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THE CHAIRMAN...

May I wish a Happy New Year to all our supporters and a warm welcome to the players and officials of our visitors Dundee Violet for this Midlands League match.

The month just past should have seen us play 4 fixtures, but with two matches postponed and a third abandoned at half time, it left us with the one game which was in itself, a rearranged midweek fixture versus Dundee St James and the first game under the new floodlights. I wasn't at the game myself due to a pre-arranged week in the sun, but by all accounts we struggled to a 1-0 victory. But a win is a win!

So from that game on Wednesday 8th December until now, 8th January, we've had very little game time so let's hope it doesn't hurt us this afternoon.



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The benefits for you would be getting out the house, meeting people for a chat and helping the club into the bargain. Have a think about it!

This afternoon we face a young Dundee Violet side who are hungry for success and as I said, we're short on match fitness but hopefully if we produce the workrate and our attitude and focus is correct, then I'm confident we can achieve a victory and three points. Enjoy the game.

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No more Ellidh's



Angle!

Tayport FC's match reporter Ellidh Aitken has moved on to pastures new and into 'real' journalism, having been recruited by the *Dunfermline Press* and as you can see from the December 23rd edition of the newspaper, she has been kept busy



END OF YEAR GAME ABANDONED

Tayport *mist* out on saying goodbye to 2021 with a win, or indeed a draw or even a defeat when the league game vs. East Craigie at Craigie Park on 18th December was called off at half-time after the ground had become enshrouded in fog. Craigie, although a goal ahead at the time, were still in sight, well they would have been if anybody could see though the mist, and there would have been all to play for in the second period. However, with it being three days short of the Winter Solstice and darkness fast approaching, nobody could quarrel with the referee's decision to call a halt rather than wait in the hope that the fog might clear.

In the 45 minutes that were played, Tayport would rue their lack of sharpness in front of goal when league leaders Craigie edged ahead with a goal just before the break.

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Carnoustie Panmure	20	16	2	2	74	20	54	50
Broughty Athletic	22	15	4	3	102	23	79	49
Lochee United	19	15	2	2	85	16	69	47
North End	19	11	5	3	52	26	26	38
Tayport	20	11	5	4	47	25	22	38
Forfar West End	22	9	8	5	38	39	-1	35
Lochee Harp	18	10	2	6	50	32	18	32
Brechin Vics	21	9	3	9	38	50	-12	30
Arbroath Vics	23	8	4	11	52	63	-11	28
Kirrie Thistle	21	8	3	10	48	55	-7	27
Violet	24	7	4	13	34	49	-15	25
St James	21	7	3	11	43	59	-16	24
Letham	22	6	4	12	41	63	-22	22
Downfield	20	6	3	11	26	41	-15	21
Blairgowrie	21	6	2	13	31	52	-21	20
Forfar United	17	3	2	12	28	59	-31	11
Coupar Angus	21	1	1	19	22	104	-82	4
Scone Thistle	23	1	1	21	29	133	-104	4

Current League Form - most recent result to left

East Craigie	W W W W W W	Forfar United	W L L L L L
Arbroath Vics	W W W W L L	Lochee United	D W W W W W
Tayport	W W D D W L	Downfield	L W W D W L
Brechin Vics	W W D L W L	Forfar West End	L W D W D L
Lochee Harp	W W L W L W	St James	L L W L W W
North End	W D L L W W	Letham	L L L W W L
Broughty Athletic	W L W W W W	Scone Thistle	L L L L D L
Carnoustie Panmure	W L W W W W	Coupar Angus	L L L L D L
Blairgowrie	W L W L L D	Violet	L L L L L L
Kirrie Thistle	W L L L W L		



TODAY'S GAME

EAST REGION MIDLANDS LEAGUE

TAYPORT v DUNDEE VIOLET



A warm welcome to The Canniepairt to our visitors Dundee Violet for this afternoon's Midlands League game.

