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**MIDLANDS LEAGUE 29th NOVEMBER 2025**



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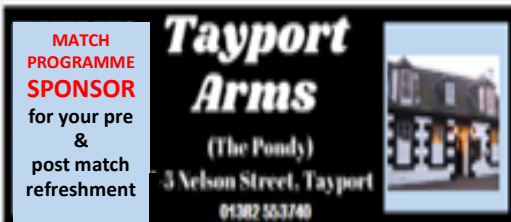
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## How Things Have Changed

As we are aware, the Scottish Junior Cup has been a victim of the Scottish Football's restructure of recent years which has seen the demise of the Scottish Junior FA. The grand old trophy has been rebranded and is now known as the Scottish Communities Cup, being run by, well, we're not sure.

One thing's for sure, the rebranded competition seems to have lost its appeal. Last Saturday's tie at Benburb was Tayport's tenth 4th round tie away to a West of Scotland based club and attendances at the previous ties have averaged 683. The attendance at New Tinto Park last week was around 50.

The prestige of the competition these days can perhaps be typified by the fact that there were no assistant referees appointed to Saturday's tie.

Clearly, with around 10 ties still to be played, the West of Scotland and East of Scotland Football Leagues are giving their domestic fixture cards priority.

### Next Week

**Saturday 6th December 1.30pm**

**Midlands League**

**Away v CARNOUSTIE PANMURE**

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**Midlands League**

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## MATCH REPORTS (4)

### SATURDAY 1st NOVEMBER - Midlands League

#### Kirrie Thistle 1-4 Tayport

Jay Yule shot to the top of the Midlands League's goalscoring charts with another four goals. Tayport held the upper hand in the first half but despite the opportunity provided by a number of set pieces, there was no return from their efforts. Tayport were rocked back on their heels when Kirrie took the lead early in the second half. Kirrie's lead served to waken Tayport up and within four minutes Jay Yule brought us level. Jay then outstripped the Kirrie defence to put 'Port ahead on the hour before completing the scoring with further goals in 74 and 80 minutes. For Jay it was an amazing eight goals in four days.

### SATURDAY 8th NOVEMBER - Midlands League

#### Lochee Harp 0-6 Tayport

This was a convincing performance from 'Port, with Kieren Crighton netting his first 'Port hat-trick. Goals from Kieran in 11 and 18 minutes put Tayport in control and in 30 minutes James Simpson made it 3-0. Within minutes it was four with Jay Yule getting into the act, heading his ninth goal in his last three games. Jamie Gill went close to a fifth with a shot which cannoned off the bar. Harp were struggling now and were unable to prevent James Simpson heading his second before Kieren completed his hat-trick in the closing minutes from Sam Simpson's cross.

### WEDNESDAY 12th NOVEMBER - Midlands League

#### Tayport 3-0 Carnoustie Panmure

More midweek League action on the Canniepairt and another three goals for Jay Yule - 12 in his last four games - to shoot him to the top of the Midlands League's goalscorers as Tayport moved third top of the table. The scoreline probably flattered Tayport somewhat as their visitors were always in contention. The goals, however, came at the right time, one at the end of each half. Carnoustie looked the more likely side in the opening stages but it was Tayport who made the breakthrough, Jay Yule heading home Sam Simpson's cross after 30 minutes. Tayport were pressing for more and were rewarded right on the whistle when Jay's opportunism made it 2-0. Carnoustie again started brightly but it was Tayport who were managing to create the better chances. It looked as if two goals would be sufficient but on 89 minutes Jay broke from his own half to complete his hat-trick.

### SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER - Midlands League

**Downfield 5-1 Tayport** Tayport were comprehensively beaten by a Spiders side whose determination to avenge their recent cup defeat, was evident from the start. Tayport lost Owen Lunan to a controversial red card after 25 minutes and that certainly didn't help Tayport's cause. Downfield were already a goal up at this point, and the loss of two quick goals shortly afterwards could probably be put down to taking time to adjust to the loss. For the second half, Tayport brought on their former striker Dale Reid as a trialist and he made his presence felt immediately, reducing the leeway with a well taken goal in the opening minutes. Hopes of a fightback were dashed when Spiders quickly regained their three goal advantage and then a fifth towards the end, saw Tayport fall to their heaviest defeat of the season to date. An afternoon to forget.

