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THE CHAIRMAN...

Good afternoon to all and may extend a warm welcome to the players and officials of our league opponents Downfield FC.

This week's been a big week for the club, yesterday I met with representatives of the SFA Licensing Board who will make a decision in due course whether the club will be put forward for full SFA status. If awarded the benefits for the club will be that we can, in the future, advance within the SFA Pyramid System. We can also enter the Scottish Cup, and you never know, if we were fortunate to have a successful run, we could be entertaining a big club at the Canniepairt.



In our first game after the Christmas & New Year close-down we faced Dundee Violet at home. I must say, I had some concerns going into this game, mainly down to our lack of game time, but my concerns were proved wrong with us running out comfortable 4-1 winners with a starting line up which had a number of regulars missing.

We followed that home win with an emphatic 6-1 win at Scone and had we taken the majority of our scoring opportunities we could have comfortably doubled our goal tally.

Then, a second 4-1 win under the lights, this time v Forfar Utd, on Wednesday secured another three points.

Today we have Downfield as our opponents, I'm sure the manager will be reminding our players of our previous encounter earlier in the season. That evening wasn't one I care to look back on. We have an opportunity today to make amends. I'm confident we are an improved side from that mid-week reversal and have the ability to achieve victory this afternoon. Enjoy the game.

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Tayport are just getting back into the swing of things after a month off over Christmas and New Year. It was a disappointing end to 2021 with only one game being played in December due to weather conditions. However, it's been a great start to 2022 with three good wins from the

games played so far this year.



The first game of the year saw Tayport secure a 4-1 win at home to **Dundee Violet**. The team started strongly with their first goal inside the first 30 minutes through Daniel Dorovic. The second half of the match was just as exciting with three more goals for the home side, including a fantastic strike from Jamie Gill in the 91st minute. Jamie McCabe (pictured), playing in a different role than usual, was named Man of the Match.



The team continued its positive start with another high scoring win, away to **Scone Thistle** at Farquharson Park. The 6-1 victory mirrored the score from their first meeting this season back in August. The first 45 minutes of the match were full of chances for Tayport but they went into half time only 1-0 up through a goal from Ryan Paterson.

After the break, Tayport came out with new found energy and proceeded to dominate the match. Goals from Gordon Norrie, Ewan White and Paul Sludden helped to obtain the win for the away team. It was also a fantastic start for new signing Greg McColm who scored twice and was rewarded with Man of the Match award.

The manager made six team changes for Wednesday under the Canniepairt lights v **Forfar United**. Two goals in either half from Daniel Dorovic, Kieran Sturrock and Jamie Gill (2) gave his side a comfortable 4-1 win. With the way they have started the New Year, Tayport are more than capable of maintaining their winning streak.

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Lochee United	20	16	2	2	88	16	72	50
Broughty Athletic	23	15	4	4	103	26	77	49
Tayport	23	14	5	4	61	28	33	47
North End	20	12	5	3	55	27	28	41
Lochee Harp	19	11	2	6	51	32	19	35
Forfar West End	23	9	8	6	38	40	-2	35
Brechin Vics	22	10	3	9	45	50	-5	33
Kirrie Thistle	22	9	3	10	53	57	-4	30
Arbroath Vics	23	8	4	11	52	65	-13	28
Letham	23	7	4	12	44	63	-19	25
Violet	26	7	4	15	36	58	-22	25
St James	22	7	3	12	43	62	-19	24
Downfield	21	6	3	12	26	46	-20	21
Blairgowrie	22	6	2	14	33	55	-22	20
Forfar United	19	3	2	14	29	66	-37	11
Coupar Angus	22	1	1	20	22	111	-89	4
Scone Thistle	25	1	1	23	30	143	-113	4

Current League Form - most recent result to left

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



TODAY'S GAME

EAST REGION MIDLANDS LEAGUE

TAYPORT v DOWNFIELD



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

Downfield haven't had a lot of game time in recent weeks. Their game last week v Carnoustie was their first competitive action since November, and it showed, with the Spiders going down 5-0, their biggest defeat of the season

It's not been the best of seasons to date for Downfield and they've struggled when faced with any of the league's top six clubs...with one notable exception — Tayport. We went down 3-2 at Balgowan Avenue in August and the three goals scored by the Spiders that night are the only goals Downfield have scored against any of the top six clubs to date.

