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#### Competition Entered this Season

East Premier League

Scottish Junior Cup

North/Tayside Cup

East of Scotland Cup

#### Tayport F.C. Triple Scottish Cup Winners

12 May1996 2-0 (aet) v Camelon at Fir Park Motherwell Fraser Mann **Grant Buist** Grant Paterson Mark Spalding Keith Nicolson Sean Wilkie

Grant Millar (Allan Ramsay) Steven Stewart Stephen Ross (Barry Gray) Dave Reilly

Gary Maher (Jim Henry) Scorer - Ross (2) Att. 4,652

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

Ross Gunnion Grant Paterson Roberto Morris John Ward Scott Peters

Jon Mitchell Steven Stewart (Doug Scott) Brian Craik (Allan Ramsay) Barry McNaughton

Gareth Dailly (David Evans) Scorer-Craik Att. 4,613

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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



**Tayport** from

## **Today's Teams**



Blackburn United from



-			CALL
1	Gavin SORLEY	Saturday	Kyle MARLEY
2	Kieran CONWAY	26th May 2018	Calvin TOWNSLEY
3	Craig STURROCK	Kick off 2.30 pm	James MILDREN
4	Kris ROLLO		Michael BROWNE
5	Charlie KING	Referee: George	Callum HEATH
	1		Canum HEATH
6	Connor GRAY	ANDERSON	Ross WILLIAMSON
7	Jamie MACKIE	Assistant 1:	Craig YOUNG
8	Jamie GILL	Vikki	James MARTIN
9	Dale REID	ROBERTSON	Richie HUTTON
10	Gary SUTHERLAND	Assistant 2:	Danny CAMPBELL
11	Conor IRELAND	David	Brian ROSS
13	Struan CHRISTIE	FEARN	Callum McDOWALL
		Cover pic	Bailey BLACK
14	Dayle ROBERTSON		
1.5	M-CONNACHIE	Action from	Jordan BAYNE
15	Stewart McCONNACHIE	Tayport's last	Cameron O'BRIEN
16	Luke O'BRIEN	home game v	Ewan GARTSHORE
17	Alan TULLETH	Tranent.	
18	Grant PATERSON	Image courtesy	
20	Fraser ANDERSON	of John	
20	Trasci ANDERSON	Edward	
21	Ryan SUTTIE		

Player/Manager	- Charlie KING
Assistant Manager	- Daryn SMITH
Coach	- Grant PATERSON
Coach	- Darren TENNANT
Physio	- Andy BELL

" TITLE

Manager	- Mark CAMPBELL
Asst. Manager	- James McCORMACK
Coach	- Dougie McINTYRE
Goalie Coach	- Andrew MEECHAN



### **Today's Game McBookie.com Premier Division Tayport v Blackburn United**



#### First and Last

A warm welcome to Tayport for our visitors this afternoon from West Lothian, for what will be recalled in years to come as a major milestone in Blackburn United's history - their last ever game in the Juniors.

Apart from a couple of promotions Blackburn are in the unusual position of having had no successes to celebrate over the last 40 vears or so in the Juniors.

#### **Off Field Success**

However by joining the SFA's Pyramid next season and achieving Quality Mark and Community Club accreditation the club has shown ambition. They may not have had much success on the field but the club can boast of significant success off the field.

#### Blackburn's Good Season

Reaching the Premier League as South Division's runners up last season was a first for the New Murrayfield Park club. They have had as good a

season as they might have expected and are currently level on points with Tayport in fourth top spot. A win here today and they

Blackburn United joined the

spearhead of what is now the

**Blackburn United Community** 

Sports Club which was estab-

tered as a Charity.

acy Award.

lished in 2004 and is now regis-

The club was awarded the SFA's

Quality Mark and full Community

recently received the SFA's Leg-

Award in 2009 and has more

Junior ranks in 1980 and are the

notable highs including a 4-0 win at Fauldhouse. ...but Form Has Shaded

spectacular during the

season but there have been

As the season entered its final stages, Blackburn enjoyed a rich vein of form, winning four league games on the bounce, conceding only one goal in the process, before slipping up in their last two outings, losing to Whitburn and Thornton.

#### Home Fans In Despair

Tayport's fluctuating form has had their fans in despair in recent weeks. none more so than in the past two weeks when an excellent performance at St Andrews was followed by a shocker at struggling Bathgate.

ner, Blackburn United runs a range of under age teams, both male and female.