Davie Baikie's been on holiday, so no Chairman's notes today



Tayport  
from

## TODAY'S TEAMS

Broughty  
Athletic  
from



1 gk	Gary THAIN
22 gk	Jordi DUNCAN
2	Owen LUNAN
3	Nairn LOWE
4	Kieren CRIGHTON
5	Greg McCOLM
6	Jamie HUME
7	Sam SIMPSON
8	Ethan SAMSON
9	Aaron SHEPHERD
10	Jay YULE
11	Jamie GILL
12	Jamie CROWE
14	James SIMPSON
15	Stefan ELVIN
16	Ben SIVEWRIGHT
17	Andy BALLANTINE
18	Ryan SMITH
19	Dale REID
21	Jamie TIMMONS

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LEAGUE  
17/36

Saturday  
29th  
November  
2025

Referee:  
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Liam McQUEEN

Assistant 2:  
David REID

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## HEADLINES FROM HISTORY DECEMBER 1996 AND MAY 1979

# SINC STINK OVER RED RED ROSE Col blasts bad boys

SEETHING Rose gaffer Colin Sinclair blasted his bad boys after seeing two players red-carded in a stormy OVD Cup clash.

Sinclair couldn't believe his eyes when defender Paul Taylor was sent off for kicking Tayport winger Barrie Gray after a late challenge in 51 minutes. Gray, booked earlier, also went.

And Rose finished with nine men when Derek Halcrow was dismissed for elbowing Allan Ramsay late on.

Sinclair said: "Getting sent off for things like kicking and elbowing people is just silly and they are no use to us standing on the

By SCOTT CAMPBELL:  
Tayport 3 Linlithgow Rose 0

sidelines suspended. I'm very disappointed with the discipline."

The Rose boss added: "We didn't play well and they were the better side."

"They won without having to go full out which tells how disappointing we were."

### Crocked

The holders coasted into the fourth round with goals from Billy Coventry, Keith Nicolson and Stevie Ross.

Coventry's first goal of the season couldn't have come at a better time for the 29-year-old midfielder, who was crocked for two years with horrendous knee problems.

10 months ago Queen's Park FC caused one of the biggest shocks in Scottish football history when they knocked Rangers out of the 2025 Scottish Cup at Ibrox. Last night Linlithgow Rose were playing at home to Queen's Park in this season's Scottish Cup.

On **14 December 1996** Linlithgow Rose were at The Canniepairt where an official crowd of 537 had gathered to see them play Tayport in the 3rd round of the OVD Scottish Junior Cup.

Here's how Monday's reported the action



For the record, Tayport's line up that afternoon almost 30 years ago was Fraser Mann; Grant Buist, Keith Nicolson, Sean Wilkie, Grant Paterson; Billy Coventry, Allan Ramsay, Steven Stewart, Barrie Gray; Stevie Ross, and Dave Reilly.

Paul Reilly, Gary Maher and Mark Spalding were substitutes

## 47 years

ago next year, Tayport FC's Alliance XI were lifting the Midland Amateur FA's Alliance Cup for the second time in three years.

Bobby Wilson, a 1st XI regular, later to move to today's opponents Broughty Athletic and from there to Brechin City, had recently recovered from an operation, hence his inclusion in the Reserve XI, scoring the cup winning goal. Later that same week, 2nd June 1979, the 1st XI would lift the Bremner Cup to complete a Midlands AFA double.

## Last-minute goal wins cup

INVERGOWRIE A ..... 2  
TAYPORT A ..... 3

In a thrilling Alliance Cup final Tayport scored a dramatic late winner to win the Alliance Cup for the second time in three seasons.

As an exciting cup final moved into its closing seconds, Tayport mounted a final attack and scored through defender Bobby Wilson.

Tayport lined up: D. White; G. Cockburn, F. Feechan, B. Wilson, S. Hamilton; N. Downie, R. Downie, W. Lawson; J. McCafferty, R. Burns, C. Milroy; R. McCafferty, M. Lawson.

Tayport drew first blood with a superbly worked goal in 23 minutes. N. Downie fed his brother who pushed the ball to McCafferty and overlapped down the right to collect the return pass and from the cross Milroy bundled the ball home at the far post.

A disouted goal on the half hour

mark brought Invergowrie level. Tayport claimed for offside but the linesman's flag stayed down and Martin beat White with a low shot.

