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*Ray Stewart*

Although we didn't win, I thought our performance in the 2-2 draw was the best of the season so far. However, it's results that count. There is no point in playing well and taking nothing from games, in that case managers wouldn't be in a job for too long! With Dunfermline's undoubted quality, today is a good test for us and I'm sure all the fans, just like the players, can't wait for the action to begin.



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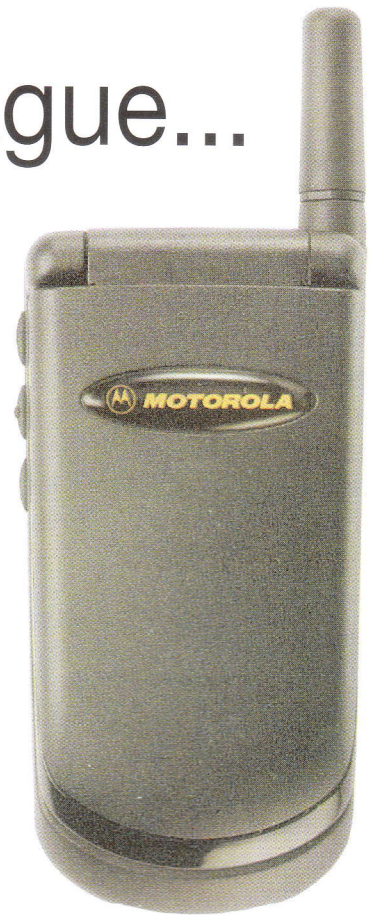
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They were here, of course, on League Cup action last season when we managed to edge them 1-0 after extra time. But today is a totally different ball game with both sides eager to pick up as many points as possible.

Of all the teams I have seen in the First Division so far during this campaign, the Pars look like they are definitely the team to beat. They have a quality side, with players such as Andy Smith, Owen Coyle and Andy Tod to name but a few.

I have some great memories of my time with Dunfermline but Livingston is my priority now. The club has come a long way in

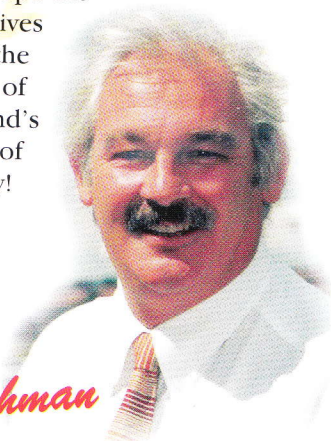
just four years, with two championships to its credit.

The lure of Premier League football at the end of this season, thanks to the extra number of promotion places available from the First Division, should ensure every club is given it 100 per cent during every match.

That is sure to be the case this afternoon and I am confident there is an excellent game of football in store.

A good crowd will be inside the Courier Stadium and I'm sure the atmosphere will be tremendous. Let's hope the game lives up to the billing of Scotland's match of the day!

*Jim Leishman*



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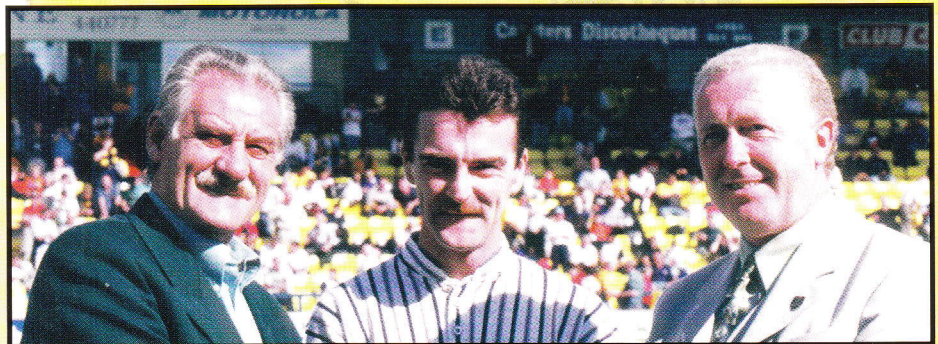
Today we will undoubtedly view the best talent which the first division has to offer. These are the games by which we will set our standards, but as I'm sure you're aware, our ambitions go a lot further; entry to the top flight and regular SPL. Action being our objective for the future.

This sort of ambition requires not only the top management and administration coaching staff which we have already put in place, but also serious financial backing. I'm sure you are aware of the plans we have for our soccer academy and soccer schools; much of which is already up and running. This year alone will see an investment of over £150,000 made in the cause of Youth development: money which, in our view, is well spent.

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## Well ....., as the saying goes; 'You had to BE there!'

Sunday is normally a reasonably quiet day, though there was not much 'quiet' in evidence at Almondvale where four of Livingston's Youth Development squads turned the dressing room area's into a hive of activity as coaches and players prepared to take part in the days scheduled fixtures.

