



**O.V.D.**  
**SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP**  
**FINAL**

Sunday, 18th May 1997



**POLLOK F.C.**

v.



**TAYPORT F.C.**

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### **FROM THE SECRETARY**



**I**t doesn't seem twelve months since Tayport were here at Fir Park, claiming the O.V.D. Cup following their 2-0 extra-time victory over Camelon, but the ambitious young club from North-east Fife are back again, trying to retain the title they won so honourably last year.

Tayport's impact on the Junior scene in seven short years since their admission has been quite remarkable. And this year's Final pitches them against Pollok, another side who have also a very good record in the Cup since they won it for the first time in 1981 when they defeated Arthurlie.

Despite both sides having regularly progressed to the advanced stages of the competition on a regular basis, this will only be the second meeting between the pair with Tayport out to exact revenge for the defeat inflicted upon them back in 1991, Tayport's first season in the ranks of the Juniors.

From the evidence of both semi-finals, an exciting encounter looks guaranteed this afternoon.

Pollok were worthy winners against Blantyre Victoria at Adamslie Park, whilst Tayport's narrow win over Arthurlie was a very closely contested affair.

I am more sure that both club's will do the occasion justice as both sides put the accent on skill.

The last two finals have been clean sporting affairs and I would prevail on both clubs for a repeat of that discipline on the field.

This is the ninth year in which the Scottish Junior Cup has been sponsored by O.V.D. and I would again like to put on record, the Association's gratitude to the company for their past, and future support for, at least, the next two years. To their representatives, Alex Carnie, Sales Director, along with other Senior Management of O.V.D., their employees and guests, who are attending today's final we extend you a very warm welcome.

Once again I would like to thank Motherwell Football Club, and especially Club Secretary Alan Dick, and his staff for their kind co-operation and assistance in staging the final at Fir Park for the third year running.

My congratulations go to both clubs on reaching this year's final.

May the best team win, but above all, I hope that the quality of the football will befit the occasion to the benefit of everyone assembled here and the nationwide television audience.

**JOE BLACK**  
**Secretary,**

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FIR PARK, MOTHERWELL - SUNDAY, 18TH MAY 1997



**W**elcome to the ninth O.V.D. Cup Final. After seven months, we are now down to the moment of truth with two teams - Pollok from the Central Region and Tayport, the Cup holders from Tayside - battling for the ultimate crown. We look forward to a great match, played in the right spirit and worthy of the occasion.

For the past two years, we have been encouraging goal scoring in the competition through the O.V.D. No 1 Awards. These go to the top scoring team in each region with a bonus to the highest scoring side in the competition. Our two finalist today have scored 32 goals between them so far and Tayport have already won their regional award.

Elsewhere in Scotland, the winners have been Beith in Ayrshire with 20 goals; Ormiston Primrose in the East with 14 goals; Sunnybank in the North with 12 goals and Hill of Beath Hawthorn in Fife with 11 goals. To all the Regional winners, we extend our congratulations. Your award certificates (and cheques!) will be presented soon.

We are still seeking the leading individual goal scorer in the O.V.D. Cup competition. In the past two seasons, Camelon's David Flynn knocked in over ten goals to take the title but the scoring has been much more widely spread this season. Half a dozen players around the country are in contention and we will have to wait until after today's final to find the winner.

Finally, after nine years, someone had the courage last week to ask me what O.V.D. stands for. It does not mean Oh! Very Dark or Oor Vunderful Drink. It stands for Old Vatted Demerara. Old, because it has been imported into Scotland since 1838. Vatted, because it is a complex blend of rums aged in oak casks for up to seven years. And Demerara because it is made exclusively from a special sugar cane that grows alongside the Demerara River in Guyana.

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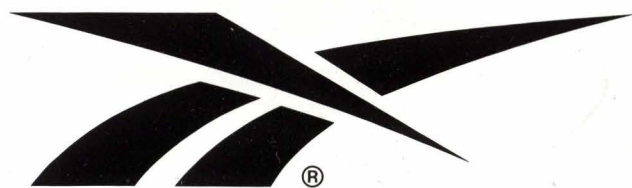
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**I**t is a pleasure to be able to stage, on behalf of the Scottish Junior Football Association, the O.V.D. Cup Final at Fir Park for the third successive year. In 1995, Camelon overcame Whitburn 2-0 in front of over eight thousand fans. Last year it was Tayport's turn, defeating Camelon by the same scoreline after extra-time. In 1997 Tayport are deservedly back again to face the pride and joy of Glasgow's south side, Pollok, twice winners of the tournament in the eighties.

This one promises to be a classic and it is hoped that the large television audience, as well as those present inside Fir Park, are treated to a traditional, old fashioned junior contest like the great finals played at Hampden Park in front of big crowds in the fifties, sixties and into the seventies. Very strangely, in only two of the previous nineteen Finals/Final replays have both competing teams managed to find the net - Pollok and Petershill in 1985 and Auchinleck Talbot and Pollok the following year - but I feel sure that we will see goals aplenty this afternoon from two fine attacking sides.

Fir Park has witnessed a number of highly emotive and exciting fixtures in recent weeks. Only last weekend, of course, Motherwell and Dunfermline Athletic played out a crucial 2-2 draw in the Bell's Premier Division which preserved top line status for my club for another year. At full-time today the curtain is lowered on another hectic Fir Park season. This final act between Pollok and Tayport is indeed a fitting climax to 1996-97.

JOHN C CHAPMAN  
Chairman, Motherwell F.C.



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**I**n my capacity as officer in charge of 'P' Division of Strathclyde Police, I would like to welcome supporters of both teams to Fir Park, Motherwell for a fixture which, over the years, has provided a high standard of football on what is, predominantly a family occasion.

I would remind all fans that this is a designated sports ground and that no alcohol will be allowed into the Stadium and ask that all supporters in the stand observe the no smoking signs.

Additionally, a new local bye-law forbids the drinking of alcohol in the street.

As is normal, the Cup will be presented to the winning team on the pitch at the end of the game and I would ask you to co-operate and remain in your places in the stadium so that you can enjoy a good view of the ceremony, please do not encroach on the playing surface at the end of the match, as this will delay proceedings and may place youngsters in the crowd at risk of injury.

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## THE SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP FINALISTS – Pollok



### POLLOK'S PATH TO THE CUP FINAL

9th November 2nd Round

**RUTHERGLEN GLENCAIRN (A) WON 3-1**

**Scorers:- Ferguson, Ashcroft, Paisley**

Team - Lowrie, O'Neil, Cranmer, Spittal, Ashcroft, McLean, Diver, Fontana, Ferguson, Morrison, Paisley.

(Subs used Anderson, McLaughlin, McCordle)

7th December 3rd Round

**SHOTTS BON ACCORD (H) WON 2-1**

**Scorers:- Diver, Ferguson**

Team - Lowrie, O'Neil, Cranmer, Spittal, Ashcroft, Morrison, Fontana, McLean, Ferguson, Paisley, Diver.

(Subs Used:- None)

18th January 4th Round

**WHITBURN (H) WON 2-0**

**Scorers:- Elliot, Paisley**

Team - Lowrie, O'Neil, Cranmer, Spittal, Ashcroft, Elliot, Fontana, Bonnar, Diver, Ferguson, Barrett.

