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Kris Rollo congratulates Jadel Musanhu on his debut goal v Dundee St James

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THE CHAIRMAN...

Good afternoon to all and may I extend a warm welcome to the players and officials of our visitors for today's league encounter with Blairgowrie.

Since our last 'Port Prog' we've played four, won three and lost one. The three wins gave us nine much needed points and has in turn moved us into 6th in the league table. Over the three games we've once again been handicapped by Covid, injuries, suspensions and holidays(!) which has no doubt contributed to our under par performances.



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PARAFFIN CALOR GAS

Tucked in between these league games was an away thumping at the hands of, in my opinion, a very beatable Gartcairn side. Once again, we've failed to produce in the Scottish Cup. I don't know if the players realise the significance of competing for this most coveted Trophy. On the day we failed miserably to produce any spirit or an attitude that's necessary to win a game like that. Losing two goals within less than a minute of either half tells me our concentration levels weren't up to the standard required. These periods in games are the most vital parts of any football match which left us wanting and invariably we

got what we deserved.

By the time our game kicks off today I'll be lying on a sun-bed with a large drink, thinking of you all, of course!

So, this afternoon we have Blairgowrie as our opponents, it's vital that our mentality, our attitude and commitment is of the highest standard and if it is, then we're looking at another three points, if not we run the risk of giving our opponents an opportunity to cause us problems.

Enjoy the game, *Davie Baikie*



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TAYPORT F.C. OVER 50s WALKING FOOTBALL TEAM NEWS UPDATE

Last Sunday saw us play the 2nd round of Walking Football Scotland league games at the Regional Sports Centre, Dundee. Fortunately the games are held inside, as the players got soaked getting from the car park to the pitches !

Our first game was against Dunfermline, and despite conceding an early own goal, we went on to win 4-1, a great start to the afternoon.

Next up were Dundee United, a strong team , always difficult to score against. Our tactics, to restrict them getting an opportunity to shoot, worked well, but unfortunately we were penalised for "running 3 times", something you obviously aren't allowed to do, and that resulted in the referee awarding a penalty to the Arabs, from which they scored. We had so many shots on goal, we eventually managed to beat their goalkeeper, but despite Dundee United being unable to muster one shot, we had to settle for a 1-1 draw.

Our 3rd game saw us play Raith Rovers, one of the league favourites. We played well and although we couldn't find a way past their well organised defence, we did have chances but conceded 2 late goals and went down 0-2. Raith went unbeaten for the afternoon !

Our final game was against our old friends, Fife Wanderers, whom we played a friendly against at Canniepairt earlier in the season. We went 1-0 up early in the game, but conceded a soft goal soon afterwards. Nevertheless we were well on top, and rattled in 3 more goals to win 4-1, completing a successful afternoon. On the day we finished 4th of the 11 competing teams, and moved us up to 4th place overall in the League.

The next set of league matches takes place on November 7th at the same venue.

Squad: Fergus Mann, Bruce Peebles, Alan Gray, Jim McIlravey, John Boyle, Colin Hardie, Gilbert Valentine, Andy Blackburn (capt).

WFS EAST OF SCOTLAND O50'S LEAGUE



LEAGUE TABLE

		GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	ST. JAMES (WHITES)	8	8	0	0	39	10	29	24
2	RAITH ROVERS	7	6	0	1	23	12	11	18
3	ARBROATH	7	5	0	2	17	8	9	15
4	TAYPORT	7	3	1	3	13	12	1	10
5	ST. JAMES (BLUES)	8	3	1	4	22	25	-3	10
6	FIFE WANDERERS	7	3	0	4	14	20	-6	9
7	DUNDEE UTD CT	7	2	2	3	13	16	-3	8
8	CARNOUSTIE PANMURE	7	2	1	4	18	23	-5	7
9	SAINTS IN THE COMMUNITY	7	2	0	5	16	19	-3	6
10	DUNFERMLINE DYNAMOS	8	2	0	6	17	38	-21	6
11	ST. ANDREWS	7	1	1	5	10	19	-9	4

Paul Berg, Tayport FC Walking Football Co-ordinator, tfcwalkingfootball@gmail.com

