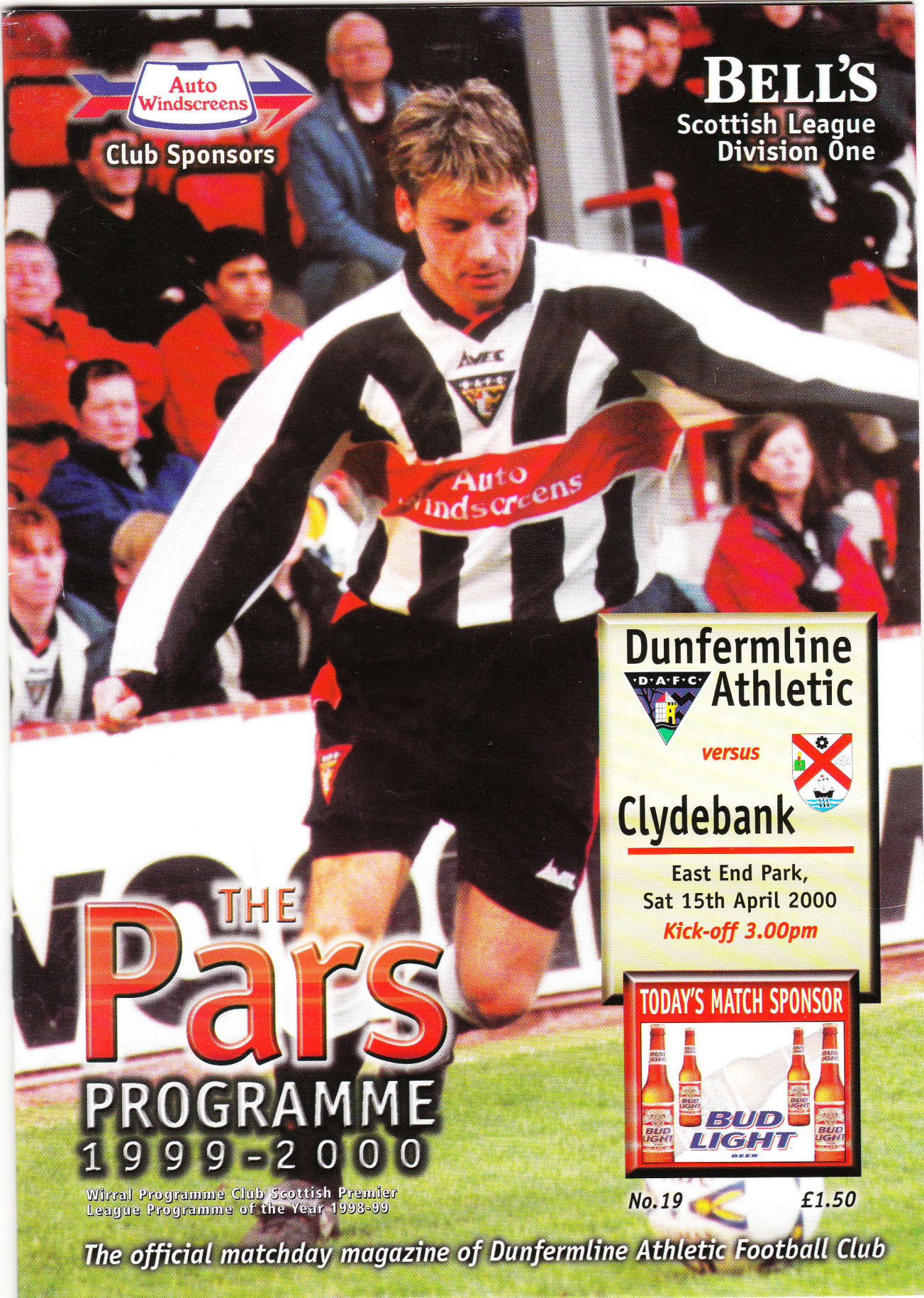




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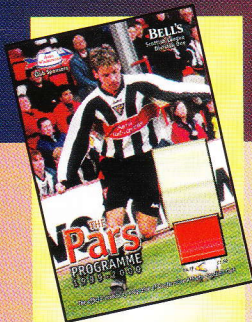
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Champions: 1925/26
Runners-Up: 1912/13,
1933/34, 1954/55, 1957/58,
1972/73

Scottish League 2nd Division

Champions: 1985/86
Runners-Up: 1978/79

Scottish Cup

Winners: 1961, 1968
Runners-Up: 1965
Semi-Finalists: 1964, 1966

Scottish League Cup

Runners-Up: 1949/50, 1991/92
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1996/97, 1997/98

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Jim Calderwood...

I HAVE BEEN VERY HAPPY with our overall performances in recent matches, and feel, with the exception of the Raith Rovers game, that we are now beginning to perform at the level that we are capable of.

The matches against Livingston and Ayr were good professional performances against two good teams. Against Livingston, we were helped tremendously by the pitch at East End Park which was in immaculate condition. This allowed us in good conditions to play a one touch passing game, and it worked very well. The only problem was when Livingston scored through our own goal - you could hear the anxiety coming from the stands when they scored! Fortunately, we took it in our stride and in the end could have scored more than the four goals we did.

At Ayr in midweek, we lost too many battles in midfield in the first half. In the second half we upped the pace and were able to get down the right hand side a lot more, especially through Michel Doesburg, and that proved to

be telling in the end. Gordon Dalziel's team are not a bad team at all - they like to attack the opposition and will give any team problems which is what made the result all the more satisfying.

The team are growing in confidence just now and that also rubs off on the fans who I've been glad to hear in positive voice. Defensively we are looking composed with Michel fitting in well and Justin Skinner looking the part. John Potter's just won the Player of the Month Award and Scott Thomson has fitted well into yet another role!

In midfield, Eddie May has had a new lease of life in the last couple of games. He was working hard in the Reserves and came in when David Moss was injured. We've often discussed what his best position is but he's never really had the chance to show it until now. He is comfortable on the ball and definitely brings another dimension to our play. The same can be said about Davie Moss who is always a danger with his aerial ability, so it's a nice problem to have. Stewart Petrie too has shown his quality in recent games and for me he was probably our best player against Livingston. His work rate has been tremendous.

Add the quality of our strike force where you could perm any two from four, and you can see that I'm enjoying our football at the moment. But it is important that we don't get too carried away - over-confidence and complacency are even bigger problems if we allow them to be, and that is why I am not going in to today's game expecting a barrowload of goals. Clydebank may be relegated, but they have given all of the teams at the top of the division a run for their money in recent weeks. Now that relegation is official, the pressure's off and that's when they could be at their most dangerous.

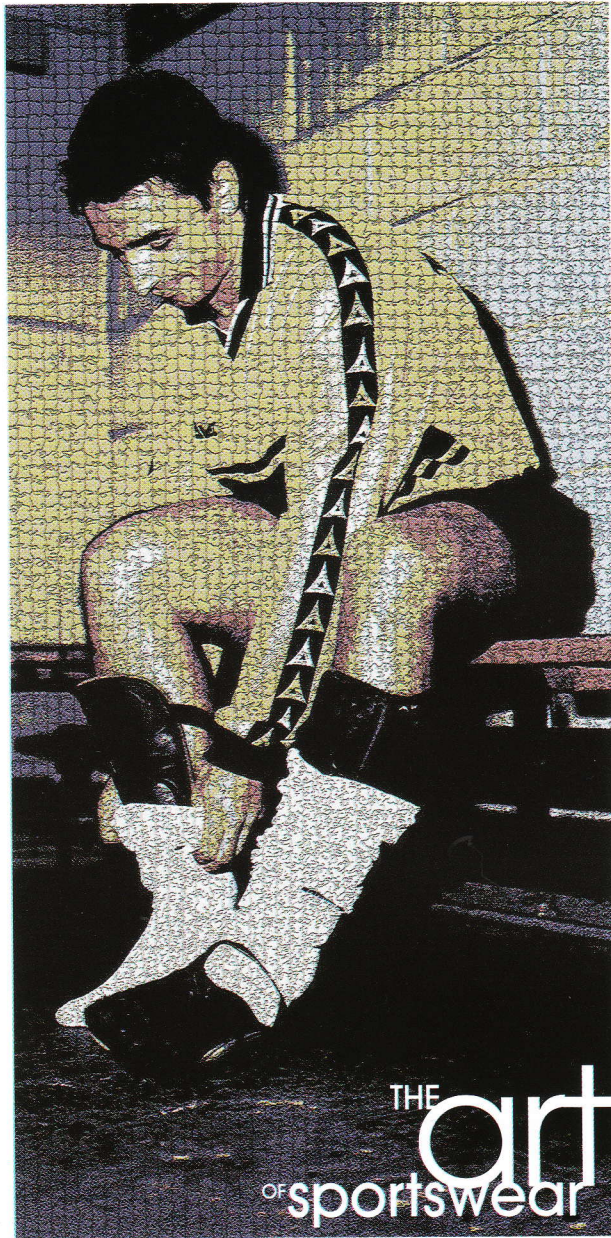
I'd like to thank the fans who've backed us so well recently. We need their support and patience today as much as ever. With the generous gesture from the Board to reduce prices for today's game, I hope that we can get a decent crowd and a good atmosphere. With a little help from other places we might still be in with a shout for what we want most - the First Division title.