(Subs Used - Paisley, McLean, Anderson)

15th February 5th Round

**HERMES (A) WON 1-0**

**Scorers:- Murray**

Team - Smith, O'Neil, Morrison, Spittal, Ashcroft, Elliot, Fontana, McLean, Paisley, McCordle, Diver.

(Subs Used - Murray, Barrett, Ferguson)

15th March 6th Round

**FAULHOUSE UNITED (A) DRAW 0-0**

Team - Lowrie, O'Neil, Morrison, Spittal, Ashcroft, Elliot, Fontana, Bonnar, Paisley, Barrett, McLean.

(Subs Used - Diver, Cranmer)

22nd March 6th Round Replay

**FAULHOUSE UNITED (H) WON 4-0**

**Scorers:- Diver 2, Elliot pen, Cranmer**

Team - Lowrie, O'Neil, Cranmer, Spittal, Ashcroft, Elliot, Fontana, Bonnar, Paisley, Barrett, Diver. (Subs used - Anderson, McLean, Murray)

26th April Semi-final

**BLANTYRE VICTORIA (Adamslie Park, Kirkintilloch) WON 5-0**

**Scorers:- Cranmer, Barratt, Diver, Lowrie pen, Anderson**

Team - Lowrie, O'Neil, Cranmer, Spittal, Ashcroft, Elliot, Fontana, Bonnar, Paisley, Barrett, Diver. (Subs used - Anderson, Morrison)

**P**ollok FC was formed on Wednesday 1st July 1908 as the football section of the two year old Pollokshaws Working Lads Club and incorporated members of Pollok AFC.

Sir John Stirling Maxwell had promised if membership of the Lads Club was sustained over a period, he would provide a playing pitch within the grounds of his estate. The ground was named Haggs Park and the club took the colours of the Heraldic Shield of Pollok House - Black and White.

In season 1926-27, Pollok FC were made homeless when Glasgow Education Authority acquired the estate ground. All was not lost however, as Pollok secured the lease of a site for £10 per annum and named it Newlandsfield Park.

In season 1931-32, Pollok FC was faced with the stark choice of either purchasing Newlandsfield outright or vacating the ground. In the end, a loan from the Pollokshaws Co-op Society came to the rescue.

During the second World War, Pollok lost their equipment when a serious fire destroyed the pavilion. Due to war restrictions, the club was not given planning permission until after peace was declared.

In season 1944-45, the largest estimated attendance was recorded at Newlandsfield Park for a Scottish Junior Cup Quarter Final tie against Fauldhouse United, when 12,000 fans crammed into the ground. Many hundreds who could not get in that day packed the platform of the Pollokshaws East railway station which overlooked the park.

Since winning the Scottish Junior Cup for the first time in 1980-81 beating Arthurlie 1-0 thanks to a goal by Norrie Fulton, Pollok has continued to build on that success to establish themselves as one of the top sides in junior football. 1984-85 was a particularly noteworthy season for the club, being voted Rothmans 'Non League Team of the Year' after winning the Scottish Junior Cup, the League Championship and the Evening Times Cup all in that season.

Over the years, Pollok FC has given many players to the Senior game such as Bobby Collins (Celtic, Everton and Leeds United), Stuart Gordon (Clydebank, Hamilton and Queens of the South), Bob McPhail (Rangers and Airdrie), Jim Hughes (Falkirk), Stuart Auld (Clydebank), Sandy Stewart (Airdrie), Dougie Arnott (Motherwell), Jeff Curran (Arbroath), Ian Spittal (Partick Thistle, Stranraer and Arbroath), Chic Charnley (Clydebank, Partick Thistle, Dundee, Hibernian and others), Dave McCabe (Morton and Airdrie) and Charlie Thomson (Sunderland).

Although Pollok's history stretches back almost ninety years, it is only in the last two decades that the Newlandsfield side has made an impact on the Scottish Junior Cup. Since reaching the final and defeating Arthurlie in their first final appearance in 1981, they have gone on to capture the trophy again in 1985 and lost out the following season and this afternoon will be hoping to make it three wins from four appearances at the ultimate stage of the competition.



### POLLOK'S PLAYING SQUAD

**RONNIE LOWRIE. (Goalkeeper)**

Ronnie is Pollok's current Goalkeeper and joined the club midway through season 1991-92 from Partick Thistle. Ronnie's consistent displays in a Pollok jersey have been a feature of his game and Lok fans will be looking for another fine season from the big keeper. He has been capped seven times for Junior Scotland. Scored Pollok's fourth from the spot in the semi-final against Blantyre Vics.

**GRAHAM SMITH. (Goalkeeper)**

Graham was signed from Dunfermline two seasons ago and made his competitive debut for Pollok in last season's League Cup Semi-Final where he turned in an excellent performance. Graham is a local lad and has a promising future ahead of him.

**IAN SPITAL. (Central Defender)**

Ian played for Pollok in the 80's before gaining considerable Senior experience with Stranraer and Arbroath. A big, strong committed defender, Ian rejoined Pollok in season 1995-96 and manager Jim O'Donnell recognised his leadership qualities by making him club captain.

**CRAIG CRANMER (Full Back)**

This is Craig's third season at Newlandsfield, playing previously with Renfrew and he has proved to be an excellent defender. Craig also loves coming forward having scored eight goals for Lok last season and seven so far this season with goals in the last two rounds, including the opener against in the semi-final. Also a long throw expert.

**IAN ASHCROFT (Central Defender)**

Ian has been with a number of clubs, notably Arthurlie and Irvine Meadow, this is Ian's second season at Newlandsfield and the powerful defender has quickly developed a sound partnership with Ian Spittal in the heart of the Lok defence.

**ROBERT ANDERSON (Central Defender)**

Robert was one of Pollok's last season signings and he has settled in comfortably to the Lok defence. Good in the air, strong in the tackle, Robert also poses a goal threat, particularly at set pieces. Previous clubs Glencairn, Albion Rovers and Arthurlie. Came on as a sub against Blantyre and notched the fifth goal.

**KEVIN O'NEIL (Full Back)**

Kevin is a product of High Blantyre Amateurs and is in his fourth season at Newlandsfield. Resolute in the ? and

always keen to get forward, Kevin has been one of Pollok's most consistent players over the seasons.

**DAVE ELLIOT (Midfield)**

This is Dave's second season at Newlandsfield being signed from Largs Thistle. Last season, Dave turned in many inspirational performances, finishing up the club's joint second top scorer with 16 goals. This season, the hard working midfielder has netted 11 goals.

**JOHN BARRETT (Striker)**

This is John's second season at Newlandsfield, previously having been signed from Petershill. John's height, strength and sheer persistence is always a big threat to opposition defences and is the scorer of vital goals. Last season, John scored 10 for the club and with his goal in the semi-final he has equalled that total again this season.

**RAYMOND MCCARDLE (Striker)**

Another one of Jim O'Donnell's close season signings, Ray's pace and natural flair for goals will spell danger to opposition defenders last season, with East Kilbride Thistle Ray scored 30 goals for the Showpark side.

**GARY FAULDS (Striker)**

Having enjoyed an illustrious career in Ayrshire Junior Football, Gary's experience is invaluable on and off the park, in his dual role as Assistant Manager/Player at Newlandsfield.

**DANNY DIVER (Striker)**

Danny joined from Ayr United at the start of this season and has been an immediate hit with the fans at Newlandsfield. Scoring a hat-trick on his home debut against Aberdeen Sunnybank. Pollok is Danny's fourteenth club and has seen him play in England, Belgium and Denmark. Currently on 18 goals this season.

