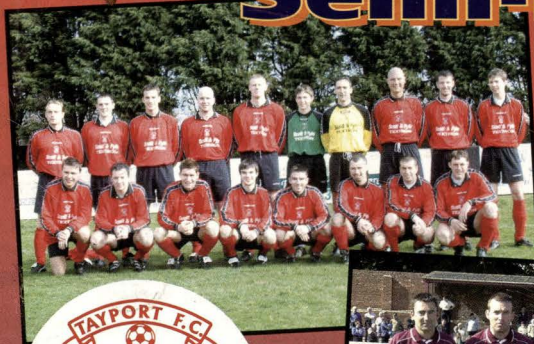




O.V.D. Scottish Junior Cup Semi-Final



Friday 5th April 2002

TAYPORT F.C.

v

LINLITHGOW ROSE F.C.

**WEST LOTHIAN COURIER STADIUM
LIVINGSTON**

Kick-off 7.30 p.m.



OFFICIAL PROGRAMME £1.50





Scottish Junior Cup Finals



YEAR	WINNERS	RUNNER UP
1886/87	FAIRFIELD GOVAN...3	EDINBURGH WOODBURN...1*
1887/88	WISHAW THISTLE...3	MARYHILL...1*
1888/89	BURNBANK SWIFTS...4	WEST BENHAR VIOLET...1
1889/90	BURNBANK SWIFTS...3	BENBURB...1*
1890/91	VALE OF CLYDE...2	CHRYSTON ATHLETIC...0*
1891/92	MINERVA...5	WEST BENHAR VIOLET...2
1892/93	VALE OF CLYDE...3	DUMBARTON FERN...2*
1893/94	ASHFIELD...3	RENFREW VICS...0*
1894/95	ASHFIELD...2	WEST CALDER WANDERERS...1*
1895/96	CAMBUSLANG HIBS...2	PARKHEAD...1
1896/97	STRATHCLYDE...3	DUNFERMLINE JUNIORS...0
1897/98	DALZIEL ROVERS...2	PARKHEAD...1
1898/99	PARKHEAD...4	WESTMARCH XI...1
1899/00	MARYHILL...3	RUGBY XI...2
1900/01	BURNBANK ATHLETIC...2	MARYHILL...0
1901/02	GLENCAIRN...1	LARKHALL THISTLE...0
1902/03	PARKHEAD...3	PARKHEAD...0
1903/04	VALE OF CLYDE...3	RENFREW VICS...1
1904/05	ASHFIELD...2	ROB ROY...0*
1905/06	DUNPACE JUNIORS...1	ROB ROY...0*
1906/07	STRATHCLYDE...1	MARYHILL XI...0*
1907/08	LARKHALL THISTLE...1	Q.P. HAMPDEN XI...0
1908/09	KILWINNING RANGERS...1	STRATHCLYDE...0*
1909/10	ASHFIELD...3	KILWINNING RANGERS...0*
1910/11	BURNBANK ATHLETIC...1	PETERSHILL...0*
1911/12	PETERSHILL...5	DENNY HIBS...0
1912/13	INVERKEITHING UTD...1	DUNPACE JUNIORS...0
1913/14	LARKHALL THISTLE...1	ASHFIELD...0*
1914/15	PARKHEAD...2	PORT GLASGOW...0
1915/16	PETERSHILL...2	PARKHEAD...0
1916/17	ST MIRREN JUNIORS...1	RENFREW JUNIORS...0*
1917/18	PETERSHILL AWARDED CUP	NO FINAL PLAYED
1918/19	GLENCAIRN...1	ST ANTHONYS...0*
1919/20	PARKHEAD...2	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...0
1920/21	ROB ROY...1	ASHFIELD...0
1921/22	ST ROCHS...2	KILWINNING RANGERS...1*
1922/23	MUSSELBURGH BRUNT...2	ARNISTON RANGERS...0
1923/24	PARKHEAD...3	BAILLIESTON...1*
1924/25	SALTCOATS VICS...2	ST ANTHONYS...1*
1925/26	STRATHCLYDE...2	BRIDGETON WAV...0*
1926/27	GLENCAIRN...2	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...1
1927/28	MARYHILL HIBS...6	BURNBANK ATHLETIC...2
1928/29	DUNDEE VIOLET...4	DENNY HIBS...0*
1929/30	NEWTONGRANGE STAR...3	HALL RUSSELL...0
1930/31	DENNY HIBS...1	BURNBANK ATHLETIC...0
1931/32	PERTSHIRE...2	ROB ROY...1
1932/33	YOKER ATHLETIC...4	TRANENT JUNIORS...2*
1933/34	BENBURB...3	BRIDGETON WAV...1
1934/35	TRANENT JUNIORS...6	PETERSHILL...1
1935/36	BENBURB...1	YOKER ATHLETIC...0*
1936/37	ARTHUR LIE...5	ROB ROY...1
1937/38	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...3	BENBURB...2
1938/39	GLENCAIRN...2	SHAWFIELD...1
1939/40	MARYHILL...1	MORTON JUNIORS...0
1940/41	PERTSHIRE...3	ARMADALE THISTLE...1*
1941/42	Clydebank...4	VALE OF CLYDE...2

1942/43	ROB ROY...3	BENBURB...1*
1943/44	* After drawing 1-1 and 0-0.	BLANTYRE VICS...0
1944/45	PERTSHIRE...1	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...1*
1945/46	BURNBANK ATHLETIC...3	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...1*
1946/47	FAULDHUSE UNITED...2	ARTHUR LIE...0
1947/48	SHAWFIELD...2	BO'NESS UNITED...1*
1948/49	* After a 1-1 draw.	IRVINE MEADOW...1
1949/50	BO'NESS UNITED...2	PETERSHILL...2
1950/51	AUCHINLECK TALBOT...3	CUMNOCK...0
1951/52	BLANTYRE VICS...3	IRVINE MEADOW...0
1952/53	PETERSHILL...1	CAMELON...0
1953/54	KILBIRNIE LADESIDE...1	ANNBANK UNITED...0
1954/55	VALE OF LEVEN...1	LOCHE HARP...1
1955/56	SUNNYBANK...2	DUNTOCHER HIBS...1*
1956/57	KILSYTH RANGERS...4	LUGAR BOSWELL...1
1957/58	* After a 1-1 draw.	KILSYTH RANGERS...0
1958/59	BANKS O' DEE...1	PUMPHERTON...0
1959/60	SHOTS BQN ACCORD...2	SHETTLESTON...1
1960/61	IRVINE MEADOW...3	GREENOCK...1
1961/62	ST ANDREWS...2	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...0*
1962/63	DUNBAR UNITED...2	RENFREW...0*
1963/64	* After a 2-2 draw.	GLENACFTON...1
1964/65	ROB ROY...1	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...0*
1965/66	IRVINE MEADOW...2	BAILLIESTON...1
1966/67	JOHNSTONE BURGH...3	BONNYRIGG ROSE...6
1967/68	* After a 1-1 draw.	WHITBURN...1*
1968/69	KILSYTH RANGERS...1	RUTHERGLEN GLENCAIRN...1
1969/70	* After a 1-1 draw.	GLENROTHES...3*
1970/71	JOHNSTONE BURGH...4	KIRKINTILLOCH ROB ROY...0
1971/72	* After a 2-2 draw.	PENICUIK ATHLETIC...0*
1972/73	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...1	NEWTONGRANGE STAR...1
1973/74	BLANTYRE VICS...1	BONNYRIGG ROSE...2*
1974/75	* After a 2-2 draw.	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...0*
1975/76	CAMBUSLANG RANGERS...3	BONNYRIGG ROSE...1
1976/77	* After a 1-1 draw.	ROB ROY...1
1977/78	IRVINE MEADOW...1	STONEHOUSE VIOLET...0
1978/79	CUMNOCK...1	BO'NESS UNITED...0
1979/80	BAILLIESTON...2	BENBURB...0*
1980/81	* After extra-time	BENBURB...0*
1981/82	* After a 2-2 draw.	ARTHUR LIE...0
1982/83	POLLOCK...1	BAILLIESTON...0
1983/84	BLANTYRE VICS...1	BO'NESS UNITED...0
1984/85	KILBIRNIE LADESIDE...3	BAILLIESTON...0
1985/86	POLLOCK...3	PETERSHILL...1*
1986/87	AUCHINLECK TALBOT...3	POLLOCK...2
1987/88	AUCHINLECK TALBOT...1	KILBIRNIE LADESIDE...0*
1988/89	* After a 1-1 draw.	PETERSHILL...0
1989/90	CUMNOCK...1	ORMISTON PRIMROSE...0
1990/91	HILL O BEATH...1	LESMAGHOG...0
1991/92	AUCHINLECK TALBOT...1	NEWTONGRANGE STAR...0
1992/93	AUCHINLECK TALBOT...4	GLENACFTON...0
1993/94	GLENACFTON...1	TAYPORT...0
1994/95	LARGS THISTLE...3	GLENACFTON...0
1995/96	CAMELON...2	WHITBURN...0
1996/97	TAYPORT...2	CAMELON...0+
1997/98	* After extra-time.	TAYPORT...1
1998/99	POLLOCK...3	POLLOCK...0
1999/00	ARTHUR LIE...4	KELTY HEARTS...0
2000/01	KILWINNING RANGERS...1	JOHNSTONE BURGH...25
	WHITBURN won 4-3 on penalties after extra-time.	
	RENFREW won 6-5 on penalties after extra-time.	