The Glenesk club has had a mixed bag of results to date, in the main probably down to a series of enforced absences. So much so, that manager Andy Heggie and his assistant Marcus Notarangelo have been forced to pull on a jersey and take a place on the bench on occasion.

Although it was a disappointing start to Violet's season, with only three wins in their opening eleven games, this was followed by an unbeaten run of eight games, only for things to go pear shaped again with a string of defeats which has stretched back to early October.

Tayport have won five league games on the bounce but Violet will have noted that all these wins were against

teams near the bottom of the league, all currently positioned below Violet.

Our two sides met in the corresponding league fixture at Glenesk back in July when Tayport had to recover from being two goals behind at half-time to salvage a 2-2 draw. Both our goals were scored by Dayle Robertson, recently transferred to Jeanfield Swifts, one of six players in that team who will not feature for 'Port today.

Filling the boots of the prolific Robertson is a task for manager Eddie Wolecki Black but in his first signing, Paul Sludden, who netted a double at North End recently, he has a player who knows the road to goal.

Both teams have a player suspended today, Reece Robertson of the home side and Zak Wilson - who played for us v Violet back in July - of the visitors.

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Violet Manager ANDY HEGGIE played for all four Tayport teams

The Dundee Violet manager raised a few eyebrows the other week when, because of unavailabilities, he had to name himself on the matchday team sheet. *Surely not the same Andy Heggie who played with me at Tayport 37 years ago*, some TFC veterans probably muttered when they read this in the press. But, yes indeed, it was the same Andy.



A youthful Andy Heggie in his Tayport days

Along to the Canniepairt by his uncle, the iconic Tayport FC star of the time, Willie 'Molly' Brown. In that 1984/85 season Andy, who wouldn't have been much more than 15, turned out for the club's Alliance team (where he played in the same team as our committee member Graeme McBeth), the Fife team and towards the end of the season, the 1st XI in the Midlands



A more apprehensive Andy coming on as sub in 2021

Amateurs top tier. His first appearance in the first team was off the bench when he came on as substitute to replace his Uncle Willie. Uncle Willie or Molly as he was better known at the Canniepairt, is the sponsor of our own Bradie Heggie who will be facing his father's team this afternoon.

Andy Heggie was at Tayport when the club joined the Junior ranks in 1990 and in fact played in the club's first four Junior games before being released, thus becoming one of the very few players to have turned out for all four of the club's teams.



Bradie

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TAYPORT GET HOME DRAW

Tayport always had something of a love affair with the Quest Cup in its various guises over the years. The competition, exclusive to clubs in the Tayside and North Regions of the Scottish JFA, was inaugurated in 1988. Deveron-side from Banff won the first tournament but from then on, it has been dominated by clubs from Tayside, notably Tayport, winners on no fewer than eight occasions.

Now sponsored by Quest Precision Engineering, it has previously been sponsored by Zamoyski Vodka, Dundee North End FC's Centenary, the Concept Group, NCR, the Dugout sports business and GE Engineering.

On three of the occasions on which they lifted the trophy, Tayport met Violet in the final, winning 4-2 in 1995 before a superb attendance of 805, 6-3 in 2000 and it was third time unlucky for the Pansies who lost 2-1 after extra-time in the 2002 final. Tayport's winning goal that afternoon was scored by a teenage Robbie Holden, now manager of Luncarty in the East of Scotland League.

This season's 3rd round, the round which keeps the North and Tayside clubs apart, has paired Tayport with Fraserburgh United on the Canniepairt. Violet have been given a trip to Aberdeen to meet the amalgamated Stoneywood/Parkvale.



The full draw is

Banks o' Dee v East Craigie

Culter v Kirrie Thistle

Downfield v **Dyce**

North End v **Montrose Roselea**

Forfar United v **Buchanhaven Hearts**

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Jamie returns to the Canniepairt



Tayport FC welcomes Jamie Mackie back to the Canniepairt. Although unavailable for the next couple of weeks, Jamie will assist Eddie Wolecki Black in the dual role of player/assistant manager.

