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 Top Scorer Award
 (Presented by Andrew Robertson) - **Kevin Milne (23)**

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Tayport
v
Bonyrigg
17/10/15

Photo Ron Nicoll



Tayport

1	Gavin Wilson
20	Richard Cargill
2	Neil Docherty
3	Dale Robertson
4	Ryan Suttie
5	Gregor Anderson
6	Clark Kay
7	Kris Rollo
8	Alan Tulleth
9	Matthew Adam
10	Gary Sutherland
11	Connor MacLeod
14	John Ovenstone
15	Marc Ogg
16	Connaire Connelly
17	Stefan Elvin
21	Scott Finlay
22	Drew Fleming

Player/Manager—John Ovenstone

Assistant - Steve Kerrigan

Coach - Allan Ramsay.

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Today's Teams



Saturday

14th

November

2015

Kick Off

2.00pm

Referee:

Chris McNab

Assistant 1

Vikki Robertson

Assistant 2

Jamie Reekie

Broughty Athletic



Broughty Athletic

GK	Iain Ross
GK	John Sinclair
	Kristofer Brash
	Douglas Cameron
	Paul Lunan
	Jamie Winter
	Lee Sibanda
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	Conor Samson
	Jonathan Smart
	Derryn Kesson
	Kevin Buchan

Manager - Keith Gibson

Assistant Manager - Ray Farningham

Coach - Tony McAulay

Goal Keeper Coach - Mark Murray



Today's Game McBookie.com Super League

Tayport v Broughty Athletic



We welcome Broughty Athletic, our neighbours from across the river, for a first ever Super League meeting between the clubs. Broughty scraped into the top tier of the East Region Juniors in the most dramatic fashion last June with a win over Armadale on penalty kicks. They won 6-5 in the shoot-out after drawing 5-5 over two legs in the play-off final, their final equaliser coming in time added on at the end of a breathtaking second leg.

After almost 100 years in existence, there has been little success to cheer about, both as Broughty Ex-Servicemen FC from 1920 to 1951 and as Broughty Athletic thereafter, in both the Dundee Junior FA and Tayside Junior FA. The East Region engraver hasn't exactly been overworked either, but there are clear signs that things are changing at Whitton Park and a new tin of Silvo could soon be needed..

Club chairman Gordon Deuchars has brought in former Forfar Athletic player Keith Gibson as manager with former Dundee FC assistant manager Ray Farningham as his No.2. The Broughty chairman clearly means business and he has overseen the recruitment of a host of very experienced ex-Seniors such as Dougie Cameron, Lee Sibanda, Jonathan Smart, Paul Lunan, Jamie Winter and Jamie McCunnie. Most recent acquisition from the Senior ranks is Kevin Buchan who is on loan from Brechin City. Buchan quickly made his mark with a hat-trick on his debut two weeks ago. Also in the Broughty squad are a quartet of former Tayport players, keeper Iain Ross, Bryan Duell, Jake Mair and Grant Lawson. Given the quality and experience in the visitors' squad, there's no surprise they have taken over the mantle of Dundee's top Junior outfit. Over the years there's always been an added edge when the City's top side plays Tayport and today will be no different so expect Broughty to be at their best and well up for today's game.

Tayport will have been buoyed by their East of Scotland Cup win at Kelty last week and although they hope to have Stefan Elvin back in action, two players will be missing, one in Barcelona and another in Paris. Marc Ogg is still suspended.

One of this afternoon's assistants, Vikki Robertson, was also an assistant at the Scottish Women's FA Cup final between Glasgow City and Hibs earlier this week. Vikki was all 'miked up' for that one but no such technology for Vikki today.



Manager's Memo



Good Afternoon and welcome to all in attendance today and to Keith Gibson and all his player and officials from Broughty Athletic

I would just like to take this opportunity first of all to thank the committee for having faith in me and noticing my qualities as an experienced player who had the ambition to step up and take charge of a proud, successful club such as Tayport. It is a fantastic opportunity for myself my assistant Stevie Kerrigan and my coach Allan Ramsay.

