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Fraser Mann Grant Buist Grant Paterson Mark Spalding Keith Nicolson

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Barry McNaughton

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Scorer – Craik
Att. 4,613

29 May 2005
2-0 v Lochee United
at Tannadice Park
Frazer Fitzpatrick
Roberto Morris
Grant Paterson (Lloyd Young)
JohnWard
Derek Wemyss
Scott Peters
Barry McNaughton
Steven Stewart
Robbie Henderson (Allan Ramsay)

Gary Middleton (Ralph Hunter)
Brian Livie

Scorers – Middleton, Henderson Att. 6,868

Tayport F.C Player of the Year Awards 2016/17

Player of The Year (Presented 1991 by Messrs Oswald, Redpath & Stewart) - Daniel Sanchez
Players' Player Of The Year (Presented 1991 in memory of the late Rev. G.S. Ayre) - Daniel Sanchez
Travel Club Player Of The Year (Presented in memory of the late Davie Ayre) - Daniel Sanchez

Young Player Of The Year (Presented by Bella Carmichael in memory of Dite Carmichael) - Kieran Conway
Fans' Favourite- Daniel Sanchez Top Scorer Award (Presented by Andrew Robertson) - Dale Reid

Morris Couper Award for Goal Of The Season (Presented 1993 by family of Morris Couper) - Stuart Walton



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Today's Teams

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Dunbar Utd from



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1	Gavin SORLEY		Liam McCATHIE
2	Kieran CONWAY	Saturday	Steven KEAN
3	Craig STURROCK	12th August 2017 Kick off 2.30pm	Steven TAIT
4	Daniel SANCHEZ	Kick off 2.50pm	Vonny HAII
5	Gregor ANDERSON	Referee:	Kenny HALL
7	Jamie MACKIE	Chris McNAB	Kevin SMITH
8	Stuart WALTON	Assistant 1:	Scott GIBSON
9	Dale REID	Assistant 1: TBA	Darren HANDLING
10	Gary SUTHERLAND	Assistant 2:	Kevin MOTION
	Conor IRELAND	TBA	Kieran INGRAM
13	Struan CHRISTIE		Scott DEVLIN
14	Charlie KING		Chris KING
15	Marc OGG		Fraser McLAREN
16	Sergio ALVAREZ		Keith TAIT
17			Darren GILLON
18	Grant PATERSON		Dean BALLANTYNE
21			Zach SZEMIS
			Chris HOGG
			Sam YOUNG
		is in the second of the second	Grant BURNS

Player/Manager

- Charlie King

Assistant Manager

- Daryn Smith

Coach

- Grant Paterson

Physio

- Andy Bell

Player/Manager

- Geoff Jones

Assistant Manager

- Derek Aitken

Coach

- Ryan Grant

- Sandy Inglis

Goalkeeping Coach

- Graeme Lennie



Today's Game Premier League Tayport v Dunbar United



A warm welcome to the Canniepairt to the players, officials and supporters of Dunbar United who make only their second visit to Tayport. Given that it's a near 200 mile round trip they'll be glad it's not a trip they make too often!

Firstly, we've got to congratulate Dunbar on reaching the East Region's second tier after winning South Division Championship last season.

The Seasiders' Premier campaign got off to an inauspicious start last Saturday at home to Glenrothes when they fell behind after only a minute but rallied to lead 3-1 thanks to goals from Chris King (2) (pictured) and new signing, former Forfar Athletic midfielder Kevin Motion. Glens reduced the leeway with 20 minutes to go and a goal in added time made it 3-3 to deny Dunbar an opening day win. Chris, it may be

recalled, netted twice when Dunbar were last here.

Manager Geoff Jones, realising that life would be a bit tougher in the Premier Division, strengthened his squad considerably for the new season but, of the new faces, only Kevin Motion from Vale of Leithen started last Saturday. I think we can expect some of the new signings in action today.

Wednesday's 6-0 defeat from Musselburgh brought a sharp reminder of the task that faces Dunbar this season. They will be smarting from that result and will be determined to post that first Premier victory this afternoon

From Tayport's perspective, new manager Charlie King will be looking to bring in fresh blood to augment and strengthen a fairly threadbare squad but it will take time for him to get to know his players and put his plans into practice.