**JOHN MORRISON. (Midfield)**

Signed recently from Irvine Meadow, John has already shown how skilful a player he is, crossing a great ball and also dangerous from free kicks. John was Senior with Torquay United and played in front of 60,000 at Wembley in the Final of the Freight Rover Trophy.

**DOUGIE FONTANA (Midfield)**

This is Dougie's second season at Newlandsfield and his powerful no nonsense approach in the middle of midfield has made him a big favourite with the fans at Newlandsfield. Dougie always gives 100% effort and possesses a ferocious shot. Scoring 7 goals last season - every one a stormer.

**PAUL McLEAN (Midfield)**

Signed early last season from Stranraer,

Paul has been a steady influence in midfield and scored 7 goals last season. Early season injury has kept Paul out of the side but he is now back to full fitness and looking to re-capture his place. Previous clubs Motherwell and Ayr United.

**IAN McLAUCHLIN (Midfield)**

Ian has been another of Manager Jim O'Donnell's close season signings. Previously with Shettleston, Ian has already shown he is highly skilful on the ball and will pose many a threat to opposition defences.

**IAN MURRAY (Midfield)**

Ian is a product of Pollok's Juvenile side and came into the first team towards the end of last season. Manager Jim O'Donnell was so impressed he signed him and in all the matches he has featured so far this season, Ian has looked a terrific prospect. Scored the winner against Hermes in the 5th round of the Cup.

**BILLY FERGUSON (Striker)**

Billy was signed this season from Happy Valley (Hong Kong) with his previous clubs being Clydebank, Albion Rovers and Stranraer. So far this season Billy has netted 17 times, scoring twice in his home debut against Arthurlie.

**SEAN BONNER (Midfield)**

Sean is another of Manager Jim O'Donnell's recent signings, securing his signature from East Side, Camelon. Sean has only played a few games for Lok so far but looks as though he will be a valuable acquisition to the squad. Won a Scottish Junior Cup medal with Camelon and previously played with Fauldhouse, Linlithgow Rose and Bonnyrigg.

**JOHN PAISLEY (Striker)**

John has been a big favourite at Newlandsfield for a number of seasons now where his strength and height have seen him score many a vital goal. Last season he achieved near legendary status with a glorious 90th minute equaliser against Arthurlie in the Scottish Cup where Pollok went on to win the Replay 1-0. Previously played for Dunipace.

**AND THE BOSS... JIM O'DONNELL**

Was previously assistant manager to Tommy Reynolds at Newlandsfield. He then went to Irvine Meadow, but returned last season. In his playing days he won virtually every honour in the Junior game during spells with East Kilbride and Auchinleck Talbot which included triumphs in the Scottish Junior Cup with both of these clubs.



## POLLOK JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB



### Pollok's Roll of Honour

O.V.D. Scottish Junior Cup Winners  
1980-81, 1984-85  
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CENTRAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS  
1978-79, 1980-81,  
1984-85, 1985-86, 1986-87  
CENTRAL LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION  
1980-81, 1984-85, 1985-86,  
1986-87, 1990-91, 1994-95,  
1995-96  
CENTRAL LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION  
1968-69, 1978-79  
WEST OF SCOTLAND CUP  
1944-45, 1986-87, 1992-93  
EVENING TIMES CUP WINNERS CUP  
1979-80, 1980-81, 1983-84,  
1984-85, 1985-86, 1987-88  
CENTRAL LEAGUE CUP  
1930-31, 1941-42, 1948-49,  
1977-78, 1979-80, 1983-84,  
1987-88, 1988-89, 1990-91  
SECTIONAL LEAGUE CUP  
1983-84, 1990-91, 1996-97  
POMPEY CUP  
1958-59, 1961-62  
GLASGOW JUNIOR CUP  
1941-42, 1953-54, 1961-62  
GLASGOW CHARITY CUP  
1946-47, 1957-58  
GLASGOW INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE CUP  
1930-31



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KEVIN	O'NEIL	PAUL	McLEAN
CRAIG	CRANMER	JOHN	MORRISON
IAN	SPITTAL	IAN	MURRAY
IAN	ASHCROFT	BILLY	FERGUSON
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### TODAY'S MATCH PROGRAMME

This programme has been produced by Peter Rundo, 4 Crawford Avenue, Gaudry, NEWPORT-ON-TAY D06 8SG (Telephone 01382 330356) on behalf of the Scottish Junior Football Association. The Editor would like to extend his thanks to the Abbie Oswald of Tayport and Gordon Allan of Pollok their kind assistance in compiling the programme. The editor is also anxious to hear from anyone who has old Junior Cup programmes for sale, and back numbers of the 1992, 1994 and 1996 Final programmes are still available from the above address priced £1 inc post & packing.

### IN THE EVENT OF A DRAW -

If at the end of 90 minutes the teams are still level, then 30 minutes extra-time will be played and if that fails to determine the winner the match will then be decided by penalty-kicks.

### TODAY'S MATCH BALL

THE SJFA would like to thank MITRE for providing the match ball for today's Final.

### TODAY'S ENTERTAINMENT

Pre-Match and Half-Time Entertainment will be provided today by the Whitburn Brass Band

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### Tayport's Roll of Honour

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1995-96  
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1994-95, 1995-96  
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1990-91  
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1991-92, 1994-95  
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1990-91, 1995-96  
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1990-91, 1993-94  
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The Tayport playing squad pictured earlier this week.  
(Picture courtesy of Gordon Robbie of the Evening Telegraph & Sporting Post.)

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## THE SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP FINALISTS – Tayport



### TAYPORT'S PATH TO THE CUP FINAL

12th October 1st Round

**FORFAR ALBION (H) WON 5-0**

**Scorers:- Stewart(2), Gray, Ross (2)**

Team - Mann, Reilly, Paterson, Miller, Buist, Wilkie, Ramsay, Henry, Stewart, Reilly, Gray.

(Subs used - Ross, Coventry)

9th November 2nd Round

**LARKHALL THISTLE (H) DREW 0-0**

Team - Mann, Reilly, Paterson, Spalding, Buist, Wilkie, Ramsay, Stewart, Ross, Reilly, Gray.

(Subs used - Miller)

16th November 2nd Round Replay

**LARKHALL THISTLE (A) WON 2-1**

**Scorers - Ross (2)**

Team - Mann, Miller, Paterson, Spalding, Buist, Wilkie, Ramsay, Stewart, Ross, Reilly, Maher.

14th December 3rd Round

**LINLITHGOW ROSE (H) WON 3-0**

**Scorers - Coventry, Nicolson, Ross**

Team - Mann, Buist, Paterson, Coventry, Nicolson, Wilkie, Ramsay, Stewart, Ross, Reilly, Gray.

(Subs used - Reilly, Maher)

18th January 4th Round

**SHETTLESTON (H) WON 1-0**

**Scorer - Nicolson**

Team - Mann, Buist, Paterson, Spalding, Nicolson, Wilkie, Ramsay, Coventry, Ross, Reilly, Gray.

(Subs used - Miller, Stewart)

15th February 5th Round

**ARNISTON RANGERS (H) WON 1-0**

**Scorer - Reilly**

Team - Mann, Buist, Paterson, Spalding, Nicolson, Wilkie, Ramsay, Stewart, Ross, Reilly, Gray.