Last April Downfield appointed Lewis Toshney, man of many senior clubs including Dundee, Dundee United and Celtic, as their manager at a point when injury seemed to have halted his senior career. The injury situation improved, how-

ever, and Toshney (pictured) was lured back to the seniors with Edinburgh City but it was a false dawn and the 29 year old is now back at Downfield as a player.

Downfield's defensive record suggests they're misplaced in the bottom half of the league but a glance at their goals for stats. shows a different picture - only Coupar Angus have scored fewer goals.



Tayport, despite a great run of results, have tended to be a bit profligate in front of goal, particularly early on in games and this could be their undoing against a stuffy Downfield rearguard. Jordan Garden (suspended) will be an absentee for Downfield as will Louis Joyce for Tayport whose accumulation of yellow cards means he sits this one out.

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ANNIVERSARY YEAR DOUBLE

A couple of big anniversaries coming off this year. It's **75 years** since we split from Tayport Violet and joined the Midlands AFA in our own right, as this press cutting from **1947** tells us.

It's also 40 years since we were crowned Midlands AFA Champions in May **1982** for the one and only time

Midlands Amateur F.A. officials for next season have been elected as follow:—Pres., Alex. Lunan; vice-pres., Thos Coull; hon. treas., E. Cairncross, 3 Killin Avenue, Dundee; hon. secy., D. A. Smith, 40 Scott Street, Dundee; auditors, Wm. Baxter and Peter Fisher; executive committee—ex officio office-bearers and Wm. Wilkie (Anch.), Peter M. Wilson (6th B.B. ex-Members), D. Mackay (Tayport), R. Annan (Roselea), and R. Milne (Varsity). The following clubs have been admitted to membership:—U.C.D., Wormit, and Tayport (the last-named is not to be confused with Tayport Violet, who are already in membership).

CANNIEPAIRT IS LATEST STOP IN GREG'S TRAVELS

He's only 21 but Tayport's latest signing, Northern Ireland born central defender **Greg McCole** from Cupar has experienced life with a number of clubs. After cutting his teeth with Cupar Hearts, Greg was off on a playing scholarship to Wm.Carey University in Mississippi, USA. Back in Scotland, he was loaned out to Downfield for a short spell when with Dundee FC and was briefly at Newburgh before playing last season with East Stirlingshire. Greg made his Tayport baptism as sub v Violet a couple of weeks ago and on his full debut last Saturday at Scone Thistle, he collected the Man of the Match award and bagged two goals into the bargain.

SPIDERS BUILDING THEIR WEB

Downfield are building for the future and according to the press, have plans to be in contention in the upper reaches of the league in 2022/23, Such plans were confirmed by the news last weekend, that they had signed winger **Connor Coupe** from Carnoustie Panmure on a 2022/23 contract agreement, only hours after he had scored for the Gowfers in their 5-0 win over the Spiders. For a 22 year old who has played 78 games in the SPFL for Forfar Athletic and Brechin City, it looks a good move by Downfield.



NEXT HOME MATCH

v FRASERBURGH UNITED SATURDAY 29th JAN 2.30pm

A VISIT FROM THE BROCH NEXT WEEK IN THE QUEST ENGINEERING CUP

A break from League football next week when we play host to Fraserburgh United in a bid to reach the quarter final stage of the Quest Engineering Regional Cup. Fraserburgh, who play in the second tier of the North Region Juniors, tasted competitive action for the first time in six weeks last Saturday when they went down 3-0 in a league fixture at Dufftown. It's almost thirty years since our only previous meeting when we met in a 3rd round tie in the same competition, at that time sponsored by Zamoyski, in March 1993 in Fraserburgh.



Last minute goals finalise the Scottish Junior Cup's last eight

The last two slots in the quarter finals of the Macron Scottish Junior Cup were filled last Saturday and both were decided by 88th minute goals.

