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SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

1921/22

RUNNERS UP

1938/39

SCOTTISH LEAGUE 1 RUNNERS UP

1976/77 1981/82

1984/85 1988/89 1999/00

2001/02 2009/10 2012/13

2016/17

SCOTTISH LEAGUE 2 WINNERS

1997/1998 2011/2012

CHALLENGE CUP WINNERS

1999/2000

RUNNERS-UP

2001/02 2014/15

STIRLINGSHIRE CUP WINNERS

1904/5 1907/8 1908/9

1912/13 1920/21 1924/25

1933/34 1946/47 1955/56

1957/58 1959/60 1965/66

1981/82 1996/97

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Jock Hepburn, 1 Cap
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	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
ARBROATH	18	9	4	5	27	20	7	31
KELTY HEARTS	18	8	5	5	28	17	11	29
STENHOUSEMUIR	18	8	3	7	25	18	7	27
ALLOA ATHLETIC	18	6	7	5	22	18	4	25
COVE RANGERS	18	7	4	7	26	23	3	25
MONTROSE	18	6	5	7	19	18	1	23
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH	17	6	3	8	15	20	-5	21
ANNAN ATHLETIC	18	5	3	10	16	32	-16	18
INVERNESS	17	6	7	4	16	16	0	10
DUMBARTON	18	4	7	7	24	36	-12	4

WEEKEND'S FIXTURES

LEAGUE 1

ALLOA ATHLETIC	STENHOUSEMUIR
ARBROATH	MONTROSE
DUMBARTON	KELTY HEARTS
INVERNESS CT	COVE RANGERS
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH	ANNAN ATHLETIC

CHAMPIONSHIP

DUNFERMLINE	FALKIRK
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HAMILTON ACCIES	AIRDRIEONIANS
PARTICK THISTLE	QUEEN'S PARK
RAITH ROVERS	LIVINGSTON

LEAGUE 2

ELGIN CITY	PETERHEAD
FORFAR ATHLETIC	STIRLING ALBION
SPARTANS	EDINBURGH CITY
STRANRAER	CLYDE

PREMIERSHIP

CELTIC	KILMARNOCK
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27/02/1998



DEFENDERS

Scott TAGGART

27/12/1991

183 cm 75 kg



Calum WATERS

10/03/1996



Morgyn NEILL

10/03/1996



Neil PARRY

08/11/1985



Andy GRAHAM

22/09/1983

188 cm 85 kg



David MCKAY

17/06/1998



Kane THOMSON

12/09/2004



Tochukwu OGAYI

10/10/1996



David DEVINE

20/06/2001



MANAGER

ANDY GRAHAM



MIDFIELDERS

Steven HETHERINGTON

09/03/1993



Kevin CAWLEY

17/03/1989



Kurtis ROBERTS

06/09/1994



Luke DONNELLY

20/01/1996



Conor SAMMON

06/11/1986



Scott HONEYMAN

19/11/2005



Shay NEVANS

23/05/2006



Stefan SCOUGALL

07/12/1992



Steven BUCHANAN

26/03/2003



Luke RANKIN

27/11/2004



Miko VIRTANEN

29/01/1999



Cameron O'DONNELL

29/09/2001



Reece MULLEN

26/03/2006



Tyrece MCDONNELL

26/01/2006



FORWARDS



ANDY GRAHAM



ANDY GRAHAM AFTER LOSS AT COVE

It was a disappointing result. We definitely deserved something out of the game.

In the second half, we created numerous chances, hit the bar twice, and their goalkeeper pulled off a lot of good saves and was Man of the Match. That tells you quite a lot about the game, but credit to Cove. They saw it out, dug in, went up the park, and broke when we went for it and threw numbers forward. Fair play to them. They walk away with a 2-0 win, and that's what we're not doing at the moment. We're not ruthless enough when we get the chances, and at the same time, we lose a really poor goal in the first half. When you're up against the wind, and things are against you, you can't lose a goal from a set play.

That's really poor from our perspective, and we know that. The second one, as poor a goal as it is, I can accept it because we're chasing the game and trying to get that equaliser. I'll always praise the boys for their efforts to do that, and

we should have got it today. If we'd got it to 1-1, I'd have fancied us to go on and win it at that point. We had some fantastic efforts on goal and a goalmouth scramble – and when that didn't go in, I just thought it's not going to be our day today.

That's football; that's what happens, especially in such a competitive league as this. We had a very good first quarter, a disappointing second quarter, but it's about putting that behind us now and moving on to the Stenhousemuir game on Saturday.