Under the Community Club ban-

At their centrally situated football hub, the club can boast a 6 dressing room complex, a floodlit 3G pitch as well as 2 x 11-aside and 2 x 7-a-side pitches.

Not bad for a town of 5,000 pop.

#### Better today?

Hopefully today's display will be more akin to that shown 11 miles down the road two weeks ago than that which went down 2-1 at Creamery Park last Saturday.

could well finish 4th on their own. Regardless, Blackburn will take their leave of the Juniors with a highest ever league

Blackburn's league form has been steady if not

placing.



# **What's the Manager saying?**

## - the view from the dugout



Welcome to the Canniepairt for this afternoon's final home Premier League game of the season.

As I am sure you are aware, the last couple of months have really been quite tough, trying to keep the players and probably the club in general, focussed on our own business regarding the Leagues structure issues in what is turning out to be a crazy time with teams leaving the Juniors for the Seniors. We still don't know what will be happening and discussion on the topic has been constant.

We will however be continuing to focus on finishing strongly. Bettering the points total of last season for starter, is a must.

We welcome Blackburn to the Canniepairt for today's game and wish them all the best for the future

Charlie, Daryn, Grant and Darren



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### **Tayport v Blackburn United**



Tayport and Blackburn have previously met on only three occasions

<u>1990/91:</u> Tayport 7-1 Blackburn (S.Cup r4) <u>2009/10:</u> Blackburn 1-2 Tayport (S.Cup r2) <u>2017/18:</u>Blackburn 2-1 Tayport (Premier Division)

### Blackburn United's season

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05/08/17	League	Н	Downfield	W	4-1	25/11/17	Sc Cup	H	Colony Park	W	5-1
09/08/17	League	A	Bathgate	L	0-2	06/01/18	League	Н	Bathgate	L	1-2
12/08/17	League	A	Arniston	D	1-1	13/01/18	League	A	St Andrews	W	2-0
16/08/17	League	Н	Whitburn	D	1-1	27/01/18	Sc Cup	Н	Linlithgow	L	0-5
19/08/17	League	Н	St Andrews	L	1-2	03/02/18	F&L	Н	Glenrothes	L	0-2
26/08/17	League	A	Dalkeith	W	2-1	10/02/18	League	A	Tranent	L	0-5
02/09/17	EoSCup	A	Scone	W	4-2	17/02/18	League	Н	Arniston	D	2-2
09/09/17	League	Н	Tayport	W	2-1	17/03/18	League	Н	Dalkeith	W	2-1
16/09/17	League	A	Kirrie	W	2-0	24/03/18	League	A	Downfield	W	2-1
23/09/17	League	A	Fauldhouse	W	4-0	31/03/18	League	A	Dunbar	W	1-0
30/09/17	League	Н	Haddington	D	1-1	07/04/18	League	Н	Musselburgh	L	0-1
07/10/17	F&L	A	Rosyth	W	5-0	14/04/18	League	A	Haddington	L	1-3
14/10/17	League	A	Musselburgh	L	1-2	21/04/18	League	Н	Kirrie	W	1-0
21/10/17	League	Н	Glenrothes	W	2-1	24/04/18	League	Н	Fauldhouse	W	1-0
28/10.17	Sc Cup	Н	Aberdeen EE	W	6-0	28/04/18	League	Н	Tranent	W	2-1
04/11/17	League	A	Thornton	W	1-0	05/05/18	League	A	Glenrothes	W	3-0
11/11/17	EoSCup	A	Dundonald	L	1-2	12/05/18	League	A	Whitburn	L	1-3
18/11/17	League	Н	Dunbar	L	0-2	19/05/18	League	Н	Thornton	L	0-2

<b>CURRENT</b> 1	PREMIE	R LEAG	UE FOI	RM (mo	st recen	t result to left)	<u>Pts</u>
Musselburgh	W	W	D	W	W	W	16
Blackburn United	L	L	W	W	W	W	12
Fauldhouse	L	W	W	D	W	L	10
Haddington	W	L	D	W	L	W	10
Thornton Hibs	D	W	L	D	L	W	8
Tayport	L	W	D	L	W	D	8