(Subs used - Miller)

15th March 6th Round

**CAMBUSLANG RANGERS (A) WON 1-0**

**Scorer - Kennedy**

Team - Mann, Buist, Paterson, Miller, Nicolson, Wilkie, Ramsay, Stewart, Kennedy, Reilly, Coventry.(Subs used - Ross, Gray)

30th April Semi-final

**ARTHURLIE (Fir Park, Motherwell) WON 2-1**

**Scorer - Hutcheon 2**

Team - Mann, Buist, Paterson, Spalding, Nicolson, Wilkie, Ramsay, Stewart, Hutcheon, Reilly, Gray.(Subs used - Coventry, Miller, Ross)

**F**or over 100 years the game of football has been a major influence in most communities in Scotland. Tayport has been no exception. From Victorian times through to the Second World war the town has always had at least one football team.

As the second half of the twentieth century beckoned, Tayport's football team was Tayport Violet. Then in 1947 a new team emerged as rivals to the Violet when Tayport Amateurs was formed by those who had been playing friendlies as a Senior Scouts team.

The Amateurs at this time mainly comprised local youngsters who had entered the team in the Midlands Alliance League, a league essentially for clubs' reserve XI's. Their local rivals, the Violet played in the top league. By 1950 the Midlands Amateur Football Association was expanding and in the reorganised leagues both the Violet and the Amateurs found themselves in Division Two. Promotion was swift and the two local sides finished the season in first and second spot respectively. 1952-53 saw the Violet and the Amateurs finish second and third in the first division behind the champions YM Anchorage. Anchorage, incidentally, had won every title since 1933. Then suddenly, Violet were gone! Despite finishing runners-up, it was their last season.

There were contrasting fortunes for the Amateurs during the fifties and sixties but, despite those often quite desperate times, what was important was the fact that the club survived. The seventies was a reasonably successful era with the club establishing itself as a major force in the amateur game.

In 1980 the club which since 1953, had run no kind of second string, started another team - the Fife XI - which was to enjoy 11 successful seasons in the East Fife Amateur Association and for one season, the Kingdom Caledonian League.

As the club developed, the committee felt the time was right to take a further step and, in 1990, the club's Junior team was launched and the name of the club became simply 'Tayport Football Club', a name which could embrace both amateur and junior grades.

The seven years since has seen the club dominate the junior ranks locally, culminating in the club lifting the O.V.D. last year for the first time.

This success at Junior level has necessitated the further development of The Cairnpiart, the club's home ground since moving from the East Common and its green hut in 1975.

Such has been the development of The Cairnpiart that the club's ground and accommodation ranks with the best of its kind in the country and is a facility that can be made use of by the entire community.

Tayport's record of achievement as a Junior club is quite staggering - this being their third final in just seven campaigns.

Last month, the North-east Fife club celebrated their 50th anniversary and there could be little better way of further acknowledging that milestone by retaining the O.V.D. Cup.



### TAYPORT'S PLAYING SQUAD

**FRASER MANN (Goalkeeper)**

The 34 year old was signed from Lochee United in 1991. Before turning Junior, he was an amateur with Springfield United. Approaching 300 games for the club and has had clean sheets in more than half of them.

**GRANT MILLER (Defence or midfield)**

Signed from Amateur football in 1993. The 26 year old strong running player who has netted most of his eleven goals for the club whilst being utilised in a midfield role. It was his surging run from deep set up Tayport's opening goal in last season's semi against Auchinleck.

**GRANT PATERSON (Defender)**

The 29 year old left-back has been capped by Scottish Juniors. Ex-St Johnstone but signed for Tayport back in 1990 from Riverside Athletic Amateurs. Has averaged 50 competitive games a season in his seven years at The Canniepiart.

**GRANT BUIST (Defender)**

Signed 1995 from Broughty Athletic. The 25 year old admirably filled Keith Nicolson's boots when the latter had a spell out injured earlier this season.

**KEITH NICOLSON (Defender)**

Signed from Brechin City in January 1995 as successor to Andy Somerville. The 28 year has played Premier Division football with St Johnstone.

**MARK SPALDING (Midfield)**

The 33 year old arrived along with Dave Baikie at Canniepiart in July 1990 and has proved an excellent acquisition. He holds the distinction of netting Tayport's first ever Scottish Junior Cup goal - against Larkhall in October 1990. Previously with Downfield. Has played over 300 games, but has spent some time on the bench recently.

**SEAN WILKIE (Central defender)**

The team captain was signed from Brechin City in 1990. Had a spell playing football in New Zealand but returned to Tayport after only a few months in the Antipodes. Aged 28.

**PAUL REILLY (Defender/Midfield)**

The 29 year old has had a couple of long term injuries since signing from Lawside FP amateurs in 1991 but has still managed nearly 200 appearances.

**BILLY COVENTRY**

**(Midfield or forward)**

Signed from St James Amateurs, thirty year old Billy is one of the five squad members who has been at Tayport since the club joined the Juniors. Out for two and a half seasons with a leg injury, he has recently returned to action.

**STEVEN STEWART**

**(Midfield or forward)**

Forfar Loon who signed from Forfar Albion in 1994. Scored a spectacular goal in the 1996 semi-final win over Auchinleck. The 24 year old was capped by Scottish Juniors this season and was 'Man of the Match' versus the Isle of Man earlier this season.

**BARRIE GRAY (Forward)**

Absolutely brilliant ball player on his day, but can try the patience of the most devoted fan on other days. Played Senior with most of the Angus teams but was signed from St Josephs in 1995. Still only 23.

**ALLAN RAMSAY (Midfield)**

Midfield dynamo signed from Carnoustie Panmure in 1995. Played Senior with Forfar Athletic. The 24 year old received 'man of the Match' award in recent Taycars tie with Keltie.

**DAVE REILLY (Striker)**

Has the distinction of having played in both the Scottish Amateur and Scottish Junior Cup Finals, the former with Lawside FP from whom he signed for Tayport in 1990. Has scored 267 goals in 339 games for the 'Port. A successful appeal against a sending-off enabled the junior international striker to play this afternoon.

**ALLAN KENNEDY (Forward)**

A 32 year old striker signed this season from Montrose with whom he had two spells. Sandwiched between was a stint at Arbroath. Netted the winning goal in the quarter final against Cambuslang.

**GARY MAHER (Midfielder)**

Signed from Kinnoull in 1994 during which time he has made just under 100 appearances including the 1996 OVD Cup Final. Aged 26, he hasn't featured in recent games.

**STEVE HUTCHEON (Striker)**

Signed at the end of March from First Division East Fife with whom he had a productive partnership with ex-Barcelona and Spurs star Steve Archibald when the Fifers won promotion in 1996. Aged 26. Hasn't taken long to hit the goal trail with 'Port. He followed up his two goals against

Arthurlie in the semi-final by hitting a brace a fortnight ago in their 2-1 win over Arbroath SC in the Taycars Trophy.

**STEPHEN ROSS (Striker)**  
A close season signing from Dundee North End in 1995, the speedy striker previously served Broughty Athletic and Kirrie Thistle but has also played in Canada and New Zealand. A busy front player, Steve, aged 27, was Tayport's hero last season, scoring both goals against Camelon to take the O.V.D. Cup to Cairnpiart.

**EWAN CAMERON (Striker)**

Originally signed from amateur football in 1993 and had a prolific first season amongst the goals. A registration slip-up allowed him to move to Lochee United in 1995 but he was back within a season only for work commitments to have curtailed the 29 year olds appearances since.