After the collapse at Olivebank, Charlie will have been delighted to notch his first win on Wednesday against Glens. Even moreso in that both Spaniards, Daniel Sanchez and Sergio Alvarez, were missing through injury. Both could still be doubts this afternoon.

The fans were delighted to see the 'Port manager pull on his boots on Wednesday and he showed just what he has to offer on the park, never mind off it!.



What's the Manager Saying? the view from the dugout



1st and foremost let me just say how much of a privilege it is to be managing a fantastic club in Tayport FC. I can only ask for a little patience to allow us (Daryn, Grant and myself) to get a feel for the club and the players, and likewise for everyone to get to know us. It's something we have got right in about already and we look forward the challenge ahead.

allow me to put it down to a bad day at the office, poor preparation, poor result and poor day in general. However we wish Calvin, Kevin and Musselburgh all the very best moving

forward.

We asked the players for a reaction straight away at the final whistle as we got together, ahead. we asked them to prepare for Monday night's session did.

It was a great win on Wednesday against Glenrothes. I mentioned above about getting a reaction. We got that in abundance. back to where it be-Saturday past, please On to Saturday now in longs, in the Super a positive mood.

> Today we welcome Dunbar United, a team the past. I know very well. Geoff Jones (manager) and Chris King (assistant manager and also my

brother!) bring a very good team up to Tayport for this afternoon's game and a really good game lies

Finally, we are stretched for numbers properly and that they and we are continuing in the background trying to put this right. Please get behind the players in the way you guys know best and let's get working together to get the club League and back amongst the silverware where there are so many memories in

Charlie

PLAYER STATS 2016/17

Team of Season...in appearances 36

Maximum

Jamie Mackie

Daniel Sanchez

Maximum	36		
Gavin Sorley	35	Grant Mowatt	13 (5+8)
Dale Reid	34 (31+3)	Drew Fleming	13 (10+3)
Craig Sturrock	33 (32+1)	Connaire Connelly	12 (6+6)
Marc Ogg	29 (26+3)	Struan Christie	11 (8+3)
Jamie Mackie	28	Gary Sutherland	11 (10+1)
Daniel Sanchez	27	Gregor Anderson	9
Sergio Alvarez	27 (24+3)	Fraser Anderson	7 (1+6)
Stuart Walton	24 (23+1)	Dale Robertson	7 (6+1)
Alan Tulleth	24 (14+10)	Scott McDowell	7 (5+2)
Kieran Conway	23 (22+1)	Pavel Ostrovskis	6 (4+2)
John Ovenston	e 21	Sam Morris	1
		Taylor Carroll	1 (0+1)
Grant Paterson	20 (16+4)		
Liam Ross	19 (14+5)		
David Geekie	14 (10+4)		
Goalscorers			
Dale Reid	24	Keiran Conway	3
Marc Ogg	9	Grant Paterson, St	uart Walton,
Gary Sutherland		Pavel Ostravskis,	0
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East Region

Premier League 2016/17

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2	Haddington Ath	2	2	0	0	10	0	10	6	90
3	Fauldhouse United	2	2	0	0	8	3	5	6	90
4	Tranent	2	1	1	0	4	3	1	4	53
5	Blackburn United	2	1	0	1	4	3	1	3	37
6	Kirrie Thistle	2	1	0	1	3	2	1	3	5
7	Tayport	2	1	0	1	8	8	0	3	87
8	St Andrews Utd	2	1	0	1	3	4	-1	3	87
9	Whitburn	2	1	0	1	3	5	-2	3	3
10	Bathgate Thistle	2	1	0	1	2	4	-2	3	87
11	Arniston Rangers	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	80
12	Thornton Hibs	2	0	1	1	2	3	-1	1	83
13	Glenrothes	2	0	1	0	5	9	-4	1	85
14	Dunbar United	2	0	2	0	3	9	-6	1	85
15	Downfield	2	0	0	2	1	6	-5	0	84
16	Dalkeith Thistle	2	0	0	2	2	10	-8	0	84

Midweek Results

Fauldhouse United Whitburn Arniston Rangers 1-1 Tranent **Bathgate Thistle** Bathgate Thistle Blackburn United