# East Region Premier League 2017/18

	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	max
1	Musselburgh Ath	29	24	4	1	80	26	54	76	79
2	Fauldhouse United	28	18	4	6	71	48	23	58	64
3	Haddington Ath	28	15	7	6	62	43	19	52	58
4	Tayport	28	13	7	8	63	50	13	46	52
5	Blackburn United	29	14	4	11	40	37	3	46	49
6	<b>Dunbar United</b>	29	13	6	10	56	46	10	45	48
7	Thornton Hibs	28	10	9	9	52	45	7	39	45
8	Tranent	29	11	4	14	53	57	-4	37	40
9	St Andrews Utd	30	10	5	15	47	68	-21	35	35
10	Glenrothes	28	10	4	14	65	64	1	34	40
11	Arniston Rangers	29	7	13	9	39	39	0	34	37
12	Downfield	29	9	5	15	52	70	-18	32	35
13	Bathgate Thistle	30	7	9	14	39	55	-16	30	30
14	Dalkeith Thistle	30	8	4	18	51	69	-18	28	28
15	Whitburn	28	7	7	14	53	72	-19	28	34
16	Kirrie Thistle	30	7	4	19	30	64	-34	25	25

Midweek Premier League results

**Today's Premier League Fixtures** 

Musselburgh Ath Thornton Hibs 2 v 2 Kirrie Thistle Arniston Rangers Haddington Ath Fauldhouse United 4 v 2 Glenrothes Downfield Glenrothes Whitburn Haddington Athletic 0 v 2 Arniston Rangers Thornton Hibs 2 v 4 Bathgate Thistle Blackburn United Tayport **Dunbar United** Thornton 1 v 4 Musselburgh Whitburn

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5 AUG	Musselburgh	PL 1	L	2-6	Sorley	Walton	Sturrock	Sanchez	G.Anderson	Alvarez
9 AUG	GLENROTHES	PL2	w	6-2	Sorley	Walton	Sturrock	King	Conway	Ogg 1
12 AUG	DUNBAR UTD	PL3	w	3-2	Sorley	Walton	Robertson	Conway	G.Anderson	Ogg
16 AUG	Kirrie Thistle	PL 4	L	0-2	Sorley	Conway	Sturrock	King	G.Anderson	Ogg
19 AUG	Tranent	PL 5	w	3-0	Sorley	Conway	Sturrock	King	G.Anderson	Ogg lp
26 AUG	FAULDHOUSE	PL 6	L	1-4	D. Bruce	Conway	Sturrock	Sanchez	G.Anderson	Ogg lp
2 SEP	LINLITHGOW	EoS		1-4	Postponed	as	Linlithgow	had	Wm Hill	Scottish
9 SEP	Blackburn	PL 7	L	1-2	Sorley	Gray	Sturrock	Sanchez	G Anderson	Ogg
16 SEP	HADDINGTON	PL8	w	3-2	Sorley	Gray	Sturrock	Sanchez 1	King	
23 SEP	CUMBERNAULD	SC1	L	1-2	Sorley	Gray	Sturrock	Sanchez	Mackie	Ogg
30 SEP	Arniston	PL 9	w	2-1	Sorley	Gray	Sturrock	Sanchez	Mackie	Ogg
7 OCT	Downfield	PL 10	w	2-1	Sorley	Gray	Sturrock	Sanchez	Mackie	Alvarez
14 OCT	WHITBURN	PL 11	D	2-2	Sorley	Ogg	Sturrock	Sanchez	Mackie 1	Alvarez
21 OCT		PL	No	_	as		Park	was	declared	
28 OCT	Bathgate Glenrothes	PL 12	D	game 2-2	Sorley	Creamery	Gray	Sanchez	Anderson	unplayable
4 NOV	DALKEITH	PL 12	w	4-0	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Sanchez	Anderson	Tulleth
11 NOV	LINLITHGOW	EoS	L	0-2	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Sanchez	Anderson	Tulleth
18 NOV	ST ANDREWS	PL 14	L	2-3	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Sanchez	Anderson 1	Tulleth
25 NOV	BROUGHTY	GA	No	game	as	Canniepairt	pitch	was	declared	unplayable
02 DEC	BROUGHTY	GA	w	4-1	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Paterson	Anderson	Tulleth 3
09 DEC	Bathgate	PL	No	game	as	Creamery	Park	was	declared	unplayable
16 DEC	Bathgate	PL	No	game	as	Creamery	Park	was	declared	unplayable
23 DEC	BATHGATE	PL	No	game	as	Canniepairt	pitch	was	declared	unplayable
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13 JAN	Bathgate	PL	No	game	as	Creamery	Park	was	declared	unplayable
20 JAN	THORNTON	PL	No	game	as	Canniepairt	pitch	was	declared	unplayable
27 JAN	Dunbar Utd	PL 16	w	2-1	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Paterson	Conway	Tulleth 1
3 FEB	BRECHIN	GA 2	w	5-0	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Paterson	Conway	Tulleth 1
10 FEB	ARNISTON	PL 17	D	1-1	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Paterson	Conway	Tulleth
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10 MAR	BATHGATE	PL 18	D	2-2	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Paterson	Conway	Tulleth
17 MAR	MUSSELBURGH	PL	No	game	as	Canniepairt	pitch	was	declared	unplayable
24 MAR	Hermes	GA 4	L	2-4	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray 1	Paterson	Conway	Mackie
31 MAR	Dalkeith	PL 19	w	4-1	Sorley	Sturrock	Luke O'Brien	Paterson	Conway	Tulleth 2
7 APR	THORNTON	PL 20	D	1-1	Sorley	Gray	O'Brien	Paterson	Conway	Tulleth
14 APR	MUSSELBURGH	PL 21	L	3-4	Sorley	Sturrock	O'Brien	Paterson	Conway	Anderson
18 APR	Thornton	PL 22	w	3-2	Sorley	Mackie	O'Brien	Paterson	Conway	Anderson
21 APR	Whitburn	PL 23	D	1-1	Sorley	Mackie	O'Brien	Paterson	Conway	Suttie
25 APR	DOWNFIELD	PL 24	w	2-0	Sorley	Sturrock	Gray	Paterson	Conway	Suttie
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### Going......Going......Gone! Eight Super League and Premier Clubs Jump Ship