We'll go kick off another run again, hopefully. It certainly wasn't lack of effort or anything like that. The boys gave everything they've got. If we had got it to 1-1, then I'd have fancied us to win the game. Credit to Cove. I'm not saying it was a one-sided game; it wasn't. Cove had opportunities in the game. That's two weeks in a row it's been a harsh outcome to the game that was played out.

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LEWIS RUSSELL



NEWSDESK

In our last home outing Alloa suffered a 2-1 defeat against Montrose. The Angus side are proving to be a bit of a bogey side for the Wasps just now with six games without defeat against the Wasps courtesy of the latest win. Blair Lyons started proceedings with a second half goal and although Alloa would equalise with a first professional goal from Kane Thomson, Montrose would strike late and Kane Hester would tap home after a rebounded header

off the bar.

A young Alloa side took on Stirling Albion in the Stirlingshire Cup and were put out on the narrowest of margins after an end to end 2-2 draw. Five youth players started on Tuesday evening, as Brandon Muir, Kole Murray, Lewis Bruin, Luke Watkins and Charlie McColl with first teamers Shay Nevans, Luke Rankin, Miko Virtanen, Reece Mullen, Tochukwu Ogayi and Andy Graham also starting. Stirling's Aaron Weir scored an

own goal early on, attempting to cut out a dangerous shot from Luke Rankin. The Binos fought back, however, scoring two back-to-back goals from Ally Roy and James Graham. Rankin got himself on the scoresheet later with a brilliant low drilled finish into the bottom corner to draw level again.

From the spot, Nevans, Bruin and Morris nailed their penalties, as did Hilson, Roy and Harrison Howe for the visitors. Ace Miller and Cooper Knox's



kicks were saved by the keepers, before Lachlan Hunter's final effort struck the crossbar. Sam Featherstone scored the Binosaurs' final penalty to send Alloa out of the competition before it feels like we've really started. Stirling lead our group with an unassailable 5 points and will face Falkirk as the other group winners. Our next Stirlingshire cup match to end the group stage will take place against East Stirling on the 14th January. Kickoff from the Falkirk Stadium 19:30.

The return to League action on Saturday continued Alloa's woe. Cove Rangers was the destination and the weather was ramping up as kickoff approached with a strong wind blowing across the park at Balmoral detracting from the spectacle.

The home side were the ones to take advantage as they lofted a corner into the area and Arron Darge wriggled an almost free header into the bottom corner to give Paul Hartley's side the opening goal. Alloa who'd had a few flashes previously were very quickly looking for a reply and they'd almost found a way through with Steven Buchanan. Goalkeeper Nicholas Suman charged out and wiped out the Alloa winger with no intent to

go for the ball - just a yellow was brandished and Alloa were given a freekick when the goalscoring opportunity was there.

Early in the second half Luke Donnelly tried an audacious lob that had Suman at full stretch and the Australian could only just tip the effort on and out via the crossbar. Despite Alloa's pressure Cove managed a late second as Miles Gaffney got the barest of touches to Adam Emslies cross. That sealed the result and though Rankin would smash the crossbar in the dying stages the Wasps were made to rue the lack of finishing touch as they left the northeast with nothing.

Back in Alloa, Kieren Mooney's Heart of the Game Charity match at the Indodrill Stadium managed to raise over £6500 for Scottish Action for Mental Health (SAMH). Well Done Kieren.

While the women were in charitable action donating Christmas goodies to Forth Valley Children's Ward in conjunction with sponsors Affinity Sterling Mills.

WASP 2000 WINNERS

Wk 49 7-12-24		
100	E Sullivan	497
50	J McIatchie	223
25	W Gardner	1447



Wk 50 14-12-24		
100	W Lumsden	79
50	A Rundle	663
25	S Hetherington	1336



JONATHAN MARKWELL



CAWLEY'S QUINCENTENARY

Pure and simple, Kevin Cawley is an Alloa icon. The Wasps record-breaking appearance maker is scheduled to play his milestone 500th game for the club this afternoon. Twelve-and-a-half seasons of exemplary service, involving 80 goals (Alloa's top goalscorer in 2012/13 and 2013/14 and overall Alloa's 2nd highest goalscorer in the post-WW2 era), 9 managers, 5 seasons in the Championship, 3 Premier League scalps in the cups, 2 promotions via the play offs, 1 survival from relegation via the play offs, 1 league winners medal, 1 Third Division Team of the Year place, 1 shortlisted divisional Player of the Year award (in 2012), 1 cup final appearance, the unofficially voted Alloa player of the

decade during the 2010s (my Twitter poll wasn't wrong!) and 1 testimonial in 2023, it has been a remarkable and groundbreaking journey for one of Alloa's finest ever players. It is rare nowadays for players to make even a century of appearances for the same club, so for Kevin, now 35 years young, to have the longevity and loyalty to make it through to his quincentenary is nothing short of outstanding.

