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1 June 2003 1-0 (aet) v Linlithgow Rose at Firhill, Glasgow

F. Fitzpatrick

R. Gunnion G. Paterson R. Morris

1 Ward S. Peters

I. Mitchell S. Stewart (D. Scott)

B. Craik (A. Ramsay) B. McNaughton

G. Dailly (D. Evans) Scorer - Craik Att. 4,613

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(Presented by Andrew Robertson) - Simon Murray (27)

Our Front Cover picture shows Tayport players celebrating promotion to Super League at Penicuik

last season. (image by Ron Nicoll)

TODAY'S TEAMS

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	TAYPORT		HILL OF BEATH					
	from	(3)		from				
1	Sam MORRIS		G/K	Stuart HALL				
3	Dale ROBERTSON			Michael LEE				
4	Barry DONACHIE		1	Gavin HAY				
5	Paul THOMSON			Greig SMITH				
6	John TONNER			Rikki DAIR				
7	Kris ROLLO	*	Met.	Aaron HAY				
8	Steven McPHEE	definition and	100	Darren WRIGHT				
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15	Grant LAWSON			Ryan ADAMSON				
16	Connaire CONNELLY			James ADAM				
20	Shaun LOGIE		MIL	Lyall SHAW				
21	Ruaridh DONALDSON			Ross ALLUM				
22	Kenny McCULLEY			Craig CONDIE				
	Market State of the State of th		1	Barry PATERSON				
				Alastair CAMPBELL				

Referee: Gavin ROSS (Edinburgh) **Assistant Referee: George ANDERSON** Assistant Referee: Vikki ROBERTSON



SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP **TAYPORT** HILL OF BEATH HAWTHORN

SATURDAY 18th JANUARY 2014 KICK-OFF 1.45 pm PORT PROG VOL. 23 No.10-2013/14 SCHILLOP BLAND



Today's Scottish Junior Cup 4th Round Ties



			prediction
Benburb	V	Whitletts Victoria	X
Cambuslang Rangers	v	Dundonald Bluebell	2
Camelon	v	Carnoustie Panmure	1
Cumnock	v	Neilston	1
Dalry Thistle	v	Cumbernauld United	X
Girvan	v	Rutherglen Glencairn	2
Irvine Meadow	v	Petershill	1
Kilsyth Rangers	v	Largs Thistle	X
Kilwinning Rangers	v	Sauchie	2
Larkhall Thistle	v	Hurlford United	X
Musselburgh Athletic	v	Glenafton Athletic	1
Pollok	v	Penicuik Athletic	2
St Andrews United	v	Bo'ness United	1
Shotts Bon Accord	v	Dunbar United	1
Tayport	v	Hill of Beath	
Yoker	v	Montrose Roselea	1

With the holders Auchinleck Talbot and the runners-up in last season's competition, Linlithgow Rose, both out, half the East Super League teams and five West Super Premier teams out, the teams in this afternoon's last 32 stage will fancy their chances of an extended run in this season's Scottish Junior Cup. Particularly so, as five of this afternoon's sixteen ties are all Super League affairs.

Our programme predictions never seem to much trouble the bookies but we think there is scope for a few surprise results today. Look no further than 12 miles along the road where **St Andrews** meet Bo'ness United. It's exactly 30 years since the BUs last won the cup and there will be a fair bit of money riding on them in this afternoon's tie but unpredictable Saints could cause a upset. Despite their first league defeat of the season last Saturday, **Dundonald** can be successful at Cambuslang while **Sauchie** can account for Kilwinning in Ayrshire.

Pollok are having a pretty wretched league season and all the pressure will be on them as they await **Penicuik** who could just cause the shock result of the round.

Bankers? Go for Yoker at home to Montrose Roselea and Shotts who have Dunbar United, conquerors of Arthurlie, as their visitors.