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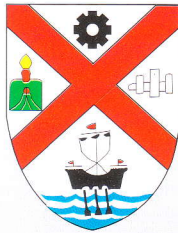
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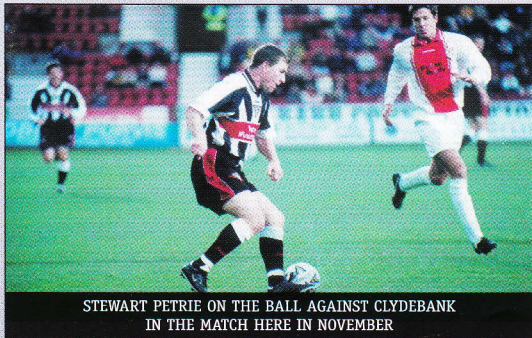
LAST WEEKEND THE INEVITABLE happened when Clydebank became the first team in Scotland to be officially relegated. It has been a truly awful season for Bankies fans, having spent another season homeless with an owner John Hall who doesn't want to know them any more. They lost manager Ian McCall mid season to rivals Morton, have lost a huge chunk of their fan base, and have been lucky to put eleven fit men on the park at times. They have also won only once in 32 league outings all season.

A recipe for a massive win? Well actually, no. You see, despite Clydebank's abysmal record and all the problems that have beset them all season, they have competed really well - particularly since the popular former Pars midfielder Stevie Morrison took over the managerial reins. Anybody doubting this needs only look at Bankies recent form. Putting the 'fluke' 8-0 loss (and the score was a fluke!) to St Mirren to one side, Clydebank have given almost every side they have played a fright. Last week they lost 2-1 to Livingston, and then before that they recorded the following scores in March against Pars promotion rivals - 0-1 (Falkirk), 0-0 (St Mirren), 2-1 (Raith Rovers). Indeed, if Dunfermline do win promotion, they might yet owe a huge debt of gratitude to Stevie Morrison's side after they took points from St Mirren and Raith!

Dunfermline's last match against Clydebank here was hardly inspirational either with a narrow 2-1 win all that the Pars could muster for their efforts. Coach Jimmy Calderwood will be looking for more than that today as he tries to improve Dunfermline's goal difference in the final run in, but Pars fans will not have to be too impatient because the Bankies defensive record is a respectable one.

In goals they will have **STEVE HUTCHISON** who has replaced the injured Colin Scott. He has performed really well with a string of fine performances most notably the shut-out against St Mirren.

The defence has not been badly breached all season (with the exception of that St Mirren hiding), thanks to the inclusion of a



STEWART PETRIE ON THE BALL AGAINST CLYDEBANK IN THE MATCH HERE IN NOVEMBER



number of older experienced players. **FRASER WISHART** is one such

player. A vastly experienced 35 year old full back who came to prominence as a youngster with Motherwell where arguably he played some of his best football before signing for St Mirren in 1989. He moved from Love Street to sign for Falkirk, Rangers (a short but successful spell), Hearts and Motherwell again before joining the Bankies in 1997. These days, Fraser doubles his playing duties with those of being Clydebank's first team coach.

Another of the old war horses is centre half **KENNY BRANNIGAN**. He'll also be 35 in June and has returned to Clydebank after a short spell at Firhill with Partick Thistle as Player/Coach. His lengthy and occasionally controversial playing career includes spells with Queens Park, Kilmarnock, Falkirk, East Stirling, Stranraer and Stenhousemuir. A solid defender who will make life difficult for any opponent.

The Bankies defence also have youth on their side with manager Stevie Morrison striking a deal with Hibernian to keep tall 18 year old **LIAM O'SULLIVAN** on loan until the end of the season.

The Bankies midfield will include **JAMES MCKINSTREY**. With the club for two years having signed in October 1997, this versatile player can occupy a number of positions. Originally signed from Irvine Meadow, 20 year old James has established a regular first team place for himself this season. He will be joined by Bankies top goal scorer this season, **IAN CAMERON**. 34 at the end of the summer, Ian signed from Raith Rovers during the close season. His direct running and occasionally spectacular shooting will always pose a threat to opposing defences and he has five goals to his credit this season. He counts St Mirren, Aberdeen and Hibs among his former clubs. Another likely candidate for a midfield place is **MARTIN O'NEILL**. Martin is a 24 year old of whom great things were thought in his early years at Clyde. Signed in the summer from Premier League Kilmarnock.

Clydebank's biggest problems this season have come from having real difficulties in putting the ball in the net. A total of seventeen goals in 32 league matches goes a long way to explaining why they find themselves in the position they are. Among those trying hard to change that is **LEE GARDNER**. The 29 year old is a fast striker who can cause problems for opposing defenders, Lee has been virtually ever-present for Bankies since signing for them in July last year from Albion Rovers. Previously with Meadowbank Thistle and Arbroath.

DANIEL MCKELVIE is a 19 year old forward who made his first full start for Bankies this season. Daniel made a number of appearances from the sub's bench last season and has been more prominent this time around. Signed from Ayrshire junior side Beith in September 1998. On the bench last week was **GREG MILLER**. One of Ian McCall's summer signings, Greg moved to Clydebank from Motherwell. The 24 year old had also previously been with Livingston.

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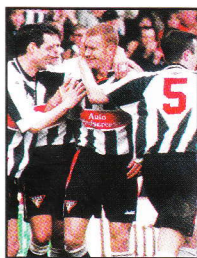
BELL'S FIRST DIVISION PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Our warmest congratulations to John Potter who has won the First Division Player of the Month Award for March from League sponsors Bell's.

Just when we wondered if Dunfermline players (or managers) were ever going to feature in these awards again, John has gained this most well deserved accolade. The 20 year old central defender was signed from Celtic in September after failing to make the breakthrough at Parkhead, but few people would have expected him to make so much progress so quickly. Not only has he established a regular place for himself in the Pars first team, but he is now looking like the club's most accomplished defender.

Coach Jimmy Calderwood, who has been fulsome in his praise of the young player, said this week, "This is a great achievement for the lad. He is a great professional with a good future in the game. He is no Big Time Charlie - he just gets on with the game and you never hear him. He's had a good season with us."

We know we've said these kind of things before (and usually to no avail!), but it might just about be time for the Scotland manager to have a look at one of the best Under 21 prospects around - are you watching, Craig Brown?



LEE BULLEN IS CONGRATULATED BY HIS TEAM MATES AFTER HIS SPECTACULAR GOAL AGAINST LIVINGSTON BUT TODAY HE RECEIVES ANOTHER AWARD

In third place was Owen Coyle with his second minute goal against Falkirk in November. Even faster was Steve Hampshire's strike against the same club in the match here in January - that one was timed at one minute. But the fastest of the lot - inside one minute - was Lee Bullen's glorious header against Airdrie at the Shyberry Excelsior in February.

It's not been a bad start for Lee at East End Park, and today he will get at least one reward for his efforts

when he takes home the Bill Hogg Trophy!

NEW SIGNINGS

Coach Jim Calderwood has already made it clear that he intends to make quick inroads into improving his squad in the coming weeks in preparation for next season - regardless of where that might be!

The good news is that he has already gone some way towards making that happen. Full back Michel Doesburg has maybe only recently signed but he has taken no time to convince the Coach and the fans that he is worth keeping for longer than his original contract until the end of the season. Michel has made a great start to his career here and was in fine form at Ayr on Tuesday. Now he has signed for a further two years, a move which has pleased Jim Calderwood following the Dutchman's good form since arriving at Dunfermline.

At the time of writing it looks very much as if another Dutchman will be joining Michel in the Pars defence. The much publicised move for defender Robert Loontjens appeared to have succeeded although there was still some points to be finalised. Loontjens, from FC Cambuur, is a left sided player who can occupy a number of positions including left back, left central defence, and left midfield. Under the Bosman ruling he is a free agent, and despite much interest from other Dutch clubs it appeared that he would sign a three year deal at the end of the week.

Finally on the contract front, discussions have been taking place with Lee Bullen and Kris Mampaey about their futures with the club, and a meeting has been planned with Steve Crawford. There's no doubt about it - Jim Calderwood does not intend to hang around! We'll keep you posted on any new developments.

AND FINALLY...

Well done to young striker Colin Nish who continues to impress in his loan spell with Second Division Alloa Athletic. At the same time as Dunfermline were winning at Ayr on Tuesday, Colin was helping Alloa to consolidate their promotion push with two goals in their victory. Well done, Colin!