The Scottish Junior Cup Semi-Final



TAYPORT F.C.

Colours - Red Shirts, Black Shorts

Frazer FITZPATRICK

Scott PETERS

Grant PATERSON (Capt)

John WARD

Derek WEMYSS

Brian CRAIK

Allan RAMSAY

Steven STEWART

Ronnie KENNETH

David FISHER

David EVANS

Billy SPENCE

Barry McNAUGHTON

Gareth DAILLY

Ross GUNNION

Colin McGLASHAN

Duncan Bruce ('Keeper)

V LINLITHGOW ROSE F.C.

Colours - All White

Willie LAMONT

Ian GALLACHER (Capt)

David FINLAYSON

Graeme LANDELS

David BEATON

Danny SMITH

Mark WHYTE

Ian McLAUGHLIN

David FLYNN

Chic PEARSON

Stevie DICKOV

Mark CORCORAN

Mark ROBERTSON

Gary McGROTTY

James CREANEY

Barry McMAHON

Richard GIBB

Greg LOGAN ('Keeper)

MANAGER David Baikie

COACHES Graeme Irons, Derek Carr, & David Nicoll

PHYSIO Norrie Marshall

MANAGER Jim Sinnet

ASSISTANT MANAGER Harry Erwin

COACH Peter Duncan

PHYSIO David Jenkins

IN THE EVENT OF A DRAW.

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

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE George Drummond

ASSISTANT REFEREES

J McKendrick & J McNeil

4th OFFICIAL William Collum

TONIGHT'S MATCH BALL

The SJFA would like to thank **MITRE** for providing the match ball for tonight's Semi-Final.

THIS EVENING'S PROGRAMME

Tonight's programme has been produced by Peter Rundo, 4 Crawford Avenue, Gaudry, Newport-on-Tay, DD6 8SG (Telephone 01382 330877) on behalf of the Scottish Junior Football Association.

The editor would also like to extend his thanks to the officials of all the semi-finalists for their ready and willing assistance in compiling this programme and in particular Abbie Oswald of Tayport and Vic Wood of the Linlithgowshire Gazette who also kindly supplied all the Linlithgow photographs.

OLD PROGRAMMES - The editor is always interested in hearing from anyone who has any pre-1970 Scottish programmes, and particularly old junior programmes, particularly relating to the Scottish Junior Cup. So if you can help please get in touch at the above address.

Welcome to Almondvale



Almondvale or to give its full title, the West Lothian Courier Stadium, is housing an O.V.D. Cup semi-final for the second time.

It is one of Scotland's newest stadiums and with a capacity of just over the 10,000 mark now proudly stages SPL football after Livingston's remarkable rise through the ranks.

Meadowbank Thistle's metamorphous into its present guise as Livingston, really took off when they moved to Almondvale in November 1995, acting as a catalyst which has seen the West Lothian club soar up the leagues into the top four of the SPL.

When initially built, there were just two stands, but keeping step with the team's upsurge, the stadium has been developed and apart from a very neat and modern looking stadium, Almondvale boasts a playing surface that is second to none.

Certainly it is an excellent venue for this evening's semi-final, which is being contested by sides from East and Tayside regions.

On the last, and only other occasion, that Almondvale has hosted an O.V.D. Cup semi-final, it produced a very exciting and enthralling tie as Kelty Hearts ousted Petershill 3-1 with Ian Heddle scoring two stunning goals to help the Fifers on their way to a place in the 1999 final against Kilwinning Rangers.

Hopefully, this evening's joust will prove equally compelling, but one thing is certain, neither side will be able to blame the pitch.

Sponsor's Welcome



Welcome to tonight's semi final of the O.V.D. Cup between Tayport and Linlithgow Rose.

It promises to be a thrilling encounter and O.V.D. would like to offer their congratulations to both teams on reaching the penultimate round and wish both the very best of luck. It is an especially important round, certainly a hard one to lose having come so far, with the winning post - at the very least a place in the final, so close at hand. May the best team on the day win.

The competition is very special to O.V.D. This is our 14th year sponsoring this great event, with a deal in place to take us all through to the final of 2003. We enjoy a superb relationship with the Scottish Junior Football Association and look forward to this continuing for years to come.

From a personal point of view, I am delighted to be representing O.V.D. at this evening's semi-final. A player myself for Lugar Boswell Thistle back in the 70s, I appreciate the commitment, skill and dedication required to succeed at this level and am proud to see that the spirit of junior football is as alive and well as it was when I was playing.

I have been extremely impressed by all of the matches I have seen so far during the O.V.D. Cup 2001/2002 and would like to say thank you to today's teams and their loyal followers for all their support and enthusiasm.

Derek Kerr
Development Director
O.V.D. Rum

From the Secretary



Next month's Firhill Final, the goal of all the clubs who set out on the long trail back in October, is now just one step away.

Unlike the last couple of years, it is the more fancied sides that have made it through to this penultimate stage of the O.V.D. Cup.

Twelve months ago Renfrew were the surprise packets of the competition, lifting the trophy for the first time in their history after putting out Auchinleck Talbot at the penultimate stage, the only side to make it through to the last four for the second year running.

Indeed, it was another of this afternoon's semi-finalists, Tayport, who ended the holder's hopes of retaining the trophy, eliminating Renfrew in the fifth round, but only after a replay.

Auchinleck Talbot were the only past winners to reach the semi-final stage last season, but all four of this season's semi-final protagonists have already tasted success in this competition, so both semis look as though they'll be very tight, and hopefully, very entertaining contests.

Of course, the Scottish Junior Cup has been richly enhanced over the past 14 seasons from the sponsorship by O.V.D. and in thanking the company for their past support, I'd like to reiterate the Association's great pleasure at O.V.D.'s continued support.

Two years ago they extended their support until 2003, which was a great vote of confidence for the junior game and reflects the growing importance and popularity of the O.V.D. Cup competition throughout the country.

The Association are delighted with their further input by way of two additional facets introduced last year - The O.V.D. Challenge Cup and The O.V.D. Pub Penalty Shoot Out.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the officials of Livingston and Kilmarnock Football Clubs for their ready co-operation and assistance in agreeing to stage this season's two semi-finals.

Finally, to the officials, players and supporters of both sides may I congratulate you on reaching this stage of the competition and I would, as usual, repeat the Association's plea for a highly sporting contest.

I appreciate just how much is at stake for all the clubs, but play hard, but fairly, is my message to all four clubs.

Enjoy the games and may the best team win.

TOM JOHNSTON
Secretary,
Scottish Junior Football Association



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The Scottish Junior Cup Semi-Final Tayport F.C. v Linlithgow Rose F.C.

West Lothian Courier Stadium, Livingston Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

The Scottish Junior Cup Semi-Finalists



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HONOURS

O.V.D. Scottish Junior Cup
Winners 1995/96
Runners-up 1992/93, 1996/97
Tayside League Division I
Premier League Champions
1991/92, 1992/93, 1993/94, 1994/95, 1995/96,
1998/99, 1999/2000, 2000/2001
Tayside League Division 2 Champions
1990/91
Zamoyski Cup Winners
1991/92
Centenary Cup
1994/95
Concept Trophy
1999/2000
Taycars Trophy
1998/99, 1999/2000
Cream of the Barley Trophy
1994/95
Findlay & Co. (Currie) Cup Winners
1990/91, 1991/92, 1992/93, 1993/94, 1998/99,
2000/01
Perthshire Advertiser Cup Winners
1990/91, 1995/96
Intersport Shield Winners
1990/91, 1993/94
D.J.Laing Trophy Winners
1997/98
North End Challenge Cup
1999/2000, 2000/01
Craig Stephen Trophy Winners
1990/91, 1991/92, 1993/94, 1995/96, 1997/98,
1998/99, 2000/01
(Association's Top Scoring Club)
Albert Herschell Trophy Winners
1990/91, 1991/92, 1992/93, 1993/94,
1994/95, 1995/96, 1998/99, 1999/2000, 2000/2001
(Premier Champions v Division I Champions Charity Trophy)
David Scott Cup
1995/96
Tameside Association for the Blind International
Challenge Cup Winners
1996

A BRIEF HISTORY

Although there has been a football club in Tayport since the end of the 19th century, the present Tayport FC was formed in 1947 as an amateur club by those who had been playing friendlies as a Senior Scouts team and the club ran at least two teams of this status until being admitted to membership of the Scottish Junior FA in time for the 1990/91 season.