Tayport fell behind in the third minute of the second half. A free kick just outside the Tayport box was blasted into the wall and the ball broke to Maxwell who quickly put it behind White.

Cammy Milroy picked up a bad passback, cut into the box and slammed the ball into the corner of the net.

It was the break Tayport needed. Level at 2-2, Tayport brought on Rod McCafferty as they looked for the winner. Extra time looked a certainty as the final moved into its final minute.

Tayport won a throw-in on the left midway inside the 'Gowrie half. Hamilton threw to Wilson who pushed the ball to Milroy, took the return and slammed the ball low into the left hand corner of the goal.



## TODAY'S GAME TAYPORT v BROUGHTY ATHLETIC MIDLANDS LEAGUE - MATCH 17/36



We welcome Broughty Athletic to The Canniepairt this afternoon for what is sure to be an entertaining affair. Last time Broughty tasted league defeat was way back in mid August when defending champions North End scraped through by 1-0. And, of course, North End also pipped Broughty for last season's title by the slimmest of margins. Despite this unbeaten run, Broughty's four draws, including the two 1-1 draws with Tayport, see them trail leaders Downfield by 13 points, albeit with two games in hand.

Since we last met back in September, Broughty have strengthened their squad by signing midfielder Ryan Ferguson from Brechin City and have acquired young Dundee FC prodigy Chase Scott (right) on short term loan. Chase got the man of the match award the other week when Broughty eliminated Lochee United from the John Reilly Memorial Trophy.

Making a second home debut for Tayport this afternoon will be Dale Reid (below), recently transferred from today's opponents. Dale



netted 43 goals in 75 games here during his previous spell at Canniepairt between 2016 and 2018. Dale, cup-tied v Benburb, got down to business straight away, scoring against Downfield the previous week within five minutes of being back in a Tayport shirt.

Tayport didn't play badly in their cup loss at Benburb last week and were certainly unlucky not to take the tie to penalties but George must be concerned over the two recent league defeats, losing four goals to Lochee United and five at Downfield, games which, like today's, could be described as 'six pointers'.



## PAUL BERG of TAYPORT FC WALKING FOOTBALL CLUB WRITES...

The TFC Walking Football club is now based at the Regional Performance Centre in Dundee for the winter. Despite being indoors, it always seems colder inside than outside, but nevertheless the number of our players attending our Friday morning sessions has gradually increased, and we now get on average 22+ attendees, which allows us to create 2 pitches and 4 teams.

Each team then plays 3 x 20 minute games, and sometimes a fourth!

Anyone who attends can choose whether they play 1 game or all of them. There is no commitment to play in all of them, in fact we make sure that if a player is looking a bit tired, we suggest he sit out the next game and see how he feels after a rest. Although it is a Walking game, new players are amazed at how tiring a 20 minute game can be, especially if you haven't played any form of football for a while.

Our league season for 2005 is now over and overall it was another good year for both squads.

The **Red squad**, in the Championship division, missed out on promotion by 2 pts. In our final game we needed to win or draw against Hibs to get promoted, but although we took an early lead, Hibs fought back and beat us 2-1. However, we beat the record of conceding the fewest goals overall, just 7 in 12 games.

The newly formed **White squad** had their best season so far, finishing 5th in the Conference, losing just 3 of their 12 games. Drawing so many proved costly.

### WFS Over 50's East Championship

		GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	LINLITHGOW ROSE CFC ©	12	9	2	1	29	10	19	29
2	HIBERNIAN CF	12	7	3	2	17	11	6	24
3	TAYPORT - REDS	12	6	4	2	18	7	11	22
4	CARNOUSTIE PANMURE	12	5	1	6	21	19	2	16
5	DUNFERMLINE DYNAMOS	12	4	2	6	13	21	-8	14
6	ARBROATH - WHITES	12	2	3	7	12	17	-5	9
7	DUNDEE FC (R)	12	1	1	10	9	34	-25	4

### WFS Over 50's East Conference

		GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	FORT WILLIAM ©	12	7	3	2	23	13	10	24
2	FIFE WANDERERS	12	6	3	3	17	12	5	21
3	FORFAR NORTH	12	5	4	3	12	8	4	19
4	SAINTS IN THE COMMUNITY	12	6	1	5	14	17	-3	19
5	TAYPORT - WHITES	12	2	7	3	15	17	-2	13
6	LETHAM ANGUS	12	2	3	7	11	17	-6	9
7	FAIRFIELD MH	12	2	3	7	14	22	-8	9

