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Competition Entered this Season

East Premier League Scottish Junior Cup North/Tayside Cup East of Scotland Cup

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Tayport F.C Player of the Year Awards 2015/16

Player of the Year (Presented 1991 by Messrs Oswald, Redpath & Stewart) - *Gregor Anderson*
Players' Player Of The Year (Presented 1991 in memory of the late Rev. G.S. Ayre) - *Gregor Anderson*
Travel Club Player Of The Year (Presented in memory of the late Davie Ayre) - *Gregor Anderson*
Young Player Of The Year (Presented by Bella Carmichael in memory Dite Carmichael) - *Gregor Anderson*
Fans' Favourite - *Danny Cavanagh* **Top Scorer Award** (Presented By Andrew Robertson) - *Alan Tulleth*
Morris Cooper Award for Goal Of The Season (Presented 1993 by family of Morris Cooper) - *Alan Tulleth*



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Today's Teams

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Kennoway
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1	Gavin SORLEY
2	Kieran CONWAY
3	Craig STURROCK
4	Daniel SANCHEZ
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6	Pavel OSTROVSKIS
7	Jamie MACKIE
8	Stuart WALTON
9	Alan TULLETH
10	Gary SUTHERLAND
11	David GEEKIE
12	Liam ROSS
13	Struan CHRISTIE
14	John OVENSTONE
15	Marc OGG
16	Sergio ALVAREZ
18	Grant PATERSON
19	Dale REID
21	Fraser ANDERSON

Premier Division

Saturday
4th March 2017
Kick off 2.30pm

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Cover pic shows
Dale Reid and
Kieran Conway in
action v Downfield
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Coach - Allan Ramsay

Goalkeeping Coach - Jim Moffat

Manager - Eck Davidson

Player/Asst. Manager - Craig Johnstone



Today's Game McBookie Premier Division Tayport v Kennoway Star Hearts



A warm welcome to Kennoway Star Hearts (KSH) who are paying their first ever visit to the Canniepairt.

The visitors, who joined the Junior ranks in 2013, are an amalgamation of prominent former Fife amateurs clubs, Star Hearts and Kennoway AFC.

A 5th place finish in the North Division in their inaugural season was followed by a third place finish and promotion to last season's Premier Division where they managed a very respectable mid-table finish.

Progress has not been slow but has been very steady to where they sit now - second top of the Premier League and favourites to finish at least in a play-off place come the end of this season.

When the teams met earlier this season at Treaton Park, Tayport felt hard done by when a late Jamie Mackie goal was disallowed in a 3-2 defeat.

Tayport have been unbeaten in their six league games since then whilst KSH have won six of the ten games they have played to keep their challenge very much on line.

Manager Eck Davidson has

brought together an essentially young squad with a sprinkling of experience in the well travelled ex-Senior midfielder Kevin Byers and Craig Johnstone, signed from Arbroath FC at the start of the season.

Winger Lyall Shaw, a familiar face in Fife Junior circles will still be absent after suffering a broken elbow but boss Davidson welcomes back central defender Nathan Doig after suspension. Also back in



the squad is Sean Simpson, following the expiry of his loan spell at Oakley United.

KSH lost a three goal lead to draw with Haddington last week but there have been a number of notable victories with goals not in short supply for the Division's top scorers. Armadale were crushed by 9-0, Downfield beaten 6-2 and league leaders Forfar WE were beaten 3-0 at Treaton Park, plus there was a particularly sweet 2-1 victory in the derby v Glenrothes.

Striker Kyle Wilson

with 19 goals and Kieran Band with 11, have been doing most damage. Both were on the mark v Tayport at Treaton Park and both have continued to find the mark since, Wilson netting hat tricks v Downfield and Armadale.

Tayport's Stuart Walton misses out through suspension but otherwise Tayport look to have a full squad from which to select. Gregor Anderson is back, on loan from Montrose FC, to strengthen the defensive line while up top, Dale Reid has netted at least once in six of his last seven games. Gary Sutherland has netted in each of his two games since signing from North End while Alan Tulleth weighed in with a treble v Sunnybank, so the Canniepairt faithful will be looking for more of the same.

Kennoway Star Hearts' **Kevin Byers** played for Inverness Caley Thistle sensa-3-1 Cup over a studded Celtic team at Parkhead in 2000, the result which spawned the headline *Super Caley Go Ballystic Celtic Are Atrocious*



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Manager's Memo



Welcome to today's match versus Kennoway Star Hearts. Firstly, I'd like welcome the players, committee and supporters of Kennoway and hope you enjoy your afternoon, but not too much!

Last week was frustrating, not getting game time as we've been on a good run of form of late and we would have liked that to have continued against Sauchie. We didn't sit idle though, we trained on Saturday afternoon and it also gave Jim and myself the chance to take in this afternoon's opponents to remind ourselves of what we're up against. Let there be no doubts, this afternoon will be a tough fixture. They turned us over last time round and

are sitting around the top of the league on merit. If we have any aspirations of fighting for promotion we need to win games against the teams above us to try and claw them back.