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Carnoustie Panmure	16	13	2	1	63	16	47	41
East Craigie	14	11	2	1	49	17	32	35
Lochee United	14	11	1	2	64	14	50	34
Broughty Athletic	15	10	3	2	63	12	51	33
North End	14	9	4	1	43	19	24	31
Tayport	13	7	3	3	33	18	15	24
Violet	16	7	3	6	27	24	3	24
Lochee Harp	14	7	2	5	35	27	8	23
Forfar West End	13	5	5	3	19	24	-5	20
Brechin Vics	15	6	2	7	21	41	-20	20
Kirrie Thistle	12	4	3	5	25	21	4	15
St James	14	4	2	8	29	49	-20	14
Letham	13	3	4	6	28	34	-6	13
Arbroath Vics	13	3	3	7	27	33	-6	12
Downfield	14	3	2	9	14	28	-14	11
Forfar United	11	2	2	7	20	36	-16	8
Blairgowrie	12	2	1	9	13	30	-17	7
Coupar Angus	14	1	0	13	14	69	-55	3
Scone Thistle	15	1	0	13	16	91	-75	3

Current League Form - most recent result to left

North End	W W W W W D	Lochee Harp	L W L W D W
Tayport	W W W W W L	Forfar United	L W L L W L
Carnoustie Panmure	W W D W W W	Forfar West End	L D L D W W
Violet	W W D D W W	Brechin Vics	L L W L L D
Lochee United	W W L L W W	St James	L L D L D L
East Craigie	W D W W W W	Letham	L L D L D L
Broughty Athletic	W D W W W W	Coupar Angus	L L L W L L
Kirrie Thistle	W D L L W L	Blairgowrie	L L L L L L
Downfield	W D L L L W	Scone Thistle	L L L L L L
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As winter draws in Tayport have had to work harder than ever to gain results in less than ideal weather conditions. After their success in the Quest Engineering Cup, Tayport were back in league action facing Letham on the 18th September which they won 3-2 in a hard-fought match which could have gone either way. Despite Craig Sturrock being taken out of play due to a red card, Tayport's team worked hard to stay in control.

This was followed up by a disappointing loss to Gartcairn FC in the Scottish Junior Cup. Tayport travelled through to Airdrie for the match which saw them crash out, beaten 5-2.

However, they bounced back well last week, defeating Dundee St. James, 3-1. This match saw Tayport face miserable weather conditions which they were able to battle against and perform well. This match also saw first games for Peterhead loanee Jadel Musanhu, who gained Tayport a second goal, and trialist Daniel Garmany.

Despite the cold, over the next few weeks, Tayport can hopefully keep up the good work and stay motivated to see out the year on a high.





Tayport missed out on home tie in the draw for the last 32 stage of the Scottish Junior Cup when Gartcairn were drawn at home to Ayrshire's Beith. Beith were Tayport's 4th round victims on the way to lifting the Cup v Lochee Utd at Tan-nadice in 2005

Former Tayport boss and more recently St Andrews United manager, Charlie King has been appointed manager of Tynecastle FC who play in the East of Scotland League.

Disappointing to see so many Junior games with no official linesmen these days. Even the Scottish tie at Gartcairn had no official linesmen. Devalues the Junior game.

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A CHAT WITH CHRIS McPHERSON...

That's five league wins on the bounce now, which equals the club's best league run since 2016, so you'll have been disappointed with the result at Gartcairn in the Scottish Cup. Your thoughts on that game?



As much as the league is our core business and we are on a decent winning run, we were all disappointed by the performance and result at Gartcairn. The club has a rich history in the Scottish Cup and I just feel we failed to rise to the task on the day. Individual errors cost us dearly. To be fair, Gartcairn are a hugely experienced and dominant side, and on their artificial surface had a definite game plan that we just didn't deal with well enough. That said, we missed enough chances to win several games and I feel our young team will learn from it.

You had a couple of new faces in the line-up at St James last week. You don't seem to have any problems finding and bringing in new players when faced with shortages through injuries, suspensions or whatever. Do you use contacts or agents who approach you or do you have scouts or the like, whom you brief on a particular type of player which you consider you need in order to cover for said absentees or to strengthen your line-up? For example, most recently finding Jadel and Daniel Garmany. Jadel is on loan from Peterhead but from where did you pluck Daniel?