TODAY'S SUPER LEAGUE FIXTURES

Bonnyrigg Rose v Armadale Thistle Broxburn Athletic v Newtongrange Star Lochee United v Ballingry Rovers

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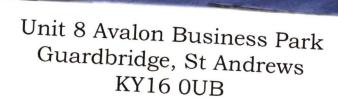
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FROM THE ARCHIVES

110 YEARS AGO

The Evening Telegraph reported on Thursday 25 February 1904 under the heading 'Argument on

Yesterday some excitement was aroused in Tayport when it became known that two young men, Mr John Thomson and Mr Gordon, both bakers, were to run a mile on the Common to decide an argument arising over the bringing home of a football cup. At four o' clock they toed the line, the mile being six times round the football pitch. Mr A.L.Black was the starter and referee. Both kept pretty close together for four or five laps, and then Thomson put on a spurt, followed by Gordon but he failed to overhaul him and Thomson came in rather an easy winner.

[Well suppose it's better than pistols at dawn!]

106 YEARS AGO

The Evening Telegraph reported on 13 June 1908

Tayport - The East Common yesterday was kept lively by a large contingent of Dundee poor children who were enjoying a day's outing under the auspices of Pearson's Fresh Air Fund. The children crossed to Newport by the ferry boat and proceeded to Tayport by rail. Favourable weather conditions prevailed making the outing a great success. [100 odd years on and Dundonians continue to find Tayport a healthy and peaceful haven!]

69 YEARS AGO

October 1945

Following the end of hostilities Tayport Violet FC was the only team in the town and they played in the Midlands Amateur FA. One of the first post-war line ups was the following which played Builders United FC on the East Common.

George Cockburn; Robertson, Larry Adam: Joe Weir, Stanford, Newman; Patrick, Farquhar, Trewern, Davie Hughes and Jock Howe.

Some of the names will be familiar. For example goalie George Cockburn was later to be mine host at the Freemason's Arms, hence it's current name Cobbies Inn. Left winger Jock Howe is the father of Tayport FC striker of the 70s and 80s, Ian Howe. Jock stays in Monifieth but is still a regular here at The Canniepairt.

Inside left Davie Hughes (pictured) was posthumously awarded 'legendary status' at the most recent Legends Dinner.

We're not sure of the first names of the rest of the team, but we'll check them out with Jock

THE BAIKER'S BIT



Good afternoon to the Port Support and may I welcome the players and officials of Hill of Beath, our Scottish Cup 4th Round opponents.

It's not exactly been a fantastic three weeks or so since the last Port Prog as we only picked up one point from a possible nine.

A home reverse to Lochee United was a particularly sore one to take. Had we gone in at the interval ahead in the game they couldn't have grumbled. Instead it was Lochee who led through an extremely dubious penalty. That coupled to losing a slack goal immediately after the break was enough to lose out on the day.

That was followed by another decent first half performance at Newtongrange but once again we let our concentration lapse not long after the break and were punished accordingly. It's vital for us if we are to make inroads into gaining success in games that every player who starts produces a level of consistency in their concentration throughout the game. One player switching off will lead to our demise in games.

Last week's game at Linlithgow was more encouraging for me. The 2-2 draw not only halted a run of five reversals, but, like the first half at Newtongrange and for 90 minutes last week we performed like a Super League side. There was a game plan. We kept a good shape. We defended better and caused our opposition problems on numerous occasions. No individual player dropped their work rate and if the officials had done their task as well, I would be talking about our victory at Linlithgow.

We know our opposition today well. They are undoubtedly a strong, well organised, streetwise side with a number of quality players. My challenge to our players this afternoon: This is not a league game. It's a win or bust. Produce a performance on the day, then you take the applause and move into the 5th round of a famous trophy. Make it happen!

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THIS AFTERNOON'S GAME SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP 4th Rnd **TAYPORT**



HILL OF BEATH HAWTHORN

We welcome Hill of Beath to The Canniepairt for this Scottish Cup tie, their first visit since April 2011 when they won 3-1 to drive another nail into Tayport's relegation coffin. That may have been less than three years ago but such has been the turnover of players at Tayport that only Barry Donachie survives from the Sauchie home line-up that afternoon.