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 re-organised 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 who, 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 season's in the East Fife Amateur Association and, for one season, the Kingdom Caledonian League.

The club played their matches on the East Common but moved to the present ground, the Canniepairt, in 1974, building (and subsequently extending) a pavilion and creating a playing pitch on what had previously been grazing ground, but at that time was waste ground leased from Tayport Town Council. The committee, several of whom are still office bearers of the club to this day, gradually improved and upgraded facilities thanks to their own and the efforts of many willing townspeople.

The club has steadily grown in stature and the recruitment of Dave Baikie (joint manager in the first Junior season with Peter Marr, now Dundee FC chief executive) was the springboard for unprecedented success in the Junior game both locally and nationally. Every honour in the game has been won, including three OVD final appearances, as the club dominated Tayside Junior football for more than a decade.

Tayport FC's main sponsor since 1994 has been Tayport-based industrial textile manufacturer Scott & Fyfe Ltd, a major employer in the town.

• TAYPORT F.C.



FRAZER FITZPATRICK (Goalkeeper)

Been first choice since signing from Montrose FC for the start of 2000/1 season. An ever present this season with 34 appearances. Has previous junior experience with Lochee United and St Joseph's.

SCOTT PETERS (Defender)

Experienced player that can play at the back or in midfield. Signed midway through last season from Arbroath FC with whom he made over 100 appearances after turning senior from Forfar West End. Gets his share of the goals and actually netted four in one game against Lochee United last season.

GRANT PATERSON (Defender)

A legend in Tayport's No.3 jersey. Has played for Tayport since the club joined the Junior ranks in 1990 and has made over 550 appearances including three OVD Cup Finals. His deflected shot that decided the semi-final v Bathgate was his first goal in 74 OVD cup-ties. Joined Tayport from Riverside Athletic amateurs after a brief spell at St Johnstone. His son, also Grant, is Tayport's mascot this evening.

JOHN WARD (Defender)

This is John's second season at the Canniepairt since the central defender's move from Lochee United. Has emerged this season as a dominant figure in the 'Port team. Only managed one goal in 40 appearances last season, but already has nine to his credit this term. Previously with Arbroath FC for whom he played 18 first team games in 1995/96 season as a 17 year old.

DEREK WEMYSS (Defender)

Usually Ward's partner in central defence although Derek is equally effective at full-back. Second season at Canniepairt after moving from amateur side Riverside Athletic. Has the knack of grabbing vital goals as strikes this season against Renfrew and Bathgate have demonstrated.

BRIAN CRAIK (Midfield)

Experienced player who joined Tayport after moving from Carnoustie Panmure in 1998. Suffered a bad leg break whilst with Panmure but recovered well to make a significant contribution to Tayport's successes in recent times. His versatility has seen him turn out in defence, midfield and as a striker.

ALLAN RAMSAY (Midfield)

Played in two OVD finals after joining Tayport from Carnoustie Panmure in 1995. The terrier-like midfielder player has played 42 OVD cup games, scoring one, against Formartine United in this season's third round. An OVD ever present this season.

STEVEN STEWART (Midfield)

Back at Tayport after a season and a half in the senior ranks with East Stirlingshire and Montrose FC. Scored a spectacular goal to end Auchinleck's hopes in the 1995/96 semi final and went on to become a regular in the Scottish Junior International squad. Although essentially a midfield player, Steven has played in defence and up front when the occasion has so demanded.

RONNIE KENNETH (Striker)

Had a spectacular goalscoring debut season with 'Port last term, finishing as Scotland's top marksman with 58 goals. This season started in the best - and worst - possible fashion with a goal, then a first half injury in the first game of the season necessitated an operation and an absence of six months. He was back with a bang, however, netting against Pollok in his first game back. Joined Tayport from Carnoustie Panmure.

DAVID FISHER (Midfield)

Experienced midfielder player in his first season at Canniepairt, moving from Arbroath SC in the close season. Enjoyed senior experience with East Fife, Montrose and Brechin City. Scored on his Tayport debut last August against a former club, Lochee United.

DAVID EVANS (Striker)

The young striker is in his second season with the club, having signed from Arbroath FC. Twenty goals last term and top scorer

this time round with 19 to date. Although he has only started one OVD tie this season, he has come on as substitute in six.

BILLY SPENCE (Striker)

Veteran striker who was a semi-final winner here at Livingston in 1999 and picked up a runners-up medal in the 1999 O.V.D. final as a member of the Keltie Hearts team beaten by Kilwinning Rangers. Prior to joining, the Central Park side, Billy had been signed for Arbroath by Dave Baikie who lured him to Canniepairt at the start of this term.

BARRY McNAUGHTON (Midfield)

The young midfielder player has quickly established himself since signing from Lochee Harp in the close season. Has two important OVD goals to his credit, against Pollok and Bathgate. Older brother of 19 year old Kevin of Aberdeen, recently selected for the Scotland squad.

GARETH DAILLY (Midfield)

Signed from Montrose FC a year ago. A suspension saw him miss the first game against Bathgate but otherwise he has been an OVD ever present. Scored in both games against Formartine United. Previously with Dundee United and Bankfoot Athletic.

ROSS GUNNION (Defender)

The Perth based full-back was signed from Bankfoot Athletic in the close season after impressing manager Baikie whilst playing for the Perthshire team. Has been a regular in the side, although somewhat ironically, he was on the subs bench when Tayport suffered a shock home defeat by his former side earlier in the season.

COLIN MCLAGHAN (Striker)

Veteran striker sampling Junior football for the first time, having signed for Tayport from Elgin City in January after senior service with Dundee, Dunfermline, Cowdenbeath, Ayr United, Partick Thistle, Arbroath and Montrose. Dibble made his Tayport debut in the 4th round win over Pollok.

SCOTT FLYNN (Defender)

Signed last month from Dundee North End, the former Junior international defender is ineligible to play having turned out for 3 minutes against Pollok before being carried off injured.

DUNCAN BRUCE (Goalkeeper)

The young keeper is still at school but has trained with 'Port throughout the season. He has yet to make his debut but manager Baikie will have no qualms about pitching him in when the occasion demands. On a delayed transfer from Dundee United.

Manager

DAVE BAIKIE - Seven years and three OVD finals with Tayport before going to Gayfield and a successful three years with Arbroath FC. Returned to take the reins at Canniepairt just over a year ago. Formerly a publican in Tayport.

Coaches

GRAEME IRONS - Was at Gayfield with Baikie and shared his early successes at Tayport both as a player and a coach.

DEREK CARR - Well experienced in the Tayside Junior game, having coached a number of sides before linking up with Baikie at Arbroath and then joining him at Tayport.

DAVID NICOLL - A well kent face not only on the football field but also on the after dinner speaking circuit, the former Brechin City keeper arrived at Canniepairt in the close season as goalkeeping coach.

Physio

NORRIE MARSHALL - Another in his first season at Tayport, Norrie's meticulous approach to the task is in keeping with that of his fellow backroom colleagues.

Albert Oswald (Tayport Programme Editor)





TAYPORT'S PATH TO THE SEMI-FINAL



Tayport Captain
Grant Paterson

1 1st rd - Bye

2 2nd rd - 10th November Scone Thistle (Canniepairt, Tayport) Won 2-0

Scorers - Ward, Peters
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Lawson, Ward, Wemyss, Craik, Ramsay, Dailly, Gunnion, Fisher, Evans. (Subs used - Paterson, Harris). (Subs not used - McNaughton, Spence).

3 3rd rd - 8th December Formartine United (North Lodge Park, Pitmedden) Won 1-1

Scorer - Dailly
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Wemyss, Dailly, Ramsay, McNaughton, Grant, Gunnion, Stewart. (Sub used - Craik). (Subs not used - Fisher, Evans).

3rd rd Replay - 15th December Formartine United (Canniepairt, Tayport) Won 3-0

Scorers - Ramsay, Dailly, Craik
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Wemyss, Craik, Ramsay, Gunnion, Stewart, McNaughton, Dailly. (Subs used - Spence, Fisher). (Subs not used - Grant, Evans, Lawson).

4 4th rd - 12th January Pollok (Newlandsfield, Glasgow) Drew 0-0

Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Stewart, Craik, Ramsay, Gunnion, Grant, McNaughton, Dailly. (Subs used - Spence, Fisher, Evans). (Subs not used - Kenneth, Lawson).