Always a popular and wholehearted player during his six seasons at Canniepairt prior to the Covid lockdown, Jamie will bring plenty experience to the team both on and off the park.

Jadel 's loan expires

Jadel Musanhu's loan arrangement expired at the turn of the year and he has returned to his parent club Peterhead. During his spell here, Jadel, who scored against St James on his debut, was never on a losing side. We wish him well.



We have also lost the services of **Brad Ness** who is unavailable as he is now working in Ayrshire. A consistent performer in Tayport's back line throughout the season, he will be missed.

New Floodlighting System takes the eye

The Canniepairt's new state of the art floodlighting system was hanseled at our most recent home game on Wednesday 8th December v St James and fortunately the occasion was marked with a win. The lights are fantastic and should afford the club the opportunity to have many more competitive midweek fixtures throughout the winter, autumn and early spring as well as consistent kick-off times on Saturdays.

Only last week, St Andrews United hanseled their new floodlights with an East of Scotland League game v Kennoway Star Hearts and they also marked the occasion with a win, coming from 0-2 behind, with 15 minutes left, to take the points with a 3-2 win.

NEXT HOME MATCH
v DOWNFIELD SATURDAY 22nd JAN 2.30pm

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

December was a most enjoyable month for the club's Walking Football team, the highlight of which was our first ever Christmas luncheon, which was held at the Drumoig Golf Club on Friday December 10th. The event was attended by 18 members, and was a most enjoyable and humorous function.

The food was excellent and plentiful, as was the alcohol content! Each player was presented with an award, ranging from most consistent player and highest league scorer through to most vocal on-field player and longest travelling player. There were also long membership awards given to 5 players who have been members since I started the club back in August 2019.

We had our final pre-Christmas training session at the Canniepairt on December 17th, and arranged a pre-New Year training session at Soccer World, Dundee on December 30th, which was well attended.

This year we are looking forward to once more playing in the East Division, Walking Football Scotland League which is due to resume in March. After our fantastic performance, finishing 4th in the league last year, our first competitive season, we are looking forward with that experience to hopefully improve on that position.

Also, we hope to be involved in other cup competitions and following our very solid first appearance at Raith Rovers' Christmas Cup, in which we finished in 6th place out of 16 teams, we have received invitations from far and wide. These include the Majorca Walking Football Cup held at Santa Ponsa in May and the established Walking Football Tournament held at Blackpool in June!

As usual I invite anyone, male or female, who is over 50 years of age, and would like to try walking football, even if you can't make training on a Friday morning, to please contact me as we are considering adding an evening session if we can get enough players. Pass the word on...

Please email me at tfcwalkingfootball@gmail.com and I can send you details of the club.

Paul Berg,

Tayport FC Walking Football Co-ordinator

Pete's Patter

Peter McEleny is Tayport FC's Communications Officer

Signpost International

Keeping you in the Loop

Tayport Football Club would like to congratulate our Match Reporter, Ellidh Aitken, on getting her first job in journalism. Ellidh has been part of our media team gaining experience and we are delighted that she has landed her first job at the *Dunfermline Press*.

Ellidh has taken the time to talk about her role on the Tayport FC Media Team.

How did you get involved with the Tayport media team?

I saw a post on Facebook and thought it would be the perfect opportunity for some media experience. I emailed the club and Pete got back to me explaining everything about the role and I decided to go ahead with it to build up my CV.

What has been your role on the media team and what has this involved?

I have been the match reporter, covering Tayport matches, though Pete was really understanding if I couldn't make certain games. I would write up a report of the match and send it over to different papers to meet their deadlines and for it to be published on the club's website and social media channels.

What have you enjoy most about being on the media team at Tayport FC?

I've really enjoyed learning more about football and working with everyone on the media team.