By contrast, more than half the Haws' squad that Spring evening, Hall, Callum Adamson, Smart, Wright, Barry Smith, Aaron Hay, Dair and Paterson are in line for a jersey this afternoon.

That contrast perhaps tells its own story with Haws' comfortable league position down to the consistency and experience that Tayport lack. Longevity of service at the club was always a Tayport strength but not so in recent years and experience, too, is in short supply. That said, Tayport have turned in some excellent performances this season without getting too many rewards for their efforts, last week's couple of points dropped at Linlithgow being the most recent example.

It's not only consistency on the park that stands Haws in good stead but off the park too with legendary manager Jock Finlayson having been at the helm for, well...forever. The 63 year old Keir's Park boss got his hands on the Scottish Cup 24 years ago and would dearly like to repeat that feat, as he would the Super League title Johnstone Burgh 0-2 Hill of Beath after twice being runners-up.

Hill of Beath This Season To Date McBookie.com Super League

2-0 Hill of Beath Hill of Beath 1-3 Linlithgow Hill of Beath 2-2 Bonnyrigg **Kelty Hearts** 1-1 Hill of Beath Hill of Beath 5-1 Carnoustie Ballingry Rovers 1-3 Hill of Beath Hill of Beath 1-1 Camelon Lochee United 3-6 Hill of Beath Hill of Beath 1-2 Newtongrange Broxburn 3-2 Hill of Beath Hill of Beath 3-1 Tayport Musselburgh 0-1 Hill of Beath Bo'ness United 2-1 Hill of Beath Armadale 0-3 Hill of Beath Hill of Beath 4-3 St Andrews Utd

East of Scotland Cup Hill of Beath Fife & Lothians Cup Hill of Beath

2-1 Armadale Scottish Cup

3 - 2 Lochee United

Dalkeith 1 - 4 Hill of Beath

Haws' form this season has been steady if not spectacular, scoring in every game since a blank on the first day of the season yet conceding at least a goal in all but three of their nineteen games to date. They demonstrated last week v St Andrews United their tenacity and desire to win. 0-2 behind to a Saints side who looked well set to chalk up a vital victory and three points, Hill of Beath clawed themselves back into the game to win by 4-3.

Hill of Beath striker Lyall Shaw is likely to miss out through injury as is Tayport's experienced onloan midfielder Keith Gibson.

A Scottish Junior Cup tie is always a keenly anticipated fixture and hopefully the supporters will not

Referee is Mr Gavin Ross from Edinburgh.

DUNMORE REPORTS

It's been a few weeks since Tayport's last home match and, while it's been a tough period, the Canniepairt men can count themselves unlucky, as the breaks have certainly not gone their way.

When Lochee United came to town on the last Saturday of December, Danny Cavanagh gave them a seventeenth minute lead, but Kris Rollo equalised and it looked as though the sides would go in level at the break. However, a dubious hand-ball decision, on the stroke of half-time, gave Scott Gates the chance to edge the Bluebells back in front from the penalty spot.

Cavanagh scored again early in the second half and there was no way back for Tayport, who ended the year on a losing note, with 2014 scheduled to begin with tough trips to Newtongrange and Linlithgow.

At New Victoria Park, 'Port performed well for the first half, more than matching their hosts. Goalless at the interval, hopes were high that the second half would go Tayport's way. Five disastrous minutes put paid to such hopes. The Nitten opener should not have stood, as Mike Deland handled the ball before thumping it past Sam Morris. Things very quickly went from bad to worse though, as the hosts added two more counters, to lead 3-0.

Grant Lawson pulled one back, but there was no real prospect of a comeback. Lawson was on the scoresheet again last week, at Prestonfield, where Tayport were highly unfortunate not to claim all three points.