4th rd Replay - 19th January Pollok (Canniepairt, Tayport) Won 2-0

Scorers - McNaughton, Kenneth
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Gunnion, Craik, Ramsay, Dailly, Kenneth, McNaughton, McGlashan. (Subs used - Fisher, Evans). (Subs not used - Spence, Grant, Stewart).

5th rd - 9th February Renfrew (Western Park, Renfrew) Drew 1-1

Scorer - Craik
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Wemyss, Craik, Ramsay, Stewart, Kenneth, McGlashan, Dailly. (Subs used - McNaughton, Gunnion). (Subs not used - Fisher, Evans, Grant).

5th rd Replay - 16th February Renfrew (Canniepairt, Tayport) Won 1-0

Scorer - Wemyss
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Wemyss, Craik, Ramsay, McNaughton, Kenneth, McGlashan, Dailly. (Subs used - Gunnion, Evans). (Subs not used - Stewart, Fisher, Grant).

6th rd - 9th March Bathgate Thistle (Creamery Park, Bathgate) Drew 2-2

Scorers - Wemyss, McNaughton
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Wemyss, Craik, Ramsay, McNaughton, Kenneth, McGlashan, Gunnion. (Subs used - Fisher, Evans). (Subs not used - Spence, McGlashan).

6th rd Replay - 16th March Bathgate Thistle (Canniepairt, Tayport) Won 1-0

Scorers - Paterson
Team - Fitzpatrick, Peters, Paterson, Ward, Wemyss, Craik, Ramsay, McNaughton, Kenneth, Dailly, Gunnion. (Subs used - Stewart, Fisher). (Subs not used - Spence, Evans, McGlashan).

First Round

01 Ardeer Thistle	v	Steelend Vics	0-0, 2-3
02 Ardrossan Winton Rovers	v	Volker Ath	.....1-4
03 Auchinleck Talbot	v	Edinburgh Utd	.....3-0
04 Baillieston	v	Coltness Utd	2-2, 2-1
05 Bankfoot Ath	v	Scone Thistle	.....1-2
06 Benburb	v	West Calder Utd	.....5-2
07 Beith	v	Shotts Bon Accord	.....0-2
08 Bonnybridge	v	Culter	.....1-2
09 Broughty Athletic	v	Arniston Rangers	.....1-2
10 Crossgates Primrose	v	Wilson's XI	1-1, 3-1
11 Cumnock	v	Larkhall Thistle	.....2-1
12 Darnley	v	Musselburgh Athletic	.....0-4
13 Dundonald Bluebell	v	Longside	.....5-1
14 Dyce	v	Whitlells Vics	3-3, 1-5
15 Ellon Utd	v	Dundee East Craigie	.....0-1
16 Fauldhouse Utd	v	East Kilbride Thistle	.....3-2
17 Forfar West End	v	Rosyth Recreation	.....0-1, 3
18 Fraserburgh Utd	v	Arbroath Vics	1-1, 2-1
19 Kello Rovers	v	Kirkcaldy YM	.....1-0
20 Kilbirnie Ladeside	v	Craigmark	.....6-2
21 Kilwinning Rangers	v	Newtongrange Star	.....1-0
22 Kirriemuir Thistle	v	Greenock	.....2-1
23 Lesmahagow	v	Cruden Bay	.....3-2
24 Linlithgow Rose	v	Annbank Utd	.....9-0
25 Lochore Welfare	v	Islavale	.....8-2
26 Nairn St Ninians	v	Aberdeen Lads Club	.....0-1
27 Newtongrange	v	Hurford Utd	.....3-1
28 Oakley United	v	Buchanhaven Hearts	.....1-0
29 Perthshire	v	Arbroath S.C.	.....4-1
30 Petershill	v	Marshall 1-1, 2-3 aet (2-2 90mins)	
31 Pollok	v	Saltcoats	.....2-2, 5-4
32 St Andrews Utd	v	Sunnybank	.....2-1
33 Stonehouse Violet	v	Kinloss	.....3-0
34 Stoneyburn	v	St Roch's	.....1-3
35 Vale of Clyde	v	Hall Russell Utd	.....1-0
36 Whitburn	v	Rutherglen Glencairn	.....3-1
37 Wishaw	v	Renfrew	.....1-5

Second Round

01 Aberdeen East End	v	Fauldhouse	.....1-2
02 Ardsdale Th	v	Carnoustie Panmure	.....1-1
03 Arthurlie	v	Cumnock	3-3, 0-3
04 Ashfield	v	Deveronside	.....2-0
05 Baillieston	v	Benburb	.....0-2
06 Bancroft	v	Stonehaven	.....0-2
07 Bishopton	v	Shotts Bon Accord	.....0-2
08 Blackburn	v	Cambuslang	.....2-0
09 Blairgowrie	v	Downfield	.....0-1
10 Blantyre Vics	v	Troon	2-2, 0-1 aet (0-0 90mins)
11 Bonnyrigg Rose	v	Strathspice	.....3-1
12 Brechin Vics	v	Lesmahagow	.....1-5
13 Burchard	v	Banks O' Dee	.....0-2
14 Camelon	v	Dalry Th	1-1, 2-1
15 Coupar Angus	v	Maybole	.....0-4
16 Dunbar	v	Culter	.....1-1, 0-5
17 Dundonald	v	Vale of Clyde	.....1-2
18 Dundee North End	v	Pollok	.....1-2
19 Dundee Violet	v	Thornton	.....3-0
20 Elmwood	v	Largs	3-3, 0-1 aet (0-0 90mins)
21 FC Stoneywood	v	Broxburn	.....2-1
22 Fochabers	v	Irvine Meadow	.....0-6
23 Forfar Albion	v	Kilwinning	.....0-4
24 Formartine	v	Luncarty	.....7-1
25 Forres Th	v	Dunipace	.....2-1
26 Forth	v	Petershill	.....0-2
27 Fraserburgh	v	Lugart Boswell Thistle	.....1-2
28 Glenafton	v	Tranent	.....1-2
29 Glenrothes	v	Carlisle	.....3-0
30 Glentworth	v	Aberdeen Lads Club	.....2-1
31 Haddington	v	Kilbirnie Ladeside	0-0, 1-2 aet (1-1 90mins)
32 Harhill	v	Kilsyth Rangers	.....2-1
33 Hermes	v	Crossgates	.....2-0
34 Hill of Beath	v	Thorniewood	1-1, 5-0
35 Jeanfield	v	Muirkirk	.....2-1
36 Johnstone	v	Lochore	.....4-1
37 Kinnoil	v	Bo'ness	.....0-2
38 Kirriemuir	v	Kello	.....2-1
39 Lanark	v	Perthshire	1-1, 0-2
40 Lewis	v	Neilston	1-1, 0-6
41 Lochlee Harp	v	Dufftown	.....1-2
42 Lochlee United	v	Livingston	.....2-3
43 Lochgelly	v	Royal Albert 2-1	
44 Lossiemouth	v	Montrose Roselea	2-2, 1-2
45 Maud	v	Bathgate	.....2-8
46 Newburgh	v	East Craigie	.....2-1

Third Round

01 Ashfield	v	Auchinleck Talbot	0-0, 1-4
02 Bathgate	v	Banks O' Dee	3-3, 1-2 aet (1-1 90mins)
03 Blackburn	v	Forres Thistle	.....5-0
04 Bonnyrigg Rose	v	Benburb	.....0-0, 4-3
05 Culter	v	Kirkintilloch Rob Roy	.....3-2
06 Cumbarnauld	v	Glenafton	.....7-2
07 Dalry	v	Bo'ness	.....0-1
08 Dalkeith Th	v	Lochgelly Albert	2-2, 1-1 (1-4pens)
09 Dundee Downfield	v	Tayport	.....1-1, 0-3
10 Formartine Utd	v	Glasgow Perthshire	.....1-0
11 Harthill	v	Kilbirnie	.....1-1
12 Kilmarnock	v	Kirriemuir	.....4-3
13 Hill o' Beath	v	Lugar Boswell Thistle	.....4-0
14 Irvine Meadow	v	Glenafton	.....0-3
15 Jeanfield Swifts	v	Petershill	.....1-4
16 Johnstone	v	Pumpherston	.....3-3, 1-1
17 Kilsyth Rangers	v	Largs	.....2-0
18 Kilwinning Rangers	v	Neilston	.....0-0, 2-1
19 Linlithgow Rose	v	Arniston	.....1-3
20 Livingston	v	Dundee Violet	2-2, 2-4 aet (2-2 90mins)
21 Montrose Roselea	v	Tulliallan Thistle	.....1-0
22 Oakley United	v	Lesmahagow	.....3-1
23 Pollok	v	Shotts	.....4-1
24 Renfrew	v	Camelon	.....1-2
25 St. Rochs	v	Carnoustie Panmure	.....3-2
26 Shettleston	v	Dufftown	.....1-3
27 Stonehaven	v	Fauldhouse United	.....1-2
28 Stonehouse Violet	v	Glenrothes	2-2, 2-2 (4-5pens)
29 Troon	v	Bells Hill	.....2-4
30 Vale of Clyde	v	Maybole	.....4-0
31 Vale of Leven	v	Newburgh	.....1-1, 2-0