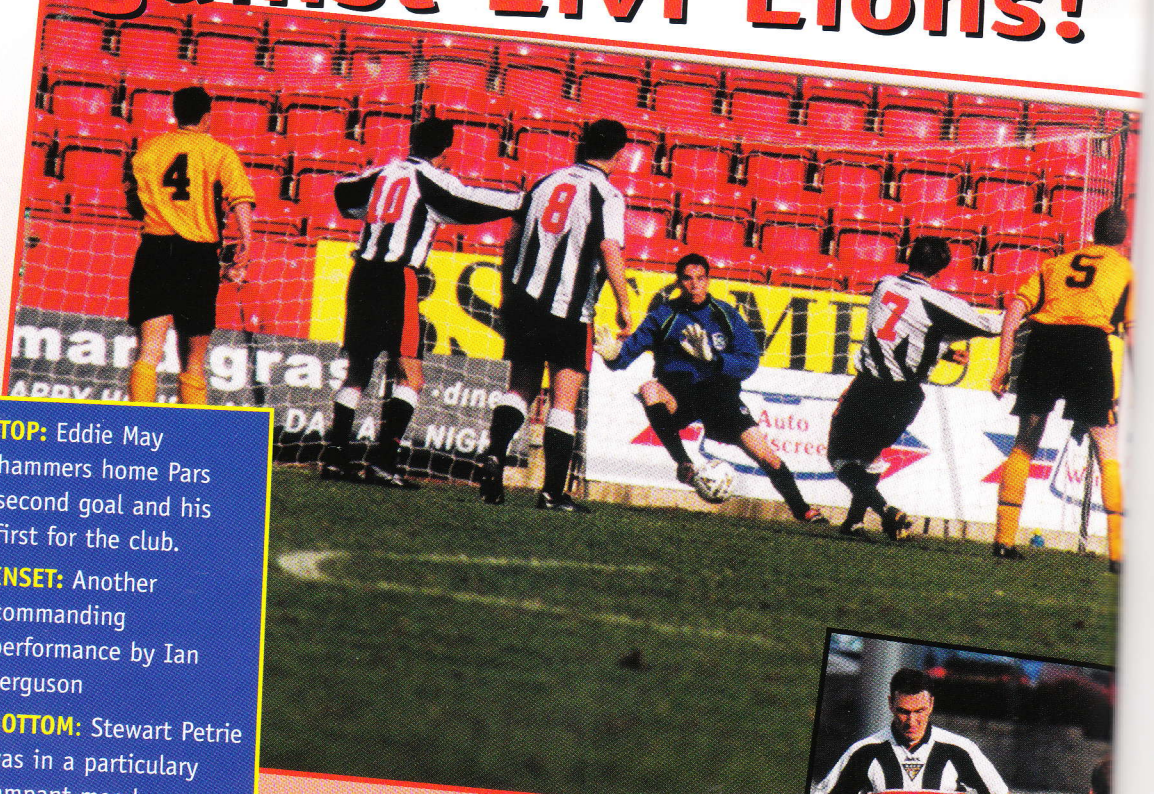


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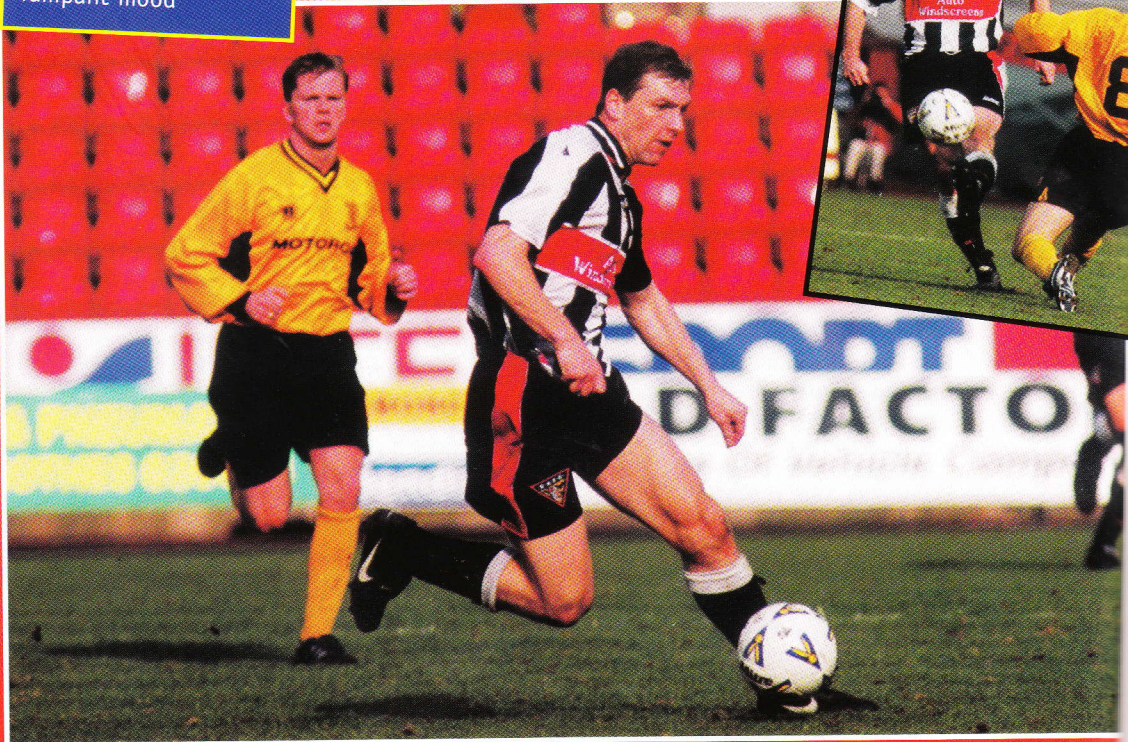
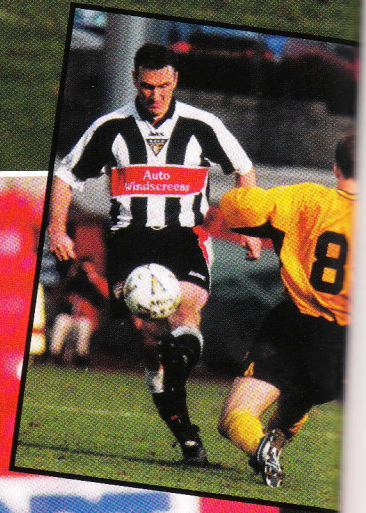


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Pars rampant against Livi Lions!



TOP: Eddie May hammers home Pars second goal and his first for the club.
INSET: Another commanding performance by Ian Ferguson
BOTTOM: Stewart Petrie was in a particularly rampant mood





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1999/2000 APPEARANCES & GOALSCORERS

	League		League Cup		Challenge Cup		Scottish Cup		TOTALS	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Lee Bullen	7(2)	5	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	7(2)	5
Owen Coyle	21(5)	9	2(0)	2	1(0)	2	0(1)	0	24(6)	13
Stephen Crawford	21(0)	14	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	21(0)	14
Jason Dair	19(2)	1	2(0)	0	0(0)	0	1(0)	0	22(2)	1
Michael Doesburg	3(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	3(0)	0
Jamie Dolan	18(0)	0	2(0)	0	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	22(0)	0
Ian Ferguson	10(0)	1	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	1(0)	0	11(0)	1
Hamish French	11(8)	3	2(0)	0	0(1)	0	0(0)	0	13(9)	3
David Graham	0(13)	1	1(0)	0	0(1)	0	1(0)	1	2(14)	2
Steve Hampshire	11(7)	3	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	1(0)	0	12(7)	3
Richard Huxford	2(0)	1	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	2(0)	1
Craig Ireland	1(2)	0	0(1)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	1(3)	0
Kris Mampaey	11(0)	3*	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	1(0)	0	12(0)	3*
Eddie May	17(4)	1	1(1)	0	1(0)	0	0(0)	0	19(5)	1
Chris McGroarty	12(7)	0	0(2)	0	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	14(9)	0
David Moss	18(5)	5	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(1)	0	18(6)	5
Colin Nish	0(2)	0	0(1)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(3)	0
Stewart Petrie	28(0)	3	2(0)	1	0(0)	0	1(0)	0	31(0)	4
John Potter	13(4)	1	1(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	14(4)	1
Brian Reid	21(0)	3	2(0)	0	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	25(0)	3
Greg Shields	3(0)	0	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	0(0)	0	5(0)	0
Justin Skinner	22(2)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	0(0)	0	22(2)	0
Andy Smith	11(1)	4	2(0)	1	1(0)	0	0(0)	0	14(1)	5
Scott Thomson	24(1)	1	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	27(1)	1
Andy Tod	27(2)	1	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	1(0)	0	30(2)	1
Ian Westwater	21(0)	7*	2(0)	1*	1(0)	0	0(0)	0	24(0)	8*

Correct at 15th April, 2000. Brackets indicate appearances as substitute.
*Denotes shut-out by goalkeeper.