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THIS WEEK'S WINNER was **No 48: KIRSTY OSWALD.**

**Others since last prog have been - Walking Football; John Morris; Albert Oswald; Brian Balfour; Bob McLean and Mick Roberts.**

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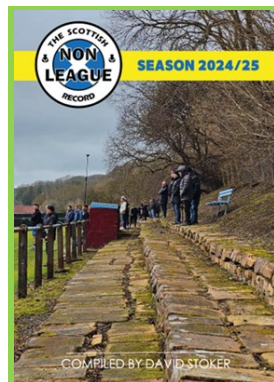
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North End	15	14	0	1	54	9	45	42
Lochee United	17	12	1	4	65	23	42	37
Tayport	17	10	2	5	47	28	19	32
Broughty Athletic	16	9	4	3	41	23	18	31
Kirrie Thistle	19	7	2	10	31	45	-14	23
East Craigie	18	4	5	9	34	49	-15	17
Carnoustie	18	5	1	12	29	46	-17	16
Lochee Harp	19	4	0	15	18	52	-34	12
Letham	17	0	1	16	14	81	-67	1



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I'd like to welcome everyone to The Canniepairt today for our game versus Broughty Athletic Football Club



Everyone at Tayport Football Club would like to wish the management, coaching staff, committee and supporters of Broughty Athletic FC all the very best for the rest of season and a safe journey home across the water after today's game.

On the playing side we still have Aaron Shepherd. Greg McColm, Fraser Burnett and Ryan Smith out injured. Jamie Hume is missing today as is Owen Lunan who is suspended for two games but Ethan Samson is back in the squad after his car crash injury. We also have Sam Simpson and Gary Thain back in the squad after missing last week's game.

We have transferred Kyle McMulkin to Dundee East Craigie FC and Nick Mann to Dundee Violet FC and we wish both players the best of luck with their new clubs. We have added ex-Tayport FC player Dale Reid to our squad. Dale was signed from today's opponents, and he will bring a wealth of experience and goals to our squad for the remainder of the season and beyond.

After some good results and two not so good results in our Scottish Cup games against Dumbarton FC and Benburb FC, the players are still full of confidence going into today's match and expect a very highly competitive game against an experienced side. Broughty Athletic FC have shown this season that on their day they can beat the best sides in our league so we know that the game today will be a tough one.

We have generally had a good start to our season with some excellent performances and are looking for consistency to challenge at the top end of the table for honours. Games like today's are a must win if we are to maintain this challenge, but we know we will have to work very hard to achieve this. We hope that all our loyal supporters get behind the team today and for the remainder of the season.

Ross, Barry, Andy, Grant, Emma and myself would like to thank everyone for their continued support and hope you all enjoy today's game.

*George*





## Dumbarton FC will always have a place in Tayport FC's history



Morgyn Neill opens the scoring at Dumbarton. Players (from left) Kieren Crighton, Jamie Simpson, Neill, Greg McColm, ex-Dundee FC player Leighton McIntosh and Stefan Elvin.

## SCOTTISH GAS SCOTTISH CUP

Although our defeat at Dumbarton FC saw us exit the Scottish Cup at the second round stage we can take a look at a selection of today's 3rd round ties which will feature clubs we have played - and in all cases beaten at some stage - in past years .

**Linlithgow Rose** v Queen's Park (played last night)

Stranraer v **Clydebank**

**Benburb** v Montrose FC

Dumbarton FC v **Auchinleck Talbot**

**Camelon** v Edinburgh City

**Tranent** v Inverness Caledonian Thistle.

**Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic** v The Spartans

**Kelty Hearts** v Brechin City

Ayr United v **Turriff United**



These clubs will be dreaming of a win and then being drawn in a 4th round tie against a Premiership club.

The rewards can be great. As well as boost in the club's profile and all that comes with it, there can be an extremely handsome financial boost.

It will be recalled that Buckie Thistle who beat Tayport en route in 2024 went to Celtic Park in round 5 and, although losing, saw their club receive a reported £200,000 - £250,000 for their efforts.