**AND BEHIND THE SCENES**

**DAVE BAIKIE (Manager)**

A former Scottish International who had an illustrious career in the Junior game as a player with Dundee Osborne (now defunct), Lochee United and Downfield. Was joint manager with Peter Marr (who is bidding to become Dundee FC's new owner) in Tayport's first season at Junior level.

The rest, as they say, is history.

**GED REILLY (Goalkeeping coach)**

A vital cog in the Tayport backroom. Ged has a wealth of experience both from the Junior and Senior game. Was Dundee United's last line of defence against Newcastle United in a Texaco Cup tie.

**GEORGE MALONE (Coach)**

'Murph' as he's known, was described as the 'Rolls Royce' of players in his day as a full-back with Lochee United. Came out of retirement to play for Tayport during the club's first four years in the Juniors then was persuaded to move into coaching.

**RONNIE NICOLL (Coach)**

Like Dave Baikie, a fully qualified SFA coach, Ron was with St Andrews United before moving a dozen miles north to join the 'Port. His commitments as an SFA Coach will mean he is missing from Fir Park for today's final.

**ANDY BELL (Physiotherapist)**

Top man in his field, Andy was Physio at East Fife, Montrose and latterly Forfar Athletic before taking over the physio reins at The Canniepiart.



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## TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIALS



### REFEREE Brian McGarry

Aged 30, he works as an Estate Agent valuer based in Cumbernauld. This is his fifth season on the senior list of referees and his third as a Class 2 official.

The experience of an O.V.D. Junior Cup Final is not new to him as he was the fourth official for the Camelon v Whitburn Final here in 1995. Since then he has been in the middle for the semi-final between Auchinleck Talbot v Tayport twelve months ago. Previously, he officiated at the 1993 R B Farquhar Final and last year's Evening Times Cup Winners Cup Final. Earlier this season he was under the glare of the television cameras when he refereed the Under-18 challenge match between Rangers and Celtic. He has also acted as an assistant referee in the Dinaburg v Barry UEFA Cup tie, the Coca-Cola Cup quarter-final tie between Hearts and Celtic and the Hibs v Aberdeen Tennents Scottish Cup tie this season.



### ASSISTANT REFEREE Colin Hardie

Aged 32, he is an operations controller for Lynx Express Parcels in Bothwell. Married to Christine, they have one son, named Ross. He took up refereeing in September 1989 and stepped up to the official list in August 1991. His most memorable fixture so far was for the Royal Charleroi (Belgium) v Silkenborg (Denmark) Inter-Toto Cup tie in June last year.



### ASSISTANT REFEREE Jim Walker

Aged 32, he is single and a civil servant, who apart from football enjoys most other sports. He lists his other more honourable pursuits as including travelling and chess. He started refereeing in 1981 and was the fourth official for one of the 1993 O.V.D. Cup semi-finals and was in charge of one of this season's quarter-final ties.



### FOURTH OFFICIAL Craig Mackay

Aged 31, he is married to Fiona. He lives in Cumbernauld where he is employed as an assistant bank manager. His refereeing career started in 1982 and progressed to the Senior List as a Class 3 official in 1993. In 1994, he was appointed to the Class 2 list. He has been refereeing in the Ayrshire Region of the SJFA for the past five years and was a linesman at last season's O.V.D. Cup semi-final between Tayport and Auchinleck Talbot.



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## JUNIOR FOOTBALL AT ITS BEST

**T**o many the wet Saturday afternoon of 8th February 1997 will not have special memories - especially to the few who were in attendance at Denmore Park, the home of Fife Junior side Kirkcaldy YM.

However, for the writer it was the culmination of a dream - to see a match on every Junior ground.

I am sure that not many have achieved this feat and for an Englishman who only moved up to Scotland in 1988, this is probably even stranger.

Many would ask why. ... but when you consider the many varied grounds, the superb hospitality of the Junior football scene and the history behind many of the clubs, perhaps the reasons become clearer.

Taking a whistle-stop tour around the regions, you have to appreciate the sense of history at many grounds. To stand on the terraces of Petershill, Vale of Leven or Shettleston, you can sense the atmosphere these Central Region locations must

have possessed in the past.

The fierce sense of rivalry within the Ayrshire ranks is well publicised - but how many have experienced the remote delights of Muirkirk or the well maintained coastal ground at Largs.

The East is certainly not left behind when it comes to the quality of their grounds - the likes of Linlithgow and Bo'ness stand comparison with the best there are.

You can look further to the north for distinct contrasts - from the RAF bases at Kinloss and Lossiemouth to the forest clearing where you will find the unique setting of Burghead Thistle.

Look to the north east and you will find the quite outstanding facilities at Turriff United, as well as the many Aberdeen clubs who boast excellent set ups such as Sunnybank.

Moving south to Tayside you have to admire the ever-improving Cairnriepairt ground in Tayport.

Let's not forget as well the history of the Dundee-based teams. To visit the likes of Lochee Harp is like a wonderful step back in time.

And finally to Fife - you have the immaculately kept Keirs Park - home of Hill O'Beath, but if you get a chance pay a visit to the recently returned Steelend Vics and you will find a quite spectacular setting before you.

There are great signs of progress too from some of the more progressive teams. The new grounds of Newtongrange Star and Aberdeen Bon Accord are of great credit to all involved at these forward thinking clubs.

I will long remember the considerable help and assistance I have received from club and league officials on my travels - it is these people who have managed to keep the Junior game going.

However, above all else stands the hospitality of the Juniors, there is talk of reconstruction throughout the Scottish game, but the sense of welcome at grounds both large and small must never be allowed to change, however much people may argue that this is a natural consequence of progress.

Her'es to the continued healthy future of the Juniors.

HOWARD WATTS

## O.V.D. CUP FINAL QUIZ

- Where was the 1991 Final between Auchinleck and Newtongrange Star played?
- Who scored the winner for Glenafton which beat Tayport in their first final appearance in 1993 and for whom does he now play?
- When was Hampden Park last used to stage the Junior Cup Final?
- Can you name the two teams from the North Region who won the Junior Cup in the fifties?
- Which clubs play at the following grounds a) Guys Meadow; b) Warout Stadium; c) Simpson Park; D) Woodside?
- Pat Stanton and Craig Paterson both joined Hibs from this East Region club. Can you name them?
- Which former Glenafton and Camelon players will figure in next week's Scottish Cup Final?
- In which season was the Scottish Junior Cup first played?
- Who were the beaten semi-finalists in season 1995-96?
- Who scored a) Pollok's winning goal in their first final appearance in 1981 & b) Tayport's two goals in last season's final?

### ANSWERS

1. Brockville.
2. John Miller who plays for Arthurrie.
3. 1986 when Auchinleck defeated Pollok 3-2.
4. Aberdeen Sunnybank (1954) & Banks O'Dee (1957).
5. a) Cumbernauld United; b) Glenrothes Juniors; c) Jeanfield Swifts; d) Aberdeen Lads Club.
6. Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic.
7. Tom Brown (Kilmarnock, formerly with Glenafton) and Kevin McAllister (Falkirk, formerly with Camelon).
8. 1886-87.
9. Auchinleck Talbot & Pollok.
10. a) Fullon b) Ross.



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## O.V.D. JUNIOR CUP FINAL SNIPPETS...