Fourth Round

01 Banks O' Dee	v	Auchinleck Talbot	1-1, 2-3
02 Bathgate Thistle	v	Culter	.....2-1
03 Bells Hill Athletic	v	Hill o' Beath	.....2-4
04 Bo'ness United	v	Camelon	2-2, 0-2
05 Bonnyrigg Rose	v	Cumnock	.....2-4
06 Dundee Violet	v	Petershill	.....1-2
07 Fauldhouse Utd	v	Linlithgow Rose	.....0-1
08 Glenrothes	v	Glenafton Athletic	.....0-1
09 Harthill Royal	v	Cumbarnauld	.....0-1
10 Irvine Meadow	v	Stonehaven	.....4-1
11 Kelsy Hearts	v	Vale of Leven	1-1, 0-2 aet
12 Kilwinning Rangers	v	Arniston	.....2-1
13 Kilsyth Rangers	v	Renfrew	.....1-2
14 Lochgelly Albert	v	Tayport	0-0, 0-2
15 Shettleston	v	Kilbirnie Ladeside	.....1-0
16 Whitburn	v	Oakley United	.....1-3

Fifth Round

01 Camelon	v	Petershill	3-3, 2-1
02 Cumbarnauld	v	Shettleston	.....1-2
03 Cumnock	v	Bathgate Thistle	.....0-1
04 Irvine Meadow	v	Glenafton Athletic	.....0-2
05 Kilwinning Rangers	v	Hill o' Beath	.....2-1
06 Oakley United	v	Auchinleck Talbot	2-2, 3-5 aet (3-3 90mins)
07 Renfrew	v	Tayport	.....1-1, 0-1
08 Vale of Leven	v	Linlithgow Rose	.....0-1

Sixth Round

01 Auchinleck Talbot	v	Glenafton	.....2-1
02 Bathgate Thistle	v	Tayport	.....2-2, 0-1
03 Camelon	v	Kilwinning Rangers	.....3-4
04 Shettleston	v	Linlithgow Rose	.....1-2



LINLITHGOW ROSE'S PATH TO THE SEMI-FINAL

1st rd - 13th October Annbank United (Prestonfield, Linlithgow) Won 9-0

Scorers - Creaney 3, Whyte 2, Corcoran 2, Flynn, Dickov
Team - Lamont, Gallacher, Finlayson, Landels, Beaton, R Logan, Whyte, Smith, Creaney, Dickov, Corcoran.
(Subs used - Flynn, McGroarty, Robertson).
(Subs not used - Gibb, G Logan).

2nd rd - 10th November Port Glasgow Juniors (Ravenscraig Stadium, Greenock) Won 4-2

Scorers - Flynn, Beaton, Finlayson, Creaney
Team - Lamont, Gallacher, Finlayson, Landels, Beaton, Robertson, Whyte, Smith, Flynn, Creaney, Corcoran.
(Subs used - McGroarty).
(Subs not used - Dickov, McMillan, Gibb, G Logan).

3rd rd - 8th December Neilston Juniors (Prestonfield, Linlithgow) Drew 0-0

Team - Lamont, Gallacher, Finlayson, Landels, Beaton, McLaughlin, Whyte, Smith, Flynn, McGroarty, Corcoran.
(Subs used - Dickov, McMahon).
(Subs not used - Creaney, Robertson, G Logan).

3rd rd replay - 15th December Neilston Juniors (Brig-O-Lea Stadium, Neilston) Won 2-1

Scorers - Landels, Whyte
Team - Lamont, Gallacher, Finlayson, Landels, Beaton, Smith, Whyte, McLaughlin, Flynn, Creaney, Corcoran.
(Subs used - Dickov, McMahon).
(Subs not used - McGroarty, Robertson, G Logan).

4th rd - 12th January Fauldhouse United (Park View, Fauldhouse) Won 1-0

Scorer - Flynn
Team - Lamont, Gallacher, Finlayson, Landels, Beaton, Smith, Whyte, McLaughlin, Flynn, Creaney, Corcoran.
(Subs used - Dickov, Robertson, Gibb).
(Subs not used - McGroarty, G Logan).

5th rd - 9th February Vale of Leven (Millburn Park, Alexandria) Won 1-0

Scorer - Flynn
Team - Lamont, Gallacher, Landels, McGroarty, Beaton, Smith, Whyte, McLaughlin, Flynn, Dickov, Corcoran.
(Subs used - Robertson, Creaney, Gibb).
(Subs not used - Finlayson, G Logan).

6th rd - 9th March Shettleston (Greenfield Park, Glasgow) Won 2-1

Scorers - Flynn 2
Team - Lamont, Gallacher, Finlayson, Landels, Beaton, Smith, Whyte, McLaughlin, Flynn, Dickov, Corcoran.
(Subs used - McGroarty, Creaney, McMahon).
(Subs not used - Gibb, G Logan).



Linlithgow Rose's
Top Scorer Davy Flynn
(Photo courtesy of
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SEMI FINALS



The Scottish Junior Cup Semi-Final Tayport F.C. v Linlithgow Rose F.C.

West Lothian Courier Stadium, Livingston

Kick-off 7.30 p.m.



The Scottish Junior Cup Semi-Finalists



LINLITHGOW ROSE

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HONOURS

SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP

1964/65

EAST REGION LEAGUE

1964/65, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68,
1974/75, 1981/82, 1983/84, 1987/88,
1996/97, 1998/99, 1999/00

EAST OF SCOTLAND CUP

1953/54, 1964/65, 1967/68, 1975/76, 1977/78,
1988/89, 1990/91, 1992/93, 1995/96, 1999/00,
2000/01

FIFE AND LOTHIAN'S CUP

1968/69, 1972/73, 1973/74, 1974/75, 1978/79,
1979/80, 1983/84, 1984/85, 1985/86, 1999/00,
2000/01

LEAGUE CUP

1975/76, 1977/78, 1985/86, 1990/91, 1994/95,
2001/02

ST MICHAELS CUP

1909/10, 1910/11, 1926/27, 1967/68, 1968/69,
1972/73, 1984/85, 1988/89, 1996/97, 1998/99

BROWN CUP

1926/27, 1964/65, 1966/67, 1974/75, 1984/85,
1994/95, 1995/96, 1996/97

LANARK AND LOTHIAN CUP

1964/65

R.L. RAE CUP

1967/68

THORNTON SHIELD

1925/26, 1953/54

COUNTY CUP

1904/05, 1925/26, 1926/27

WEST LOTHIAN JUNIOR LEAGUE

CHAMPIONSHIP

1924/25

LUMLEY CUP

1913/14

FORTH LEAGUE CUP

1901/02

A BRIEF HISTORY

In was in 1889 that a band of local football fans decided to run an official organised team in the town. This was not the first junior football team from the town as records show that Linlithgow Athletic was founder members of the East of Scotland Junior FA in 1886.

A sum of 24 shillings was raised with which the club's first strip was purchased in colours of black and white. Today the clubs colours are the famous maroon and white, but until a few years ago, the away strip was still black and white.

Their first home was Captain's Park, situated at the east end of the town. Whilst playing here, the club won their first trophy. It was 1902 and they defeated Inverkeithing Thistle at Tynecastle to win the Forth League.

Just before the First World War, the Rose moved to Upper Mains Park. This is the site now used by the Rugby club.

Season 1924-25 brought major change to the associations set up with all the county teams being brought together to form the West Lothian Junior League with Rose comfortably winning the championship in its inaugural year.

In 1930 another move was made this time just a few hundred yards to Lower Mains Park. The opening of this new ground brought Bonnyrigg Rose as visitors for a league match and just to celebrate this, Linlithgow won by nine goals to one.

A year later, Rose made their most famous signing when a lad called Tommy Walker from Livingston Village joined the club.

However, during the 1930's the Rose failed to win a single trophy and with the Second World War starting, the committee agreed to suspend all business connected with the club.

In November, 1945 at the first meeting after the war, a committee was elected and the sum of £250 was raised, the priority being to find a suitable area for a ground to be built, resulting in Preston Park being bought for £150 (More than two years later a vote was taken to change the name to Prestonfield, its present day name). Finally, on 1.8.49 the Rose played their first competitive match for ten years. The following Wednesday August 5th 1949, Prestonfield was opened with 3000 fans seeing Broxburn win 4-1.

