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(Presented by Andrew Robertson) - **Grant Lawson**

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Tayport v Downfield
29/11/14

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Tayport
From

Today's Teams

Dundonald
From



1	Gavin Wilson
2	Neil Docherty
3	Dale Robertson
4	Ryan Suttie
5	Paul Thomson
6	Clark Kay
7	Kris Rollo
8	Alan Tulloch
9	Matthew Adam
10	Gary Sutherland
11	
12	Allan Ramsay
13	Ross Grant
14	Kevin Milne
15	Grant Lawson
16	Connaire Connelly
17	Stefan Elvin
18	Owen McCabe
19	John Tonner
20	
21	Ruaridh Donaldson
22	Aaron Kane

Saturday
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Kick Off
2.30pm

Referee:
Jonathan Bell

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Today's Game
McBookie.com Premier League
Tayport v Dundonald Bluebell



It's good afternoon and a warm welcome to Dundonald Bluebell on one of their rare visits to the Canniepairt for this vital Premier Division encounter. Indeed, it's a first ever league visit for the Cardenden club. Vital in that both clubs are looking to still be in the promotion mix come May and June.

Bluebell got off to a decent start to their first season after last year's promotion to the Premier Division with wins over ourselves and Bathgate after an opening day draw at St Andrews. The club's sights were firmly on back to back promotions and 16 points from the first 8 league fixtures confirmed that they were on course for another step up.

However the cracks were starting to show as form dipped and only 10 points were collected from the following 8 games. Time for a change and manager Archie Wyse stood down to be replaced by player/manager Craig Morrison who quickly recruited a backroom team with a clear vision of getting back on the promotion track.

A win over Glenrothes in his first league game in charge gave his squad a timely boost and that win was followed up last Saturday with an excellent 3-2 win over current Super League leaders Kelty Hearts in the East of Scotland Cup.

Tayport disappointed their supporters big style last Saturday, with another ignominious East of Scotland Cup defeat, this time at home to Jeanfield Swifts who had played most of the game with ten men. It was particularly disappointing given the promise shown in the previous games at Bathgate, Culter and Violet.

The last occasion on which a visiting net was bulged on the Canniepairt was back in November, so hopefully the opportunities created can be converted into goals this afternoon.

Clark Kay and Neil Docherty, both unavailable last week, will be back in the squad today as will be Alan Tulloch who was cup-tied last week. Still out is Aaron Kane following his suspension for a red card at Violet.

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THE "BAIKER'S" BIT



Dundonald Bluebell are our visitors for this afternoon's league game and I'd like to welcome their players and officials to Tayport.

Last week's home game against Jeanfield Swifts turned out a big disappointment. Things looked ok for the first twenty minutes where I felt we were well in control. They were then reduced to ten men and that's when we lost our way.

With Jeanfield now sitting in, we struggled to create any real opportunities up to half-time. After the interval we did create a couple of chances but failed to hit the target. Then the inevitable happened, they snatched the lead. This gave them something to defend and although we then dominated possession, we failed to create opportunities.

All in all, a very poor performance from us but the biggest disappointment for me was our lack of intensity, something which had been spoken about prior to the game. We produced it against Violet when we needed it but didn't show the mental strength required on this occasion. Success can't happen without it!

This afternoon we face one of the best sides in our division. They have a new manager who has already given them two victories over Glenrothes then a great victory over Superleague leaders Keltie Hearts, so this is a big one for myself, our coaching staff and especially our players. We're on the same points in the league table and our last meeting ended in a 3-2 win for them in a rather controversial manner. We felt pretty aggrieved not to take something from that game.

After last Saturday we need to step up to the plate today, We owe our fans an improved performance but if every one of our players gives 100% then that's all we can ask. If we do, then we can achieve success.

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Dalkeith Thistle	19	10	4	5	36	26	10	34
St Andrews United	16	10	2	4	39	23	16	32
Montrose Roselea	19	10	2	7	36	33	3	32
Dundonald Bluebell	17	9	2	6	39	27	12	29
Tayport	15	9	2	4	29	18	11	29
Oakley United	22	9	2	11	42	46	-4	29
Arniston Rangers	21	8	5	8	30	36	-6	29
Edinburgh United	15	8	2	5	27	20	7	26
Broughty Athletic	17	6	6	5	33	21	12	24
Jeanfield Swifts	16	7	3	6	27	23	4	24
Dundee Violet	18	7	3	8	35	32	3	24
Dundee North End	18	5	8	5	31	33	-2	23
Forfar West End	15	6	3	6	36	34	2	21
Bathgate Thistle	18	5	5	8	28	43	-15	20
Glenrothes	18	4	5	9	25	35	-10	17
Kinnoull	18	0	2	16	16	59	-43	2

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Dunmore Reports.....