Lawson latched onto a Ryan Suttie header to race away and slot home the opener. Linlithgow soon equalised, through Callum Smith, but there was a hand-ball in the build-up. (So, one way or an other, hand-ball decisions have gone against 'Port in three consecutive matches.)

Despite that equaliser, Dave Baikie's team was playing well, again more than matching their hosts. Indeed, on 44 minutes, Lithgae were stunned when 'Port notched a second. Again, Grant Lawson was the scorer, intercepting on the halfway-line, darting towards the box and delicately chipping over the advancing 'keeper, for a goal of real quality.

Now, what were we saying about Tayport not getting the breaks? In the second half, Lawson came mighty close to a hat-trick, only to be denied by the post. Then, a terrible pass-back by a Linlithgow defender by-passed his goalkeeper, with the ball travelling rapidly towards goal. 'Keeper Christie gave chase and cleared, but only after the ball had apparently crossed the line. With the assistant referee not in a position to judge, play was waved on and 'Port had to endure yet another decision going against them.

To compound matters, Colin Strickland plundered a 90th minute leveller, to make it two-apiece. Gaining a point at Prestonfield is definitely a positive result and a step in the right direction, but the performance deserved so much more.

It doesn't seem right to hope for our turn to gain from dubious decisions, but it would be nice if dubious decisions at least stopped costing us so dearly.