The 3000 was a club record, which held until 1965 when 3536 watched a Junior Cup tie against Shettleston Juniors. A few years later this record was broken when

3626 paid to see Rose play Petershill a record that still stands to this day. It took the newly reformed Rose until season 1953-54 to win their first trophy, winning the East of Scotland Cup.

The 1965 season was probably the clubs best ever season as the Rose swept the boards winning all but one of the trophies on offer. On May 15th 1965 at Hampden Park in front of 35,500 Linlithgow Rose had their best 90 minutes beating Baillieston Juniors 4-1 to win the Junior Cup for the first and only time.

The club has failed to win the trophy again, but in 1974, they were beaten finalists losing 3-1 to Cambuslang Rangers and in 1969 and 90 were beaten semi-finalists.

With a new management duo now at the helm, the fans are hopeful of success and are ever hungry for that long overdue second Junior Cup Success.

LINLITHGOW ROSE



WILLIE LAMONT (Goalkeeper)

Better known as 'Buzz', he is very much a lucky mascot this season, not having played in a losing Rose side. Vastly experienced, the keeper had senior experience with Cowdenbeath and Falkirk, but also played for Bathgate before following his former Benburb boss Jim Sinnet to Prestonfield.

GREG LOGAN (Goalkeeper)

The former Edinburgh United keeper is in his first season and started off the season as first choice with Willie Lamont. However, after Lamont's return, acting as understudy has been the East Region Under-23 keeper's remit.

IAIN GALLACHER (Defender)

Highly accomplished defender who skips the Junior national side and also captained Kilwinning to their 1999 O.V.D. Cup triumph. A PE teacher at Lasswade, he lives in Linthgow and was transferred from Kilwinning at the start of the season. Largs-born, he began his career with Maybole before having a spell in the senior ranks with Stranraer.

BARRY McMAHON (Defender)

Has been with Rose for three seasons since his re-instatement from Cowdenbeath. Capped by Junior Scotland last season, the arrival of David Beaton has pushed him on to the subs bench, though a series of injuries hasn't helped. Often comes off the bench if Rose are defending a lead and switch from their usual three at the back to a four.

DAVID FINLAYSON (Defender)

Formerly with Berwick Rangers, he joined Rose from Musselburgh Athletic two seasons ago and operates quietly but effectively on the left-hand side of the back three.

DAVID BEATON (Defender)

Since he was signed at the start of the season, the Prison Officer has been a key man at the heart of Rose's three-man defensive wall. Has bags of senior experience, having played for Alloa, East Fife, Falkirk, Stenhousemuir and latterly, Forfar where he skipped the Loons.

RICHARD GIBB (Defender)

Began his career with Armadale Thistle, but it was with East Fife that the left-sided defender cum midfielder made his name. After ten years, he severed his Methil connection to join the Rose.

GREAME LANDELS (Midfield)

In his second season with Rose after a swap deal for Davie McGlynn brought this O.V.D. Cup winner with Whitburn in 2000 to Prestonfield. Broxburn-born, he joined Raith Rovers from ICI Juniors in 1995, but was re-instated to the Junior ranks in 1997.

DANNY SMITH (Midfield)

A big favourite of the fans, he was signed from Queen's Park in 1997 and thereby followed in his father's footsteps. Danny senior played for the Rose in the late sixties.

MARK ROBERTSON (Midfield)

Like Danny Smith, he was in the squad which last met Tayport in the O.V.D. Cup. Signed from Musselburgh Athletic, he was a regular for the last four seasons. However, with so many new arrivals, he hasn't been such an automatic choice in midfield this term.

MARK WHYTE (Midfield)

Plays wide right, he is one of only two local lads in the squad. First played for local rivals Bo'ness before going to Alloa from whom he was re-instated five years ago. Very pacy, he excels in the air and was top scorer until David Flynn's arrival.

IAN McLAUCHLIN (Midfield)

'Boris' only returned to the side after suffering a leg break in the Heineken Cup Final last May, he is regarded as one of the best Junior players in the country. Confirmed by his CV that shows him having played for Shettleston, Pollok and lastly Glenafton before his move to Prestonfield.

MARK CORCORAN (Midfield)

No introduction needed to Tayport and their fans to this wide left flying machine as he was on their books until the tail end of last term. His studies at Napier University saw the Fife club ask for training facilities which eventually led to his transfer. Has been a star turn for Rose and is said to be playing out of his skin right now!

STEVIE DICKOV (Striker)

Brother of Leicester City's Paul, he also has a younger brother who plays for Pumpherton. He may be small in stature, but more than makes up for it with his whole-hearted play. Was signed from Harthill Royal in 1996.

GARY MCGROTTY (Striker)

Was senior with St Mirren, but is now a Sinnet foot soldier with Rose being the third club under whom he has served, having previously been with the gaffer at Blantyre and Benburb. Due mainly to injury, he has rarely figured this term.

DAVIE FLYNN (Striker)

The Rose's top scorer is in his second spell with the club having originally been an amateur with them after signing from Bannockburn Arms. An old-fashioned centre he also had a senior stint with Stirling Albion. Spent three or four years with Camelon with whom he won an O.V.D. winners medal in 1995 and was on the losing side against Tayport in the following year's final.

JIMMY CREANEY (Striker)

Also signed from Benburb at start of this season where he served under Jim Sinnet, despite playing for a host of junior clubs, including Baillieston, Dalry Thistle and Kilwinning, this is the striker's first stint with an East Region outfit.

CHIC PEARSON (Striker)

The young striker has been signed on loan from Falkirk until the end of the season. Pearson is a Linlithgow Bridge lad so knew about the Rose well enough. He suffered a leg break last season when he was a regular in the Falkirk first team and has made a few appearances this season as he recovers from the injury. Made his debut against Harthill and went on to score two goals on his home debut against Arncliffe a week later.

Manager

JIM SINNET - Finally got the job he always said he would walk over 'broken glass' for at Christmas 2000. Jim has had great success with both Benburb and Blantyre and is determined to bring major success back to Prestonfield where he also enjoyed a spell as a player in the early 90's

Assistant Manager

HARRY ERWIN - Harry left the managers post at Shotts to become Jim's no.2 which shows the pulling power of the Prestonfield hot seat. He also had a spell as a player at Linlithgow around 93-94 and is also determined to give the club and fans the success they crave both locally and nationally.



Tayport's Trail To The Semis



After a 1st round bye Tayport were drawn at home to fellow Tayside club Scone Thistle from Division One. A meagre home crowd of 161 saw five of the Tayport side make their OVD debuts. John Ward fired 'Port into a first half lead, but the locals made heavy weather of things and the second goal in the 2-0 win came from Scott Peters in the last minute.

An away draw to the North region's league leaders and last season's OVD quarter finalists Formartine United looked a formidable task. Tayport trailed to an early Colin Milne goal and things seemed bleak when they were reduced to ten men early in the second half, but 'Port's sterling efforts were rewarded with Gareth Dailly's equaliser in 70 minutes.

Things were pretty tight during the opening stages of the replay but headers from Allan Ramsay and Brian Craik just before the break knocked the stuffing out of Formartine and a classy third goal from Gareth Dailly in the second period sealed their fate and Tayport's 3-0 win. The competition really came alive for Tayport when the 4th round draw paired them with old adversaries Pollok, a team which Tayport had never previously beaten in six attempts. Despite an absence of goals, an attendance of 1001 at Newlandsfield witnessed a thriller.

For the replay at Canniepairt, the Tayport support was boosted by the return after five months out injured of Ronnie Kenneth and the inclusion of new signing Colin McGlashan. No goals in a tense first half but once Barry McNaughton broke the deadlock in 55 minutes, the writing was on the wall and this was confirmed by Kenneth's goal in 71 minutes.

It wasn't getting any easier for Tayport with a 5th round meeting with cup holders Renfrew, particularly as 'Port were going through a sticky time with injuries. A Brian Craik strike gave Tayport a 1-1 draw and a replay on Canniepairt. The replay was ever so tight but a last minute strike from Derek Wemyss put Tayport into the last eight.

Creamery Park Bathgate was the next port of call and an early goal from Barry McNaughton seemed to put Tayport on the way, but two quick strikes had 'Port reeling before half-time. Tayport looked the stonier side in the second half and were justly rewarded with an equaliser from central defender Derek Wemyss to secure a fourth successive replay at the Canniepairt.

It was another day of drama but a deflected shot from Grant Paterson after only ten minutes was sufficient to take Tayport into the semi-finals. Although the ball went in off Bathgate's Eddie Petrie, Paterson claimed the goal, and little wonder considering it was his first goal in 74 OVD ties.