Not much action to catch up on for this edition of the programme, with 'Port also having been at home last weekend. Indeed, there was not much action to catch up on from the match itself. It was a forgettable East of Scotland Cup defeat against visiting Jeanfield Swifts.

Tayport had some first half chances, with Gary Sutherland seeing an early shot pushed away by Duncan Bruce and Ryan Suttie firing across goal after a sharp turn.

On twenty minutes, Jeanfield were reduced to ten men when there was a straight red card for Lee Deans, after an altercation with Allan Ramsay, who was booked for his initial challenge.

Towards half-time, Grant Lawson bent a free kick wide and Stefan Elvin had a strike from distance, which was deflected for a corner.

After the break, there was an opportunity for Gary Sutherland, but it was Swifts who opened the scoring. Hesitancy in the 'Port defence gave Chris McLeish the chance to smash home what proved to be the only goal of the game.

Having won three in a row, away from home, with ten men, it was ironic that Tayport struggled when playing at home and having an extra man. There were very few clear openings and Gary Fraser almost doubled the Perth side's lead after he played a neat one-two and cracked his shot against the post.

Let's hope for better this afternoon, when crucial East Premier League points are up for grabs.

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Date	Opponent	Comp	W D L	Score	1	2	3	4	5
6/8	DUNDEE VIOLET	FL	D	1-1	Morris	McCulley	Rennie Y	Donaldson	Thomson
9/8	Dundonald	FL	L	3-2	Morris Y	Robertson	Rennie	Donaldson Y	Thomson I
16/8	EDINBURGH UTD	FL	W	2-0	Wilson	Robertson	Rennie	Donaldson	Thomson
23/8	Glenrothes	FL	W	1-0	Wilson	Docherty	Rennie	Donaldson	Thomson
30/8	DALKETH THIS	FL	D	2-2	Wilson	Docherty	Robertson	Donaldson Y	Rollo Y
6/9	HARTHILL ROYAL	ESC 1	F			Tie	Awarded	to	Tayport
13/9	Montrose Rose	FL	L	0-2	Wilson	Docherty	Donaldson Y	Suttie Y	Thomson
20/9	DUNDEE NE	FL	W	3-1	Wilson	Docherty	Donaldson	Suttie Y	Thomson
27/9	Cruden Bay	SC1	D	2-2	Wilson	Docherty Y	Donaldson	Suttie Y Y R	Thomson
11/10	CRUDEN BAY	SC1R	W	2-0	Wilson	Docherty	Donaldson	Suttie	Thomson
18/10	Broughty	FL	W	1-0	Wilson	Tonner	Donaldson	Suttie	Thomson
25/10	BONNYRIGG	SC2	L	2-4	Wilson	Docherty	Tonner	Suttie Y	Thomson
01/11	ST ANDREWS UTD	FL	W	4-1	Wilson	Docherty Y	Thomson	Donaldson	Suttie
08/11	East Craigie	GA 1	W	1-0	Wilson	Suttie	Thomson	Donaldson Y	Kay
15/11	Kinnoull	FL	W	6-0	Wilson	Docherty Y	Donaldson	Thomson	Kay
22/11	FORFAR WE	FL	W	3-2	Wilson	Docherty Y	Suttie Y	Thomson I	Kay
29/11	DOWNFIELD	GA 2	W	3-2	Wilson	Docherty Y	Thomson	Suttie Y	Kay
20/12	ARNISTON	FL	L	0-2	Wilson	Docherty Y	Thomson	Suttie	Kay Y
10/01	OAKLEY	FL	L	0-2	Wilson	Docherty Y	Robertson YR	Suttie R	Kay Y
14/02	Bathgate	FL	W	2-1	Wilson	Docherty	Thomson	Donaldson	Kay
21/02	Culter FC	GA 3	W	4-1	Wilson	Rollo	Thomson	Donaldson	Kay YR
28/02	Dundee Violet	FL	W	2-1	Wilson	Rollo	Thomson	Donaldson	Kay
07/03	JEANFIELD	ESC 2	L	0-1	Wilson	Rollo	Thomson	Donaldson Y	Suttie