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	Musselburgh	SL 1	L1-3	Ross	McCulley*	Boyd*	C.Gray	Thomson 1	Tonner*	Connelly *	McPhee	Mair	R.Grant	G.Lawson	Robertson(3)	Elvin (4)	Suttie (7)	188
13-Aug	ST ANDREWS	SL 2	D1-1	Ross	R Donaldson	Boyd	Gray	Thomson	Tonner	Elvin	McPhee 1	Mair	Grant	Lawson	Adam (9)	McCulley (3)	Rollo (3)	200
17-Aug	ARMADALE	SL 4	L0-2	Ross	Donaldson	McCulley	Gray	Donachie*	Tonner	Elvin	McPhee	Suttie	Rollo	Lawson	Adam (9)	Mann (4)	Mair (8)	131
24-Aug	Lochee United	SL 5	L0-3	Ross	Donaldson	Boyd*	Gray	Donachie*	Tonner	Grant	McPhee*	Mair	Rollo	Lawson	Adam (9)	Mann (7)	Elvin (4)	303
31-Aug	CAMELON	SL 6	L1-2	Ross	McCulley*	Boyd %	Gray *	Thomson	Tonner	Elvin 1 *	McPhee	Mann	Rollo	Suttie	Mair (9)	Connelly(11)	Adam (4)	147
07-Sep	Carnoustie	SL 7	L1-3	Ross*	Donaldson	McCulley	Donachie*	Thomson	Tonner	Lawson	McPhee*	Mann1	Rollo	Suttie**	Connelly (10)	Grant (4)	Adam (3)	192
14-Sep	LOCHEE HARP	EoS	W 4-1	Ross	Donaldson	McCulley	Gray 1	Thomson	Tonner	Lawson 1	McPhee*1	Mann1	Adam	Suttie	Mair (9)	Grant (8)		119
21-Sep	N'GRANGE	SL 8	L 0-2	Morris	Donaldson	Rollo	Gray	Thomson	Tonner	Lawson	McPhee	Mann	Adam	Suttie *	McCulley (4)	Donachie (9)	Grant (11)	172
28-Sep	Kinnoull	SC1	W 3-1	Morris	Donaldson	McCulley	Donachie*	Thomson	Tonner%	Lawson	McPhee 1	Rollo	Adam 2	Suttie	Grant (3)	Mair (8)	Gray (11)	81
05-Oct	COUPAR ANG.	GA p	W4-0	Morris	Donaldson	Dale Hart	Boyd	Thomson	Grant	Connelly 1	McPhee	Mann 1	Mair 1	Gray	Adam 1(8)	Lawson(9)	Suttie(7)	84
12-Oct	Ballingry Rovs	SL 9	D2-2	Morris	Donaldson	McCulley	Donachie*	Thomson	Boyd*	Lawson *	McPhee	Rollo	Adam 2	Suttie *	Grant (11)	Gray (4)		128
19-Oct	BO'NESS UTD	SL	OFF		postponed		heavy	rain just	prior to	kick off								
26-Oct	RENFREW	SC2	W 4-2	Morris	DRobertson1	McCulley	Donachie*	Thomson 1	Tonner	Lawson	McPhee 1	Rollo	Adam	Suttie	Grant (9)	Mann (6) 1	Mair (3)	144
02-Nov	Hill of Beath	SL10	L 1-3	Morris	D Robertson	Boyd	Suttie *	Thomson	Tonner*	Lawson	McPhee	Mann%	Adam 1	Grant	Rollo (4)		0	109
09-Nov	ARBROATH V.	EoS	W 2-1	Morris	D Robertson	Donaldson	Suttie * 1	Thomson	Rollo*	Lawson	McPhee	Grant	Adam	Donachie	Mair (4)			100
16-Nov	BO'NESS UTD	SL11	W 2-1	Morris	D Robertson	Donaldson	Suttie *	Thomson	McCulley	Lawson	McPhee 1	Grant*	Adam 1	Donachie	Rollo (4)	Mair (10)		236
23-Nov	Newtongrange	SC 3	W 5-1	Morris	D Robertson	Donaldson	Suttie	Thomson	McCulley	Lawson 1	McPhee 3	Gibson	Adam 1	Donachie	Grant (9)	Rollo (4)	Mann (10)	260
30-Nov	Lochee Harp	GA 1	W 3-1	Morris	Robertson1*	Donaldson	Suttie	Tonner	Rollo	Lawson	Grant	Gibson	Mann	Mair	McPhee (8)1	Adam (11)1	Connelly4	102
07-Dec	Broxburn	SL12	L 1-2	Morris	Robertson 1	Donaldson	Suttie *	Thomson	McCulley*	Lawson	McPhee*	Rollo	Adam	Donachie*	Grant (11)	Mann (7)	Mair (4)	118
14-Dec	BONNYRIGG	SL13	L 0-4	Morris	Robertson	Don'ldson*	Suttie	Gibson	McCulley	Lawson	McPhee	Grant	Adam	Donachie*	Rollo (11)			161
21-Dec	Kelty Hearts	SL14	L 2-3	Morris	Robertson 1	Donaldson	Suttie *	Thomson	Tonner *	Lawson	Gibson	Rollo	Adam 1	Grant	Donachie (8)	Mann (4)		110
28-Dec	LOCHEE UTD.	SL15	L 1-3	Morris	Robertson 1	Donaldson	Donachie*	Thomson	Tonner *	Lawson	McPhee	Rollo1	Adam	Grant *	Suttie*(5)	Mann (4)	Mair (8)	247
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- 1 times Hill of Beath and Tayport have met in a cup final
- 2 occasions on which Haws have been Super League runners up
- 3 goals scored by Haws on their first visit to Canniepairt
- 4 Tayport victories at Keir's Park
- 5 goals scored by Tayport in their first visit to Keir's Park
- 6 wins by Tayport against Hill of Beath
- 7 wins by Hill of Beath against Tayport
- 8 games since last draw between Tayport and Hill of Beath
- 9 League and Cup meetings between Tayport and Hill of Beath

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The above are quotes from different letters in a single day to a 'quality' daily newspaper last week. A bit hard on BT you may think and furthermore, what's it got to do with football. Before we tried to get Broadband here at the Football Club, we might have agreed. However, during the past two weeks, after four appointment failures and engineers who failed to find the pavilion and engineers who didn't seem to know what they were doing, Tayport FC officials have some sympathy with the writers of these letters.