It's all change next season with three Super League clubs and five of our fellow Premier Division clubs leaving the Scottish Junior Football Association to play their football in the East of Scotland League which forms part of the Scottish Football Pyramid system. These move have left the Junior game in the East in a state of flux which will take some time to settle.



The SJFA clubs were canvassed recently over their thoughts on joining the Pyramid as an Association and this resulted in a clear majority in favour, with the consequence that this is the plan for season 2019/20. Nearly all of our local clubs were in favour of affiliating to the Pyramid, only Broughty Athletic, Downfield, Lochee United and Forfar Albion wishing to stick with the Juniors.



Following the end of this season's exodus of clubs, an ERSJFA meeting this week announced that next season there would be a Super League, a North League and a South League as follows (based on current placings)









Fauldhouse United

**Tayport** 

Thornton Hibs





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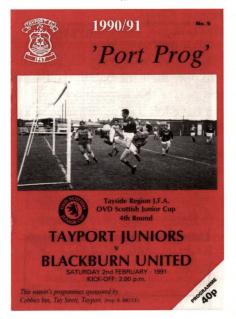
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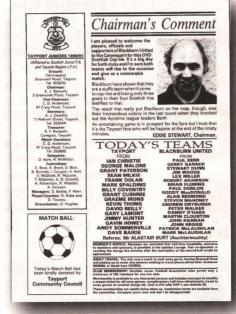
## South League

Glenrothes **Arniston Rangers** Bathgate Thistle Whitburn Lochore Welfare Pumpherston Armadale Thistle Oakley United West Calder United Lochgelly Albert Harthill Royal Rosyth Livingston Unted Stoneyburn Kirkcaldy YM

<sup>4</sup> clubs would be relegated from the Super League and 2 clubs each from North and South Leagues would be promoted

### FROM THE ARCHIVES





It's been a long time since Blackburn United called in at the Canniepairt - over 28 years to be exact - and after a 7-1 Scottish Junior Cup 4th round drubbing, they probably wished they hadn't bothered!

Tayport in their first season in the Juniors had already accounted for Larkhall Thistle, Muirkirk and local rivals St Andrews United but it was the 4th round win over Blackburn to reach the last 16 when realisation dawned that Tayport might just be a force to be reckoned with in this competition. The rest - six Scottish Junior Cup Finals in the following 14 years - is, as they say, history.

Tayport's all time record goalscorer Dave Reilly netted a hat trick with both Grant Cushnie and Kevin Thoms getting doubles. Gerry Ganner scored Blackburn's consolation goal.

A crowd of 490 rolled up at the Canniepairt that February afternoon, a tad more that will take in this afternoon's encounter.