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	HOME						AWAY						Pts	GD
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A			
St Mirren	32	11	3	3	39	19	9	4	2	29	13	67	36	
Dunfermline	32	8	7	1	27	13	9	4	3	30	17	62	27	
Falkirk	32	10	1	5	35	21	8	5	3	24	14	60	24	
Raith	32	11	2	3	34	18	6	5	5	20	15	58	21	
Livingston	32	8	5	3	25	14	8	2	6	26	27	55	10	
Inverness CT	32	6	6	3	27	18	6	3	8	24	28	45	5	
Ayr	32	6	2	8	21	19	3	5	8	14	24	34	-8	
Morton	32	6	3	6	19	19	2	3	12	20	38	30	-18	
Airdrie	32	4	4	8	15	24	2	3	11	9	41	25	-41	
Clydebank	32	1	3	13	11	37	0	2	13	6	36	8	-56	

	DATE	VERSUS	VENUE	RES.	ATTND.	1	
Aug	Sat 07	Inverness Cal. Thistle	H	4-0	4,685	Westwater	
	Tue 10	Morton	Bells Cup 1	H	2-2	2,893	Westwater
	Sat 14	Airdrieonians	A	2-2	2,872	Westwater	
	Wed 18	Queens Park	CIS Cup 2	H	4-0	2,596	Westwater
	Sat 21	Morton	H	2-1	4,036	Westwater	
	Sat 28	Falkirk	H	1-1	6,520	Westwater	
Sep	Sat 04	Livingston	A	1-0	5,798	Westwater	
	Sat 11	St. Mirren	H	1-1	6,220	Westwater	
	Sat 18	Raith Rovers	A	2-2	6,087	Westwater	
	Sat 25	Ayr United	H	2-1	4,051	Westwater	
Oct	Sat 09	Clydebank at Cappielow	A	4-1	560	Westwater	
	Wed 12	Rangers (CIS Cup 3)	A	0-1	30,024	Westwater	
	Sat 16	Airdrieonians	H	0-0	3,964	Westwater	
	Sat 23	Inverness Cal. Thistle	A	1-1	3,016	Westwater	
	Sat 30	St. Mirren	A	1-3	6,130	Westwater	
Nov	Sat 06	Raith Rovers	H	1-1	6,889	Westwater	
	Sun 14	Livingston	H	3-0	4,163	Westwater	
	Sat 20	Falkirk	A	3-1	4,229	Westwater	
	Sat 27	Clydebank	H	2-1	4,224	Westwater	
Dec	Sat 04	Ayr United	A	3-0	2,113	Westwater	
	Sat 11	Morton	A	3-0	2,200	Westwater	
	Sat 18	Inverness Cal. Thistle	H	1-0	3,775	Westwater	
Jan	Mon 03	Raith Rovers	A	0-3	7,463	Westwater	
	Sat 08	Livingston	A	0-1	4,418	Westwater	
	Sat 15	Falkirk	H	2-2	7,233	Mampaey	
	Sat 22	Ayr United	H	2-0	3,684	Mampaey	
	Sat 29	Hibernian (SC Rd 3)	A	1-4	10,863	Mampaey	
Feb	Sat 05	Clydebank at Cappielow	A	3-1	611	Mampaey	
	Sat 12	Morton	H	1-1	4,289	Mampaey	
	Sat 19	St. Mirren	H	1-1	7,132	Mampaey	
	Sat 26	Airdrieonians	A	2-1	2,304	Mampaey	
Mar	Sat 04	St. Mirren	A	2-0	6,938	Mampaey	
	Sat 18	Raith Rovers	H	0-2	6,694	Mampaey	
	Sat 25	Falkirk	A	1-1	5,242	Mampaey	
Apr	Sat 01	Livingston	H	4-1	4,337	Mampaey	
	Tue 11	Ayr United	A	2-0	1,798	Mampaey	
	Sat 15	Clydebank	H				
	Sat 22	Inverness Cal. Thistle	A				
	Sat 29	Airdrieonians	H				
May	Sat 06	Morton	A				

KEY TO STATS

Goalscorers (and the number of goals scored) are noted in capitals. The first named substitute is No.12, the second named No.14 and third is named No.15. If a substitute is brought on, the number of the player he has replaced appears in brackets after his name. If no such number appears, the player has remained on the bench, and this does not constitute a substitute appearance.

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Owen COYLE	Dunfermline	9	2	2	0	13
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Barry WILSON	Inverness CT	10	1	1	1	13
Glynn HURST	Ayr United	12	0	0	0	12
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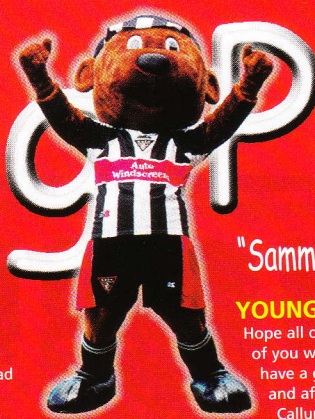


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Hi Folks

Well there seems to have been more happening recently than we have had space to write about in the match day programme. As usual I've been enjoying myself getting out and about and meeting some of my adoring fans! I especially enjoyed meeting little Mark McLaren at a recent photo shoot publicising the latest Young Pars event (which you can read about in their column).

You will no doubt recall (or have seen the pictures in the Extra) that I also attended the opening ceremony for the brand new Supporters Wall in the concourse of the Norrie Stand! I was looking at all the names and thinking how great it is for all these people to know that no matter where they are, there will always be a little bit of them still at East End Park!

At the last game against Livingston we welcomed our first opposing team mascot to East End - Livi The Lion. I wanted to do a little exchange of strips prior to coming out as an April Fool prank, but when I saw his strip I soon changed my mind! The April Fool was replaced with our Max Bygraves tribute - to the sound of him singing "You need hands"! I really enjoyed the routine, but especially the tap-dancing bit. I was concentrating so much on getting all my clicks and taps in the right places I didn't notice how the Lion got on! Maybe you could all write to me and tell me what you thought of his performance!

We did a brand new routine with the entrance of the ball boys as well now that the changing rooms have moved it seemed like a good time to try something different. I must say a huge thanks to everyone who showed their appreciation by clapping the ball boys and girls round the track! Keep up the support guys - I'm sure the kids loved it! Finally, at the last home game against Livingston we heard a bit of singing and noise from the Norrie McCathie Stand. It was great to hear an atmosphere inside East End again, so let's see a repeat of that today when you all cheer on the team with this Selected Sammy Song which should be sung as loud and as often as you can

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YOUNG PARS NEWS

Hope all of you enjoyed your school holidays. Did those of you who took part in our Easter Coaching Sessions have a good time? For once we had a lovely DRY day and after a slightly delayed start (many thanks to Callum Shaw's dad for becoming temporary Coach! And thanks to Michael Russell's mum for helping

with communications!) our Young Pars had an absolutely brilliant time. What would we do without you parents! Our sincere thanks go to John Ritchie and his squad of YTS players for taking the Sessions and providing our Members with two hours of great active fun.

We must mention a super letter we received from Fraser Semple, who asked us to pass on his thanks to John Ritchie and his squad for a "really good afternoon, John Ritchie was great!" Praise indeed, John! Since these Sessions have been such a success we would hope to repeat them next Season so watch this space!

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ITS PARTY TIME!

Today we hope that all of you have a super day at our special End of Season Event. We have loads of things lined up for you - face painting, free raffles, goodie bags for everyone, a chance to meet some of the Players and much, much more!! A very special Young Pars Membership Draw will be made and the lucky Young Par who wins will receive Chris Templeman's shirt. As you all know, the Young Pars sponsored Chris this Season and this prize is very special indeed. Good Luck to all of you!

Please give plenty of encouragement to our Young Pars Penalty Kick Semi-Finalists today at half-time. Today we have Kevin Campbell, Ross Martin and Chris Hughes - Good Luck, boys!

Another reminder to those of you who still have to hand in Sponsor Sheets for our "Guess the Gate" Competition - these have to be given to any Committee Member before Kick Off time at the forthcoming Airdrie game.

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Only time will tell over the next four weeks whether Premier League football is a certainty at East End Park next season, or indeed if today's subject will be with us on the same terms, but Steve Crawford has played a massive part in the Athletic's drive for the top league. He spoke to Bob Storie in a recent interview to outline his hopes and wishes for a continued future with the club....

Our recent games have gone well for us - are the lads happy with the performances?

"In actual fact, we were a wee bit disappointed not to get the win at Brockville, as we felt we played quite well on the day. Mossy had scored a great goal, and it looked like it might be enough, but we lost the late equaliser, and had to settle for the draw. Mind you, that was no disgrace, as Falkirk were on a great run of results, and were driving to be the form side in the division. It's wins we need if we're to fight it out for the top spot - only St Mirren got the benefit out of the result! The Livi game was a much happier match for all of us, as we desperately needed to get the Raith Rovers game out of our systems - we were all over the team, and we owed it to our own supporters to get a convincing result. It's been a fair while since we had such a big margin of a win, and we needed to put in a good show for ourselves just as much as for our fans."

The run-in is against the bottom half of the league - does that make it any easier?

"Speaking just for me, no, I don't think so. In fact it just might be that the wee bit tougher for us. We're on a hiding to nothing in these games, as these sides will be looking to put in a strong finish to their seasons - we certainly won't be relaxing our game, as we have set ourselves the target of going for promotion as champions - we want to go up as winners, not as potential runners-up! The likes of Inverness Caley will have a point to prove in their first season here, and want to finish as high as they can. Airdrie are fighting for their very existence, and Clydebank will be under no pressure, as they're aware of their fate for next season. We'll treat all of them with the utmost respect."

The big question for all Pars fans - is there a good chance of you staying here next season?

"All things being equal, there's every good chance of it happening, yes! I'm presently having talks with the boss, and I'm hopeful things can be sorted out. I like what's happening here at East End Park. The management are creating a really good atmosphere to work under here, and I'm really enjoying my football

this season. There's a wee bit of sunshine on the training ground now, and a great spirit about the place. I'm grateful for the chance Dunfermline's given me to restart my career, and of course, the main consideration for staying here is promotion - that'll be the big thing to swing my decision, that's for sure. Things are bubbling along nicely at the moment, and I've got some good friendships here with guys like Scott Thomson, Brian Reid and Jason Dair. There's going to be one or two options for me at season's end, but I would prefer to move here if it was possible!"