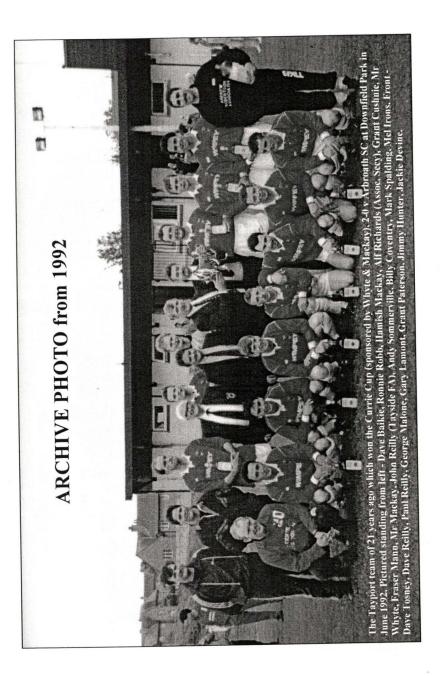


Happy Birthday Jimmy

Long standing Tayport FC supporter Jimmy Abernethy celebrates his 60th birthday tomorrow and we wish him well.

Jimmy hasn't been to many matches since he was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease recently but tells us he is responding well to treatment and hopes to be back.

Photo shows Jimmy (right) with club secretary Abby Oswald and the Scottish Junior Cup on one of the three happiest days of his life. The other two days were, of course, the occasions of the other two Scottish



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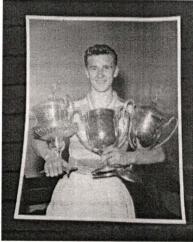
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IT'S A SMALL WORLD!

Until recently two Canniepairt regulars, George Aitken from Brightons, Falkirk, who has a holiday home in Tayport, and Harbour Road resident Dick Smith, were completely unaware that they had met previously—as members of opposite teams in a Scottish Junior Cup tie fifty years ago, back in 1963.



Dick (below) was playing centre forward for Newburgh and George (left) was at No. 10 for Bonnyrigg Rose when their teams met before a packed East Shore Park, Newburgh in a 5th round tie.

George's Bonnyrigg came out on top, winning 3-0 and went on to reach the semi final before losing out to eventual winners Glenafton after three games, 1-1 and 2-2 (aet) before winning 3-2 before a crowd of 7,000 at Firhill

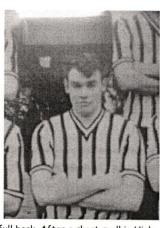
Newburgh, who had been semi finalists the previous season were looking to go one better and had accounted for Loanhead Mayflower, Hall Russell's, Whitletts Vics and Sauchie before their defeat by Bonnyriaa.

George had a very successful Under 21 Juvenile career with Bonnyrigg 'A', winning 12 cups in two seasons before stepping up to the Junior grade with Bonnyrigg Rose. The 1960s was a great period for George and the Rose , winning numerous cups as well as the Edinburgh and District Junior League for four successive seasons

The photo shows George with the East of Scotland Cup, the Brown Cup and the Evening News Cup, all won in the same season.

Dick Smith, who had kicked off his Junior career with Kinnoull, signed for East Fife later in 1963. The highlight of his Bayview career was drawing a League Cup tie 1-1 at home to a strong Rangers side before narrowly losing the relay before 30,000 at Ibrox. By

this time Dick had been converted to a hard tackling full back. After a short spell in Highland League Dick moved to Australia for a number of years where he won the Australian Cup with Hakoah and also turned out for Auburn and Revesby Rovers





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Chris Symes, who started his career in Arbroath, and Sir Al

Courier Article Brings Back Memories

This article in Wednesday past's Courier which featured Chris Symes will bring back memories of the short lived North Fife FC who were members of the Fife Junior FA from 1977 to 1979. The club was founded by the hugely enthusiastic Chris Symes who was the manager of the then recently opened Sports Centre at Newport's Waterstone Crook.