There is no doubt I have a lot to live up to taking over from Dave Baikie. A manager of his calibre and what he has achieved, not only for this club but many others, is a hard task to follow but I'm definitely not phased by that. I've surrounded myself with good, experienced people to help me and with hard work, willingness to learn quickly and the experiences I've gained in my career under some good managers in the game, I'm sure the playing staff and ourselves as a coaching staff will be successful at this club.

As everyone knows, our main aim is to get the club back to where it should be, competing for honours at the highest level of the junior game. This isn't going to happen overnight but the ambitions started from last week against Kelty and what a way to start, beating the East champs of last season 1-0. We worked on a few basic things in the build-up to that game and the players took everything on board. We asked and executed our game plan perfectly. I thought they were fantastic. Every player showed me just how much quality I have in this squad and if they keep that level of performance up, then I'll have a few selection headaches, that's for sure. They have now set the bar at the level of performance, commitment and desire that we want and if we maintain that, I have no doubt we will secure our Super League status for next season sooner rather than later.

Today's visitors are in the same boat as us at the moment at the wrong end of the table so that makes for a cracking encounter. I'm sure Keith will have his troops fired up for this one, as do I. Having played alongside or against a lot of their players over my career I know how much quality they have and how hard a task it will be today to get the 3 points. But we have worked hard all week and with the confidence we built from last week against Kelty, we are more than capable of taking the points and getting the kick start our Super League campaign needs.

Enjoy the Game, John

SJFA East Region

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Bonnyrigg Rose	12	7	3	2	29	17	12	24
Penicuik Athletic	14	7	3	4	27	20	7	24
Musselburgh Athletic	13	7	1	5	28	23	5	22
Kelty Hearts	11	6	3	2	17	10	7	21
Boness United	13	6	3	4	25	19	6	21
Linlithgow Rose	12	5	5	2	22	14	8	20
Camelon Juniors	12	4	5	3	23	19	4	17
Sauchie Juniors	13	5	1	7	20	27	-7	16
Hill of Beath Hawthorn	12	4	3	5	18	17	1	15
Carnoustie Panmure	10	5	0	5	17	18	-1	15
Newtongrange Star	10	5	0	5	11	14	-3	15
Broxburn Athletic	11	3	4	4	15	15	0	13
Broughty Athletic	11	3	2	6	21	22	-1	11
Fauldhouse United	11	3	2	6	14	21	-7	11
St Andrews United	12	3	2	7	13	24	-11	11
Tayport	11	2	1	8	8	28	-20	7

Todays Super League Games

Broxburn Athletic	v	Musselburgh Athletic
Carnoustie Panmure	v	Sauchie Juniors
Hill of Beath Hawthorn	v	Bonnyrigg Rose
Kelty Hearts	v	Camelon Juniors
Linlithgow Rose	v	St Andrews United
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Dunmore Reports.....



It has certainly been an eventful month at the Canniepairt. Much has changed since the last home fixture, a 3-0 league defeat against Bonnyrigg Rose, on the 17th October.

That day, 'Port started well and had a couple of opportunities to take the lead. 'Rigg, however, scored towards half-time, and again early in the second half, to take control of the contest. The visitors added a third late on, to leave Tayport rooted to the foot of the Super League table.

The following Saturday, the scheduled Scottish Junior Cup tie away to Parkvale was postponed and, that afternoon, Dave Baikie revealed that he was retiring from the managerial hot-seat, bringing to an end his third spell as Tayport boss. Over the course of twenty-five years, Baikie led the club on an incredible, trophy-laden journey, and all those who have had the pleasure of witnessing those successes will always treasure the memories.

Baikie led the team one final time, when the cup tie against Parkvale took place at the end of October. Fittingly, he bowed out as a winner, and what a game it was. In a topsy-turvy encounter, 'Port edged a nine-goal thriller, thanks to Ryan Suttie's injury-time winner.