Today's opponents are destined for the drop - can they cause us problems today?

"I've no doubt Steve Morrison will have his team relaxed over these last few games, as they rebuild for next season - he's now got the chance to play a few young lads, and run his eye over who he'll be using over the next year. We haven't had it easy against them in our previous games this season, and we don't expect it to be any easier this time either. The last home game was too close for comfort at 2-1, although their goal was extraordinary, to say the least! They also gave us a fright over at Cappielow the last time out, although we won in the end. They can't be underestimated, as they lost eight to St Mirren one week, and shut them out the next! Fitness will be the key, and hopefully we'll have the edge there!"

Your spell here has had its unusual moments - have you coped ok with it all?

"The manager leaving after my first game certainly got me a real slugging in the dressing room, I can tell you! (laughs). No, seriously, I was sorry to see Dick (Campbell) go, as he'd asked for me from Alex McLeish at Hibs, Alex thought the loan spell would be good for me, and I was keen to come anyway! I only had a few days with Dick, but Jimmy Nicholl was in charge temporarily, and I knew his style, so I got settled in very quickly after that. The new boss looks on the main areas as passing and movement of the ball, and he clearly thinks in different ways to a lot of managers here in Scotland. Signing guys like Fergie shows both his and the clubs ambitions - it's a brave move for Ian as he still wants to prove he's got what it takes to play at the top level. As I said, this is an exciting time to be at East End Park, and if things are sorted out, I'll be more than happy to be part of it all!"

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HEILAN' HOT SHOTS

It's been a long time coming, but the Highland League Championship title returns to Kynoch Park, Keith after an interval of 15 years, with the Maroons' success doubtless coming as a big surprise to Scottish League-elect clubs Peterhead and Elgin City - both left well behind in the league race.

For the uninitiated (with thanks to Bill McAllister, author of "Highland Hundred") Keith FC was constituted in 1919 and accepted into the Highland League in 1924 - four years later they set a ground record of 5820 when they earned a home tie against Celtic in the Scottish Cup.

The Club's first League title was won in 1961/62, followed by a hat-trick of titles from 1979-1981, with success achieved again in 1984/85. Sharing in the Kynoch Park joy in 1985 was none other than Pars favourite Hamish French, of whom Bill McAllister had this to say "... Hamish French was in elegant form for Keith as the championship battle was restricted to the same pair as the previous season. (Keith and Inverness Caley) ... Caley's designs on equalising the Clach record of four titles in succession were thwarted by a classy Maroons' outfit with the industry of Colin Maver, the goal thirst of Barbour and the subtle skills of French - later to be transferred to Dundee United - always in evidence."

For the record, Keith won the championship that year five points clear of Caley, who in turn were nine points in front of third-placed Brora Rangers. The following season Keith went on to win the League Cup, Qualifying Cup and Highland League Cup, as everyone will know!

Hope you enjoyed that little trip down Memory Lane, Hamish!

ONE OVER THE EIGHT ... TWICE

What is claimed to be the fastest ever international hat-trick was put away recently by Japanese striker Masashi Nakayama when he scored three times within four minutes of kick-off in a 9-nil win against Brunei in the Asian Cup qualifiers.

Elsewhere, in the South American pre-Olympic qualifying tournament, Brazil banged in nine goals without reply against Colombia, other victories against Ecuador, Venezuela, arch rivals Argentina and Chile taking Brazil through to the tournament proper.

Good news for Brazil, but bad news for the Columbian Coach, who took the gamble of resting six first choice players for the game against Brazil, reckoning that Columbia could afford to lose 5-nil and still qualify. They didn't ... it was one over the eight .. and national coach Javier Alvarez is now "between jobs".

SWEETNER?

Hard on the heels of the great victory for Scotland's rugby men - with the impeccable sense of timing - the RS McColl newsagents chain was launched in England. So what? Well, seemingly the founder of the newspaper/sweet shop business many years ago, Robert Smyth McColl, was the scorer of the only hat-trick ever scored against the Auld Enemy on Scottish Soil. The venue was Celtic Park, the date was April 7th, 1900, and the score was 4-1 for the good guys.

Something of a legend in his lifetime, "Toffee Bob" as he became known started life as an amateur with Queens Park before joining Newcastle United as a pro. Our man made his debut for Scotland in 1896 at the tender age of 19, gained a further 12 caps between 1897 and 1908....and scored five hat-tricks in his international career!

Surprisingly, after making a mint from his professional career, "Toffee Bob" went back to his roots by re-joining Queens Park. How he was allowed to do so is a bit of a mystery, although one theory is that he may have provided the SFA/Scottish League with a bit of a sweetener!

PUNDITRY

It's not very often that I pay attention to forecasts provided by the clever guys in the media, possibly with justification if the "SOS" Champions League predications are anything to go by. For last week's line-up, soothsayer Gary Sutherland reckoned that Lazio would be too good for Valencia; that Barcelona would see off Gianluca Vialli's foreign legionnaires; Man United would not be troubled by Real Madrid; and minnows FC Porto would be no match for the mighty Bayern Munich.

What happened? Well; Valencia gubbed Lazio 5-2; Chelsea were good value for more than a 3-1 win; Man United fired blanks in Madrid; and Bayern could do no better than a draw 1-1 in Portugal.

Dangerous game, forecasting.

WHATEVER NEXT

WE see that FIFA is looking to harmonise the international football calendar, prompted by the demands made on the super and no-super stars by the increasing number of tournaments world-wide. Priorities will be the introduction of a 38 week limit on the domestic season and a guaranteed minimum of four weeks annual holiday for players by 2004.

Four weeks holidays, whatever next? Some of us can remember the days when players finished a shift in the pit on a Saturday morning before going on to entertain the punters in the afternoon with nothing more than a couple of pints and a pie for pre-match sustenance.

AND FINALLY...

Did you notice that Frank McAvennie's latest business venture has not met with the approval of the judiciary, resulting in the one-time West Ham and Celtic star being remanded in custody.

Word on the street is that "Wheresaburdz" Macca has asked if he can do his porridge in Alcatraz!





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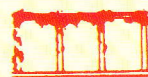
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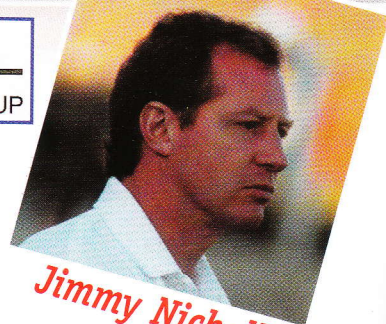
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DUNFERMLINE CONTINUED THEIR FINE winning run in the Reserve League East with a 2-1 away win over Arbroath on 4th April. This consolidates the club's position as Reserve League East champions for 1999/2000. The Pars last won this title in 1992/93, when, it must be admitted that the competition was stronger than it is now, as the East based Premier sides, for example, Hearts and Hibs also had teams in the competition. It is, nevertheless, a worthy achievement and reflects the strength in depth of the current squad.

Subs: Walker, Lambie, Nicol, McGarty, and Sutherland.

On 4th April the Pars Under 18s were beaten 2-1 by Raith Rovers. Dean Walker scored Dunfermline's goal in the 78th minute.



Jimmy Nicholl

First half goals from David Graham (his 15th Reserve goal of the season) in 17 minutes and Kevin McLeish in 31 minutes put the Pars on their way. Jimmy Nicholl was not best pleased at giving away a second half penalty to Arbroath, after Brian Reid was adjudged to have tripped McWalter of Arbroath. This brought the Angus team right back into the game, but Dunfermline held on to gain the three necessary points.

Dunfermline: Westwater, Nicol, McGroarty, Squires, Tod, Reid, McLeish, May, Graham, Dolan, Templeman. Subs not used: McCreadie, Walls, Vaughan.

The Reserves next two league matches will both take place at East End Park with 7.30pm kick offs. The first against Arbroath is on 18th April while the second against Brechin City is on 25th April.

UNDER 18 LEAGUE

Dunfermline's Under 18 team have also been involved in more games recently after a comparatively quiet period over the winter months.

On Thursday 30th March, their match against Cowdenbeath ended in a 2-2 draw. The Pars went two up, courtesy of goals from Greg McDonald in the 24th minute and Brian Vaughan five minutes into the second half. The young Pars looked to have the match well under control, but Cowdenbeath got one back in the 64th minute. This then seemed to give our young neighbours the inspiration they needed to spur them on. A 'Beath trialist substitute then equalised with three minutes left.

Dunfermline: Harrower, Findlay, Walls, Gayne, McDonald, McCreadie, Fleming, Carson, Vaughan, Anderson, and Lennon.