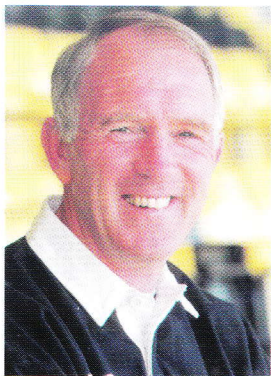
It has taken a year - and a lot of hard work from the Youth Coaching staff - to bring Livingston to a position where we can compete at almost every age-level in Scotland's senior league but, having pulled out all the stops, we are now secure in the knowledge that the essential foundations of Livingston's long-term future have finally been established.

Busying themselves in the final preparation of all manner of kit and equipment, a multitude of young, highly charged players milled around the dressing rooms in their senior sides replica strips. Their respective team coaches were just as enthusiastic - though they were perhaps suffering more from pre-match nerves than was apparent in the young charges they were trying to galvanise into appropriate age groups: for most, this day marked the beginning of the new leagues and their first taste of SFL Initiative competition.

Some say this frenetic activity is what football's all about, and I'd agree that it is a big part of the enjoyment. But if, in the long term, our coaches and scouts one day witness one of Livingston's protégés progress from the youth development system all the way to the first team - to then see him play to his expectations and get the home crowd on its feet to cheer his skills then that, I believe, is what it's really all about. And if we can complement that players achievements with the inclusion of several others - all of whom have learned their trade in Livingston's development system, then we will be doing our jobs and West Lothian will be all the richer for our endeavours.

The U16 team began their initiative league fixtures with a scheduled tie against Dunfermline at Fauldhouse. The younger Pars proved a very able and physical team; the long-ball game and tough tackling they produced during the first of three, half-hour periods certainly unsettled Livi's senior youth team and forced them to concede goals.

The second period saw a lifting of the Lions spirits and the lads began to dominate play without managing to get the ball in the net;



*Tony Taylor*

much credit to the Dunfermline goalkeeper who was in fine form. Livi continued to press throughout the final period until their persistence finally paid off: young David Ormiston was pulled down in the box with 5 mins. to go and Denis Haggart converted from the spot.

The Under 15's side were due to travel to Kilmarnock but unforeseen circumstances forced the Rugby Park authorities to postpone the fixture.

Coach Larry Haggart was well pleased with the tenacious efforts of his Under 14 side; they met Celtic at Craigswood and performed brilliantly. I have already described the many organisational problems we all experienced during a close-season of dramatic expansion within the Youth Development programme but, despite all, Coach Larry Haggart and Asst. Alan Kane have made great progress in establishing a very settled side so early in the league season.

The skills of our junior Initiative side shone brightly on Sunday - even if they played much of their game against Dundee Utd. in a downpour. Coach John McLaughlan's U13 side showed some amazing skills in a closely contested game which proved an advert for the technical side of the game: the SFL appointed referee was pleased to enjoy a free-flowing match and did little more than indicate the direction of throws.

A measure of just how far we have progressed this season is amply illustrated by the fact that our youngest squad - a U12 team coached by Mickey Lynch and asst. Bobby Wilson - also played their first competitive match of the West Lothian League season and returned a convincing 8-0 win against a battling Queensferry Thistle side. It took our youngest Lions 15 minutes to find a way past an agile Queensferry 'keeper but first scorer Andrew McQuillan went on to notch up another three strikes before full-time. He was joined on the score-sheet by youngsters Alan Urquart, Sean Jones and Barry Canning though full-back Gordon Wilson was applauded for sinking the 'goal of the game' from 25 yards in 59 minutes.

Tomorrow's fixtures are as follows: U16 v East Stirlingshire at Bonnybridge Park, 1pm; U15 v Queen of the South at Dumfries, 2pm; U14 v Albion Rovers at Morven Street, Coatbridge, 2pm; U13 v Falkirk at Fauldhouse United's Park, 12 noon; U12 v BFC Linlithgow at Bankton, 11am.



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## **Ian Westwater (Goalkeeper)**

A regular in the Pars team which moved from the Second to the Premier Division in the 1980's, Westie moved temporarily to Falkirk then Dundee before returning to East End Park in 1994. Very fit and agile, many have tried over the years but failed to remove him as first choice keeper. Unfortunately, suffered a serious ligament injury in his first outing of 1998/99 and thanks to Lee Butler's superb form was unable to regain his place.



## **Andrew Tod (Central Defender)**

Surprisingly late into the professional ranks when he signed from Kely Hearts in 1993, he has now made 200 League and Cup appearances. He is dangerous at set pieces, has a keen eye for goal, and has improved his defensive skills considerably. Injuries last season meant for the first time since arriving at the club he did not play in virtually every game.

## **Craig Ireland (Central Defender)**

Centre half who was signed from Aberdeen for a fee of £70,000 in February 1996. Craig's time with Dunfermline has been up and down but there have been periods of very good form when he has shown just what he is capable of doing. Occasionally used as a long throw expert, Craig is a strong tackling defender who is dangerous at set pieces in the opposition penalty area.

