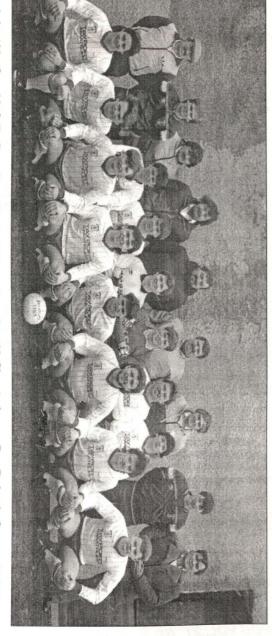
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Today's Visitors Glenrothes

A warm welcome to New Town club Glenrothes, our visitors to the Canniepairt this afternoon. Off the field, Glens have seen some upheaval in recent times and will be seeking a period of stability in this, their second season in the Premier Division following relegation from the Super League in 2010.

Despite their unsettled spell, Glens have acquitted themselves well on the field to date in the league and currently sit only one point off the top of the table. Indeed, a win today, and depending on results elsewhere, they could even top the table tonight. In fact, any one of five teams could be on top of the pile this evening.

It's been something of a roller coaster season for the Warout team, now managed by former Brechin City legend Ian Paterson (321 games for the Glebe Park club) who is assisted by the experienced Willie Syme and former Brechin man, 'keeper Ray Allan who is the club's goal-keeping coach.

There was a good start to the season with an unbeaten League Cup campaign, only losing in the semi final to ultimate winners Hill of Beath on penalties after a 1-1 draw.

Glens beat Penicuik in the Fife & Lothians Cup then were eliminated from the Emirates Scottish Cup by the same club. There was also an early exit from the East of Scotland Cup, beaten by Oakley United and most recently an narrow 2-1 defeat by Emirates quarter finalists Bonnyrigg Rose in the Fife & Lothians Cup.



ELSEWHERE TODAY

Premier League

As well as today's game at The Canniepairt there is another top of the table clash at **Oakley** where **Sauchie** are the visitors. A big test for both. Draw. Current table toppers, **Penicuik**, by virtue of more goals scored, are across the Tay at **Downfield** where the locals will have been galvanised by that derby win last week over Broughty. Away. **Broughty** could have taken a major step away from the drop zone last week but are right in the mix now and will be hoping their good away form doesn't desert them at **Newtongrange**. Home. **Arniston** can take the points at home to **Broxburn** and give themselves a lifeline. Home. **Ballingry**, at home to **Armadale**, could find their visitors a tough nut to crack but it still looks a home win to keep Rovers in the promotion picture.

Super League

League leaders Linlithgow are along the road at St Andrews United where home minds could well be taken up with next week's Scottish tie. Away. Lochee will need to pick themselves up at home v Bo'ness but several key players will be missing. Away. Home wins expected for Bonnyrigg v Musselburgh and Hill of Beath v Carnoustie whilst there could be another draw between Kelty and Camelon.

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Today's Game

Like ourselves, with eight games to go, the Premier League is Glenrothes' only remaining challenge for the season so it's all to play for today.

With the loss of a number of experienced players in the past couple of years, such as inspirational midfielder Lee Duffy to Bo'ness, Glens have had to rely on a youth policy to supplement the experience of the likes of Chris McKie, Sean Simpson and John Martin. Youngsters such as defender Gavin Moffat, the son of former 'Port assistant manager Jim Moffat, Lyall Shaw and James Murray impressed when the clubs shared two goals in the corresponding game at the Warout Stadium back

Gavin's younger brother Gordon appeared in goal for Glens as a trialist in that game but since then our visitors have re-signed their former keeper Jamie Roberts (pictured right) from Ballingry Rovers.

in November.

With a relatively small squad of players, it's no surprise that Glens' results have been mixed with three wins, three defeats and

a draw since we drew 1-1 at the Warout Stadium back in November. There have been a couple of impressive results which have taken the club to within one point of the top

of the table, in particular the 4-3 win at Oakley and a 2-2 draw with Penicuik.

Strengthening the Glens team will be recent signing, our former player Lee Bryce (pictured left) who was with us during the past two seasons. Lee will undoubtedly provide a big threat this afternoon.