## PLAYER PROFILE

### OWEN LUNAN

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Tayport FC Debut - 9 August 2025

**Unit 1, Brewery Lane, Dundee**

Appearances to date 20 Goals 3

**D o B** 9th November 2007

**Preferred position** Centre back

**Previous clubs** Dundee Violet and Coupar Angus

**Honours won** League Cup last season with Coupar Angus

**Biggest football influences** Paul Lunan

**Where did you live as a youngster** Dundee

**Live now** Mill o' Mains, Dundee

**Schools/College** Morgan Academy

**Any jobs whilst at school** nope

**Occupation** Apprentice electrician

**Girlfriend/Wife/Partner/Children** This was left blank so we can assume it's No!

**Biggest match played in** The League Cup with Coupar Angus ( 2-1 v St James)

**Best ground/stadium in which you've played** Foxhall Park, Coupar Angus!

**Last Holiday spot** Albufeira, Portugal

**If you were to win a National Lottery or Euromillions jackpot, what's the craziest thing you might do** Go out on the drink for weeks... (only joking of course!)



MATCH REPORTS (3)

SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER  
Scottish Communities Cup [formerly the Scottish Junior Cup] Round 3  
Downfield 1 - 2 Tayport

It was nearly 33 years since Tayport and Downfield last met at Downfield in the Scottish Junior Cup, April 1993 to be precise, when 1,909 gathered to watch the quarter final replay. It finished 1-1 that afternoon after extra time but Tayport collected a substantial 4 figure cheque and a second replay. The rest, of course, is history! This game was just as close but there were about 1,600 fans missing! Greg McColm had just come off a night shift so was on the bench and Ethan Samson was missing after being involved in a mid-week car crash.

Tayport went ahead in 8 minutes with a stunning goal from Kieren Crighton who crashed home an unsavable volley from all of 35 yards. The joy was short lived as a minute later Dom Baird drilled a low shot past Gary Thain from the edge of the box. Undaunted, Tayport were soon back in front, Sam Simpson firing in a shot off the crossbar in 22 minutes. The scoring might have been finished but not the action. Thain was Tayport's saviour on several occasions in the second half as Downfield dominated play, including a magnificent save five minutes into added time. The Tayport players worked their socks off all afternoon and deserved their reward.

SATURDAY 25th OCTOBER  
Scottish Gas Scottish Cup 2nd Round  
Dumbarton FC 2 - 0 Tayport



Yes, history was made when Tayport ran out at the Marbill Stadium, participating in the 2nd round of *the* Scottish Cup for the first time, and the players did the club proud. It was always going to be a tough ask but the SPFL League 2 side knew they had been in a game. The Sons' scout had checked Tayport out and perhaps the two goals coming from far post headers, told a tale. Had Ben Sivewright's 20 minute searing drive off the bar at 0-0 been a few inches lower, the home side's confidence may well have been dented. The opening goal after 37 minutes and another early in the second period gave Tayport a task as high as Dumbarton rock which towered over the stadium, but they never gave up. Had Jamie Hume's header with 20 minutes left been a wee bit lower, then who knows...?

WEDNESDAY 29th OCTOBER  
Midlands League  
Tayport 6-2 Lochee Harp

Tayport took a break from cup football with their first floodlit action of the season, a midweek league game at home to Lochee Harp It took a changed side some time to settle and Harp took full advantage, taking the lead after only four minutes but Nick Mann soon brought the homesters level. Harp continued to threaten the home goal however, and on the half hour mark they were back in front. Tayport levelled before the break when Jamie Crowe gave the Harp keeper no chance with a fine free kick. It was the Jay Yule show in the second half with the striker hitting four goals in 30minutes as Harp were swept away to keep the points at Canniepairt.