## **Jamie Squires (Central Defender)**

Signed on loan from Preston North End in March 1998, Jamie signed longer term for the Pars although he is currently on the open to transfer list. A big very solid defender, Jamie got his chance at the end of the season when Craig Robertson was injured and performed very well against Celtic. Was recommended to Dunfermline by former Pars player and Preston boss Dave Moyes. Another one who tried to establish himself in a young Pars defence, Jamie scored twice last season. A good long passer.

## **Scott Thomson (Full Back/Midfield)**

Signed on a three year deal under freedom of contract from Raith Rovers during last summer. Scott can play in a variety of positions including full back, midfield or forward on either side of the park. Has a deceptive turn of pace and a very good eye for goal which, with a bit of luck, might have seen him score more often last season. Another who could do with a full, uninterrupted season.

## **Jason Dair (Full Back/Midfield)**

One of Dick Campbell's first signings, Jason was signed from Raith Rovers for £20,000 last season. As a youngster in Jimmy Nicholl's successful Raith team of the early 90's, Jason was very highly thought of. He was part of a £1 million transfer to Millwall with Steve Crawford but returned to Raith with his old boss in 1997. His second spell there was not as good but at 25 he is just coming into his prime as a footballer.

## **Jamie Dolan (Midfield)**

Dunfermline Athletic Career: 9 appearances, 0 goals. Another of Dick Campbell's first signings, Jamie was brought to East End Park from Dundee United in February. A wholehearted and strong tackling midfielder, Jamie is also very skilful at the centre of

midfield. Spend ten years at Motherwell before moving to Tannadice.

## **Chris Templemann (Midfield)**

A product of the Dunfermline youth policy, Chris broke through in dramatic fashion last season with a Man of the Match winning performance against Dundee on his debut. Tall and gangly, Chris is very skilful for his size. He shows great maturity and coolness, and can tackle well too. Has played for Scotland Under 18" and is a great prospect for the future.

## **Chris McGroaty (Midfield)**

Another product of the Pars youth policy, Chris is a real crowd pleaser who operates a traditional role on the left wing. Willing to take on the opposition and has the ability to fire in accurate crosses. Chris will be trying to get a regular first team place this season.

## **Hamish French (Midfield/Forward)**

Signed from Dundee United for a fee of £150,000 in October 1991, Hamish is now Dunfermline's second-longest serving player. Originally with Highland League side Keith, Hamish was a late entrant into the professional game when he joined Dundee United in 1987. Always honest and hard working, Hamish is Pars current top goalscorer with 61 goals with Dunfermline. Missed much of last season through injury but has recently negotiated a new one-year contract.

## **Stewart Petrie (Forward)**

Signed from Forfar Athletic, and another who was top scorer at Station Park before his £70,000 move in August 1993. Stewart started with junior club Dundee East Craigs before spending five seasons at Forfar. He can play either through the middle, or play in wide left berth from where he can fire in telling crosses. His wide role seems to suit Pars present set-up and his driving runs always have the potential to cause havoc. Was Pars top goalscorer for two seasons, but plays the provider role now. Yet to agree a new contract.

## **Andy Smith (Forward)**

Considered by many to be one of Bert Paton's best buys, Andy was snapped up from Airdrie in July 1995. Although he suffered a broken leg in his first match, he returned to the side to play a crucial role in promotion, scoring 10 goals in 19 starts. In 1996/97, Andy was almost ever-present playing from midfield then in 1997/98 he led the line with stunning effect, scoring 26 goals. Despite being made captain at the start of the season 1998/1999, was not Andy's best season with the club. A real lionheart, Andy's aerial power makes him feared by many defenders and won him a cult p to the Scotland 'B' team.

## **Owen Coyle (Forward)**

The third of Dick Campbell's mid-season signings, many were surprised when Owen decided to opt for Dunfermline ahead of other offers he might have had. His first few months with Dunfermline did not bring the success hoped for, but Coyle is a skilful and talented player who will be a tremendous asset to the Pars in the First Division. Previously with Dumbarton, Clydebank, Airdrie, Dundee United and Bolton Wanderers in England and a former Republic of Ireland internationalist.



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## *Gullit fires the Bullet*

Magpies boss, Ruud Gullit quit St. James' Park on the morning of 28th August - the day Livi left the Lions Den to face Morton at Cappielow - reports on his movements thereafter strongly suggest that he did not manage to take-in the game.