Gary Sutherland gave Tayport an early lead, but 'Vale hit back to take the lead with two goals in 22 and 30 minutes. Baikie's men then scored two more goals in quick succession, to go 3-2 up. Sutherland finished a neat move to equalise and Scott Finlay netted a low, angled free kick.

Parkvale levelled again, just before the break and Dale Robertson thumped in the seventh goal of the afternoon, on 65 minutes. An altercation saw both sides reduced to ten men, when 'Port substitute Marc Ogg and Parkvale's David Baillie were given their marching orders.

Just when it looked like Tayport would hold on, with ninety minutes having elapsed, Parkvale defender Dan Milne surged forward and used his strength to great effect to get into the box, before firing in the eighth goal of the game. Cue wild celebrations from the home team, but the celebrations proved to be premature. Suttie struck the dramatic winner and Dave Baikie was able to savour yet another victory in the national competition.

It had already been announced that recent acquisition John Ovenstone would be taking over as player-boss and his reign began in earnest at Kely last week. And what a game that was! 'Port took on the Super League champions and, against the odds, ousted them from the East of Scotland Cup, after a battling performance.

Just when it looked like the game might go to penalties, Tayport won a free kick wide on the right. Dale Robertson delivered the set-piece and Gary Sutherland guided his header past the goalkeeper and into the net, to secure a memorable win and get the John Ovenstone era off to a fantastic start.

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Date	Opponent	Comp	W D L	Score	1	2	3	4	5
08/08	Linlithgow Rose	SL	D	1-1	Wilson	Docherty	Robertson	Suttie Y	Anderson
12/08	ST ANDREWS UTD	SL	L	1-4	Wilson	Finlay R	Robertson Y	Suttie Y	Anderson Y
15/08	NEWTONGRANGE	SL	L	0-3	Wilson	Black	Robertson	Suttie Y	Anderson
19/08	Carnoustie Pan	SL	L	0-1	Wilson	Rennie (tr)	Robertson	Suttie Y	Anderson Y
22/08	CAMELON JRS	SL	W	2-1	Wilson	Fleming	McRae I	Suttie	Anderson Y
29/08	Broxburn Ath	SL	W	3-1	Wilson	Docherty	McRae Y	Suttie	Anderson
12/09	FAULHOUSE	SL	L	0-3	Wilson	Docherty Y	OvenstoneYY	Suttie YY	Anderson Y
19/09	Sauchie	SL	L	1-3	Cargill	Rennie (tr)	Ovenstone	Connelly	Anderson
26/09	Lochee Harp	SC 1	W	2-1	Cargill	Fleming Y	Ovenstone	Suttie	Anderson
03/10	MUSSELBURGH	SL	L	0-6	Cargill	Fleming	Ovenstone	Suttie	Anderson
10/10	Penicuik Ath	SL	L	0-2	Jellema	Ogg	Ovenstone Y	Suttie Y	Anderson
17/10	BONNYRIGG ROSE	SL	L	0-3	Wilson	Ogg	Ovenstone Y	Suttie Y	Anderson
31/10	Parkvale	SC 2	W	5-4	Wilson	Fleming	Ovenstone	Suttie I	Anderson
07/11	Kelty Hearts	EOS 1	W	1-0	Wilson	Fleming	Ovenstone Y	Finlay	Anderson Y
14/11	BROUGHTY ATH	SL							
21/11	MURKIRK JRS	SC 3							