I suggest you have to use all of the ways you mention to source new players. The last few months have been unbelievable for injuries and it has really stretched our contacts and local player knowledge to the limit. We are constantly on our toes to cover for such player shortages and just to improve the squad. Jadel is a highly rated young player whom we are fortunate enough to have been loaned by Peterhead. We have a good relationship with Peterhead and thank them for giving us Jadel. Daniel is another young player who I have watched over the years as he came through the youth ranks. I think he did very well on Saturday showing good discipline and battling qualities. Just what was needed on the day. He is still in his teens and has shown an appetite to train with the squad so we have invited him to train on the permission of his own amateur team.

Home v Blairgowrie today. Your thoughts on the game

You are always in for a tough game with Blairgowrie and I seem to remember when I was a player here they drew with Tayport at the Canniepairt in a cup match.

I firmly believe they are in a false league position at present so we will have to be at our very best to secure all 3 points.



TODAY'S GAME

EAST REGION MIDLANDS LEAGUE

TAYPORT v BLAIRGOWRIE



A warm welcome to The Canniepairt to our visitors Blairgowrie for this afternoon's Midlands League game. Although both Blair and Tayport have been in the same Association since Tayport joined the Juniors in 1990, the clubs have only been three seasons in the same division and consequently have only met here on league business on three previous occasions, 1991, 1992, and 2009. Blair still hold the bragging rights however, the most recent of these occasions being a 1-0 win for the Ber-rypickers in November of season 2009/10.

Now together again, in tier 6 of the Scottish Pyramid, Tayport have steadily moved up the table and are today looking for a sixth successive league win. Blair, on the other hand, have hit something of a slump and arrive here on the back of six successive league defeats, a run which sees them currently third from bottom of the league.

It's not a situation with which manager Mark Brash will be happy, but the fact that five of the team's league defeats have been by the odd goal might suggest that not much tinkering is required to turn things round. Goalscoring is a worry, however, with little more than a goal a game in the league.

Blair have three players in their squad who have previously played in Tayport colours. Gordon Norrie made four substitute appearances in the abandoned 2020/21 season and three substitute appearances at the start of this season before going to Davie Park on loan. Ross Bell had 3 appearances in 2019 and Matty Adam, who made 78 appearances for 'Port in the Super League and Premier League 2013-2016.

After impressing against Broughty Athletic and Forfar West End, we continued to collect full points from our games against newcomers Letham and Dundee St James but in these two games we made things difficult for ourselves by failing to put some distance between ourselves and our opponents whilst in the ascendancy.

A first sight for home fans today of 18 yr old (19 later this month!) central defender or defensive midfielder Jadel Musanhu who made a scoring debut last week at Fairfield Park and is on loan at Canniepairt from Peterhead until the end of the year. There could also be a place for Daniel Garmany, a trialist who made his debut at left back last week.

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You may wonder why this programme has a copy of a poster for a 2022 Football Tournament in Belgium. A closer inspection of the poster for this 53rd annual International Football Tournament also advertises, as part of the same event, the 8th International Veterans Tournament for the **Alan Hart & Colin Gray Trophy**. Not very Wallonian sounding names you might think. And you'd be correct. Messrs, Hart & Gray are former Tayport FC players who have established an enduring friendship with their Ougree, Liege hosts of more than 40 years ago when they were members of the Tayport team which won the Tournament in 1981/82. Alan and Colin are well known faces in Ougree, regularly returning to enjoy sporting and social occasions and presented the trophy for the Veterans' competition which became part of the main Tournament in 2014.



Colin Gray



Alan Hart

All Change at Blairgowrie's Davie Park

We'll see a big difference at Davie Park next time we visit Blairgowrie. Under the auspices of Blairgowrie and Rattray Community FC, Blairgowrie Juniors will be one of the latest clubs to be playing on a 3G surface. A project to bring Davie Park into the 21st Century is underway and, as well as the new playing surface, floodlights and a new pitch barrier are to be installed. The existing enclosure will get a new roof and a stepped concrete standing area.

Next element of the project will be to replace the club's changing pavilion with a state of the art community facility

The facility will be in use throughout the week and will be for the benefit all local clubs, male and female, young and old.

EXIT ROUND 2!

Is the Scottish Junior Cup losing its magic?

What a disappointing cup exit two weeks ago, losing 5-2 at Gartcairn, to end any interest in the national competition before the 3rd round stage for only the 6th time in 31 years. Five of these early exits have come in the past 7 seasons.