The announcement followed hard on the heels of a disappointing string of results which had helped fuel increasing media speculation that he might be about to quit the post he had held for almost exactly a year. Newcastle - whose team-roster sports a number of top athletes such as Shearer, D. Ferguson, Ketsbaia and Dyer (none of which Ray Stewart has ever been reported as showing the slightest interest in) - had a comfortable start to the season; they toured Holland - the gaffer's former home - as part of their pre-season build-up and recorded good results against Den Bosch (W2-1), SV Deurne (W4-0) and Helmondspoort (W2-1). Things were apparently ticking along nicely - until they entered the Den!

It's fair to say that, on the evening, the Lions did a great job of clipping the Magpies wings and thereafter made a meal of them; 24th and 47th minute goals gave Livi full advantage and, despite Keiron Dyer managing to record his first goal in a Newcastle shirt, Livi kept the lead to the whistle.

Speaking after the game, Ruud Gullit was quoted as saying, "..... we all learned something, certainly I did." The word 'all' we can only speculate makes reference to those British Club managers who have yet to anticipate a visit to West Lothian, though it can perhaps be narrowed down to Scottish first division managers in particular.

## *Playing the Game*

One of the problems associated with having a large squad of players is certainly that of ensuring that they all remain match-fit. It's a problem Ray Stewart is only too well aware of - though he'd be the first to admit he'd rather have the headache of too many players - as opposed to the nightmare of having too few. Players have to play - no amount of small-side practice and training routines can compensate for the real thing and, with only three players allowed to inhabit the dug-out, it's always a struggle to keep fringe players motivated - especially when they have little option but to watch the game from the stand. Livingston have compensated by sanctioning a number of loan deals; Neil Bennett and Sean Clark have joined Montrose while Ian

Little has renewed his partnership with Alloa boss, Terry Christie.

Of the younger lads - having moved up from last year's senior youth side - Darren Baillie, Grant Laing and Chris Pickering have all joined Junior side West Calder, now managed by former Livingston United veteran Mike Lynch.

Ray has also organised a number of friendlies, to which he has invited the participation of several of Tony Taylor's current U16 squad. Match Day programme contributor Henry Rintoul, followed the Lions on their latest outing - to Pennypit Park at Prestonpans, where Livingston met Preston Athletic for an evening kick-off on Wednesday 25th August.

The game remained goalless until Craig Feroz buried a superb through-ball from Alan Sharp in the 78th minute - deserved compensation for having two previous strikes disallowed for off-side.

Craig Feroz and Brydon Fairgrieve came off shortly after to allow the last remaining subs to show what they were capable of; it proved a fortuitous substitution when Adam Moffat slung in a precision free-kick which found Denis Haggart in the danger area - he made no mistake in calculating the angles before glancing a header beyond the Preston 'keeper.

**Final Score Livingston 2 Preston Athletic 0.**

**Team:** N. Alexander, S. Clark, T. Courts, G. Watson, G. Coughlan, W. McDonald, B. Fairgrieve (U16), A. Moffat (U16), J. Robertson, C. Feroz, M. McCormick, C. Pickering, A. Sharp (U16), D. Ormiston (U16), D. Haggart (U16)

## *Captain Courageous*

Speaking with Club Captain Jim Sherry recently, he informed me that he was having to ease up on his increasingly regimented fitness programme in order to prepare for the operation - due this month - which will see the last remaining metal-work removed from the area of his knee-injury. Jim's tone suggested a growing frustration at not being able to buckle-down and work on his return to full form - I sensed that he saw the operation itself as little more than a further inconvenience to his planned preparations. One thing's for sure though - with that kind of determination driving him on, Jim's going to break all guesstimations concerning his return to the 'available for selection list' and one of his team-mates is going to turn up for a game in the not too distant future - and find their shirt missing!