It's probably safe to say that Lee is the first player to have played here within two months of turning out in a live Sky TV match. Lee,

of course came on as substitute for Arbroath v Rangers in January. The way things are going at Ibrox, he could well be one of the last players ever to have played v the original Rangers in a Scottish Cup tie!

Tayport will be without broken foot victim Mark Whatley and still have an injury doubt over Jamie Mackie. The home side will be further handicapped by the absence of defenders Derek Wemyss and Fraser Milligan, both unavailable for today's game.

THE MANAGER WRITES





A very warm welcome to everyone connected with Glenrothes; management, players, officials and supporters. Nothing whets the appetite more than a Fife derby, so it's a game to relish.

Glenrothes have had a great season so far. They were close to promotion last year and, for me, they've been one of the best teams of this season. They have added new faces and recently strengthened again by signing one of our ex-players, Lee Bryce. I'd like to wish Lee all the best for his time at The Glens.

We are going into this match on the back of a good result and three good performances, albeit that we had a draw and a defeat prior to last Saturday's win. Performance-wise, there has been a marked improvement of late and consistently good performances will lead to positive results.

Looking at the league table, it's tight at the top. I thought the Super League was very competitive and it's the same in the Premier League. There are closely contested games every week and that leads to better quality. No team has a divine right to win, based on reputation. There is a fine line between a win and a loss and today will be no different. Both teams have much to play for.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a personal thank you to Russell Traill, who is mine host at Cobbies. He has kindly supplied the post-training food this week. We try to be as professional as possible at the club and the players train hard after a long day at work. It's great that they can get soup and sandwiches after training: good, wholesome food with nutritional value. The partnership between Russell and the club looks set to be a really positive one and I hope he enjoys the match today.

On another note, the home support might be wondering why I have taken to standing on the opposite side of the park during the first half. Similar to the scenario of a manager choosing to sit in the stand, it gives me a different angle and perspective on the game. It's good to have a voice on each side of the park as well. I believe that the players benefit from that. So, either Paul or I will do that on a regular basis.

Going back to today's match, I want to finish by saying that we are out to pick up as many points as possible from our remaining games. We'll be going all out to secure back-to-back wins for the first time in a while and a repeat of last week's performance would go a long way to helping to achieve that goal.

Enjoy today's match.,

John



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| 22 Oct 11 | Penicuik Athletic | L | W1-0 | Ross | Milligan | Livie | Morris * | Raeside | 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 |
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| 26 Nov 11 | Lochee United | S 3 | D2-2 | Ross | Milligan * | Livie | Morris | Raeside 1 | Whatley | Mackie 1 | Anton | Kenneth * | Russell | McCulley | Smith (10) | Welsh (11) | Tosh (9) | 308 |
| 3 Dec 11 | LOCHEE UTD | S3r | L0-3 | Ross | Milligan * | Livie | Morris * | Wemyss | Whatley | Mackie * | Anton | Kenneth | Tosh * | McCulley | Smith (4) | Manzie (9) | | 313 |
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| 18 Feb 12 | PENICUIK ATHLETIC | L | D 1-1 | Ferrie | Milligan | McCulley | Morris | Wemyss | Gary Robertson | Mackie | Elvin * | Anton | Tosh | Simon | Kenneth * (7) | | | 130 |
| 25 Feb 12 | Sauchie | - | L 1-2 | Ross | Milligan* | McCulley | Morris % | Tosh 1 | Smith | Vest | Elvin | Anton | Kevin Milne* | Murray 1 Murray * | Donachie (7) | Mackie (8) | | 144 |
| 3 Mar 12 | NEWTONGRANGE | L | W3-0 | Ross | Milligan | McCulley* | Morris | Wemyss | Smith | /osh* | Elvin 1 | Anton | Kevin Milne | Murray 2 | Donachie (9) | Robertson (10) | Kenneth (11) | 155 |
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Tayport and Glenrothes had both finished the previous season as champions and runners-up respectively of their different Regions and therefore took their places in the new East Super League.

When Glenrothes arrived at the Canniepairt for the fourth round of the season's league fixtures on Saturday 31st August 2002, Tayport had made an unbeaten start to the campaign, winning at Bathgate and Linlithgow, drawing 0-0 at home to the previous season's Fife champions Hill of Beath and had yet to lose a goal.