Dalkeith Thistle 0-6 Haddington Ahletic Downfield 2-0 Kirrie Thistle

Dunbar United St Andrews United

Tayport

Musselburgh Athletic Thornton Hibs 6-2 Glenrothes

Today's Fixtures

Arniston Rangers Blackburn United Thornton Hibs Dalkeith Thistle Musselburgh Athletic Downfirld Tranent Kirrie Thistle Fauldhouse United St Andrews United Haddington Athletic Tayport **Dunbar United** Whitburn Glenrothes

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Connelly, Grant Mowatt and

Liam Ross all 1 goal

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Tayport FC Alliance XI 1983/84. Back (l-r) John Cairney, John Aitken, Mark Whiteside, George Hayter, Roy Shaw, Frank Feechan, Ron Redpath, Doug Hill. Front - Roy Lessels, Ian Brown, Ian Lees, John Sweeney, Neil Robertson, Jimmy Shields



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Fraser and Liam out on Loan



Tayport youngsters Fraser
Anderson (left) and Liam O'Brien
(right)are both out on loan at
present to Newburgh for 6 months.
It's an opportunity for both lads to
get regular game time as well as
valuable experience playing in the
East Region's North Division.

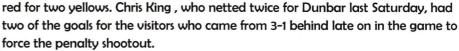


Fraser was on the mark in 'Burgh's first game of the season, scoring from a free kick in their 2-1 defeat to Arbroath Vics

Tayport and Dunbar - the previous meetings

Today's contestants have previously met on only two occasions, both in the East of Scotland Cup. In a first round tie at New Countess Park on 27 October 2012, Tayport were 3-0 winners, two of the goals coming from Simon Murray (right), now Hibs.

Most recent meeting was in a third round tie on 6th February 2016. The tie finished 3-3 but the Seasiders went through on penalty kicks. Only four players remain in the 'Port squad from that day, Marc Ogg, Gary Sutherland, Dale Reid and Gregor Anderson. Ogg got one of the goals whilst Gregor saw red for two vellows. Chris King, who netted twice for Dunbar last Sar



How Things Have Changed!

The English Premier League kicks off its 25th season today. Of the 242 players who started a Premier League match on that day, just 11 players (4.5%)were foreign, 4 of whom were goalkeepers - Schmeichel (Man U - a Dane), Segers (Wimbledon - Dutch), Forrest (Ipswich - Canadian), Stejskal (QPR - Czech). Check tomorrow's newspapers for the line-ups and not the difference. It will be staggering.



DUNMORE REPORTS....



Well, he doesn't because Dunmore's been on holiday. Indeed he's been on his honeymoon.

For the record, we had five pre-season friendlies starting with a 1-1 draw away to Montrose Roselea, now of the North Region Super League. That was followed by a 3-1 win over Super League's Dundonald Bluebell, a 5-2 win away to top Fife amateur club Cupar Hearts, a 2-2 draw at home to another Super League side Camelon and then concluded the programme winning 5-3 away v Fife Amateur Cup holders Leven United.

In the midst of the pre-season card came the news that player/manager John Ovenstone had joined Cowdenbeath FC as

assistant manager to Billy Brown, hard on the heels of goalie coach Jim Moffat who had taken up a similar role at Central Park. With Ovy's assistant Steve Kerrigan having retired at the end of the season and the more recent news that Allan Ramsay has taken the same path, it's an all new team in the 'Port dugout.

The club wasted no time in appointing the new management team of Charlie King, Daryn Smith and club legend Grant Paterson, recently coach of the successful Tayport Lads 19s side. Also returning to the backroom team is the veteran physio Andy Bell.

Support the 'Port

Charlie King is the eleventh manager to wear the manager's jacket at the Canniepairt since the club joined the Junior ranks 27 years ago. He follows in the footsteps of Davie Baikie (3 times - one jointly with Peter Marr), Kenny Bunce, Andy Sommerville, Keith Burgess, Frank Conway/Ian Gilzean, Iain Jenkins, Willie Garner, John McGlashan, and John Ovenstone.

<u>CURRENT I</u>	EAGUE	FORM (most recent result to left)	<u>Pts</u>
Musselburgh	W	W	6
Haddington	W	w	6
Fauldhouse	W	W	6
Tranent	W	D	4
Blackburn United	L	W	3
Kirrie Thistle	W	L	3
Tayport	w	L	3
Dunbar United	L	D	1

Chairman's Chat

Good afternoon to all our supporters and a warm welcome to the players and officials of our visitors Dunbar United for this afternoon's league match.