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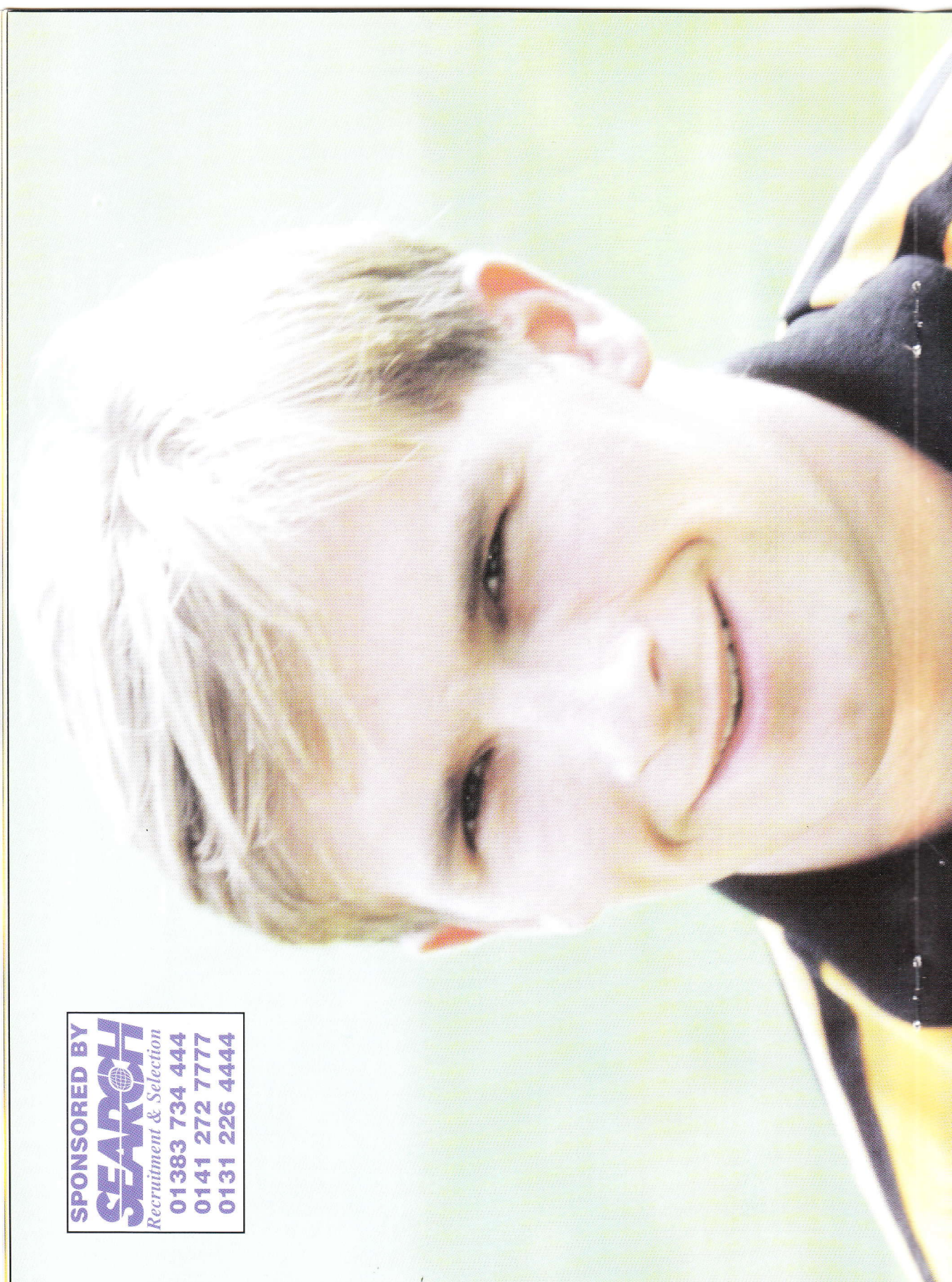


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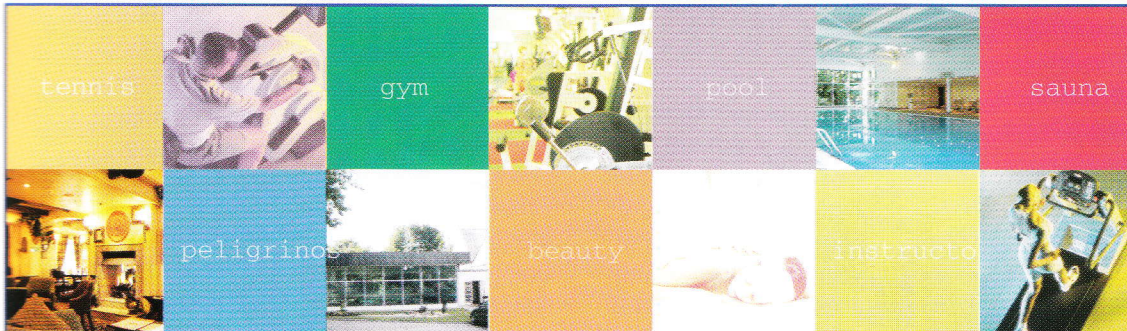
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# MATCH REPORT

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## MORTON 28TH AUGUST 1999

**W**e hammered them 2-2 could have been the cry from Livingston fans after Saturday's epic First Division encounter at Morton. As it was, the two teams had to be satisfied with a share of the spoils after serving up a four goal cracker.

Despite producing some of their best football of the season so far, the visitors threw away a two-goal advantage to come away with just one point to show for their efforts when an away win looked on the cards after just half an hour action. Marino Keith, back from the groin injury sustained in the

CIS Insurance Cup defeat by Aberdeen at Pittodrie, was quick to make his mark when he slotted the Lions' opener with 11 minutes on the clock. John Millar doubled the advantage 18 minutes later when he finished off a superb move to send the travelling army of Livi fans into raptures. That was that, another three points in the bag following victories over Ayr United and Airdrie. Or so they thought. The Lions' roars were silenced, somewhat when former Hearts ace David Murie signalled Morton's