RESERVE LEAGUE EAST

Date	Opponents	Venue	Result
31 August	FORFAR ATHLETIC	A	2-0 Nish, Squires
7 September	RAITH ROVERS	H	0-2
14 September	ARBROATH	A	1-2 Nish
28 September	EAST FIFE	A	4-1 Graham 2, Ireland, Miller
5 October	INVERNESS CT	A	3-1 Graham 3
13 October	MONTRöse	H	6-0 Hampshire, Ireland, McGroarty, Nish, Tod, Walker
19 October	FORFAR ATHLETIC	H	4-1 French, Moss, Nish, Petrie
26 October	RAITH ROVERS	A	0-1
8 November	BRECHIN CITY	H	4-0 Smith 4
17 November	AVR UNITED (Res Lge Cup)	A	1-1 (won on pens) Graham
30 November	MONTRöse	H	5-0 Graham 3, Hampshire, Nish
25 January	EAST FIFE (Res Lge Cup)	H	3-2 Moss 2, McGarty
1 February	BRECHIN CITY	H	6-0 Nish 4, Bullen, Templeman
8 February	EAST FIFE	A	2-0 French, Dair
15 February	INVERNESS CT	A	3-0 Nish, Graham, French
22 February	MONTRöse	H	7-0 Graham (2), Coyle (2), Nish, French, Taylor
29 February	RAITH ROVERS	H	2-0 Coyle (2)
9 March	INVERNESS CT	H	2-1 Graham, Nish
28 March	FORFAR ATHLETIC	A	4-1 Templeman (2), McGarty, Graham
4 April	ARBROATH	A	2-1 Graham, McLeish
18 April	ARBROATH	H	
24 April	BRECHIN CITY	H	
2 May	EAST FIFE	H	

SCOTTISH LEAGUE YOUTH DIVISION 'C'

Date	Opponents	Venue	Result
2 September	FORFAR ATHLETIC	A	2-0 McGarty, Walker
15 September	RAITH ROVERS	A	0-3
18 September	ALLOA ATHLETIC	H	1-1 McGarty
3 October	EAST STIRLING	H	1-2 McGarty
14 October	COWDENBEATH	A	3-0 McDonald, Walker 2
19 October	BERWICK RANGERS	A	4-4 McGarty 2, Walker 2
26 October	LIVINGSTON (Yth Cp)	H	1-2 Walker
28 October	STENHOUSEUIR	H	1-3 McGarty
6 November	FORFAR ATHLETIC	H	1-3 Walker
18 November	RAITH ROVERS	H	1-4 Walker
20 November	ALLOA ATHLETIC	A	4-1 Walker 2, McGarty, Nicol
9 January	STENHOUSEUIR	A	2-0 Walker, Hynd
13 February	ARBROATH	A	1-2 Lennon
18 March	STENHOUSEUIR	H	1-2 Walker
30 March	COWDENBEATH	A	2-2 McDonald, Vaughan
4 April	RAITH ROVERS	A	1-2 Walker



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Past Historic...

GOOD AT HOME

If there is one team that Clydebank can't enjoy playing it has to be Dunfermline. The Pars have now run up an astonishing fourteen successive league wins over the Bankies, six at home and eight on their travels.

It hasn't always been such a one-sided fixture. This afternoon sees the 37th Scottish League meeting between the clubs, with the Athletic ahead by 21 victories to 9. By the end of the season 1992/93, however, Clydebank lead the series by eight wins to seven, and extended their advantage with their last win over the Pars in August 1993. Since then it's been all Dunfermline.

BUT BETTER AWAY

As mentioned earlier, the Pars have won eight in a row at New Kilbowie and Cappielow, giving them a better record away from home than at East End Park. Dunfermline's first victory in Clydebank was in the initial match between the two, on January 13th, 1973. Goals from Mackie (2), Shaw and Leishman gave the Pars a comfortable 4-0 win.

This, along with a similar scoreline in 1995/96, is Dunfermline's biggest win at either venue. Clydebank's best is a 6-3 hammering handed out at East End Park in 1981/82, although they also achieved a 4-1 win at home in that same season. There have been just six draws over the years with only two at Kilbowie, and there has never been a goalless draw between the clubs.

THE DEADLY KEN

Without doubt, one of the real heroes of Clydebank supporters over the years was their deadly striker, Ken Eadie. After an inauspicious start at Kilmarnock, his career took off at Brechin, then in the First Division, where his 39 league goals in two seasons earned him a move upstairs to Falkirk. Eadie's time at Brockville was unhappy, with scoring chances at a premium as the club fought relegation.

During 1987/88 he signed for Clydebank and never looked back. In his first full season Eadie netted 21 league goals, then followed that with four more twenty-plus seasons. His 29 league goals in 1990/91 remains a club record and was the best in the First Division that season. In 314 appearances for the Bankies, Eadie scored 169 goals, no fewer than 148 of them in the league. Easily the club's all time top scorer, he was also chosen as the First Division Player of the Year in 1989/90.

THE BANKIES BEST

After struggling through the first few years of their existence, things started coming together for Clydebank when the league was re-organised in 1975. The club took a major gamble in going full-time but it paid off as the Bankies lifted the 2nd Division title and followed that up by going straight up to the Premier Division in 1977.

Alongside their experienced pros were some outstanding youngsters, none more so than winger DAVIE COOPER. He didn't get the chance to play at the top level with the Bankies as his form had already alerted bigger clubs and in June 1977 he made a £100,000 move to Rangers.

Later that year, striker MIKE LARNACH left to join Newcastle United, leaving Bankies supporters with the realisation that their club, like many others, just couldn't afford to hold on to their star players. It set a trend at Kilbowie which continued over the years as the club seemed to have an endless supply of young talent.

In particular, Clydebank were able to produce some prolific strikers such as BLAIR MILLER, signed from amateur football in 1977. Only in his early twenties, Miller was the club's top scorer for four successive seasons, and was twice the First Division's leading marksman, before joining Airdrie for £60,000 in 1982.

A youngster who left Kilbowie before he reached his full potential was FRANK McDUGALL, who was lured away by St Mirren in 1979. After five free scoring years in Paisley he signed for Aberdeen where he had the task of replacing Mark McGhee.

When Miller moved on in 1982, the new partnership upfront for the Bankies were youngsters TOMMY COYNE and BOBBY WILLIAMSON. Signed at 18 years old, Coyne broke into the first team in 81/82 after only a handful of reserve games. He scored 37 league goals in just over two seasons before making the move to Tayside, first to Dundee United and then for a far more successful spell with Dundee.

In 1983/84 Clydebank also lost the services of Bobby Williamson, who signed for Rangers for a six figure fee while still only 22. He became a first team regular in 82/3, scoring 23 league goals in an excellent debut season which he couldn't reproduce at Ibrox. After a few years in England, he returned to sign for Kilmarnock in 1990 and is currently their manager.

Later in the 1980's, MIKE CONROY, who established himself as the main striker after Coyne and Williamson departed, was sold to St Mirren, while present day Pars man OWEN COYLE joined the Bankies from Dumbarton in September 1988. Seventeen months later, after 33 goals in 63 league appearances, Airdrie paid a record £175,000 for his services. More recently, JAMES GRADY brought in another welcome fee when he joined Dundee in 1997.

PAST MATCHES

The first meeting between the Pars and Clydebank at East End Park was on April 28th, 1973. It was the last match of a season which had seen Dunfermline gain promotion behind Champions Clyde, despite scoring 95 goals in their 36 league matches. The last three were scored against the Bankies in what was an exciting climax to a successful campaign. Graham Shaw, with two goals, and Alex Kinninmonth were the Pars scorers but Clydebank belied their league position with a positive, attacking display which earned them a point. Their scorers were Larnach, Law and McCallan.

Since then the two have only ever met in the post-1975 First Division, initially in 1979/80. At East End Park on October 6th, 1979 Clydebank won 3-1, helped by a Sweeney double, while the Pars goal was scored by Welsh winger, Mark Williams, his first for the club. A memory no doubt warmly cherished by the Craiglockhart branch of his fan club (membership - one).

For a brief period the Pars saw real competition for the left wing position between Williams and Colin O'Brien, the son of George, a Dunfermline player of the Fifties. In 1980/81, O'Brien Junior was on the scoresheet as the Pars recorded their first home league win over Clydebank. The two subsequent matches that season (for younger readers - yes, the club did play each other three times a season back in those bad old days and, yes, it was absurd), also went the Athletic's way with a former Clydebank striker netting a double in each. Sandy McNaughton played only about 18 times for the Bankies, scoring only once - against the Pars in a League Cup tie, would you believe. Still, he was a hero to the East End faithful and went on to score a total of seven league and cup goals against his old club.

In 1981/82 Clydebank gained revenge with a clean sweep of their own and boy, was it embarrassing. A 4-1 doing at Kilbowie was followed, on a bright, sunny November afternoon, by a 6-3 hammering at East End Park. Not only did Bill Miller score four (and didn't even last the full ninety minutes) but Bankies legend Gerry McCabe scored direct from a corner, with the ball going in at the front post!

McCabe grabbed the only goal of the third game and to make matters worse, Clydebank also knocked the Pars out of the Scottish Cup despite falling behind late in the game. With only a couple of minutes left, Clydebank scored from the penalty spot and with virtually the last kick the Pars 'keeper made a complete hash of a goal kick, allowing Miller in to score the winner. Hands up who remembers George Young? Doh.

Around East End Park...