6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Att
McRae Y	Rollo Y	Finlay I	Milne	Sutherland	Elvin				341
Black	Rollo	Tulleth Y	Milne	Sutherland	Elvin I	Trialist A (7)			183
Kay	Rollo	McRae Y	Milne	Finlay	Elvin	Tulleth (4)	Sutherland (2)	Connelly (8)	139
Kay	Rollo	Tulleth	Milne	Connelly Y	Elvin		Sutherland (3)		138
Kay	Rollo	Tulleth I	MacLeod	Sutherland	Elvin	Connelly (7)	Robertson (10)		102
Kay Y	Rollo	Tulleth 2	MacLeod	Sutherland	Elvin I	Finlay (9)			133
Kay Y	Robertson	Tulleth	Adam	Sutherland	Elvin	Finlay (8)	Connelly (7)		86
Kay	Rollo Y	Tulleth YYI	Adam	Finlay	Elvin Y	Docherty(6) Y	Sutherland (4)		135
Robertson I	Rollo	Tulleth Y	Adam	Sutherland I	Elvin	Connelly (6)			107
Kay	Rollo	Finlay	Adam	Sutherland	Elvin				92
Kay	Robertson Y	Finlay	Adam	Connelly Y	Rollo	Sutherland (8)			168
Kay	Robertson	Sutherland	Adam	Connelly Y	Rollo	Finlay (11)	Docherty (2)		139
Kay	Robertson IY	Finlay I	Adam	Sutherland 2	Rollo	Ogg R (2)			77
Kay Y	Robertson Y	Tulleth	Adam	Sutherland I	Rollo	MacLeod (9)	Connelly (8)		157

Dave Baikie's decision to bow out brings to an end his third spell in charge of Tayport, with the first spell beginning just over a quarter of a century ago, in the summer of 1990, when 'Port first embarked on their junior odyssey. His level of success with Tayport has been truly remarkable, with his trophy haul while in charge close to thirty cups and titles in a total of thirteen seasons. The Holy Grail of the Scottish Junior Cup was won in each of his first two stints at the club, 1996 and 2003, with the latter triumph complemented by securing the inaugural East Super League crown.

"I've had a great time in football," said Baikie after the Parkvale game, "but I've actually been looking to retire for some time now. It's time to take a back seat and spend more time with my family."

On the timing of the announcement, Baikie said, "There has actually been a bit of speculation recently and I wanted to tell the players my decision after the Parkvale game, but when it was postponed, I decided to meet with the players and let them know what was happening. It's not about Dave Baikie, it's about what is best for Tayport Football Club, as the club is close to my heart." Baikie is hoping that the appointment of **John Ovenstone** will turn out to be just what is needed as 'Port fight for top flight survival. "I think it will be a smooth transition, as John certainly has the respect of the players and he'll bring a fresh impetus and new ideas.

The player-manager recipe has worked well with some other junior teams of late, notably at Kelty Hearts, so I'm confident that this will be a good move all round." For his part, new boss Ovenstone is very much looking forward to his new role. "I've been looking to take that step into coaching and management. To have the opportunity to manage a club of Tayport's stature, in the Super League, was one I felt I had to take. Needless to say, I'll be giving it 100% and I want to see us play an adventurous, attacking style and I believe we have the players to do that."

Ovenstone does plan to continue as a player and, with that in mind, has brought in Steve Kerrigan as his assistant. "When I'm on the park, I'll be a player, not a manager, so I need to have someone in the dugout that I respect and trust. Steve fits that bill perfectly. He's very passionate about football and we share the same philosophy about how the game should be played, so I'm delighted to have him on board."

The new manager will also lean on some of his previous managers within the senior ranks for advice as he embarks on this new role. "I've played under a lot of really good coaches and managers and plan to tap into their expertise. My priority is staying in the Super League this season and, longer term, we will strive to get Tayport back to the top of junior football. It will be a hard task but I'm really positive about the challenges which lie ahead."

ALL GOOD THINGS COME TO AN END

The retiral of Dave Baikie is certainly a milestone in the history of Tayport Football Club, indeed it's a milestone in the history of Junior football, not just in this area but Scotland in general. Dave's contribution to this club and the Junior game has been immense.