Despite trailing twice, **Auchinleck Talbot** came good when a late header from Chris McCracken (right) ended **Irvine Meadow's** hopes in a 3-2 win. Our man at the games said it was the biggest 500 attendance he had ever seen!



In Lanarkshire, Taylor Evans came off the bench to grab the only goal of the game in **Shotts Bon Accord's** win over **Rossvale**.

So, there we have it, the quarter finals of the Junior Cup yet, somewhat bizarrely, it features only one Junior league club, **Dyce FC**. The other seven clubs play their football in the West of Scotland [Senior] Football League; Dyce v **Yoker Athletic**; **Kirkintilloch Rob Roy** v **Arthurlie**; **Largs Thistle** v **Petershill**; Shotts Bon Accord v Auchinleck Talbot.

Another big crowd this afternoon (it kicked off at 12.30pm so it should be finished by now) at Talbot's Beechwood Park when Heart of Midlothian arrived in Auchinleck for a Wm Hill Scottish Cup 4th round tie.

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Due to the recent weather, we are currently unable to train at the Can-niepairt as to do so would cut up the pitch, and the same on the training pitch on the Common.

None of the Fife or Dundee Councils' sports facilities are currently allowing adult indoor football of any kind, due to the current COVID situation, but we have managed to get into **Soccerworld** in Dundee (below) on Old Glamis



Road for our Friday morning training sessions.

The facilities there suit our requirements. We play on an indoor 3G pitch, and get one and a half hours training and playing time. There are even showers available afterwards!

The only difference is we've had to switch time from 11:00 until 12:30.

Last Friday we had an excellent turnout of 14 players, so if anyone fancies coming along to see what it's like, you know where to come. You can play for as long or as little as you want, it's not a problem.

Any person interested, 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

This week Pete speaks with Stuart Paterson a member of the Tayport FC media team.

Q. How did you get involved with the Tayport media team?

A. I saw an ad when scrolling through Instagram for a editor/videographer role. I'd already been filming and editing friends' football matches previously for fun, so I got in touch. Unfortunately I work every Saturday so can't make it to the games, but applied offering to do the editing work only. That was no issue so I've been editing the games for the past few months.

Q. What is your role on the media team?

A. I edit the match footage into a short highlight video that gets posted up on YouTube, and when I'm able I can film them as well.

Q. Is videography something you have always done?

A. I used to steal my Dad's camera and make videos with my pals and family members when I was younger, and had been posting some of

those to YouTube as early as 2007. More recently, I've been pursuing videography as a career, and have done match filming, short films, and some music videos for Dundonian musicians Peter Watters And Pete Smith.

Q. What do you enjoy most about being on the media team at Tayport FC?

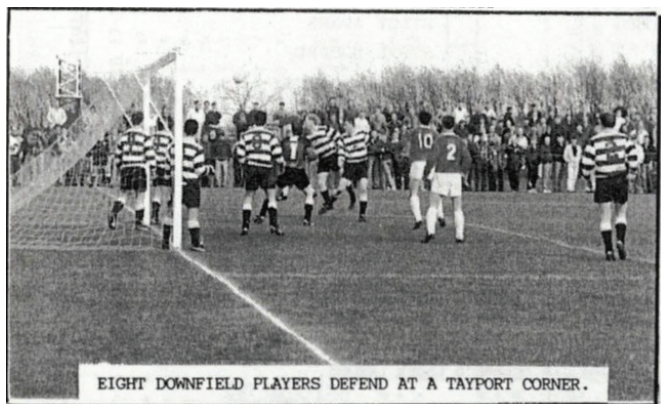
A. I enjoyed the creative challenge of designing a new presentation style for the videos, and the satisfaction of seeing each finished product. It's also lovely to hear some of the positive feedback I've gotten

Q. What would you say to someone thinking about getting involved with the media team at the club?

A. I would say to go for it, it's a great opportunity for experience if you're looking to do this kind of work, and members of the media team have gone on to get other media jobs in football or elsewhere. Pete has been great to talk with also, and has been completely accommodating in allowing me to do the work when time

FROM THE ARCHIVES

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29 years ago Downfield were the visitors to the Canniepairt for a game which would attract the biggest ever attendance - 2,187 - for a football match in the town. As the photo above shows, Gavin Alston's two mobile stands came in very handy and were wheeled in behind the town end goal.