### FINAL APPEARANCES

Given that neither Pollok nor Tayport had contested a final prior to 1980, the fact that the pair between them have now clocked up seven finals, gives you some idea of the mark both clubs have made on the competition in recent times.

Here is a list of all the sides who have made three or more appearances:-

(Note figures include this season's competition)

- 11 - Cambuslang Rangers
- 10 - Petershill
- 9 - Parkhead
- 8 - Kirkintilloch Rob Roy
- 7 - Burnbank Swifts/Athletic
- 6 - Ashfield, Auchinleck Talbot, Maryhill, Rutherglen Glencairn, Benburb
- 5 - Bo'ness United, Irvine Meadow XI
- 4 - Baillieston, Blantyre Victoria, Denny Hibs, Glenafton, Strathclyde, Pollok, Vale of Clyde
- 3 - Arthurlie, Bonnyrigg Rose, Camelon, Cumnock, Glasgow Perthshire, Kilbirnie Ladeside, Kilsyth Rangers, Kilwinning Rangers, Larkhall Thistle, Newtongrange Star, Tayport.

### SIZE OF THE FIELD

39 clubs entered in the first year of the tournament's existence in 1886-87 and that compares with 165 clubs in this season's competition. Kinloss are suspended for two years after failing to turn up for a tie against Dundee St Josephs last season and Tayside Region club Balbeggie are currently in abeyance. The record entry was set in 1922-23 when a staggering 412 clubs set out on the long trail which leads to silverware.

### TELEVISED

Nowadays, 'live' television has become a feature of the Scottish Junior Cup Final, but it wasn't until 1977 that the Final was first televised. Kilbirnie Ladeside and Rob Roy were the participants that year.

### TOP SCORERS

The record victory in a Final is shared by two East Region clubs, Tranent beat Petershill 6-1 in 1935 and Bonnyrigg Rose defeated Whitburn by the same score in 1966. The 1928 Final at Firhill produced the highest number of goals in any Final. Maryhill Hibs beat Burnbank Athletic 6-2.

### HIGHEST ATTENDANCE

The record attendance for a Junior Cup Final was 77,560 when Petershill played Irvine Meadow at Hampden in 1950-51. The gate receipts were £6,381. The following year 69,959 were at Hampden for Camelon's first Final appearance and this is the second highest crowd to witness the major event in the Junior calendar. By comparison, last year's final between Tayport and Camelon attracted 4,652. Changed days indeed!

### FINAL ATTRACTION

Auchinleck Talbot have the best record in this competition. The Beechwood Park side can boast a 100% record from their six appearances in the final. Next come Parkhead, Petershill and Cambuslang Rangers who have all lifted the Scottish Junior Cup on five occasions.

### NO NEW NAME

After a new name being inscribed on the trophy for the

last four years, that is something which cannot be repeated this afternoon. Glenafton (1992), Largs Thistle (1994), Camelon (1995) and Tayport (1996) completed that rather unique sequence.

### SUNDAY BEST

Sunday is now the accepted day for the Junior Cup Final, but it was as recently as 1982 that the first Sunday Final was played and Ibrox was the venue for the Baillieston and Blantyre Vics clash.

### LOSERS FIRE BLANKS

Quite amazingly, the past ten finals have been decided without the losing side scoring! The last time both sides scored was in the last ever drawn final when Auchinleck Talbot drew 1-1 with Kilbirnie. However, Talbot went on to win that 1987 replay 1-0 and no side collecting runners-up medals since has even had the consolation of finding the net!

### CUP PAYOUTS

After each of the semi-finalists received £3,000 in sponsorship money, today's two finalists will each be in line to collect a further £8,000.

As the Junior FA want this to be a showpiece occasion, any bookings will cost the clubs £100 with the cost of a sending off being determined by the circumstances.

### SJFA AGM

This year's AGM will take place on 21st June, 1997 in the Renfrew Town Hall, Renfrew.

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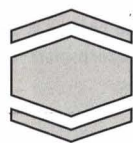
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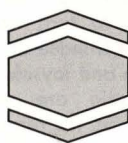
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## ONE PAST ENCOUNTER

**T**here has been just one previous encounter between Tayport and Pollok in the O.V.D Scottish Cup.

That came in Tayport's inaugural season as a Junior club and March 8th 1991 has become a black day in the club's short history as it marked their heaviest ever defeat - 1-4 - in this competition.

In the previous round the 'Port had beaten Blackburn United 7-1, Pollok meanwhile had overcome Glasgow Perthshire in a replay after the two Central League sides had shared four goals at Newlandsfield Park. Those two ties attracted almost three thousand spectators.

Ironically, Tayport had been guests of Pollok immediately prior to joining the Junior ranks and arrived at Cairnriepairt on a wild, wet Saturday March afternoon, unbeaten since the start of the season.

And the Glasgow side were to

prove too powerful for their fledgling opponents.

**Ally Marshall** gave Pollok a seventh minute lead and from then on there was little doubt who was to emerge victors. Certainly, two goals from **John O'Brien** in the 30th and 39th minutes almost completely sunk 'Port's hopes and those three goals separated the sides at the interval.

A goal by **Kevin Thoms** quarter of an hour from the end gave Tayport a glimmer of hope, but that goal was rendered academic as **John O'Brien** completed his hat-trick before the end and thus ended Tayport's first ever run in the Junior Cup.

But reaching the last 16 at the first attempt was a mighty fine achievement and something they have made a habit of since.

Meanwhile, Pollok advanced to the sixth round, only to lose 1-0 to Glenafton at Loch Park.

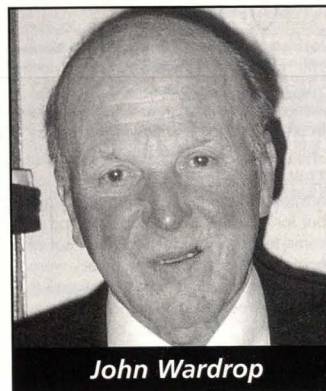
As we said earlier, the match at

Tayport was played in deplorable conditions, but that didn't prevent around 1,500 spectators turning up - more than at nine of the senior Scottish games that afternoon.

A little over six years have elapsed since that tie, but several links remain at Cairnriepairt today. **Dave Baikie** was co-manager then along with **Peter Marr**, the man currently trying to buy Dundee FC. **Dave** was also still playing then, **George Malone**, a coach now was in the Tayport squad, whilst of the current squad, **Mark Spalding**, **Sean Wilkie**, **Dave Reilly**, **Grant Paterson** and **Billy Coventry** were on the books. No such representation in depth from Newlandsfield, only **Jim O'Donnell**, now at the helm of Pollok, but then a coach, remains connected to the club six years on. Having said that **Colin Crichton** in Pollok's ranks then, faced Tayport in the last round, now being on the books of **Arthurlie!**

## CAMELON PRESIDENT HONOURED

**T**he Scottish Junior Football Association would like to take this opportunity of extending their best wishes and congratulations to **John Wardrop** on being made a Member of the British Empire in the last New Years Honours List.



John Wardrop

His service to Junior Football extends back over many years and was suitably rewarded when Camelon won the Scottish Cup in 1995 for the first time.

Now comes this latest and well deserved recognition for all the work he has done not only for his club, but Junior Football in general.

## THE 1996-97 O.V.D. SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP

The first round of this season's competition saw all the clubs starting out with the hope of this being 'their year', although inevitably all but one will end up disappointed.