**Supporters will have few complaints if matches in the First Division continue to serve up such excitement, although how managers will cope with the stresses and strains of it all is anybody's guess.**

intent to make a game of it when he slammed home a drive in the 39th minute, the shot being deflected by the unfortunate Paul Deas past the helpless Ian McCaldon. That set the stage for a pulsating second period and Paddy Connolly, who had joined the hosts on loan from St Johnstone only hours earlier, became an instant hero when he netted a 67th-minute leveller. McCaldon was forced to pull off a couple of

fine saves to prevent Billy Stark's crowning their tremendous fightback with a late winner but the match will probably be remembered

more for the number of occasions Livingston hit the woodwork. Former Falkirk star Keith, who was stretchered off last season at the same ground after a horror clash of heads with the home side's Derek Collins, hit the post on two occasions, while strike partners Gerry Britton, who rattled the bar, and substitute Brian McPhee were also left cursing their luck after coming so close to finding the back of the net.

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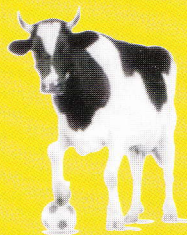
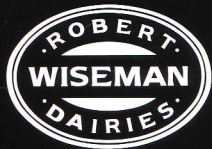
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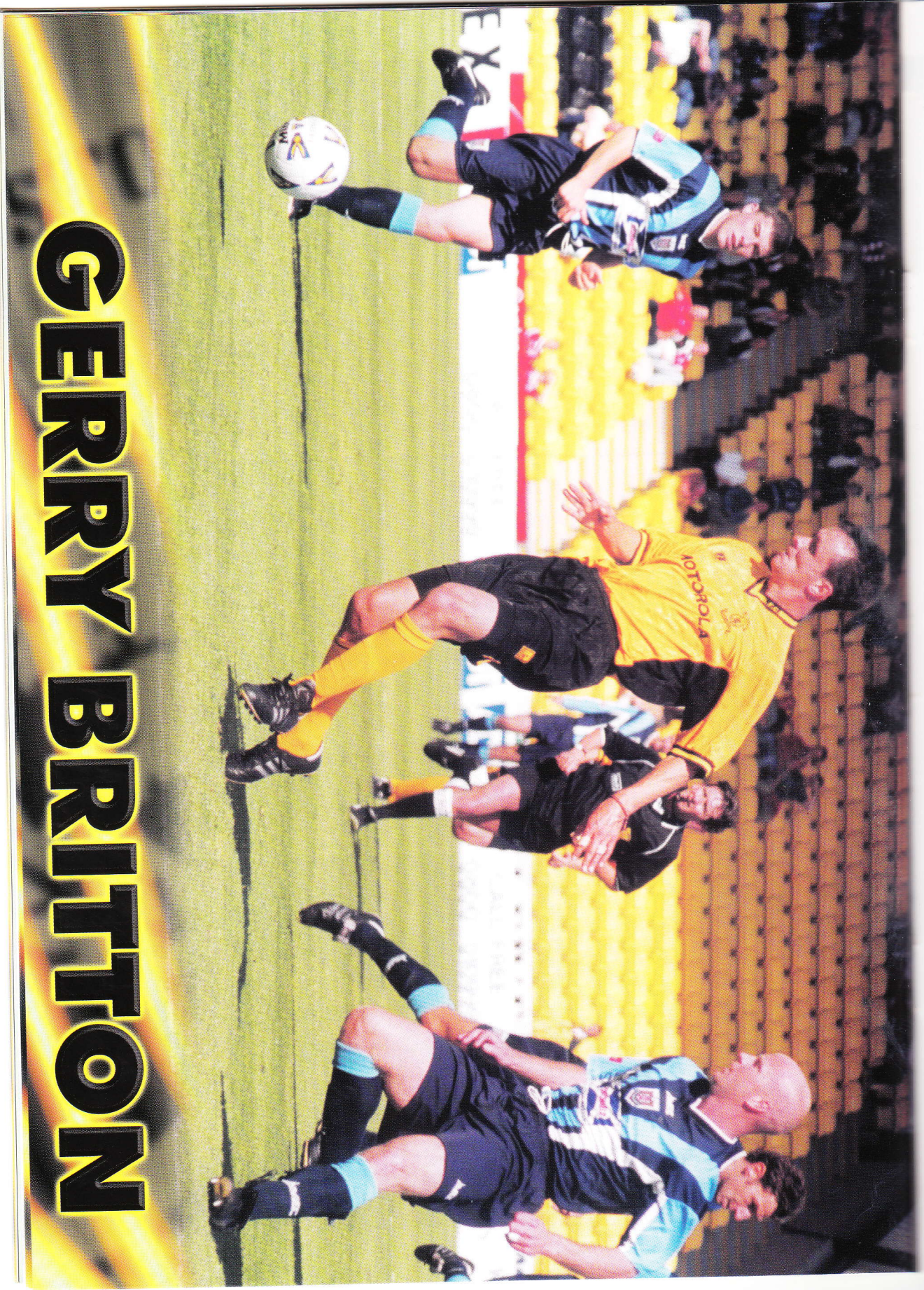
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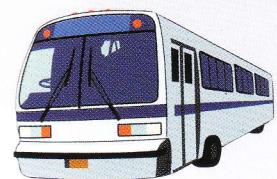
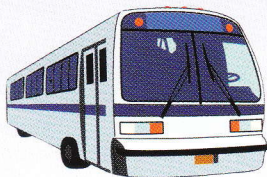
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*Despite the fact that Livingston FC is enjoying only its fifth competitive season in West Lothian, you would have to dig deep among the Club's collected memorabilia to find any reference to Meadowbank Thistle who, coincidentally, would - had they remained at Edinburgh's Commonwealth Stadium - be celebrating their silver anniversary this month.*