In previous seasons, prior to Tayport joining the Juniors in 1990, Downfield had been dominating the local Junior game, winning three successive championships, two successive Zamoyski [North /Tayside] Cups as well as Dryburgh, P.A. and Cream of Barley trophies. Then along came Tayport to steal the Spiders' thunder and with the short lived emergence of St Josephs helping raise the profile of the local game, it was something of a boom time for the Juniors on Tayside.

FROM THE DUGOUT

I would like to extend a warm welcome for the Downfield players, staff and supporters to Tayport.

This stage of the season starts seeing teams move into contention for their aims. I admit I was a bit concerned that we had the games v East Craigie, Carnoustie and Forfar United called off due to the weather. It left us facing a backlog of games and, adding in potential cup ties, a full diary until the end of the season. Of course, having the floodlights installed has given us the opportunity to get some of those matches played as witnessed v St James and most recently on Wednesday past v. Forfar United .



Our aim was to pick up 9 points from our 3 games this week. Saturday saw us get off to the perfect start with a commanding win at Scone Thistle. On Wednesday, having been held to a draw in Forfar earlier this season, we knew that it wouldn't be easy but two goals in either half saw us comfortably home

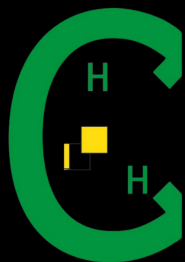
What this run of games does for us, is it allows us to get minutes into every player at the club, which in turn keeps them match sharp and maintains fitness levels. My hope is that after today, we can be on 50 points in the league table, and this will put us in a position to attack the points tally of those around and above us. Today's game gives us the chance to claw back 4th placed Broughty nearer to us. Squad wise, barring any injuries on Wednesday and Louis Joyce's one game suspension, we should have everyone available for today.

I know the players enjoyed their midweek games under the lights and several commented upon the backing they received. I wish to thank each and every one of you for your support and I urge you to repeat this backing today and help us towards our aim of getting 3 points. I'm hoping the team can get deliver more goals of the quality we have seen recent games.

Enjoy the match

Eddie

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Three local clubs in the last eight of the Scottish Junior Cup was hitherto unknown in these parts and when Tayport and Spiders were drawn together, it merely served to increase interest, as the match programme noted:-

Rarely can the Scottish Junior Cup Quarter Finals have captured the imagination as they have done this season - and not just on Tayside. It's definitely a mini boom time for the Juniors with cup gates very healthy. Who can blame the punter for turning his or her back on the Seniors at this stage of the season when he or she is asked to pay £7 for an often meaningless league game when a slice of the Junior Cup action can be had for thirty bob. Did you notice the crowd at the Meadowbank [now Livingston] v Cowdenbeath first division game the other week? It was 179. We took as many to Fraserburgh for our Zamoyiski tie.!

Unfortunately the tie didn't live up to expectations. The replay at Downfield attracted an attendance of 1,909 and ended 1-1 after extra time. Neutral North End Park was the venue for the third game when a crowd of 2,770 saw Tayport go through to the semi final by the only goal of the game scored by Dave Reilly who would go on to be the club's record goalscorer. After 107 years, it would be the last ever Scottish Junior Cup tie to go to three games. Thereafter if all square after two games, there would be a penalty shoot-out. The players listed for that first game at Tayport were:-

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Downfield

Grant Clark
Jim McMulkin
Stuart Cassidy
Roy Price
Kenny Jones
John Young
Grant Nisbet
Paul Blair
Ronnie Fraser
Derek Mitchell
Davie Anderson
Martin Duffy
Andy Cargill
Steve McIntosh





All well known names on the Tayside Junior scene over the years. Tayport's Sommerville, Hunter and Spalding had been signed from the Spiders while Clark, Jones and Young later played for Tayport