Can I begin by welcoming our new manager Charlie King and his assistant Daryn Smith. Charlie ticked a lot of boxes for me, his experience as a player, his work with both young and experienced players as a coach and in management was a major factor in the decision in his appointment. I'm sure you'll all join me in wishing him well and I sincerely hope he can bring success back to our club.

We've been busy over the summer break with a lot of tidying up, repainting and general improvements around the ground. A special mention must go to John Aitken in particular who has worked relentlessly over the close season. Planning permission has now been granted for the relocation of the former Tayport Thistle changing facilities to within our grounds here at The Canniepairt. We are now just waiting on the Building Warrant to get started. Once the work is complete we

intend to put the building to good use, not only for ourselves but for the wider Tayport community.



I must admit that

didn't see our second half collapse at Musselburgh last Saturday happening. We played some decent stuff going two nil up and in fact it should have been three nil up. Even after they pulled one back I was feeling confident. How wrong was I? There's no doubt the loss of Sergio didn't help but there can be no excuses for our second half no show. We need to strengthen and the manager is working hard to do just that.

Finally I hope you all enjoy today's game and that we feel a lot better than we did after last week. A victory will do just that.

Davie Baikie,

Chairman

Dunbar's New Faces

Seasiders' boss Geoff Jones' new signings

Grant Burns (Leith Athletic)

Kenny Hall (Leith Athletic)

Fraser McLaren (Bonnyrigg Rose)

Zach Szemis (Fareham Town)

Kieran Ingram (Berwick Rangers - loan made permanent)

All Change in Premier Division

Although we've played them all before, home and away, of the new additions to the Premier Division this season, the only clubs Tayport have previously never met on League business are the South Division's promoted duo of Dunbar and Blackburn United. Of the 16 clubs in the Division, no fewer than ten are based in the Lothians, so the opening of the new Queensferry Crossing next month is well timed. First experience of the new bridge will be the trip to Blackburn on 9th September.

FROM THE ARCHIVES 20 years ago

How the first half of season 1997/98 unfolded

DIARY OF THE SEASON - SO FAR

AUGUST.

Kenny Bunce had arrived to take over the manager's jacket from Dave Baikie and got an immediate boost from the pre-season friendly results, wins at Wick and Armadale and a draw at Pollok. There was rude awakening in store, though, and the 6-3 defeat on the opening day at Carnoustie gave the local media a field day. The Courier tipped Carnoustie as title contenders and the result saw Tayport quickly disappear from the headlines as "St Josephs winning run continues" and "Dokens target league crown" headlines became the norm. But Tayport were made of sterner stuff and the opening day defeat was to be followed by a 33 game unbeaten run that was to last almost nine months.

SEPTEMBER

Only two matches in September but both were home wins, 5-1 v Bankfoot and 4-0 against Lochee United, the highlight of which was a hat-trick for Barrie Gray, a feat which was to prompt the headline "Flash Barrie secures points" in the Fife Herald. Sadly for Barrie an injury at the Pollok Sevens put him out of action for six months and the 'Port Support were denied their regular helpings of entertainment spiced with frustration. Local bairns in tears at the news.

OCTOBER

The month brought four successive victories starting with a hard fought affair at North End which knocked the home team off the top perch. Keith Nicolson and Sean Wilkie returned after injury. Barry Gardiner, an early season signing from Forfar Athletic, and Steve Hutcheon had the goals. The following week five first half goals without reply was an indication of the direction Jeanfield were heading. Bey realised the season had started.

NOVEMBER

Started with Fraser losing more goals in one match than he would lose in the sixteen games that followed when Barry Gardiner inspired a 6-3 win over Thornton Hibs in the Taycars Trophy, The Scottish Cup trail started at Forfar Albion with a 4-0 win in miserable conditions. Ian Greig's goal lit up a dreich afternoon. A chance to go well clear at the top of the table was blown when Forfar West End came to the Canniepairt and achieved their aim with the most negative of negative performances in a 0-0 draw. Andy Phin notched up 16 successive games in which he had been late for the kick-off

DECEMBER

Grant Buist scored his only goal of the season to date but it was enough to end Stonehaven's interest in the Scottish Cup. It was a good month with 17 goals scored in four games, Dave Reilly hitting eight in a 7-0 Christmas win at Kirrie. But the Sporting Post headline that evening is "North End in control"

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