All those players who made the short geographic migration from Mid to West Lothian at the outset of season 95/96 have now moved on and even the badge which had identified Livi as having descended from the 'Wee Bankies' has been transformed.

But there are those who still remember. Scott Brown can count 21 consecutive seasons of involvement with the Club he first served as a ten year old ball-boy back in '78'. "It was the first game I went to. Clyde were the visitors and we lost 2-1", he recalls. "Not long after, I joined the supporters Club and travelled regularly to the away games. I also joined the supporters team and played in over 100 games as a defensive midfielder. I was employed as a steward on match days and, within a few years, went on to become chief steward. I thought it was all over when the Club made the move to West Lothian, but I was pleased to receive a letter from the Directors asking me to continue in the role."

Scott - as famous for his courteous manner as he is infamous for his encyclopaedic, first-hand knowledge of the Club - is one of the first

members of staff which any visitor taking corporate hospitality at Almondvale will meet.

He admits that, once people learn how long he has been involved with the Club, as sure as not their first question is always, 'What do you think of the changes?' So, not wanting to break the tradition, I asked him the same question.

"I think the move to Livingston has been tremendous. There was so much controversy over the dropping of the Meadowbank name - but that's the price of progress. How many people were opposed to the changes which bankruptcy forced on Newton Heath - I bet a number of them didn't fancy being called 'Manchester United'.

"The biggest difference has to be the fact that we are now playing in a purpose-built Football - rather than Athletics - stadium. I would say we now have a real, hard-core following of around 2,500 here at Almondvale, as opposed to perhaps 70 or so at Meadowbank. And look at the potential. We are competing in the players' market and bucking the trend of the majority of Scottish Clubs by attracting new support and big name players. Livingston is not just surviving - it's going forward and the momentum is still building.

"The Meadowbank era has not been eradicated; it's an integral and ever-present part of the Club's history - just as Newton Heath was to Man-U. Club's need to have energy and ambition if they have any real hope of progressing. You have to keep looking forward. There's a great buzz around this Club again and I'm determined to stay and see it go all the way."



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# MATCH STATS

PLAYER	Previous Club	App.	Sub.	Gls.	Total	Gls.	Ⓜ
NEIL ALEXANDER	Stenhousemuir	0	0	0	26	0	0
COLIN ALLISON	Livingston Y.A.	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEIL BENNETT	Stirling Albion	0	0	0	24	0	0
DAVID BINGHAM	Dunfermline Ath.	7	0	3	43	18	16
GERRY BRITTON	Dunfermline Ath.	7	0	3	7	3	15
SEAN CLARK	Livingston Y.A.	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRAHAM COUGHLAN	Blackburn Rovers	4	1	0	11	0	9
THOMAS COURTS	Livingston Y.A.	0	0	0	1	0	0
PAUL DEAS	Stirling Albion	7	0	0	50	5	15
CRAIG FERROZ	Brechin City	0	0	0	15	1	0
DEREK FLEMING	Dundee	2	2	0	32	6	7
MARINO KEITH	Falkirk.	4	1	2	5	2	7
PATRICK KELLY	Newcastle Utd.	7	0	0	7	0	15
CHARLES KING	St. Johnstone	5	2	0	38	9	14
IAN LITTLE	Stenhousemuir	1	1	0	24	1	4
JOHN MILLAR	Raith Rovers	7	0	1	45	7	15
MARC MILLAR	Dunfermline Ath.	6	0	0	6	0	14
IAN McCALDON	Easthouses U21	7	0	0	66	0	15
GRANT MCCANN	West Ham Utd.	0	1	0	1	0	0
MARK MCCORMICK	Hutchison Vale	1	2	0	46	5	5
WILLIAM McDONALD	Dunfermline Ath.	1	3	0	9	0	4
ALLAN McMANUS	Heart of Midlothian	5	0	0	41	1	8
BRIAN McPHEE	Airdrieonians	1	4	2	41	11	10
JOHN ROBERTSON	Heart of Midlothian	0	4	0	48	15	4
JIM SHERRY	Hamilton Accies.	0	0	0	23	4	0
SEAN SWEENEY	Airdrieonians	3	0	1	16	1	8
GREGG WATSON	Partick Thistle	2	0	0	37	1	7