NCR TAYSIDE REGION - PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Carnoustie Panmure	15	14	0	1	47	16	42
Tayport	12	9	2	1	39	16	29
North End	15	9	2	4	27	13	29
Lochee United	20	6	6	8	32	34	24
Broughty Athletic	17	7	0	10	31	37	21
Forfar WE	15	5	4	6	25	28	19
Downfield	16	5	4	7	27	34	19
Elmwood	15	5	4	6	24	32	19
Bankfoot	16	5	2	9	25	32	17
Violet	13	4	4	5	21	23	16
Kirrie Thistle	13	3	4	6	18	30	13
ASC	17	3	2	12	28	49	11

TAYPORT'S RECORD SEASON 2001-02

Date	Opponents	Competition	Result
18 Aug	Elmwood (a)	League	W 3-0
22 Aug	Lochee United (h)	League	D 2-2
25 Aug	Forfar West End (a)	League Cup Section 3	W 6-0
29 Aug	Downfield (a)	League	W 4-1
1 Sept	Bankfoot Athletic (h)	League Cup Section 3	W 7-1
8 Sept	Dundee North End (h)	League	W 1-0
15 Sept	Forfar West End (h)	League Cup Section 3	D 2-2
22 Sept	Bankfoot Athletic (a)	League Cup Section 3	W 4-0
29 Sept	Forfar West End (a)	League	W 4-0
6 Oct	Broughty Athletic (h)	League Cup QF	W 5-1
13 Oct	Dundee Violet (a)	League	D 2-2
20 Oct	Montrose Roselea (h)	League Cup SF	W 1-0
27 Oct	Kirrie Thistle (h)	League	W 2-0
3 Nov	Formartine United (a)	Concept Cup 2	W 3-0
10 Nov	Scone Thistle (h)	O.V.D. Cup 2	W 3-0
17 Nov	Bankfoot Athletic (h)	League	L 2-4
24 Nov	Broughty Athletic (a)	League	W 2-1
1 Dec	Oakley United (a)	Redwood Leisure Cup 1	W 1-0
8 Dec	Formartine United (a)	O.V.D. Cup 3	D 1-1
15 Dec	Formartine United (h)	O.V.D. Cup 3 Replay	W 3-0
22 Dec	Dundee Violet (h)	League	W 2-1
12 Jan	Pollok (a)	O.V.D. Cup 4	D 0-0
19 Jan	Pollok (h)	O.V.D. Cup 4 Replay	W 2-0
26 Jan	Arbroath SC (h)	League	W 4-2
2 Feb	Luncarty (h)	Concept Cup 3	W 8-0
9 Feb	Renfrew (a)	O.V.D. Cup 5	D 1-1
16 Feb	Renfrew (h)	O.V.D. Cup 5 Replay	W 1-0
23 Feb	Lochee United (a)	League	W 5-1
2 Mar	Forfar West End (h)	Concept Cup 4	W 5-0
9 Mar	Bathgate Thistle (a)	O.V.D. Cup 6	D 2-2
16 Mar	Bathgate Thistle (h)	O.V.D. Cup 6 Replay	W 1-0
23 Mar	St Andrews United (a)	Redwood Leisure Cup 2	W 3-1 aet
30 Mar	Montrose Roselea (a)	FCC 1	W 2-1

Previous Meetings

Whilst Tayport is very much the fledgling of the two clubs having been formed after Linlithgow celebrated their centenary, it is the Fife-based club that very much hold the upper hand in the two meetings between the pair in this competition.

The first in December 1996 saw Tayport as holders host Linlithgow in a third round tie.

Described in The Sun as the tie of the round, goals from Stevie Ross (now Dundee North End), Billy Coventry (now East Craigie) and Keith Nicholson (now retired), Tayport made light work of a wilting Rose outfit.

To such an extent that the Prestonfield's boss Colin Sinclair stated after the 3-0 drubbing that he had never been so embarrassed by a performance, adding, "perhaps the result at Tayport was one of the best things that could have happened to us."

Giving youth its fling Rose went on to win the East Region Championship at the end of the season, whilst Tayport just failed to hold on to their title, losing 3-1 to Pollok in the last final to be played at Fir Park, Motherwell.

Just fourteen months later, Rose, still under the stewardship of Colin Sinclair were back at the

Linlithgow Rose's Thorny Semi-Final Passage



LINLITHGOW ROSE'S RECORD SEASON 2001-02

Date	Opponents	Competition	Result
8 Aug	Hartthill (a)	Carlsberg League Cup 1	W 3-0
11 Aug	Edinburgh United (h)	League	W 4-0
15 Aug	Bonnyrigg Rose (h)	Carlsberg League Cup 2	W 5-1
18 Aug	Arniston Rangers (a)	League	W 3-0
22 Aug	Newtongrange Star (h)	Carlsberg League Cup QF	W 3-2
25 Aug	Armada Thistle (h)	League	L 0-2
31 Aug	Haddington Ath (h)	League	W 3-1
4 Sept	Haddington Ath (a)	Carlsberg League Cup SF	W 2-1
8 Sept	Bo'ness United (h)	League	W 3-0
15 Sept	Camelon (a)	League	L 2-3
19 Sept	Camelon (n)	Carlsberg League Cup F	W 4-1
22 Sept	Bonnyrigg Rose (h)	East of Scotland Cup 1	L 1-3
29 Sept	Whitburn (a)	League	W 3-0
6 Oct	Bathgate Th (a)	League	W 3-1
13 Oct	Annbank United (h)	O.V.D. Cup 1	W 9-0
20 Oct	Newtongrange Star (a)	League	W 1-0
27 Oct	Musselburgh (a)	League	W 4-2
3 Nov	Hartthill Royal (h)	Heineken Fife/Lothians 2	W 2-1 aet
10 Nov	Port Glasgow (a)	O.V.D. Cup 2	W 4-2
17 Nov	Bonnyrigg Rose (h)	League	W 2-0
24 Nov	Edinburgh United (h)	League	W 2-1
1 Dec	Bathgate Thistle (h)	League	D 2-2
8 Dec	Neilston (h)	O.V.D. Cup 3	D 0-0
15 Dec	Neilston (a)	O.V.D. Cup 3 Replay	W 2-1
12 Jan	Fauldhouse United (a)	O.V.D. Cup 4	W 1-0
19 Jan	Hartthill Royal (h)	St Michaels Cup 1	W 2-0
26 Jan	Bonnyrigg Rose (a)	Heineken Fife/Lothians 3	W 3-3 aet*
2 Feb	Dunbar United (h)	Brown Cup	W 8-1
9 Feb	Vale of Leven (a)	O.V.D. Cup 5	W 1-0
16 Feb	Haddington Ath (h)	St Michaels Cup 2	W 3-0
23 Feb	Newtongrange Star (h)	League	W 8-1
9 Mar	Shettleston (a)	O.V.D. Cup 6	W 2-1
16 Mar	Hartthill Royal (a)	Brown Cup	W 2-1
23 Mar	Arniston Rangers (h)	League	W 5-1
30 Mar	Tranent (h)	Streamline Taxis Cup 3	W 5-0

* (4-2 on pens)

Canniepairt, but fared only marginally better with goals from prolific marksmen Stevie Hutcheon and Dave Reilly, currently with Glenrothes and Dundee North End respectively, giving the Tayside team a second victory and place in the last eight.

Again the 'Port went out to Pollok, but this time in a quarter-final replay at Newlandsfield and then only after losing the penalty shoot-out 5-3.

From the Tayport team that afternoon in February 1998, just three - Grant Paterson, Allan Ramsay and Steven Stewart survive, whilst from Rose's ranks Danny Smith, Mark Whyte, Mark Robertson and Stevie Dickov remain with the Club.



The Tayport programme for that last meeting between the Port and the Rose on 14th February 1998

almost exactly six months ago, the Rose set out on what has been a difficult road to the last four.

The one exception to that was in the opening round when Annbank United from the Ayrshire Second Division were pruned down to size as the men from Prestonfield ran up their biggest win of the season, ramming in nine goals without reply. Jimmy Creaney helped himself to a hat-trick and there were doubles for Mark Whyte and Mark Corcoran with David Flynn and Stevie Dickov scoring singles.

In round two at Greenock, temporary home for Port Glasgow, it was somewhat tougher with the home side going ahead, but Rose quickly hit back with David Finlayson, David Flynn and James Creaney giving them a 3-1 interval lead with an early second half penalty conversion by David Beaton sealing a place in round three.

That round produced probably Rose's sternest test. Held to a goalless draw at Prestonfield by Neilston, the Central side that were unbeaten at home must have fancied their chances in the replay. However, Graeme Landels gave Rose the lead after twenty minutes, but the Brig-O-Lea side equalised before the break. A Mark Whyte header twenty minutes from time proved the passport to the last 32 after the toughest tie of the campaign and after which the belief that this could be Rose's year was really planted.

Even if Fauldhouse United are a division below their East Region rivals, they certainly didn't make it easy for their local rivals and whilst David Flynn's goal fifteen minutes from the end was decisive, it took a couple of fine Willie Lamont saves late on to prevent Rose being taken to a replay.