We're at full strength squad wise at the moment, which is great. It's probably the strongest position I've been in with regard to selecting a team. There are guys who will be disappointed but they just have to be patient and wait on their opportunity. Having this headache is good for me though, as it gets the best out of the players on the park. They know they have to perform every week to keep a hold of that jersey.

Today we welcome a new but old face back

into the ranks in Gregor Anderson, last season's player of the year, whom we've secured on an initial one month loan from Montrose FC.

With Stuart Walton being suspended for the next 2 matches and Drew Fleming leaving the club, I thought we needed to bolster the defensive strength a little and the addition of Gregor, I'm sure, will help us. I'm delighted to have the big man back. He's a great lad and I'm sure he wants to get the game time he needs to try and get back in the Montrose team for the final push to the end of the season.

I hope you enjoy your afternoon

C'mon the 'Port,

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JUNIOR NEWS

SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP

4th Round replay result - Carluke Rovers 2- 3 Gartcairn
Today's outstanding 4th round tie - Maryhill v Linlithgow Rose



Kelty, tipped by many as potential winners this year, went down 2-1 at home to Kilwinning Rangers and so will not, this season at least, join the exclusive band of Fife based Scottish Junior Cup winners, Inverkeithing United, St Andrews United, Glenrothes, Hill of Beath and Tayport (3)

Quarter Final Draw

Auchinleck Talbot v Kilwinning Rangers
 Bonnyrigg Rose v Kirkintilloch Rob Roy
 Glenafton Athletic v Sauchie
 Maryhill or Linlithgow Rose v Gartcairn
 ties due on Saturday 18th March

Tayport freed Drew Fleming last week but the player wasn't long in finding a club, bringing to six, the colony of ex-'Port players at Broughty Athletic. Whitton Park manager Keith Gibson seemed happy enough with his acquisition, commenting that he [Fleming] *"added some pace and direction to the back four on Saturday and had a great debut despite the defeat [by Bo'ness] ..."* Broughty are in something of freefall in the Super League at present, having now gone ten games without a win, a run which stretches back five months.

Jeanfield shock Kelty

Kelty Hearts seemed to have suffered a hangover from their Scottish Cup defeat two weeks ago when they lost their first Super League game of the season to Jeanfield Swifts who scored a surprise but very welcome win in central Fife last weekend. However, with a 20 point lead at present, the title still looks destined for Kelty with only Bonnyrigg Rose with any outside chance of overhauling the leaders. At the other end of the table Fauldhouse and Newtongrange Star are looking favourites for the automatic drop into next season's Premier Division but there looks like being an almighty scrap to avoid the play off spot with a good half dozen clubs, including Linlithgow Rose, looking worryingly over their shoulder.

McBookie

East Region

Premier League 2016/17

McBookie

	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	MAX
1	Forfar West End	21	14	2	5	41	26	15	44	65
2	Kennoway Star Hearts	21	14	1	6	55	33	22	43	64
3	Sauchie	14	12	1	1	42	13	29	37	79
4	Arniston Rangers	18	10	4	4	29	22	7	34	64
5	Dalkeith Thistle	21	10	3	8	37	32	5	33	54
6	Tayport	18	8	7	3	37	27	10	31	61
7	Tranent	20	8	6	6	34	32	2	30	54
8	Bathgate Thistle	20	8	5	7	41	31	10	29	53
9	Downfield	17	7	3	7	35	38	-3	24	57
10	Glenrothes	20	8	0	12	29	43	-14	24	48
11	Haddington Athletic	19	6	4	9	39	39	0	22	49
12	St Andrews United	21	5	4	12	29	39	-10	19	40
13	Armadale Thistle	20	3	4	13	17	51	-34	13	37
14	Whitburn	16	2	4	10	26	36	-10	10	46
15	Dundee Violet	18	2	2	14	26	55	-29	8	38

TODAY'S GAMES

Arniston Rangers	v	Forfar West End
Bathgate Thistle	v	Whitburn
Glenrothes	v	Tranent
Haddington Athletic	v	Dalkeith Thistle
Sauchie	v	Dundee Violet
Tayport	v	Kennoway Star Hearts