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Falkirk	4	2	1	1	8	8	0	7
Morton	4	1	2	1	7	6	+1	5
Raith Rovers	4	1	2	1	6	9	-3	05
Airdrieonians	4	1	1	2	5	9	-4	4
Ayr United	4	1	1	2	4	5	-1	4
Clydebank	4	0	2	2	3	6	-3	2
Inv. Caley Thistle	4	0	0	4	4	11	-8	0

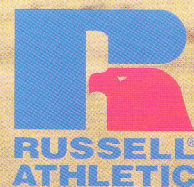
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DATE	OPPONENTS	SCORE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15
31 JUL	COWDENHEATH L.C. 1ST W. 2-0		MCCALDAN	KELLY	DEAS	WATSON	COUGHLAN	J. MILLAR	MCKORMICK	M. MILLAR	BRITTON 2	BINGHAM	LITTLE	MCDONALD(1)	KING(7)	REITH(9)
7 AUG	RAITH ROVERS	D 1-1	MCCALDAN	KELLY	DEAS	WATSON	COUGHLAN(O)	J. MILLAR	KING	M. MILLAR(O)	BRITTON	BINGHAM	KEITH(O)	LITTLE(2)	MCKORMICK(O)	MCDONALD(O)
14	AYR UNITED	W 2-1	MCCALDAN	KELLY(O)	DEAS	MCMANIS	COUGHLAN	J. MILLAR	KING	M. MILLAR	BRITTON	BINGHAM	KEITH	ROBERTSON(O)	MCPHEE(O)	FLEMING(O)
18	SCOTTISH L.C. 2ND	L 0-1	MCCALDAN	KELLY(O)	DEAS	MCMANIS	COUGHLAN	J. MILLAR(O)	KING	M. MILLAR	BRITTON	BINGHAM	FLEMING(O)	ROBERTSON(O)	MCPHEE(1)	FLEMING(6)
21	AIRDRIEONIANS	W 3-0	MCCALDAN	KELLY	DEAS	MCMANIS	SWEENEY	J. MILLAR	MCPHEE	MCCALDAN(O)	BRITTON	BINGHAM 2	FLEMING	ROBERTSON(O)	MCDONALD	MCPHEE(7) 2
24	BERWICK C.C. 2ND	W 2-1	MCCALDAN	KELLY	DEAS	MCMANIS	SWEENEY	J. MILLAR	KING	M. MILLAR	BRITTON	BINGHAM	KEITH	MCPHEE(7)	MCCANN(O)	COUGHLAN(O)
28	MORTON	D 2-2	MCCALDAN(O)	KELLY	DEAS	MCMANIS(O)	SWEENEY	J. MILLAR	KING	M. MILLAR	BRITTON	BINGHAM	KEITH	MCPHEE(7)	MCCANN(O)	COUGHLAN(O)
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18	INVERNESS CALEY															
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19	SCOTTISH CUP - 4TH ROUND															
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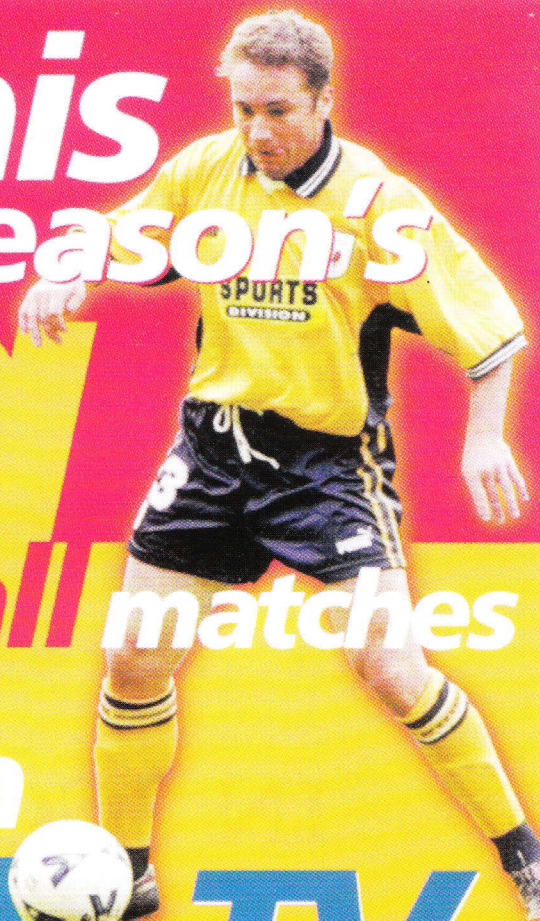
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