A VERY SPECIAL FAN

There are Dunfermline fans, and there are Dunfermline fans, but we haven't ever come across one who is quite as unique as GEORGE McCONNELL. George is a lifelong Pars fan who has lots of great memories about the team's past exploits, but he hasn't been to very many games in recent years. So what's new about that, you might be saying. What is 'new' is that George celebrated his birthday on Thursday - his one hundredth birthday!

This remarkable man, surely Dunfermline's oldest fan, was born in Rumblingwell on 13th April 1900. He still has a fantastic memory and recalls climbing over the fence on the cemetery side to sneak into games when he was seven years old and East End Park was a tin hut! He remembers matches being shifted to Milesmark when the Army commandeered the ground during the First World War. He recalls the role of referees in those earlier days - according to George there were lots of punch ups and nobody paid much attention to match officials (OK, so nothing's changed there!).

George is a very special guest of the Chairman at today's game and will take his place before kick off in the Directors' Box alongside his daughter Isobel Turnbull. The past week has been a fairly hectic one for George - on Thursday the Lord Lieutenant of Fife brought him the Queen's Telegram. He was also an original member of the Royal Flying Corps during the First World War so the RAF Veterans Association has been organising a birthday party for him. But despite all of this excitement, the thing that George is most thrilled about is returning to East End Park after an absence of nine years.

As a special birthday present, Isobel has bought George his own brick in the Supporters Wall in the Norrie McCathie Stand. For our part, we hope George has the best possible present - a good game of football and a great Pars win!

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Tomorrow (16th April) sees the fifth running of the Flora London Marathon Football Challenge. It is a race within the main race involving representatives of nearly every team in the Scottish and English football leagues.

Representing the Pars this year is GAVIN KENNEDY, a season ticket holder in the Norrie McCathie Stand, who is hoping to improve on his personal best of 3 hours 55 minutes set in last year's Edinburgh Marathon. Gavin has chosen to support the Children's Hospice Association Scotland, a Scottish Charity established to provide children's hospice services in Scotland. For more than three years, Scotland has had just one Children's Hospice, Rachel House in Kinross, but the race is on to fund a new hospice. If anyone would like to sponsor Gavin, you're not too late and can phone him on 01383 730475.

SPORTSMAN'S DINNER : FRIDAY 12TH MAY 2000

In Aid Of The Youth Development Initiative At Dunfermline Athletic Audrey Bastianelli advises us that this event is now a complete sell out with 45 tables and over 450 tickets sold! Thanks to all who have supported the event and let's hope they have a lot to celebrate!

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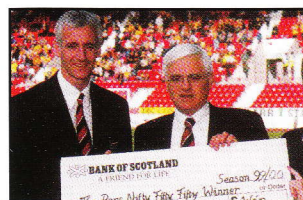
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There are still seats left for the club's trip to Inverness next week. In what looks like a brilliant deal, the club will travel to Inverness on Friday returning on Sunday. The all-inclusive cost of two nights bed and breakfast and travel is a very reasonable £40. Please contact Phil if you're interested.



50/50 WINNER

The Lucky Winner of the £870 prize at the recent Livingston game was John Meiklem one of the Clubs directors. John immediately donated the prize to the Pars youth development initiative. A fantastic gesture considering John had already put up a £500 prize two weeks before, for an 'In with the bricks' competition.

AND FINALLY...

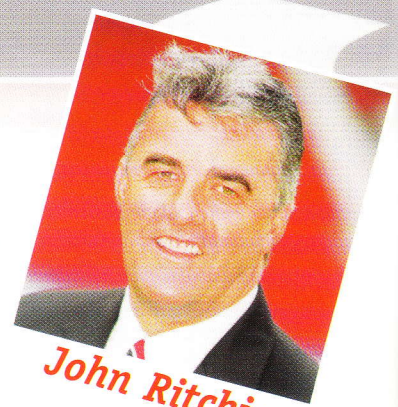
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The season may be drawing to a close but the Pars youngsters are still busy with Youth Development Initiative fixtures as well as training over the Easter holidays.

UNDER 13s

The Under 13's have shown a great improvement in recent weeks and that continued in their games against Kilmarnock and Livingston. Although they found the net only once against Killie it was still a much better performance than against the same team earlier in the season. In the match at West Calder against Livingston the lads had to put up with driving rain and a fierce wind. The team conceded a couple of soft goals which distorted things somewhat as there was nothing between the sides. David Reekie and Scott Gibson found the net and ranked amongst the best on the day, as did Ally Grieve, Fraser Beveridge, Grant MacKay and Greg Lawrie, who deserves a special mention for his spell in goal after the usual 'keeper went off.

UNDER 15s

The latest two under 15 matches have been notable for the goalscoring exploits of Gary Sutherland. Against Queen of the South the game was tight for the opening two periods with both 'keepers called into action. John Collison put the Pars ahead with an excellent goal during the second period and from there on the lads dominated the game. With the defence in good form, it was left to the strikers to finish their chances and this they did in style with Darren Wilson and Gary Sutherland scoring, the latter netting a hat-trick.

The following week saw them take on Rangers in Bearsden in what was a very good game. In the opening spell the team worked hard and kept their shape, with Chris Brown forcing the Rangers defence into a mistake from which he took full advantage. The middle period saw the Pars play really well, particularly in defence with Craig Lumsden and Steve Maley outstanding. Gary Sutherland scored a couple in this period, the first being especially pleasing as

it came from a corner kick routine straight off the training field. He

netted another hat-trick in the third period but after that the Pars lost a couple of goals in quick succession and allowed Rangers back into the game. By lying too deep, they let the opposition dominate the last fifteen minutes and the match finished all square.

Despite that, John Ritchie was pleased with the standard of play, with Sutherland, Brown and Wilson earning praise for the display up front and Mark Stewart for an excellent performance in goal.

UNDER 16s

The Under 16's took on a strong Hibs side at Longannet and found it hard to cope with the opposition's pace and sheer physical presence. Any chance of bouncing straight back was confounded by the weather, which conspired to drop a couple of inches of snow onto Inverness a fortnight ago and saw the match called off.

OTHER NEWS

Over the recent school holidays all four teams were in for some full time training. There were also around fifty under 12's in from the various training centres in the area with a view to selecting players for next season's Initiative programme. They enjoyed the opportunity of having their full-time coaching staff working with them and it proved a very encouraging exercise.

The club has taken delivery of two brand new mini-buses to help with transporting the teams involved in the Youth Development Initiative. With four age groups it has proved difficult as well as expensive ferrying the lads back and forward to both matches and training. This should ease the burden considerably and reaffirm the clubs commitment to the burgeoning youth set up.



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One Up...

A Review of the First Division

With only four games remaining things are certainly hotting up at the top of the First Division following the results of the past seven days.

Last weekend St Mirren's victory over Falkirk and Raith Rovers win against Inverness Caledonian Thistle really tightened things up. At Love Street a winner four minutes from time gave the Paisley Saintees three points from a match that looked to be heading for a draw. Some commentators reckon that Falkirk should have had at least that and, but for some reported inconsistent officiating, could well have taken a point - or more! Anyway on loan signing from Rangers, Paul McKnight, who had come on as substitute secured victory and strengthened Tom Hendrie's claims that his side are worthy title contenders.

At Starks Park, the wee team cruised to a 2-0 victory over ICT who have to be credited with having had a fantastic season. Solidly placed in mid table and with Celtic's scalp under their belt, they have surely brought themselves into the reckoning as promotion challengers next season. Rovers win brings them to within two points of third placed Falkirk, setting up an interesting match at Brockville today.

At Broomfield/Shyberry Airdrie managed to win for the first time in 16 games with a 3-0 win against Morton. This victory, timely as it was, secured Airdrie's status as a First Division outfit (notwithstanding receivership) and Clydebank's loss to Livingston resigned Britain's worst team to the Second Division.

Livingston may still feel that they have an outside hope of finishing in the top three, but this weekend's games may resolve that and other issues. Favoured permutations for me would, of course be, Livvy and Falkirk wins coupled with a Pars victory. Assuming that things turn out this way and with only three games remaining, it would look like no play off games would be necessary since Falkirk would almost guarantee a top three finish - but, in football you just never know....

In the papers over the past few weeks Jimmy Calderwood has been quoted as saying he wants all of his proposed new signings tied up before he goes on holiday a week after the season ends. JC says that he has targeted 5 or 6 players he wants in - all of whom have to be available under Bosman.

GOING DUTCH

In order to facilitate these arrivals some players who are at the end of their current contracts will be told their services are no longer required. JC wants to be as fair as he can to those particular players, some of them have been good servants to Dunfermline Athletic. Jimmy is trying to be fair to those players he is letting go by telling them early so that they have time to secure

employment with other sides - and fair play to him. I hope they are successful, whoever they are, and I wish them well in the future.

It is said that no one player is bigger than the team and decisions have to be made for the benefit of the club as a whole. It will be sad to see some of those well known and well respected players leave but for the fans it will be exciting to see how Jimmy's influence will be stamped on the team at the start of his first full season in charge.

Rumours already abound about his proposal to sign a Dutch defender and, like Dick Advocaat at Rangers, there is bound to be a strong Dutch influence and presence in the side next season regardless of which league the Pars are playing in. I'm excited already!!! What about you?