By and large there were no real shock results in the first round, although Kilwinning enjoyed a good win over the previous season finalists, Camelon, whom they beat 5-0 in a replay after a goalless game in the East. Three sides, Glenrothes, Greenock and Maybole had 7-1 demolitions over their respective opponents - Maud, Inverurie Juniors and New Elgin. One of Ayrshire's big hopes, Glenafton, also had an impressive start, defeating Central Premier side Kilsyth Rangers 5-1.

A total of 128 clubs participated in the second round, with Shotts Bon Accord playing their first match back in the tournament after a one season absence. They celebrated their return with a 5-2 win over Loches United in Dundee. Another Tayside club who fared somewhat better were Jeanfield Swifts from Perth, chalking up a 6-1 victory at Fochabers. North sides, generally, fared poorly, the main exception being Inverurie Locos, edging through by the odd goal in five at the expense of Glenafton. More disappointing results for Northern clubs were Renfrew's 5-1 win at Formartine. Ormiston scored seven without reply at RAF Lossiemouth; Bishopmill's trip to Fife ended in a 7-1 defeat by Kelly Hearts and Burghhead's long trip south to Beith resulted in a 6-0 reversal. Some consolation came after Sunnybank's long haul to Hurlford which saw them win 4-1, making the long bus journey back north that little bit happier. Two all-Central ties saw Second Division Port Glasgow win 5-0 at Bellshill, rivals in this year's Second Division, as well as Lanark who went one better at First Division colleagues, Dunipace.

And so to the third round. Maryhill, one of the top sides in central Region were expected to return from their visit to Aberdeen Sunnybank secured with a place in the fourth round. It didn't work out that way, however, as the homesters won by a convincing 3-0 margin. Neilston, going well in the First Division, also had a fruitless trip to the Granite City, going out after a 3-2 defeat by Lewis United. The top-

scoring tie of the round was at Whitburn where Jeanfield Swifts lost out 6-3 in a game which gave the spectators full value for money. Dundee St Josephs, well nigh invincible in Tayside Region this season, were left to concentrate solely on local honours as they crashed out at Tranent, thanks to the only goal of the tie. Auchinleck Talbot relived their halcyon days of the late eighties as they swamped Forfar West End 5-0 in South Ayrshire.

The fourth round was not particularly notable for surprises, although Hermes, taken to a replay by Vale of Leven, travelled back happy enough from Dunbartonshire having progressed albeit by virtue of a penalty shoot-out triumph, eventual finalists, Tayport and Pollok both had tough home ties, but came through against Shettleston and Whitburn respectively.

The fifth round has a habit of separating the men from the boys and produced eight extremely close fought ties. None more so than the Beith versus Faudhouse pairing. It couldn't have been tighter with the east region side getting the nod by the odd penalty kick in thirteen after two draws. Semi-finalists Blantyre Vics also needed a replay to dispose of 1994 winners, Largs Thistle. Both of today's finalists progressed by scoring a solitary goal. Tayport ending Arniston's run and Pollok doing likewise away to Hermes in the north of the country. After a similar result at Tranent, Auchinleck must have wondered if this was to be their year again, whilst Sunnybank's good run was ended by Cambuslang Rangers. Arthurlie made their seemingly annual pilgrimage to the last eight with a 2-1 home win over Hill of Beath Hawthorn, Fife's last winners of the competition in 1990. Petershill also saw their interest in the trophy terminated following a replay defeat by Cumnock.

Clubs reaching the last eight all harbour ambitions of winning the Cup, but for four the long campaign had to come to grief. Cambuslang lost out at home to Tayport, while Auchinleck were shocked by Blantyre Vics who won 3-0 at Beechwood Park. Cumnock, after a 4-4 home draw, lost out 2-1 to Arthurlie in the Barrhead replay and Faudhouse were sent crashing out of

the competition after Pollok's convincing 4-0 win in Glasgow after a goalless draw at Park View.

Finding a suitable venue for the Pollok versus Blantyre semi proved a major problem after Fir Park was ruled out because it was to house the Hamilton v Ayr Second Division clash. No senior ground was found to be available and the tie eventually went ahead at Adamslie Park, home of Kirkintilloch Rob Roy. That was to be the venue for Blantyre Vics cup dreams to be turned into a nightmare, finishing two men light and conceding five goals without reply! The other tie of the penultimate tie did go ahead at fir Park, with Tayport establishing a two goal interval advantage, but were left to hang on as Arthurlie pushed them all the way in the second period, but once again the 'Lie's hopes were dashed.

Both semis were covered by Sky Scottish Television who then showed the entire match the following day, a welcome boost for the Junior game. One talking point of the semi-finals was that three of the four sides were from Central Region, a feat not achieved for many a year. Not an Ayrshire side in sight, so have we seen the end of the long-term domination of that region? Or is it just a temporary blip?

Only time will tell.

The more pertinent question this afternoon, is can Tayport succeed in taking the cup back to Tayside for the second successive season after becoming the first club from that region to win it since 1929! Alternatively, can Pollok take the trophy back to Central Region for the first time since they themselves won it in 1985 following an all-Central final against Petershill?

This article was provided by Stewart Davidson, of the Scottish Non-League Review Annual. Published every summer since 1988, it gives all the final tables, cup results and more for all six Junior Regions as well as covering the other competitions out with the senior game in Scotland. The Review is often referred to as the 'Bible of the Junior game'

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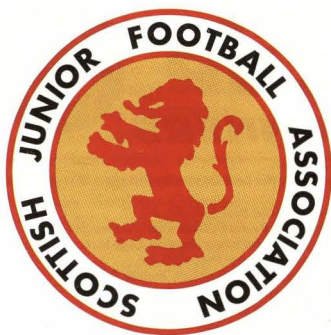