During Dave's management, the name of Tayport FC became recognised far and wide in this country as a major force in Junior football. Given that the club did not have the supporter base and therefore the financial clout of the consistently big players in the game, such as Auchinleck, Pollok and Linlithgow, it's testament to the rise of a Baikie driven Tayport that the club regularly came off best in meetings with these clubs in the '90s and early naughties.

All good things come to an end though, and Dave indicated earlier this season that it was to be his last at the helm. Also leaving the club at this juncture are Mel Irons, Gus Malone and Fraser Mann. All have been fantastic servants and they leave their posts with the best wishes of all at the club. Hopefully they'll all be back at The Canniepairt on a very regular basis, albeit on the punter's side of the rail, and we look forward to seeing them.

The Stats

Dave Baikie

1990 - 1997 357 games in charge

2001 - 2004 178 games in charge

2013 - 2015 84 games in charge

Total 619 games as manager of Tayport FC

The new men

Dave Baikie is a hard act to follow but **John Ovenstone** along with his assistant, **Steve Kerrigan** and coach, triple Scottish Junior Cup winner medallist **Allan Ramsay**, is up for the challenge. Kirkcaldy born John who, played almost 300 senior games for East Fife, Alloa Athletic, Forfar Athletic and Stenhousemuir, had a spell in the Juniors as a youngster and actually played against Tayport in the Scottish Junior Cup semi-final for Glenrothes at Starks Park in 2004. Steve Kerrigan played almost 350 games in a Senior career which spanned 23 years with ten clubs north and south of the border. Steve, who played alongside Ovy in the Seniors, was most recently at Montrose Roselea.

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Scottish Junior Cup 2015/16



3rd Round Draw

We have been drawn at home to Ayrshire District League side Muirkirk Juniors. Muirkirk are currently sitting seventh in their league. The "Kirk" were founded in 1937 and originally played at Ladeside Park on the south side of the village of Muirkirk. Then in 1986 the club moved to their present home at Burnside Park. Club colours are Blue shirts, white shorts and red socks. Away strip is Red shirts, Black shorts and Black and red socks. Muirkirk Juniors' most famous ex-player is former Rangers and Scotland captain Eric Caldow who signed directly from the Juniors to Rangers.

All ties are to be played on Saturday 21st November 2015.

Clydebank	v	Kelty Hearts
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1995/96 CUP RUN Continued - Part 3

Tayport have now reached Round 3 following six goal wins in rounds 1 & 2 v Banchory and Lochgelly respectively. The third round paired them with former winners Baillieston from the east end of Glasgow.

Round 3 Tayport v Baillieston. *The Manager*, Dave Baikie's pre-match assessment from the match programme, dated 2nd December 1995

THE BAKER'S BIT

Baillieston provide our Scottish Cup 3rd Round opposition this afternoon, so I'd like to welcome their players and officials to Tayport.

I happened to mention in the *Port Prog* prior to our last Scottish tie something to the effect of 'I should stay away more often' after our 10-0 win over Elmwood. I suppose we got part of the scoreline the same last week against Newburgh - no goals against. But, by all accounts, although we never looked like losing a goal, the same could be said at the other end. We never really created enough scoring opportunities so, for the first time this season, we failed to score in a game.

I should mention that, in conversation with some Newburgh people, they admitted that their game plan was quite simple. Eleven players behind the ball at all times. I must say that I find that a sad attitude. O.K., it almost worked. Unfortunately almost is not enough and, to be honest, I'm glad. Not only because we've moved into the next round of the Taycar Trophy despite playing well below par but because negative tactics didn't work. The day I find myself preaching 'let's get everyone behind the ball' will be the day I take up fishing. When people pay their money as they come through that gate they expect to be entertained.

I can assure our fans that we'll always endeavour to provide entertainment which is why I'm personally so much in favour of some sort of Junior Super Cup. My own preference would be 'the Glenafton initiative' of a UEFA format this season leading to a Champions League style next season. This would consist of two sections of four with teams playing home and away and eventually leading to the formation, hopefully in the not too distant future, of a National Junior League.