2014/2015

6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Att
Connelly	Ramsay	Lawson I	Adam	Sutherland	Trialist	Elvin (11)	Grant (5)	Trialist R	136
Tonner	Rollo Y	Lawson R	Milne I	Sutherland Y	Elvin	Adam (2)	Grant (7)		140
Tonner Y	Rollo	Adam	Milne	Sutherland I Y	Elvin P Y	Ramsay (8) Y	Grant (12)		115
Robertson	Grant	Lawson	Milne	Sutherland I	Elvin	Ramsay (6)			145
Grant	Ramsay	Lawson	Milne I	Sutherland I Y	Elvin				96
Harthill	Could not	Field a	Team						
Elvin YR	Lawson	Ramsay Y	Milne	Sutherland	Robertson	Rollo (2)			89
Elvin	Rollo	Ramsay	Milne I	Sutherland	Lawson 2	Connelly(6)			129
Robertson Y	Rollo Y	Ramsay	Milne Y I	Sutherland	Lawson	Connelly (2)			58
Ramsay	Rollo	Tulleth	Elvin	Sutherland I	Lawson I	Connelly(6)	McCabe(7)		144
Ramsay Y	Connelly	Tulleth	Elvin	Sutherland	Lawson	Milne I (7)	Rollo (6)		110
Elvin	Rollo Y	Tulleth	Milne Y I	Sutherland	Lawson I	Grant Y(6)	Adam (9)	McCabe (3)	191
Rollo Y	Tulleth3	Lawson Y	Connelly Y	Sutherland I	Milne Y	Donaldson (5)	Ramsay (11)	Adam(7)	161
Rollo Y	Tulleth	Lawson	Connelly Y	Sutherland I	Milne Y	Ramsay (9)	Adam (6)		112
Rollo Y	Tulleth	Lawson 3	Milne 3	Ramsay	Suttie	Connelly (11)	McCabe (5)	Sutherland (10)	84
Rollo	Tulleth Y	Lawson Y	Milne R I	Sutherland	Ramsay Y	Elvin (6)	McCabe (7)	Connelly (11)	134
Elvin	Lawson I	Tulleth	Milne I	Sutherland I	Connelly	Donaldson (4)	Ramsay (11)	Rollo (7)	120
Donaldson	Tulleth Y	Lawson	Adam	Sutherland	Elvin	Robertson (9)	Rollo (2)		109
Rollo	Tulleth Y	Lawson	Adam	Sutherland	Elvin	Donaldson (6)	McCabe (9)		123
Elvin	Tulleth	Lawson I	Robertson	Sutherland I	Ramsay	Kane (7)			100
Elvin	Tulleth	Lawson 2 Y	Milne I YR	Sutherland I	Ramsay	Suttie(11)			141
Elvin	Tulleth	Lawson I	Milne I	Kane R	Ramsay	Suttie (11)			108
Elvin	Robertson	Lawson	Milne	Sutherland	Ramsay Y	Connelly (11)	Adam(10)	McCabe (9)	127



Photo from last week's game against Jeanfield



Thomo's Goal at Dundonald—First away league game of this season.



Sniffing About with the Snout



Back on the road again next week with our first visit to Farquharson Park, Scone since 1997 for a GA Cup quarter final tie v Scone Thistle. It's going to be no easy task. Scone may be mid table in the North Division but they are the top scoring club in the competition having trounced Lochee United 5-2 at Thomson Park and gubbed the North Region's Islavale by 6-1 at Farquharson Park

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Crossgates Primrose are in grave danger of folding according to a recent report in the Dunfermline press. Primrose, one of only three Fife based clubs in the South Division, are currently bottom of the table. It's not their form that's providing the problem—although that's bound to be a contributory factor— It's an acute shortage of committee members. There are no money problems but there are only two committee members running the club, hence their appeal for new blood to get on board.

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Newburgh have parted company with their manager, former Tayport player Graham Nicoll. The committee's decision came hard on the heels of a 1-2 defeat by fellow promotion challengers Kennoway Star Hearts at East Shore Park last Saturday. Although not out of the hunt, the defeat dented the club's hopes of being in at the kill. Downfield, who are managed by Paul Marr, and look like running away with the title, have shown that a decent budget goes a long way to climbing out of the bottom level.

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Car Boot Sales resume here at Canniepairt on Sunday March 22 with another one scheduled for March 29. Thereafter they are fortnightly throughout the summer from 12 April. Loads of bargains to be had and loads of money to be made by getting rid of all that accumulated junk.

The club would be delighted to hear of anyone who might be able to help out with parking duties etc at the boot sales. It need not be at every sale or even for the duration of a sale but a few hours on the occasional Sunday would be very welcome. Please see any committee member.