Clockwise from top left:- Jimmy Hunter, Mark Spalding, Kenny Jones and John Young

WDate	Opps.	C	WDL	Res	1	2	3	4	5	6
17 Jul	NORTH END	L	W	2-0	Thain	Heggie	Sanchez	Ness	Joyce	Rollo
21 Jul	Forfar Utd	L	D	1-1	Thain	Heggie	Sanchez	Ness	Joyce	B Jacaj
24 Jul	EAST CRAIGIE	L	D	0-0	Thain	Heggie	Sanchez	Ness	Joyce	R.Ritchie
28 Jul	CARNOUSTIE	L	L	1-2	Thain	Heggie	Wilson	Ness	Joyce	R.Ritchie
31 Jul	Violet	L	D	2-2	Thain	Heggie	Wilson	Ness	Joyce	R.Ritchie
4 Aug	SCONE THIS	L	W	6-1	Thain	Heggie	Wilson	Ness	Hume	Ritchie 1
7 Aug	LOCHEE UTD	L	L	1-4	Thain	Joyce	Wilson	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
11 Aug	Downfield	L	L	2-3	Thain	Joyce	Wilson	Rollo	Hume	Ritchie
14 Aug	Broughty Ath	L	W	1-0	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
18 Aug	COUPAR ANG	L	W	6-0	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie 2
21 Aug	Forres This	S1	W	6-0	Thain	Joyce 1	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
25 Aug	Forfar WE	L	W	5-2	Thain	Joyce 1	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie 1
28 Aug	ARBROATH VIC	L	X			MATCH	CALLED	OFF		
4 Sep	Kirrie Thistle	L	X			MATCH	CALLED	OFF		
11 Sep	ARBROATH VIC	Q2	W	2-0	Brown	Cameron	Sanchez	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
18 Sep	LETHAM	L	W	3-2	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
25 Sep	Gartcainr	S2	L	2-5	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
2 Oct	St James	L	W	3-1	Thain	Joyce	Garmay	Musanhu 1	Hume	Ritchie
9 Oct	BLAIRGOWRIE	L	W	4-0	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Musanhu	Hume	McCabe
16 Oct	FREE WEEK	-	X		odd	team	out	in	19	team
23 Oct	Arbroath Vic	L	L	1-2	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	McCabe
30 Oct	LOCHEE HARP	L	W	2-1	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
6 Nov	Brechin Vics	L	D	1-1	Thain	Joyce	Sturrock	Musanhu	Hume	Heggie
13 Nov	North End	L	D	2-2	Thain	Heggie	Sturrock	Ness	Hume	Ritchie
20 Nov	Kirrie Thistle	L	W	3-2	Thain	Heggie	Sturrock	Ness	Hume 1	Ritchie
27 Nov	ST JAMES	L	X			MATCH	CALLED	OFF	Power	Cut
4 Dec	FORFAR UTD	L	X			MATCH	CALLED	OFF	Water	logged
8 Dec	ST JAMES	L	W	1-0	Thain	Heggie	Joyce	Musanu	Hume	Ritchie
11 Dec	Carnoustie	L	X			MATCH	CALLED	OFF	Frost	
18 Dec	East Craigie	L	X		Halftime	MATCH	ABAND	ONED	Fog	
8 Jan	VIOLET	L	W	4-1	Brown	Heggie	Joyce	Cameron	Hume	McCabe
15 Jan	Scone This	L	W	6-1	Brown	Heggie	G.McColm 2	Cameron	Hume	McCabe
19 Jan	FORFAR UNITED	L	W	4-1	Lockhart	Heggie	Joyce	McColm	Hume	Ritchie
22 Jan	DOWNFIELD	L								
29 Jan	FRASERBURGH UTD	Q3								
5 Feb	Lochee Utd	L								
12 Feb	BROUGHTY	L								
19 Feb	Coupar Angus	L								
26 Feb	FORFAR WEST END	L								
5 Mar	ARBROATH VIC	L								
12 Mar	KIRRIE THISTLE	L								
19 Mar	Letham	L								
26 Mar										
2 April										
9 April										
16 April										
20 April										

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