As I mentioned earlier, Clydebank's fate was finally sealed last week and today's visitors have a season in the Second Division to look forward to. With just one solitary win all season (against the wee team) Stevie 'Zico' Morrison's side have enjoyed no reward this term. Homelessness coupled with a largely absent Board, the once proud Bankies have fallen from grace. The Steedman days behind them, unless something positive happens soon, like many other clubs, I fear they could disappear completely.

ARROGANT NONSENSE

Finally, and with the acknowledgement that this column is primarily about the First Division in particular and Scottish football in general, I feel I must comment about two events in Galatasaray the week before last.

It is tragic in the extreme that two men lost their lives in the run-up to a football match. In addition the distress caused to the family and friends of victims cannot be measured. Indeed the pressure to concentrate on football must have been well nigh impossible for players, management and fans alike in the wake of such events.

However, I feel that I must comment on the pious and self-righteous outpourings by the English media and football hierarchy. Calls to ban/expel the Turkish side for they are responsible for the behaviour of their fans. Refusal to allow Galatasaray fans to travel to Leeds for the returning leg. Enquiry and investigation to penalise etc, etc.

All of this from a national media whose fans have caused havoc, destruction and terror around Europe for decades at both club and international events. Witness the scenes at Heysel, Lansdowne Road etc, etc. Whilst the FA and police forces have done much to reduce the violence that has tarnished English football the media continues to display an arrogance that is rich beyond belief.

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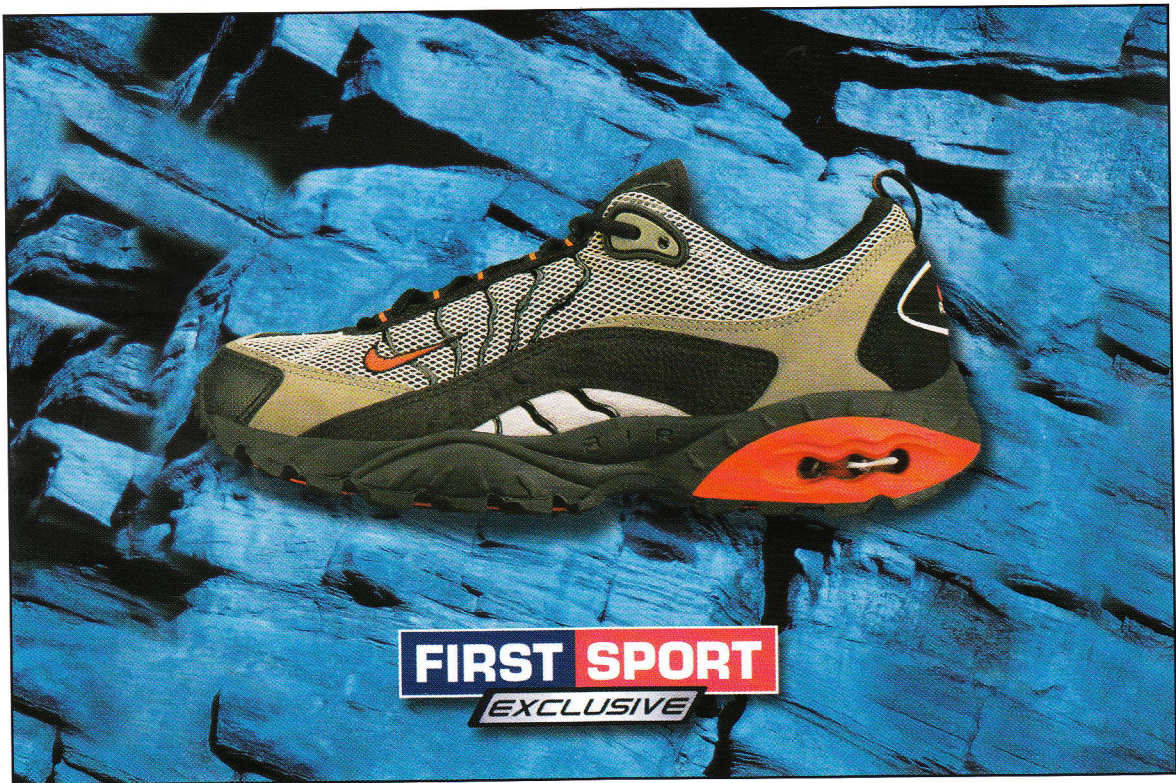
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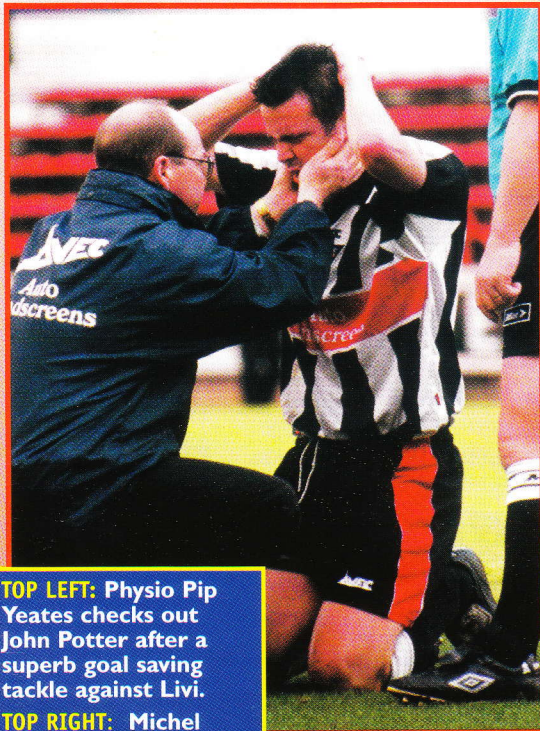
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MAYBE WE SHOULD BE PAYING more attention to the SPL after all. The title may have been decided a long time ago, but the relegation issue, if there is to be one still looms large. Aberdeen are still looking decidedly shaky, and not helped by a midweek defeat at Killie, will be desperate to win today against a resurgent Hearts.

Their fans won't be the only ones who will be keeping a close eye on events at Brockville where the whole of the SPL and a few First Division sides will be rooting for a Falkirk victory (come on ye Bairns!). Not too far along the road, Pars fans will be keeping a close eye on the scoreline from Livingston where Dunfermline desperately need Jim Leishman's side to get something from the game against St Mirren.

In the Second and Third divisions, it's also just about time up. Partick Thistle and East Fife are at their last chance saloon with games against Stirling Albion and Brechin City respectively.

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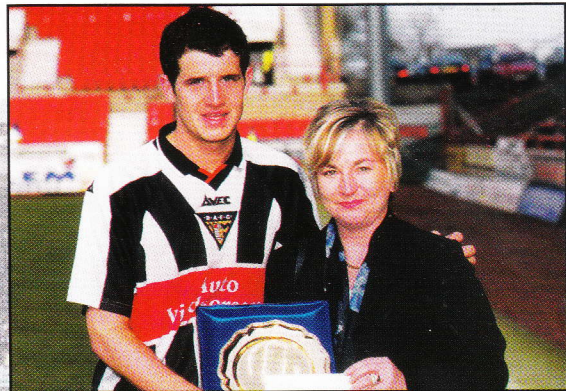


Player of the Year

STEVE CRAWFORD PICKED UP HIS third Man of the Match Award of the season after sponsors Paramount Printers decided to give him the accolade after his performance against Livingston two weeks ago. The striker is certainly in very fine form right now and continues to score superb goals. He is playing with a lot of confidence and is enjoying playing in a team which is now determined to play football.

Second position went to Ian Ferguson - another player who has racked up an impressive number of Player of the Year points in a very short spell since joining the club. Ian's tackling and shooting might be reasons for that, but it's his ability, as shown against Livingston, to create space for others that really shows the class player he is.

One player who could consider himself very unlucky not to win the Man of the Match Award was third placed Eddie May. Back in the side after an absence, Eddie made the most of his opportunity with an excellent display of energetic midfield play which of course culminated in him scoring his debut goal for the Pars.



Steve Crawford enjoys his Man of the Match Award from sponsors Paramount Printers

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01.04.00 versus Livingston:

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Position	Player	Points
1	STEVE CRAWFORD	3
2	IAN FERGUSON	2
3	EDDIE MAY	1



- Kris MAMPAEY 1
- Michel DOESBURG 2
- Jason DAIR 3
- Justin SKINNER 4
- John POTTER 5
- Scott THOMSON 6
- Eddie MAY 7
- Ian FERGUSON 8
- Stephen CRAWFORD 9
- Lee BULLEN 10
- Stewart PETRIE 11
- Substitutes*
- Owen COYLE 12
- Andy TOD 14
- David GRAHAM 15

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- 1 Steve HUTCHISON
- 2 Steve MURRAY
- 3 Jamie MACKAY
- 4 Fraser WISHART
- 5 Kenny BRANNIGAN
- 6 Martin O'NEILL
- 7 James McKINSTREY
- 8 Lee GARDNER
- 9 Daniel McKELVIE
- 10 SUTHERLAND
- 11 Ian CAMERON
- Substitutes*
- 12 David STEWART
- 14 Ian HUNTER
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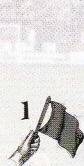
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