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We're heading towards crunch time

The Premier League championship is now into its ninth month, a period stretching from August to March, but the clubs chasing promotion, at least some of them, are having to cram half their fixtures into the business end of the season, the last twelve weeks of 2014/15.

Early season form matters not a lot now, it's the teams which are in form from now on in who will fill the three available Super League spots, one of which will be via a play-off against the team finishing second bottom of the Super League

The top six clubs in the Premier at the moment - Dalkeith, St Andrews, Montrose, Dundonald, Tayport and Edinburgh - are separated by only five points and, looking at their points collection over last six games, the best performance is that of Montrose with 13 points from the 18 available. Then comes St Andrews, Dundonald and Tayport on 12, Dalkeith on 11, Broughty on 10 and Edinburgh on 7.

If current form can be maintained, climbing into challenging positions would be Arniston (13 points from 18) and Oakley (10), both of whom collected full points from the Canniepairt recently.



The clubs most at risk of toppling out of the Super League are Armadale Thistle and our only two local clubs in the top echelon, Carnoustie Panmure and Lochee United. Both have a major job on their hands to claw their way out of danger.

Lochee have taken only two points from their last ten games while Panmure have accrued only five points from their last ten games.

It's certainly a lean period for Junior football on Tayside and a sharp contrast with ten years ago when Tayport, Lochee and Carnoustie dominated the Scottish Junior game with seven Scottish Cup Final appearances and four Super League titles between them in the early naughties.

So, what's gone wrong? Will we ever see their likes again?

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DUNDONALD BLUEBELL'S FIRST VISIT TO TAYPORT

Meetings between Tayport and Bluebell have been scarce over the past quarter century, previous to this afternoon only four cup ties and the League fixture at Cardenden earlier this season.

The teams first met in May 1996 at Moorside Park when the locals stunned the recently crowned Scottish Cup winners by winning 3-2 in a Tayside/Fife Cup semi final tie.

Ample revenge was secured in October 1998 (see left) when, on their inaugural visit to Canniepairt, Bluebell were trounced 7-0. Kenny Cameron (3), Stevie Ross (2), Dave Reilly, John Young netted the Tayport goals.

Andy Sommerville was the boss during that era, having taken over from Dave Baikie's replacement, Kenny Bunce, earlier that year. Andy's coaches were Jimmy Hunter, Dave Tosney and Ron Nicoll

Btw, is that Allan Ramsay in the 'Port squad?

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TAYPORT F.C. TROUBLES.

PLAYERS REFUSE TO TRAIN.

TO-MORROW'S GREAT TIE.

The chances of the local team against
Violet in the Scottish Cup tie to-morrow are
considered very good, and there is no doubt
that with a strong team opposed to them
Violet will require to go the whole ninety
minutes.

The committee are having some difficulty
with the players refusing to attend to train-
ing, and one good player finds himself left
out of the team this week owing to this, and
the committee hope this will be a lesson to
the others.

Team:—J. Cross, A. Berry and A.
Oswald (captain); N. Oswald, J. C. Cowie,
and J. Rae; A. Rae, H. Hill, D. Ross, J.
Messer, J. Wilkie. Reserves—J. Cowie, C.
Campbell, and S. Mitchell.

DUNFERMLINE'S STRONG TEAM.

For the Northern League tussle with For-
far Athletic to-morrow at East End Park,
the Dunfermline club are bringing out a

Not exactly Aintree, but
Tayport enjoyed a horse
racing meeting back in
1824 as can be seen from
this cutting from an edition
of the *Fife Herald* in June
almost two centuries ago.

Trouble brewing at

Tayport FC according to
this report in

The Courier of 1903.

Prior to the big Scottish
Cup tie v Dundee Violet,
the players had refused to
attend training and it
looked like the

committee were going to
sort them out by dropping
a star player.

Maybe just a ruse to boost
the attendance but it would
be interesting to know
what form training took
112 years ago.

FROM THE PHOTO ARCHIVES

TAYPORT FC FIFE XI 28 YEARS AGO - NOV 1986



Tayport FC's Fife XI pictured in November 1986. Back (l-r) Ken Smith (Asst. Manager), D. Stewart (?), Neil Shaw, J. O'Neill (?), Andy Don, Paul Thackeray, Doug Henderson, Ian Howe, Ross Macmillan (Manager/physio/kitman/bus driver). Front: Leslie (Micky) Hall, Davie Ford, Brian Cree, Brian Cosgrove, John Fernie, Charlie McKenna, Jimmy Anderson. The Fife XI played 35 games that season using 50 different players

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