Millburn Park was a mud bath for their fifth round meeting with Vale of Leven. And again Willie Lamont was a hero, making a crucial great penalty save a few minutes before the interval. Then early in the second half, David Flynn scored an outstanding goal - very similar to Thierry Henry's strike in the recent France v Scotland game. It was one for the cameras, but sadly none was there!

When the quarter-finals came round, Rose faced another stiff examination away to last season's semi-finalists Shettleston. Though not in the top Central Division, their progress thus far, not to mention numerous scalps in local cup competitions, meant they were not to be underestimated. Indeed, David Flynn's opener - scoring for the third consecutive round - was possibly against the run of play. The home side would be glad that there were a full compliment of officials on duty with their equaliser coming with a shot off the underside of the crossbar before bouncing over the line and out, being correctly called in by the assistant referee. The goal which carried Jim Sinnet's men into the last four came ten minutes from time when that man David Flynn scrambled home the winner after Mark Corcoran's excellent cross had caused panic in the home defence.

JOHN WALKER EAST REGION - DIVISION 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Linlithgow Rose	15	12	1	2	45	14	37
Bonnyrigg Rose	16	9	1	6	27	23	28
Whitburn	13	8	2	3	31	17	26
Bo'ness	17	8	2	7	28	29	26
Edinburgh United	17	7	3	7	25	24	24
Bathgate Thistle	14	7	2	5	29	25	23
Armada Thistle	20	6	5	9	27	37	23
Newtongrange Star	19	6	4	9	27	39	22
Arniston Rangers	17	6	3	8	30	39	21
Haddington Athletic	21	5	4	12	33	45	19
Camelon	13	5	2	6	27	29	17
Musselburgh	14	4	1	9	25	33	13



Scottish Junior Cup Semi Snippets

SEMI APPEARANCES

Of this season's semi-finalists, there is no doubt that Auchinleck hold the whip hand when it comes to experiences of such occasions.

This season marks the Bot's 13th appearance at the penultimate stage and only two other clubs can better that tally - Cambuslang Rangers (who haven't appeared in the semis since 1974) and Petershill. On six of the 12 previous occasions, they have advanced to the final where they have a 100% record. They, of course, featured in last season's semi, losing out 1-0 to eventual winners Renfrew, and last enjoyed semi-final success ten years ago when a Willie Thomson goal earned them victory over Whitburn at Fir Park before going on to defeat Glenafton in the final. Since then, however, they have lost out to Tayport twice (1994 & 1996) and as already mentioned, again last year.

Indeed, none of this year's semi-finalists are exactly new to the penultimate stage of the competition. Kilwinning have made it through to this stage for the seventh time. The last occasion, of course, was just three years ago when they defeated Arthurlie 1-0 at Love Street thanks to a Gerry Peline goal and that was also their passport to toppling Kelty Hearts by the same score and winning the trophy for the first time in ninety years. Their only previous win having been in 1909.

Both of the other semi-finalists have rather more recent memories of Junior Cup glory. Although Linlithgow have appeared in four previous semis, they are tonight breaking new ground, having previously played all of the penultimate ties at Brockville. It is now some 37 years since they beat Baillieston 4-1 to lift the trophy, after defeating Kilsyth Rangers 1-0 in what was their first ever semi-final appearance.



The programme for Linlithgow's first ever semi-final appearance 37 years ago.

In addition, they also lost out to Kirkintilloch Rob Roy in 1969, going down 2-0 in a second replay. The Rose enjoyed better success five years later disposing of Blantyre Vics 3-0 before capitulating to the all-conquering Cambuslang Rangers in the 1974 final. Their fourth and last semi-final appearance was in 1990, but Hill of Beath Hawthorn won 2-0 to end their dreams of a third final appearance.

It wasn't until the following year that Tayport even entered the competition, having only just been accepted into the Junior ranks twelve years ago. However, they have certainly made up for lost time by making their fourth appearance at the penultimate stage this evening. Making their record even more remarkable for such a fledgling club, they have won on all three of their previous visitations. Auchinleck, as already mentioned, have twice been their victims.



The programme for Tayport's first appearance at this stage was just nine years ago.

In 1993, Hamish Mackay scored a hat-trick to eliminate Talbot 3-0 at Firhill, whilst three years later on their way to lifting the trophy, goals from Stevie Ross and Steven Stewart saw off the Ayrshire challenge, again without conceding a goal. And the Canniepairt club maintained their 100% record with a 2-1 win over Arthurlie at Fir Park. Stevie Hutcheon, scoring both Tayport goals.

The full list of all the clubs who have made more than three appearances, including this season, is as follows:-

- 18 - Cambuslang Rangers
- 14 - Petershill
- 13 - Ashfield, Auchinleck Talbot, Parkhead
- 11 - Maryhill
- 10 - Arthurlie, Irvine Meadow X1, Kirkintilloch Rob Roy
- 9 - Pollok, Renfrew
- 8 - Benburb, Burnbank Athletic, Glenafton, Kilbirnie Ladeside
- 7 - Baillieston, Blantyre Vics, Bo'ness United, Kilwinning Rangers, Larkhall Thistle
- 6 - Bonnyrigg Rose, Darvel, Glasgow Perthshire, Johnstone Burgh, Newtongrange Star, Strathclyde, Whitburn
- 5 - Broxburn Athletic, Cumnock, Linlithgow Rose, Rutherglen Glencairn, Shettleston, Vale of Clyde
- 4 - Ardeer Thistle, Arniston Rangers, Kilsyth Rangers, Lesmahagow, Locher Harp, Shawfield, St Anthony's, Tayport, Yoker Athletic
- 3 - Ardrossan Winton Rovers, Armadale Thistle, Blantyre Celtic, Burnbank Swifts, Camelon, Carlisle Rovers, Carnoustie Panmure, Clydebank, Denny Hibs, Dunipace, Duntocher Hibs, Penicuik, Port Glasgow, Renfrew Vics, Shotts Bon Accord, St Roch's, Tranent.

BIGGEST WINNING MARGIN

Since the war, Bo'ness United hold the distinction of recording the biggest win in the semi-final. They defeated

Lanark United 5-0 in 1976, but this was equalled by Pollok against Blantyre Vics in 1997. However, the biggest ever winning margin in any semi-final was way back in 1900 when Maryhill beat Holytown Thistle 8-1, and, no other club since, has had as comfortable a passage to that final as that.

RECORD CROWD

The 1947 replay between Bo'ness United and Renfrew Juniors on 10th May 1947 was played in the evening at Hampden Park and drew a crowd of 54,114 - a record for the Junior Cup semi-finals. Rather remarkable when you consider that due to bad weather only 3,000 had turned up for the first match at Easter Road!

More than that figure took in last season's penultimate ties, but they were way short of that record assembly for the replay 55 years ago!

Love Street housed 3425 as Renfrew edged past Auchinleck thanks to Andy Morrison's only goal of the game from the penalty spot. Meanwhile, the following week at Dens Park, 4,884 watched Carnoustie Panmure defeat Shettleston 2-0 with goals from Scott Kopel and Iain Macleod.

FIRHILL FINAL

This season's final will take place on Sunday, 19th May at Firhill Stadium, kicking-off at 2.45pm.

And that is a year to the day since last season's first Saturday final since 1981. Renfrew emerged winners over Carnoustie Panmure in a very tightly contested match that the Central Region side won by the narrowest of margins - 6-5 on penalties - after 120 minutes of play had failed to produce a goal.

The Other O.V.D. Final Challengers

The O.V.D. Cup has reached the semi final stage and all four teams will believe that this is their year to lift this famous trophy. But it will not only be the two finalists who'll provide the entertainment on Sunday, 19th May at Firhill Stadium.

O.V.D. Rum, sponsors of the Junior Cup, will give two bars, local to the Cup Finalists, the opportunity to demonstrate their footballing talents in front of the pre-match day crowd, with a hilarious five-a-side Sumo Football match.

During the half time interval there will be more terrific footballing challenges, which could see YOU winning some fabulous O.V.D. prizes. Watch out for further details in the national press on how you can be the star of the Cup Final.

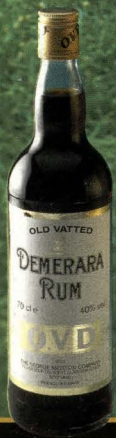
The O.V.D. Predictor Challenge, a competition for bar managers, has been running since December, and tonight's game will go a long way in determining which publican will be taking a VIP seat at Firhill.

The winner from each region will be invited along to the Final for the National Champion decider. Top scorers so far are The Gunners Club in Kirkcaldy and Locharbriggs Social Club in Dumfries, and with only the semi finals and the final left, competition is red hot!

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