Present club chairman Dave Baikie, although listed in the Tayport playing squad that afternoon, was in his first season in charge, kicking off what would be an illustrious managerial career in the game.

# **CHAIRMAN'S CHAT**



It's our final home game of the season. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome our fans and to thank you all for your support over the course of the year. It's much appreciated.

I'd also like to welcome the players and officials of our visitors Blackburn United. Can I wish them well in their new adventure in the East of Scotland League.

We had a good outcome at St Andrews which I unfortunately I missed. I said to Charlie that I should stay away next week. His reply was 'Yes, please!' and to be honest I wish I had! Once again our inconsistency reared its ugly head, losing to a Bathgate side which had struggled badly for a long time. In fact they hadn't won a game since 5th January. It poses the question, is complacency the factor in these lapses? Do we feel good about ourselves after a victory and then look at the position of our next opponents in the division and believe we'll walk this one? I don't know, but what I do know is, it's not good enough! Is it perhaps down to the fact that there's not enough depth in our squad? We had a three player swing

from the St Andrew game. I think a bit of both is the answer.

So the news is we'll be playing in the Super League next season. With four teams to be relegated it's vital the manager has the depth, experience and quality of squad he's going to need. As chairman, I want our club to be playing in this division year in, year out and it's important we give the manager as much support as we can to achieve this outcome.

Can I say a big thank you to all our sponsors for providing support and hope you continue to do so. There are a fair number of people that aren't on our committee but do a terrific amount of work for the club. I won't mention them individually for fear of missing anyone so I'll just say a big thank to all for your support. Lastly can I thank our committee for their contribution over the course of this season and say well done and hopefully next season we can produce a team of which you can be proud.

Today we have Blackburn United as our opposition. I missed the last time we played and by all accounts we managed to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory, so let's hope we can reverse that outcome today

Regards,

Davie Baikie

#### Player of the Year Voting Underway

The annual awards ceremony will take place on **Saturday 23rd June** in the **Tayport Arms Lounge**. All are welcome. Note the time! **It's an 11.30am start** which kicks off the day as the players head for their end of season bash in Edinburgh. If you've not already voted for Fans' Favourite, Young Player of the Year and Goal of the Season, get your forms at the match today from Match Secretary Kevin.





# DUNMORE REPORTS....



Over the last three matches, Tayport have had a draw, a win and a defeat. so not the most consistent of form at this crucial stage of the season. When on hand to head home and make it 4-0 last on the Canniepairt, 'Port shared four goals with Tranent, the highlight being a Goal of the Season contender from Alan Tulleth. The visitors took an early lead, from the penalty spot, before Tulleth netted a fantastic equaliser, sending a wonderful effort over the goalkeeper and into the net, from just inside the opposition's half of the field. As the half wore on, the hosts edged into the lead, when Fraser Anderson delivered a free kick to the far post and Ryan Suttie headed home. While 'Port had chances after the break, so did Tranent and they eventually levelled the score, courtesy of centre-half Craig Meikle, who headed in on 84 minutes.

It was disappointing to drop more home points, but the team made amends the following week, when they recorded an emphatic derby win at St. Andrews. In a blistering first half, Jamie Gill drilled home the opener, then Stewart McConnachie doubled the advantage, after good work from strike-partner Davle

Robertson. Robertson himself added goal number three, with a crashing header, on the stroke of half-time.

More chances were passed up after the break, but the travelling support did have one more goal to cheer. On the left flank. Alan Tulleth ran at the full-back and clipped over a cross to the back-post, where Jamie Gill was to the on-form 'Port.

That form, however, was not replicated at Creamery Park last weekend, where hosts Bathgate Thistle won the points. with a 2-1 victory. Remarkably, 'Gate had lost their previous eight home league fixtures, so it was galling that they ended that miserable run at Tayport's expense. All of the goals came in the second half of the encounter. Bathgate missed a penalty at the start of the second half, but did open the scoring on 66 minutes, when Easton pounced to score from close range.

Dayle Robertson notched an equaliser ten minutes later, after Bathgate had failed to clear Fraser Anderson's free kick, but there was to be no comeback victory. The Creamery Park men scored the game's final goal, when McKie broke upfield and cut in from the right, before firing a low shot into the far corner of the net. There was no way back for 'Port, who still have work to do to secure a fourth place finish and Charlie King's men can do just that when they host closest challengers Blackburn this afternoon.

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