Tayport, once the most feared cup-tie opponents in the country over a 15 year period at the turn of the century, no longer carry that label. That's perhaps why the attendance at this most recent tie was around 60, almost half of whom were there with Tayport. One would imagine that a place the size of Airdrie could have mustered a few more souls to take in the game on a fairly pleasant Lanarkshire afternoon.

Certainly, Gartcairn deserved their cup progress and Tayport can have nobody to blame but themselves for their early exit. But, whether it was the surroundings or lack of interest, the tie was devoid of what might have once been described as a typical Scottish Junior Cup-tie atmosphere.



Jadel arrives on loan



Tayport have signed 6'3 centre back or defensive midfielder **Jadel Musanhu** on loan from Peterhead and the newcomer made an immediate impact with a goal on his debut at Dundee St James last week. 18 yr old Jadel, although born in London, has dual English and Zimbabwean citizenship and moved to Peterhead from City of Liverpool FC at the start of the season.

Said Peterhead manager Jim McNally "Jadel is in the same position as Derryn Kesson, who has moved to Broughty Athletic on loan, in that it is difficult to throw him into League One to start games without experience but he cannot get experience without playing. His is an emerging talent and playing football at Tayport on a regular basis for the next few months will get him closer to being involved from the start for Peterhead than being on our bench will". Jadel made 4 appearances so far this season for Peterhead.

Jadel follows in the footsteps of his Peterhead teammate Danny Strachan who was on loan at Canniepairt in 2020 and Matty Allan, at Montrose, who was on loan here from Dundee FC in 2014 and is now a teammate at Links Park of Mark Whatley, another who cut his teeth at The Canniepairt.

Pete's Patter

Peter McEleny is Tayport FC's Communications Officer

Signpost International

In June of this year the club announced their first charity partner, *Signpost International*. I want to take this opportunity to give you a greater insight into the work of our charity partner Signpost. *Signpost International* are a Dundee-based international development charity taking action against poverty at home and abroad. Signpost walk alongside disadvantaged communities to see a world free from poverty and its effects, supporting them to be drivers of their own change. Signpost was set up in 1992 when a Church Army Officer saw first-hand poverty in the Philippines. Seeing children die, simply because they didn't have the same life chances that those in the West have, made him realise that something had to be done. This shaped the vision for Signpost which is for an equitable world where poverty and injustice are eliminated, people thrive and communities flourish. Through local partnerships Signpost helps to empower people to make the most of the resources they already have, to address their current challenges and to achieve their full potential within transformed and resilient communities. Currently Signpost works in the Philippines, Uganda, Tanzania and in Scotland, in Dundee where they are based.

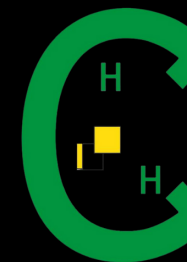
This year Signpost launched the *Roundhouse Community Kitchen*, their first UK food pro-

ject. Its mission is to transform useable surplus food destined for landfill and turn it into nutritionally balanced meals which is distributed to foodbanks and larders across Dundee and given to those in need. The *Roundhouse Community Kitchen* in partnership with food provision charities will play a vital part in tackling the issue of hunger that exists locally. The project will also challenge food waste in the city as it is estimated 26,000 tonnes of food goes to waste in Dundee every year. The *Roundhouse Community Kitchen* aims to close the loop between food waste and food insecurity. ***In the first five months of the Roundhouse Community Kitchen, it has given out 4,714 meals and saved five and a half tonnes of food from going to waste. Tayport FC are delighted to display the Signpost logo on the back of our home and away shirts recognising the work that Signpost do.***



When you enter the Canniepairt on match days you will see a stand and a bucket with the Signpost logo. This bucket collection for Signpost will be present at every home match. If you are in a position to do so we would be really grateful if you were able to make a donation to Signpost when you are at the Canniepairt. At the end of the season, all the money collected through the bucket will be passed on to Signpost. To mark the partnership between ourselves and Signpost we presented Jamie and Michael from Signpost with a signed Tayport shirt. The framed shirt displaying the Signpost logo will be hung in their building, the Roundhouse.

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Football

Five-goal boost for promotion hopes

Tayport Juniors 5
Blairgowrie 2

For the second week running, ground conditions forced a late change of fixture for Tayport.

With the pitch at Can-niepairt escaping the worst of the recent snow and frost, the league game against fellow-promotion contenders Blairgowrie went ahead.