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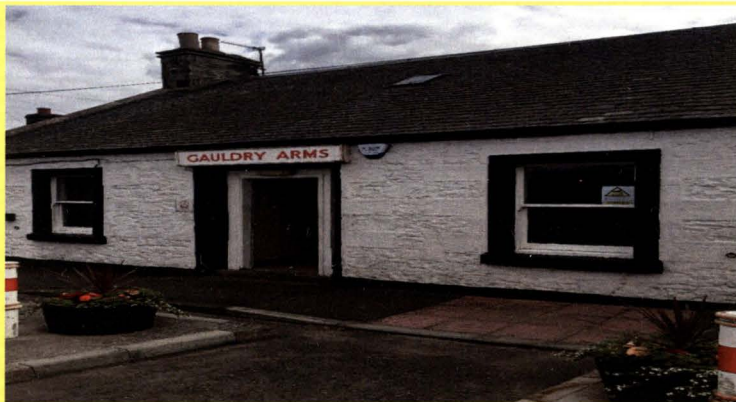
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FROM THE PHOTO ARCHIVES 1978



Not Tayport FC's Photo Archives but a pic, courtesy of the 'Blether with Brown' article in last week's *Evening Telegraph*, which featured a former Tayport player, Steven Graham, in a Forfar Athletic team containing some well known local footballers of the era, none better known than the player/manager Archie Knox, Sir Alex Ferguson's sidekick at Manchester United for some years. Alongside Archie in the photo is Jim Henry whose son of the same name won a Scottish Junior Cup medal with Tayport, setting up the second goal in the 1996 final v Camelon. Steven joined Tayport, then an amateur club, in August 1980 after being released by Forfar. His goalscoring talents at Canniepairt didn't go unnoticed and he was soon back in the Seniors, transferred to Brechin City for the princely sum of £100 (£300 today). Steven had three seasons at Glebe Park scoring 22 goals in 61 appearances.

For the record, the Tayport line-up on Steven's debut, a 5-1 home win over NCR on Canniepairt, was Ian Lyall, Ian Noble, Alan Hart, Bobby Wilson, Ian Brown, Ian Howe, Sandy Hamilton, Peter Cuthill, Alex Reid, Steven Graham and Mark Alexander. Subs were Grant Howitt and Al Goldie. Steven hit a hat trick and Alex Reid a brace.



DUNMORE REPORTS....



Tayport have been in fine goalscoring form of late. A month ago, 'Port netted seven against Sunnybank, in a GA Engineering Cup tie which had been switched to the Canniepairt due to burst pipes at the Aberdeen side's ground.

A double from Dale Reid, a Marc Ogg volley and a nice goal by Alan Tulleth put the hosts four goals up at the break. In the second half, both Reid and Tulleth completed their hat-tricks to complete the rout, although the Bankies did net a consolation midway through the half.

Next up was another home fixture, this time in the East Premier League, with Armadale Thistle providing the opposition. Marc Ogg was again on the mark, firing home the opener to finish a good move. Unfortunately, Thistle equalised with a free kick just a couple of minutes later.

Towards half-time, Dale Reid set up Gary Sutherland, who rammed home number two, on his return to Tayport

colours. Later in the game, Jamie Mackie got forward to steer in Tayport's third goal and seal three vital points.

A tougher test was expected at Downfield Park the following week, but 'Port went nap to put their old foes to the sword and gain three more points. Goals from Dale Reid, Gary Sutherland and Jamie Mackie saw the Canniepairt outfit go in at the break three goals to the good, after an excellent first half. An exquisite Sergio Alvarez goal increased the tally, before Marc O'Leary pulled one back for the Spiders. It was 'Port who completed the scoring, with ten minutes to go, courtesy of Gary Sutherland.

It was a pity that Tayport were not able to have a crack at title favourites Sauchie last week, due to the postponement of that fixture, but John Ovenstone will be hoping to see his charges carry the momentum into today's match against Kennoway Star Hearts.

Support the 'Port!

CURRENT LEAGUE FORM (most recent result to left)

							<u>Pts</u>
Dalkeith	W	W	W	W	W	L	15
Sauchie	W	W	W	W	L	D	13
KSH	D	L	W	W	W	W	13
Forfar WE	W	L	W	L	W	W	12
Tayport	W	W	D	D	W	D	12
Arniston	D	W	L	D	W	W	11

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Saturday 29th March 1851

On that date *The Fife Herald, Kinross, Strathearn and Clackmannan Advertiser* reported a decision which would impact on us all

EDINBURGH, PERTH, & DUNDEE RAILWAY.
The ordinary half-yearly meeting of this Company was held in the Hopetoun Rooms, Edinburgh, on Saturday—John Balfour, Esq. of Balbirnie, chairman of the Company, in the chair.

The meeting rambled on for some time with proceedings reported in great detail until the important item, almost an afterthought, at the end...

I am glad to find (the Chairman proceeded) that there is nothing in this report which differs at all from what I have already stated, although I had not an opportunity of reading this report before the present. In fact it bears out everything I said with reference to the advantages to be derived from this harbour. I may state that it is proposed to substitute, for the rather cumbersome designation of Ferry-Port-on-Craig, the more intelligible one of Tayport. (Cheers.) The Chairman concluded by proposing a series of resolutions, approving of the report, &c., which were seconded by Sir William Dunbar, the Deputy-Chairman of the Company, and adopted unanimously.