Cawley's testimonial at the beginning of last season was an excellent occasion to pay tribute to a sensational player for the club. Playing against a legends side, it was virtually a who's who of Alloa greats since 2011 that day, with Kevin taking centre stage and stealing the show with a trademark magical goal in a

keenly contested 2-2 draw. His manager that day, Jim Goodwin, had plenty of warm words for his former player, "He is one of the most respected players that I can remember and there is nobody that you will hear have a bad word to say about Kevin Cawley, both past and present players. I'm absolutely delighted for him and a great turn out from the Alloa people as well. A really good day for Kev, his family and his friends."

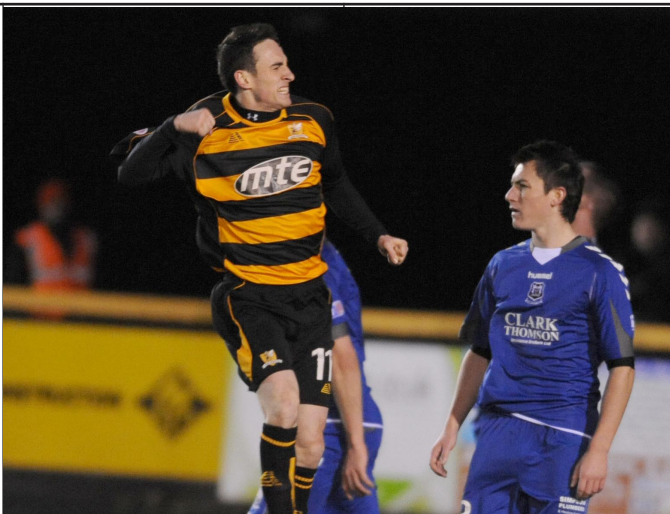
'King Kev' himself told both the Wasps Nest Podcast and the Alloa Advertiser some of his career highlights, "There have been many highs during my time at Alloa, such as winning the league with an 8-1 victory [versus Elgin in 2012]. That day was my first bit of silverware as a player and that was brilliant. Obviously, with the playoff games that we have won, like Dunfermline 3-0 victory [Cawley was the standout performer that special night], and staying up are the best moments and memories I have had from my time at Alloa."

No other Alloa player has made 360 appearances for the club (although Scott Taggart could reach that mark in a couple of months, after his goalscoring 350th appearance earlier this month at Kelty), meaning that Kevin has played an amazing 140 more times than any other Alloa player. The majority of Wasps players won't make it to 140 games for the club, and those who do will take a minimum of three seasons to reach that mark, so for Cawley to play that many more games that anybody else is absolutely

phenomenal.

Cawley must be a manager's dream, being a "low maintenance" player with high standards and in his own unassuming way leads by example by his actions on the pitch. All of his managers have commented on his exemplary attitude and positive impact around the club, which has seen play in a variety of roles on the pitch. I think I've counted six separate positions that Cawley has played in for the Wasps. Whether it is as a striker in his earlier days in Clackmannanshire under Paul Hartley, as most commonly a wide midfielder drifting inside like we have seen in recent years, or a more central role behind a striker or within the midfield battle, or even as an emergency right-back or right wing-back under Peter Grant or Brian Rice, Cawley has given everything for the club.

Looking at the season-by-season guide to Cawley's Alloa career (which should hopefully be included as part of this article, as it took me too long to compile for it not to be included!),



Cawley's clocked up over thirty appearances in all his seasons at the club with the exception of the last campaign (but looks scheduled to reach that mark again this season). Furthermore, he played in forty or more games during five separate seasons and even played fifty (of the fifty-one) games for the club during the 2016-17 season. That was when when the Wasps had runs to the quarter-finals of both the Betfred League Cup and Irn

Bru Challenge Cup under first Jack Ross and then Jim Goodwin, together with four end-of-season play-off games too. Aside from a month out with appendicitis a few games into Barry Ferguson's reign in 2021 and a separate month out early in 2023, Cawley has virtually been available for selection throughout his time at the club. That is simply remarkable for a player who is endlessly on the receiving end of robust challenges and