'Port were not surprisingly, then, hot favourites to extend their unbeaten run and at least score their first home goal of the season. Alas! Wrong on both counts. A Martin Grant inspired Glens ran out 2-0 winners.

Interest in the new Super Leagues was keen and an excellent crowd of 268 rolled up for the game, most of whom were there in anticipation of a home win.

Frazer Fitzpatrick was unavailable and Tayport lined up:- A Trialist was in goal (Graeme Finnan, the Evening Tele journalist and then recently retired Dundee North End custodian), Ross Gunnion, John Ward, Roberto Morris, Grant Paterson, Doug Scott, Steven Stewart, Barry McNaughton, Jon Mitchell, Brian Craik, Gareth Dailly. Mark Craib substituted for Birdie Craik.

Glenrothes had Clive Guppy in goal, Graham Watson, Stephen Grant, Gibby Allan, Colin Sinclair, Keith Barr, Duncan Caithness, Murray Urquhart, Benny Andrew, Charlie Scarborough and Martin Grant. The listed substitutes were Craig Gibson, Chris Francis, Mark Buist, Steve Hutcheon, g/k Roger Warrender.

Ten years on and only one players survives from either team in this afternoon's squads - Roberto Morris. Three of the Glens team, Martin Grant, Hutcheon and Urquhart, turned out at one time or another for both clubs. Duncan Caithness, incidentally, now revels in the role of Development Officer—East Fife Sports Council.

EMIRATES SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP

Kinnoull blew their big chance in Glasgow last week when they lost 4-1 to Shotts Bon Accord in their 5th round replay at Petershill. By all accounts, the referee didn't do them any favours, but regardless, they kind of shot themselves in the foot by having three players sent off including former Tayport player and now Kinnoull skipper, Chris Webster, after only 11 minutes play.

St Andrews now await a visit from Shotts next Saturday in what will be one of their biggest cup gates at Recreation Park since we eliminated Saints at the 3rd round stage in 1990! Great chance of Saints keeping the local flag flying and making it to the last four. Got to keep their discipline, though.

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 Carluke Roys 0 v 1 Irvine Meadow Dundee Violet 0 v 1 Ashfield Kilsyth Rangers 1 v 3 Arthurlie Sauchie 2 v 3 Bo'ness United 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

Replays Lochee United 5v2 Pollok Cumnock 2v4 St Andrews United Arniston Rangers 1v1 Largs Thistle (Largs

5th ROUND

won on penalties)

Larkhall 2 v 1 Bellshill

Arthurlie 1 Bo'ness United 1
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All quarter finalists are previous winners of the old trophy, first contested in 1887. The two clubs with the longest wait to repeat their success have been drawn together. St Andrews were winners in 1960 and Shotts, their opponents next Saturday, were winners in 1958.

Today's Trivia - At one time or another, Tayport have been drawn in the Scottish Cup against four of the last eight, Talbot, Irvine Meadow, St Andrews and Shotts. We've played Bo'ness and Bonnyrigg in the league but never ever crossed swords with either Largs or Kilwinning.

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Last weekend saw Tayport record their most impressive victory of the season, when Newtongrange Star were put to the sword on the Canniepairt.

The three East Premier League points ensure that 'Port remain very much involved in the promotion race, as we enter a crucial phase of the season.

The hero of last weekend's 3-0 win was striker Simon Murray, who helped himself to a late brace of goals, both of which were eye-catching. His first was a fine team goal. Paul Tosh sprayed the ball out wide to Robert Smith who controlled it on his chest before delivering a fine low cross to the front post, where Murray arrived to tuck the ball neatly into the net.

Murray's second was an individual effort. After keeping the ball on play on the touchline, he darted into the Star box, getting the better of a couple of defenders, before finding the far corner with a composed finish.

The strikes rightly earned the young striker some headlines, but the entire team contributed to the result. The first half had been an even, entertaining affair. Iain Ross had to tip over a Chris King free kick and, from the corner, make another stop on the line. Joe Dunbar also passed up a chance to open the scoring for the visitors.

Tayport also had chances during the first half. Kevin Milne, for instance, was unlucky to see his first-time shot clawed away from the top corner, after trickery from Murray.