SCOTTISH CUP 2ND ROUND

AUCHINLECK TALBOT(2) 3	GREYNA 2008.....(0) 1
McAvey (10)	Gram (68)
Schoneville (27)	
Gillies (59)	
BANKS ODEE .....(4) 4	FRASERBURGH .....(0) 0
Watson (8)	
Gilmour (23, 45)	
Pugh (44)	
BRECHIN CITY .....(0) 3	DUNDONALD B.....(0) 1
MacLeod (52)	McKenzie (78)
Findlay (59)	
McGrath (76)	
CALEDONIAN B.....(1) 3	STIRLING ALBION...(1) 4
McNeill (27)	Stewart (34 o.g.)
Walker (90)	Eadie (48)
McLaren (90)	McLean (68 pen)
	Brown (107)
AET, 90mins score 3-3	
CAMELON .....(0) 1	JOHNSTONE BURGH(0) 0
Taylor (75)	
CLACHNACUDDIN (0) 2	SAUCHIE.....(0) 0
Anderson (67, 76)	
CLYDE.....(0) 2	ANNAN ATHLETIC...(2) 3
Sutherland (54)	Gibson (14, 90)
Connell (66)	Smith (21)
CLYDEBANK .....(1) 3	EAST STIRLING .....(1) 1
Grant (31)	McCafferty (8)
Samson (68)	
Hickey-Fugaccia (90)	
CUMBERNAULD C. ....(0) 0	BONNYRIGG ROSE.(1) 2
	McGarva (6)
	Allison (59 o.g.)
DUMBARTON .....(1) 2	TAYPORT.....(0) 0
Neill (37)	
Walker (52)	
EDINBURGH CITY ...(1) 1	STIRLING UNI.....(0) 0
Lawson (37)	
ELGIN CITY .....(0) 2	DEVERONVALE.....(0) 1
Murray (62)	Angus (84)
Sargent (90)	
MUSSELBURGH ATH(1) 1	FORFAR ATHLETIC...(0) 2
Todd (43)	Morrison (46)
	Slater (87)
NAIRN COUNTY.....(0) 1	TURRIFF UNITED .....(2) 2
Barron (63 pen)	Miller (21 pen)
	Kinsella (45)
SPARTANS .....(0) 2	EAST KILBRIDE .....(1) 1
McNulty (60, 62)	Robertson (20 pen)
STRANRAER .....(2) 4	GLENAFONT AT.....(0) 0
Dolan (21)	
Currie (33 o.g.)	
Hunter (77), Edgar (90)	
TRANENT .....(1) 3	DUNDEE N END .....(0) 0
Watson (45 pen, 84 pen)	
McKinley (49)	
WICK ACADEMY ....(0) 1	BENBURB .....(0) 1
MacGregor (103)	Taggart (98)
Benburb win 8-7 on penalties.	

MATCH REPORTS (1)

SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER  
Scottish Communities Cup [formerly the Scottish Junior Cup] Round 4  
Benburb 2 - 1 Tayport

Tayport and Benburb were meeting for only the second time. The first, a Scottish Junior Cup-tie in 1992 on The Canniepairt, saw Tayport win 3-0 with goals from two club legends, Andy Sommerville and Dave Reilly (2).

Playing at the trim wee New Tinto Park in Govan, situated literally in the shadow of the M8, there was to be no repeat of that success 33 years ago. With a bit of luck, Tayport could well got the verdict in what was a keenly contested affair. In the end it was a piece of good fortune which saw the Glasgow side through to meet either Troon or Carnoustie in the next round.

Tayport were without the services of several players including keeper Gary Thain but Jordi Duncan, in for his first start since early August, was an adequate replacement.

The first half was played at a fast pace but the lack of corner kicks and shots on goal was an indication that neither side had provided much of a goal threat. From one of the few first half chances as the clocked ticked into the final minute of the half, Ben's striker McDonald found enough space in the box to put his side ahead. Tayport couldn't have asked for a better start to the second half, with an equaliser within a couple of minutes, Jamie Timmons setting up Nairn Lowe to fire home the equaliser. There were chances at both ends but it was the home side which made the breakthrough on the hour mark, when Taggart's shot was deflected past Duncan by James Simpson in an attempt to clear. Thereafter, the pace of the game slackened as the home side played out time. Tayport brought on Ethan Samson and Jamie Hume towards the end but by that time the clock was ticking ever so much faster.



Jamie Gill in action and in the background 'Port supporters at New Tinto Park. From right, Pittenweem's Alan & Robert Bryson, Abby Oswald, Doug Henderson (both of TFC's 1968 side), Jack Bremner, Fraser Anderson, Fred Bremner (1970s TFC committee) and John Anderson (present TFC vice-chairman)

Pics from New Tinto Park

right - Nairn Lowe crashes home Tayport's equaliser

Many, many pics from the tie on Tayport FC's Facebook page