Never rising to the heights of recent weeks, Tayport still created most of the chances and five goals, in what was virtually a "four-pointer" at the top of the table, can't be bad.

A goal each from prolific scorers Kevin Thomas and Dave Reilly, two from Grant Cushnie — his own-goal which gave Blair a glimmer of hope doesn't count towards a hat-trick! — and a first of the season notch by central defender Sean Wilkie were enough to give Tayport the valuable promotion points.

Blairgowrie played most of the match with full-back Blyth in goal for the unfortunate Menzies who was helped off following an accidental clash with Reilly.

He was blameless for Tayport's opening goal just

on half-time when Cushnie scored his first with a header from a Malone cross.

Defender Murphy made life hard for his 'keeper early after the restart when an attempted headed clearance fell to Kevin Thomas who netted easily.

This show of benevolence must have been infectious when, only minutes later, Tayport midfielder Cushnie, under no apparent pressure, put the ball past 'keeper Ian Christie to throw the visitors a lifeline. Within two minutes the teams were level when Donnelly netted from the spot after Frank Dolan was alleged to have impeded a visiting forward.

Allowing Blair no time to savour this fight back, Cushnie made amends for his earlier faux-pas when he latched on to a rare fumble by the stand-in 'keeper to knock the ball home with a spectacular overhead kick.

Cushnie had an excellent

chance for his third when, with no defender near him, he found himself with all the time in the world to pick his spot. Instead, his very weak attempt went straight into Blyth's arms.

Dave Reilly, who only a minute before had gone close from a Mel Irons' cross, kept up his recent run of goals when in the 77th minute he picked up a ball from the left and fired it home.

The scoring was completed in the 80th minute — and the goal came from an unusual source.

Ian Wilkie, more usually seen carrying out a competent and unassuming role in the centre of defence, found himself behind the visitors back four, and bearing down on Blyth, coolly picked his spot and stroked the ball home for his first counter of the season.

Tomorrow, weather permitting, Tayport travel to Brechin to contest the second leg of their P.A. Cup round two tie. Tayport lead 5-1 from the teams' first meeting four weeks ago.

The Fifers' opponents for the fifth round of the Scottish Cup, due on March 2, are not yet known. It is hoped that the off-postponed match between Glasgow Perthshire and Pollok will be resolved tomorrow.



Grant Cushnie...a hat-trick of sorts!

Tayport v. Blairgowrie

Blair keeper Menzies was injured following a clash with Riley in the game and his place was taken by full-back Blyth.

CUSHNIE headed Tayport ahead on the stroke of half-time following a cross from Malone.

Half-time—Tayport 1, Blairgowrie 0.

Tayport went further ahead when THOMS scored from close in.

Two minutes later Blair pulled one back through a CUSHNIE own goal. Almost immediately they were level when DONNELLY scored from the spot.

CUSHNIE put Tayport ahead after Blyth fumbled. Reilly restored Tayport's two-goal lead and SEAN WILKIE completed the scoring with his first goal of the season.

Alexander of Blairgowrie was sent off.

Final—Tayport 5, Blairgowrie 2.

Sporting Post report

It was Tayport's first season in the Juniors. Kirrie Thistle led the promotion race by three points from Tayport. Tayport kicked off this match a point ahead of Blair, so there was a lot at stake. At the end of the season, Tayport pipped Kirrie by a point for the title and Blair were promoted in 3rd place.

Tayport fielded: Ian Christie; George Malone, Frankie Dolan, Sean Wilkie, Gavin Howey (Billy Coventry), Jimmy Hunter, Mark Spalding, Grant Cushnie, Kevin Thoms, Dave Reilly, Graeme Irons. Sub; Davie Baikie

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Blairgowrie's long serving **Gary Axworthy** (left), who is in his testimonial year, is one of four players in the Blairgowrie squad this season, who were in Blair's player pool when the teams last met in the league here in November 2009. The others are **Gordon Pirie**, **Darren Neave** and **Callum Rollo**. None of the Tayport players that day are still at the club. In fact most, if not all, are now retired!

Matty Adam (right) was signed for Tayport by John McGlashan, in 2013 and turned out for 'Port on 78 occasions, scoring 22 goals. Twice Matty netted two goals when coming off the bench, in 4-3 and 4-2 wins respectively, against Hill of Beath and Penicuik in the Super League in 2016