On half-time, Tayport did break the deadlock and it was the strong-running Stefan Elvin (pictured) who was on the mark. He powered forward, latched onto Murray's pass, kept his balance, surged towards the Star box and netted an excellent left-footed strike.

Elvin's timely goal proved to be crucial to the outcome and the result now gives John McGlashan's men renewed impetus. Let's hope the momentum is now with Tayport for the remainder of the campaign.

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| 3 | Tayport | 14 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 16 | 8 | 8 | 23 |
| 4 | Oakley United | 12 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 31 | 18 | 13 | 22 |
| 5 | Glenrothes | 14 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 29 | 28 | 1 | 22 |
| 6 | Broxburn Athletic | 14 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 23 | 22 | 1 | 19 |
| 7 | Ballingry Rovers | 14 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 23 | 27 | -4 | 19 |
| 8 | Newtongrange Star | 15 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 29 | 24 | 5 | 17 |
| 9 | Broughty Athletic | 15 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 17 | 31 | -14 | 16 |
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| 12 | Arniston Rangers | 12 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 12 | 28 | -16 | 9 |

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SNIFFING AROUND WITH THE SNOUT

Oakley United had a depleted squad for last week's game at Penicuik and were forced to press gang 40 year old Andy Tod into action. Central defender Tod, who also played occasionally as a striker, retired last season from Forfar Athletic after a near 20 year senior career. It's a full circle, then for big Andy who joined his first Senior club, Dunfermline, from another Junior side, Kelty Hearts.

It's just as well we've have some postponements this winter. Had we not had these seven postponements, then we'd be playing our last game of the season today! If this been a season in which Christmas and New Year had been in midweek, then the season would have already have been over if the weather had been kind. No word yet of a strategy to address this impending situation. Seven games (all League games) to go after today pales in comparison with the activity exactly ten years ago when we played 27 games from this point on.

The football authorities' coffers will have been well swelled following last Saturday's games. At least 17 players were ordered off in games featuring Tayside and Fife based clubs. Allan, Lunan and Cormack (Broughty); Johnstone (Arbroath Vics); Hay, Krobut and Blackwood (Lochee United); Moyes and Maxwell, (Thornton Hibs); Mitchell (Jeanfield); Barrett (Lochgelly); Fyfe (Lochore); Carr (Kirkcaldy); Robertson (Crossgates); Webster, Fleming and Deans (Kinnoull);

Those watching BBC Scotland's Tuesday night's televised debate on the state of Scottish Football may have spotted SJFA secretary Tom Johnston amongst the invited panel representing the various interested parties in the Scottish game. On the other hand, you may not have spotted Tom, as he had no contribution to make, no questions having been addressed to the doyen of the Junior game. Can't recall the Juniors even being mentioned in passing, despite the Grade representing over 160 clubs. One thing which seemed clear is, that 20 years on from the last in-depth look at our game, there's not been a huge change for the better. At least not if the current Rangers crisis and its knock on effect is anything to go by. The national team is clearly worse off and the manager's defensive mindset hardly instils one with enthusiasm that this situation might change soon. Fingers crossed, though.

A bizarre incident at last Saturday's game when assistant referee Keith Smith was knocked out within a minute of the start of the game when he ran full pelt into a member of the Newtongrange coaching staff. The game was delayed for a lengthy period as a clearly stunned Mr Smith was treated by the Newtongrange physio for a nose bleed and head knock. Mr Smith was unable to continue so we had a situation where offside calls were being made by only one assistant. We are pleased to report that Mr Smith's nose was not broken and after resting up on Sunday, was able to attend his work on Monday.

It seems that an exit from the Scottish Cup signals the death toll for managers in the Junior game. Kilbirnie, beaten in a replay by St Andrews, sacked manager Tommy Bryce and similarly after a replay defeat by Bo'ness, Arthurlie's Sandy McLean was shown the door. Jim Hardie... watch your back!

As expected last Saturday, Newtongrange Star paraded new signing Chris King against us and, but for a magnificent save by Iain Ross, King would have got off to a scoring start. It was a bold move by Nitten who fought off attention from Bo'ness, Broxburn, Penicuik and others to get King's signature on a contract through to 2014.

It's not MGM, Warner Brothers or Universal, but a film company has made contact with the club to request if Tayport Football Club's facilities can be made available as a base for shooting a short film in Tayport during April

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