It's now over four years since our secretary Albert Oswald, coach Graeme Irons and myself discussed, planned and drafted a pyramid system for Scottish football with a Junior Super League forming an important part of that structure. When we mooted this to the Press, both here and in the west, the reaction at that time wasn't too supportive to say the least. In fact Tayport were branded as 'rebels'. Perhaps Junior Football wasn't quite ready for change four years ago. And, of course, it wasn't their idea!

Today Baillieston Juniors will, I'm sure, provide us with our stiffest test of the season so far. With the Central Premier League out of their reach and eliminated from the West of Scotland Cup, they realise that the Scottish Cup is their only hope of glory this season.

So I don't really have to remind our players that, if we don't match our opponents' commitment, we're going to struggle this afternoon. But our players have known and tasted many successes in the past and are aware that, at this club, we have the quality to proceed in this competition. Last week's result must act as a reminder that success can only be achieved by complete commitment. If we provide that this afternoon, then I'm confident we will be in the draw for the next round of the competition.

Support The Port, *Dave Baikie.*

The 1996 Cup Run Part 3, continued

Baillieston, now sadly defunct, were still a powerful force in the land and were taking the tie seriously enough to send manager Ian Currie through to Fife to watch Tayport in action the previous week v Newburgh. He witnessed Tayport fail to score for the first time that season, although they eliminated Newburgh from the Taycars Cup on penalties after a 0-0 draw.

The tie v Baillieston on December 2nd 1995 was also deadlocked with the teams drawing 1-1. Manager Baikie thought Baillieston had done their homework and approached the tie in the manner in which a Scottish Cup tie should be played and "got right in about us". He felt that his players struggled for long spells to find a response as, defensively and creatively, the team had been far from their best but had managed to get another bite at the cherry. The Glasgow kingpins didn't help themselves, however, getting two players red carded and seeing manager Currie sent to the Pavilion.

Tayport fielded Fraser Mann in goal, Grant Buist, Keith Nicolson, Sean Wilkie and Grant Paterson as the back four, Mark Spalding, Allan Ramsay, Gary Maher and Barrie Gray in midfield and Dave Reilly and Hamish Mackay up front.

Grant Miller replaced Allan Ramsay and Stevie Ross came on for Gary Maher. Big Hambo Mackay got the Tayport equaliser in front of a very respectable attendance of 441. So, after nine successive Scottish Cup ties at home, Tayport were set to hit the road to the east end of Glasgow.

Next week's programme...the replay at Baillieston.

Scottish Cup action on Canniepairt next week

Muirkirk FC from Ayrshire return to the Canniepairt next Saturday for a third round tie in Scottish Junior Cup, now sponsored by **EHTXenergy**, exactly 25 years since their one and only visit in 1990. Tayport eliminated their visitors by 2-0 in a second round tie on that occasion.

The East Ayrshire club play in the West Region's Ayrshire District League where they currently sit mid table. Previous meetings with clubs from the Ayrshire District League have been away v Lugar Boswell Thistle and more recently home v Annbank Utd.

FROM THE PHOTO ARCHIVES The Night Jim Baxter Came To Town



A recent BBC Alba documentary on the football legend that is Jim Baxter revived memories of the summer of '83 when Slim Jim spent the weekend in Tayport as the headline attraction at Tayport FC's Gala Weekend at the invitation of Tayport FC's Mr Fixit, Chas Anderson. In the photo, taken on a then treeless Canniepairt, are the Bellrock Tavern and Tayport Arms five a side teams. Back (l-r) Kenny Gorham, Davie Ross, Jim, John Aitken, Ronnie Robertson, referee Andy Horan. Kneeling - Graeme Welsh, Roddy Davie, Andy Johnstone, Davie Aitken (behind Andy), Stevie Moyes, Reggie Dewar. In front - Dod Simpson

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