Just think.....

had it not been for this momentous decision taken in Edinburgh 166 years ago this month, it would have been Ferry-Port-on-Craig FC's name that appears three times on the Scottish Junior Cup and twice on the Super League Championship!

Chairman's Chat

Club chairman and legendary former manager David Baikie pens a regular column for the match programme.

Our visitors for this afternoon's Premier League game are Kennoway Star Hearts and may I offer a warm welcome to their players and officials and our support to the Can-niepairt

The Presentation Dinner for Abby, Herx and Ken turned out to be a fantastic night and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the guys on the presentation committee for their dedication and hard work which they put in to make it happen. Also thanks must go to all the people who took tables and also to all the individuals who attended the evening. A big thank you also to all the people who donated auction prizes and raffle prizes. Finally, thanks must go to Dave Nicoll and Joe Camay for providing the entertainment.

The 70th Anniversary Malt Whisky sales went well on the evening and there's still time to grab this commemorative bottle. Just contact myself or any committee member. The club hopes to celebrate our 70th year in existence with a sportsman's dinner later in the year, probably late November, early October, when the venue more than likely will be local, so watch this space!

The last few weeks have seen the team's performances improve with three impressive victories, scoring fifteen goals into the bargain, so well done to John, his coaches and the players and long may it continue. I'd also like to welcome Gary Sutherland back to the club and John has managed to secure another former player back, Gregor Anderson from Montrose FC, albeit on loan. Welcome back, Gregor.

As I recall from the last 'Port Prog' I started to ramble on about the events leading up to our 1993 Scottish Junior Cup semi final victory over Auchinleck Talbot at Firhill. As I recall, the game was on a Friday evening in April, and our preparation had to be altered to allow for Jack Black's

[the mental fitness guru] visit to Tayport. As I said to Jack, I believed we could win but we needed to lose the 'fear of failure' and the evening with him did just that for my players. I'd love to describe what went on that evening but that's for another day or a book. The mind is the body's engine. Mine and the players' engines weren't going to break down on that particular evening in Glasgow.



I managed to arrange our pre-match meal at Ibrox and being the top club in Scotland back in the day, you'd have thought that the meal I'd ordered for the players would have been delivered to my specification but when the fish appeared it was covered in a rich sauce. I was forced to go into the Ibrox kitchen and have words with the chef. He promptly recalled 18 fish teas and served what I'd asked for. I think in a strange way, that actually helped the players, the knowledge that I had sent back 18 meals at Ibrox. There wasn't going to be anything that was going to stop us in our preparation for the biggest day in the club's history.

I did the team talk at Ibrox. The players knew who was starting and who was not. Everything was going to plan when we left Ibrox on time but I had not factored in that we needed to travel from Ibrox to Firhill through the streets of Glasgow at peak time. We arrived only 40 minutes before kick off. I recall the Scottish JFA secretary saying that he had thought we'd taken cold feet and headed back to Tayport. I said to him 'No chance, it's all part of our preparation' Bullshit! But again, it didn't have any detrimental effect on us. We were ready to win. How did the evening transpire? I'll tell next time

Regards, *Davie Baikie*

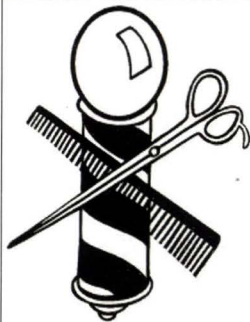
Tayport v Star and Kennoway have previous

In modern times, games between Tayport and both Star and Kennoway in their former guises as amateur clubs go back to 1974. Between 1974 and 1990 Tayport and Star met on no fewer than nine occasions, seven Fife Amateur Cup meetings, including the 1976 final, won 4-2 by Star at Leven Juniors' ground, and two Scottish Amateur Cup ties, both won by Tayport. Star lifted the Scottish Amateur Cup in 1975 but their hold on the trophy was brief, Tayport eliminating them in their first game in defence of their title with a 2-0 win on East Common thanks to goals from big Jim Scott (pictured) and a Graeme Dandie penalty.



In 1984/85 Tayport entered their reserve side for a season in the newly formed Kingdom Caledonian League but the stiff was no match for Star who comfortably won both games, by 8-1 and 7-3.

Back in the East Fife Amateurs, between 1985 and 1990, Tayport's Fife XI had seven league and cup games v the quaintly named Kennoway Beam AFC, losing the first six but triumphing in the final meeting of the teams.



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RUMOURS SCOTCHED

We can scotch rumours that local bookmakers have offered odds on which of the TFC committee will be first to be caught on camera demolishing a pie during the 90 mins today. The odds are actually on who will be caught on camera demolishing **most** pies during the 90mins.

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