You have just landed your first job in journalism, congratulations, do you think the experience you gained from being on the Tayport media team helped you in your job interviews?

It definitely helped, my involvement with Tayport was what they were most interested in and we discussed it a lot in all the interviews I went to. It was a really big part of why I was able to get the job as it was just the right kind of experience I needed.

What would you say to someone who wants to gain experience and is thinking about joining the media team at the club?

I would probably say don't be worried about not being a football expert, you will pick it up really quickly. Everyone on the media team is so helpful and they all make it a really good experience.

Ellidh's new full-time job means that she is moving on from the media team at Tayport, everyone at the club would like to thank Ellidh for all that she has given us and wish her all the best in her new job.

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FROM THE DUGOUT

Happy New Year and welcome to Tayport for this afternoon's match v Dundee Violet. I would like to welcome Andy Heggie his staff and Violet supporters to the Canniepairt.



As a club we have found the month of December to be frustrating, as games versus Forfar Utd, St James, Carnoustie and East Craigie have all been postponed for one reason or another. Thankfully, with the flood lights now installed, we managed to get our game v St James played in midweek. It was a vital victory as it continued our recent good form. The East Craigie match only lasted 45 minutes but I have to say during those minutes we proved to be more than a match to the champs in waiting.

Having now seen almost every team in the league I can say that our team is capable of competing with everyone in the league, I would not be surprised to see us go through the rest of the season unbeaten. The players know my thoughts and they realise that such a run will see us in at least a Cup final and settled into the top 4 of the league. We shouldn't be afraid of the challenge, rather I see us being highly motivated to prove any doubters wrong.

I'm well aware that today's visitors are on a bad run of form, culminating in 8 straight defeats. Regardless of that fact, I believe we will need to be at our best to increase that number to 9. As for ourselves, we will be without Jamie McCabe as he recovers from covid. Also absent today is Reece Ritchie who serves his 1 match suspension. On a positive note, however, we welcome back Craig Sturrock after his bout of covid. Bradie Heggie is also available again after suffering a similar fate. Injury wise, only Jim Malone remains on the sidelines, however he is making progress and it's hoped he will be able to play before the season ends.

Having the backing of a vociferous home support is vital if we are to achieve our aims, therefore I urge each and every one of you to get behind the team and encourage the players in our search for the 3 points.

Enjoy the game

Eddie



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A WIN OVER VIOLET

CLINCHES CHAMPIONSHIP FOR TAYPORT

Hard to believe, when league titles are usually won in May or June, that 23 years ago, on 27th February 1999, Tayport went into their game v Violet on Canniepairt in the knowledge that a win would give them a sixth Tayside championship title in eight years.



Kenny Cameron

Andy Sommerville's side duly delivered in front of 228 fans, thanks to a single Kenny Cameron goal. Since the start of the season, it was an 18th win in 19 league games for Tayport and a 28th League goal for Kenny.



Andy Sommerville

No surprise, really, that Violet failed to find the 'Port net as, to date, only 4 clubs had done so in these previous 18 games.

Tayport lined up **Fraser Mann; Grant Buist, Grant Paterson, Ian Greig (Mark Spalding), Keith Nicolson, Sean Wilkie, Billy Coventry (Paul Reilly), Steven Stewart, Mark Corcoran (Stevie Ross), Dave Reilly, Kenny Cameron.**



Mark Corcoran



Tony Mcaulay

Local lad **Mark Corcoran**, 99 games for Tayport, was just a teenager at the time who went on to have a lengthy senior career, is one of the founders of *Bee Inspired Clothing Limited*, a street clothing business with current assets of £1.8m

All weel kent faces in the Tayport line-up that afternoon, and familiar faces, too in the Violet team, including for example, current Tayport coach Bobby Brown, current Violet manager Andy Heggie, ex-'Port star Jackie Devine, Mike McIlvenny, Bobby Dow, Danny Powell, Scott Glass, Tony Mcaulay,



Jackie Devine