1886-87 Fairfield (Glasgow) beat Edinburgh Woodburn after a protested game. 3-1  
1887-88 Wishaw Thistle beat Maryhill after two protested games. 3-1  
1888-89 Burnbank Swifts beat West Benhar Violet. 4-1  
1889-90 Burnbank Swifts beat Benburb after a protested game. 3-1  
1890-91 Vale of Clyde beat Chryston Athletic after a drawn game. 2-0  
1891-92 Minerva beat West Benhar Violet. 5-2  
1892-93 Vale of Clyde beat Dumbarton Fern after a drawn game. 3-2  
1893-94 Ashfield beat Renfrew Victoria. 3-0  
1894-95 Ashfield beat West Calder Wanderers after a drawn game. 2-1  
1895-96 Cambuslang Hibs beat Parkhead. 2-1  
1896-97 Strathclyde beat Dunfermline Juniors after a protested game. 2-0  
1897-98 Dalziel Rovers beat Parkhead. 2-1  
1898-99 Parkhead beat Westmarch XI. 4-1  
1899-90 Maryhill beat Rugby XI. 3-2  
1900-01 Burnbank Athletic beat Maryhill (Exhibition Final). 2-0  
1901-02 Rutherglen Glencairn beat Maryhill after a drawn game. 1-0  
1902-03 Parkhead beat Larkhall Thistle. 3-0  
1903-04 Vale of Clyde beat Parkhead. 3-0  
1904-05 Ashfield beat Renfrew Victoria. 2-1  
1905-06 Dunipace Juniors beat Kirkintilloch Rob Roy after a drawn game. 1-0  
1906-07 Strathclyde beat Maryhill after two drawn games of 1 goal each. 1-0  
1907-08 Larkhall Thistle beat Queens Park Hampden XI. 1-0  
1908-09 Kilwinning Rangers beat Strathclyde after drawn game of no goals. 1-0  
1909-10 Ashfield beat Kilwinning Rangers after a protested game in favour of Kilwinning Rangers. 1-0  
1910-11 Burnbank Athletic beat Petershill after a draw of 1 goal each. 1-0  
1911-12 Petershill beat Denny Hibs. 5-0  
1912-13 Inverkeithing United beat Dunipace Juniors. 1-0  
1913-14 Larkhall Thistle beat Ashfield after two drawn games, 1-1 and 0-0. 1-0  
1914-15 Parkhead beat Port Glasgow Athletic Juniors. 2-0  
1915-16 Petershill beat Parkhead. 2-0  
1916-17 St Mirren Juniors beat Renfrew Juniors after a drawn game 0-0. 1-0  
1917-18 Petershill awarded Cup. No final tie.  
1918-19 Rutherglen Glencairn beat St Anthony's after a drawn game 1-1. 1-0  
1919-20 Parkhead beat Cambuslang Rangers. 2-0  
1920-21 Kirkintilloch Rob Roy beat Ashfield. 1-0  
1921-22 St Roch's beat Kilwinning Rangers after protested game 1-0. 2-1  
1922-23 Musselburgh Bruntonians beat Arniston Rangers. 3-0  
1923-24 Parkhead beat Baillieston Juniors after a drawn game 1-1. 3-1  
1924-25 Saltcoats Victoria beat St Anthony's after two drawn games 2-2 and 3-3. 2-1  
1925-26 Strathclyde beat Bridgeton Waverley after a drawn game 1-1. 2-0  
1926-27 Rutherglen Glencairn beat Cambuslang Rangers. 2-1  
1927-28 Maryhill Hibernian beat Burnbank Athletic. 6-2  
1928-29 Dundee Violet beat Denny Hibernian after a protested game, 2-0 and drawn game 2-2. 4-0  
1929-30 Newtongrange Star beat Hall Russells (Aberdeen). 3-0  
1930-31 Denny Hibernian beat Burnbank Athletic. 1-0  
1931-32 Glasgow Perthshire beat Kirkintilloch Rob Roy. 2-1  
1932-33 Yoker Athletic beat Tranent Juniors after a drawn game, 0-0. 4-2  
1933-34 Benburb beat Bridgeton Waverley. 3-1  
1934-35 Tranent Juniors beat Petershill. 6-1  
1935-36 Benburb beat Yoker Athletic after a drawn game, 1-1. 1-0  
1936-37 Arthurlie beat Kirkintilloch Rob Roy. 5-1  
1937-38 Cambuslang Rangers beat Benburb. 3-2  
1938-39 Rutherglen Glencairn beat Shawfield. 2-1  
1939-40 Maryhill beat Greenock Morton Juniors. 1-0  
1940-41 Glasgow Perthshire beat Armadale Thistle after two drawn games, 2-2 and 0-0. 3-1  
1941-42 Clydebank Juniors beat Vale of Clyde. 4-2  
1942-43 Kirkintilloch Rob Roy beat Benburb after two drawn games, 1-1 and 0-0. 3-1  
1943-44 Glasgow Perthshire beat Blantyre Victoria. 1-0

1944-45 Burnbank Athletic beat Cambuslang Rangers after protested game. 3-1  
1945-46 Faudhouse United beat Arthurlie. 2-0  
1946-47 Shawfield beat Bo'ness United after a drawn game, 1-1.  
1947-48 Bo'ness United beat Irvine Meadow XI. 2-1  
1948-49 Auchinleck Talbot beat Petershill. 3-2  
1949-50 Blantyre Victoria beat Cumnock Juniors. 3-0  
1950-51 Petershill beat Irvine Meadow XI. 1-0  
1951-52 Kilbirnie Ladeside beat Camelon Juniors. 1-0  
1952-53 Vale of Leven beat Annbank United. 1-0  
1953-54 Aberdeen Sunnybank beat Loches Harp. 2-1  
1954-55 Kilsyth Rangers beat Duntocher Hibs after drawn game, 1-1. 4-0  
1955-56 Petershill beat Lugar Boswell Thistle. 4-1  
1956-57 Banks o' Dee beat Kilsyth Rangers. 1-0  
1957-58 Shotts Bon Accord beat Phumperston Juniors. 2-0  
1958-59 Irvine Meadow XI beat Shettleston. 2-1  
1959-60 St Andrews United beat Greenock Juniors. 3-1  
1960-61 Dunbar United beat Cambuslang Rangers after drawn game, 2-2. 2-0  
1961-62 Kirkintilloch Rob Roy beat Renfrew after drawn game, 1-1. 1-0  
1962-63 Irvine Meadow XI beat Glenafton Athletic. 2-1  
1963-64 Johnstone Burgh beat Cambuslang Rangers after drawn game, 1-1. 3-0  
1964-65 Linlithgow Rose beat Baillieston Juniors. 4-1  
1965-66 Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic beat Whitburn after drawn game, 1-1. 6-1  
1966-67 Kilsyth Rangers beat Rutherglen Glencairn after drawn game, 1-1. 3-1  
1967-68 Johnstone Burgh beat Glenrothes Juniors after drawn game, 2-2. 4-3  
1968-69 Cambuslang Rangers beat Kirkintilloch Rob Roy. 2-1  
1969-70 Blantyre Victoria beat Penicuik Athletic after drawn game, 2-2. 1-0  
1970-71 Cambuslang Rangers beat Newtongrange Star. 2-1  
1971-72 Cambuslang Rangers beat Bonnyrigg Rose athletic after a drawn game, 1-1  
1972-73 Irvine Meadow XI beat Cambuslang Rangers after two drawn games, 3-3 and 2-2. 1-0  
1973-74 Cambuslang Rangers beat Linlithgow Rose. 3-1  
1974-75 Glenrothes Juniors beat Rutherglen Glencairn. 1-0  
1975-76 Bo'ness United beat Darvel Juniors. 3-0  
1976-77 Kilbirnie Ladeside beat Kirkintilloch Rob Roy. 3-1  
1977-78 Bonnyrigg Rose beat Stonehouse Violet. 1-0  
1978-79 Cumnock Juniors beat Bo'ness United. 1-0  
1979-80 Baillieston beat Benburb. 2-0  
1980-81 Pollok beat Arthurlie. 1-0  
1981-82 Blantyre Victoria beat Baillieston. 1-0  
1982-83 East Kilbride Thistle beat Bo'ness United. 2-0  
1983-84 Bo'ness beat Baillieston. 2-0  
1984-85 Pollok beat Petershill after drawn game, 1-1. 3-1  
1985-86 Auchinleck beat Pollok. 3-2  
1986-87 Auchinleck beat Kilbirnie after drawn game, 1-1. 1-0  
1987-88 Auchinleck beat Petershill. 1-0  
1988-89 Cumnock beat Ormiston Primrose. 1-0  
1989-90 Hill of Beath beat Lesmahagow. 1-0  
1990-91 Auchinleck Talbot beat Newtongrange Star. 1-0  
1991-92 Auchinleck Talbot beat Glenafton. 4-0  
1992-93 Glenafton beat Tayport. 1-0  
1993-94 Largs Thistle beat Glenafton. 1-0  
1994-95 Camelon beat Whitburn. 2-0  
1995-96 Tayport 2 beat Camelon 0 Aet

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