Chris worked very hard to get the club established and amongst his efforts was the construction of a wooden rail around Waterstone Crook's top pitch to satisfy the SJFA's entry requirements. Unfortunately things didn't go so well on the field, the club finishing foot of the table in both seasons before folding.

Regrettably Waterstone Crook never hosted a Scottish Junior Cup tie as in both seasons North Fife FC were drawn away from home. In 1977/78 they lost 4-2 at East Kilbride Thistle and the following season it was Dundonald 2 North Fife FC 1.

Chris moved down south after leaving Waterstone Crook and according to the article it would appear his enthusiasm for the game has never dimmed.

After 40 years of coaching and managing teams, Chris has published his memoirs, *The Life and Times of Symes*, which has been penned by former East Anglia's Green'Un sports writer Neal Manning.

It has been reviewed thus "The Life and Times of Symes – 40 years of football, fun and frustration is an action-packed tale of life in non-league written by Neal Manning. This book is a great read". Quipped Chris "I have been threatened with a gun six times in my career so I have had to change a few names in the book"

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Gary Robertson	0	1	0	0

SNIFFING AROUND WITH THE SNOUT

Former Tayport player Graham Nicoll (pictured) is the new man in the managerial seat at Newburgh Juniors. Graham was coach under Alan Cameron who announced at the weekend that he had accepted the position of Luncarty manager. Graham, who joined Newburgh at the start of the season, had the opportunity to join Cameron at Luncarty but St Andrews based Nics chose to stay with the Fife club. Graham has wasted no time in putting together his backroom staff of former St Andrews United players Duncan Caithness and Steve Clark, Lochee United's Ross Dorward and another with Tayport connections, Alan Gray.



Linlithgow Rose do a fine job of filming their home matches from the stand at Prestonfield and showing fairly lengthy highlights on You Tube. Last week's match was the subject of the latest production and it made for fairly entertaining viewing although, as one might expect, the highlights were skewed towards the home team. There was disappointment for Tayport viewers, however, when the goal that never was, didn't make it into the highlights. The recording would have confirmed the ball was well over the line. Had Tayport been awarded the goal, it would have put them 3-1 up and maybe have secured the points would have taken them off the bottom of the league. C'est la vie.

Tayport FC's Sunday evening Bingo sessions return to the Tayport Arms' Ponderosa Lounge this Sunday. It's eyes down at 7.30pm and all are welcome.

In the opposite dugouts today are two of the most experienced, respected and long serving managers in the Junior game. Hill of Beath's Jock Finlayson has been in charge at Keir's Park since the club took their first tentative steps in the Junior game back in 1975. Dave Baikie is now in his third spell at The Canniepairt since hanging up his boots at Downfield and taking over the reins of the fledgling Tayport Junior side in 1990. In between, Baiker has been at Arbroath FC, Cowdenbeath and East Fife in the Senior's as well as Bo'ness, Linlithgow Rose and Ballingry Rovers in the Juniors. A couple of wily old foxes who are both now in their sixties, but still have that desire to win and stay on course to lift another 'Holy Grail', as the Scottish Junior Cup is often described. Progress in the cup today will no doubt see the winning manager wear a satisfied smile as he sits down this evening in his baffies on his favourite armchair at the fireside with a warm mug of cocoa to watch Match of the Day.

Tayport AFC make a second effort tomorrow to get their Fosters Scottish Sunday Cup 5th Round tie v Redding played after it was a late call off last Sunday in Falkirk. Winners are away to Glasgow Thistle FC on 9th February bidding for a place in the last eight. Tayport are only one of two local hopes left in the competition. Best of luck guys.

Tayport, who have had only one keeper in their pool since the start of the season, have signed goal-keeper Shaun Logie from East Craigie on a season long loan. Shaun was a late addition to the pool v Linlithgow last weekend.

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