SEASON	DIVISION	LEAGUE	PLAYOFFS	LEAGUE CUP	CHALLENGE CUP	SCOTTISH CUP	TOTAL
2011/12	3rd Div	32 (3) 9		1 (0) 0	1 (0) 0	2 (0) 1	36 (3) 10
2012/13	2nd Div	25 (10) 13	4 (0) 1	0 (1) 0	1 (0) 0	1 (0) 0	31 (11) 14
2013/14	Champ	35 (0) 8		2 (0) 0	1 (0) 0	3 (0) 1	41 (0) 9
2014/15	Champ	32 (2) 5	4 (0) 0	2 (0) 0	4 (0) 0	3 (0) 0	45 (2) 5
2016/17	Lge 1	32 (3) 6	4 (0) 0	3 (3) 0	3 (0) 1	2 (0) 0	44 (6) 7
2017/18	Lge 1	26 (7) 5	4 (0) 0	3 (1) 0	2 (0) 1	2 (0) 0	37 (8) 6
2018/19	Champ	22 (12) 1		4 (0) 1	3 (1) 2	2 (0) 1	31 (13) 5
2019/20	Champ	26 (0) 3		4 (0) 1	2 (0) 0	2 (0) 1	34 (0) 5
2020/21	Champ	27 (0) 5		4 (1) 0		1 (0) 0	32 (1) 5
2021/22	Lge 1	25 (6) 6		1 (0) 0	1 (0) 0	2 (0) 0	29 (6) 6
2022/23	Lge 1	24 (4) 1	2 (0) 0	1 (1) 0	1 (1) 1	2 (0) 0	30 (6) 2
2023/24	Lge 1	14 (9) 1	0 (0) 0	1 (2) 0	0 (0) 0	1 (1) 1	16 (12) 2
2024/25	Lge 1	13 (4) 1		4 (0) 1	2 (1) 2	1 (0) 0	20 (5) 4
Total		333 (60) 64	18 (0) 1	30 (9) 3	21 (3) 7	24 (1) 5	426 (73) 80

testament to his professionalism to remain fit, although Cawley has admitted that those famous snake hips do get sore after games in recent years. To only miss a handful of games each season over the course of twelve-and-a-half campaigns though tells you everything you need to know about Kevin.

Considering Cawley's quincenary from another angle, the 'Wee Man' has played against 39 of the other 41 SPFL clubs for the Wasps, with the only exceptions being Kilmarnock and newboys The Spartans, who Alloa haven't faced off against in Cawley's time at the club! When former 'part of the 42' clubs East Stirling, Brechin, Cowdenbeath and Albion Rovers are added to

the equation, alongside Scottish Cup opponents Inverurie Loco Works, Open Goal Broomhill and Dunbar United, together with Challenge Cup competitors Bala Town and Dundee U21s (Cawley didn't play in either Challenge Cup defeats to Rangers 'B'), Cawley has so far faced 48 different teams during his Alloa career.

Cawley has found the back of the net against no fewer than 31 of those sides, with Dunbar United and Edinburgh City being his most recent victims since Andy Graham took over as Alloa manager. Cawley's favourite opponents are Brechin City, with six goals against the Glebe Park side. Cawley's most recent strike against the Hedgemen came in July of this year, as he rolled

back the years to pluck the ball down from the sky in the instant 40 yards from goal, faint away from a couple of challenges in trademark style, to give him the time and space to advance and beautifully curl the ball into the far corner of the net from 20 yards – we'd all seen that finish before (St Mirren away in the Scottish Cup in 2019 springs immediately to mind) and it was delightful to see!

Cawley's own best-loved strike came in a remarkable encounter in February 2020, "My favourite goal I scored was my goal in the 4-4 away match to Greenock Morton. I did a kind of Cruyff turn in the middle of the pitch, then I let loose and it went into the top corner. I wheeled away with a rubbish celebration, as usual, but that goal stands out the most!". I'd also add that Cawley's two assists that day, a hollywood crossfield pass straight into the path of Kevin O'Hara and a last-gasp left-foot cross for Robbie Deas to head home the unbelievable equaliser, were every bit as memorable in my book! I would also contend that Cawley's long-range thunderbolts at the Recs against Falkirk and Dumbarton in 2015 should be in his hall-of-fame too, while many supporters will vividly recall his maiden goal, a memorable late-winner down at Stranraer in the first league match of the Hartley era, with a skilful run and close-range finish a sign of things to come from the little magician.

To put Cawley's achievement into a wider context, as far as I am aware there are only two other current players in the SPFL who have made more than 500 appearances for their current clubs. Those stalwarts are Elgin City's Brian Cameron and Celtic's



James Forrest. As such, for Cawley to become one of only a trio of players to reach this mark in the present day demonstrates the enormity of the achievement. As a footnote, Cawley is likely to be joined in this exclusive club in the next few months by Callum McGregor and James Tavernier, with I suspect there being more coverage of those events than Cawley's! Meanwhile, until their summer moves to Raith, Paul Hanlon and Lewis Stevenson would also have been part of this exclusive clan after their years of service to Hibernian, who appear to be missing them this season!

I'll be honest and admit that at times in the past few years I didn't think we'd see Kev reach the 500 appearance mark. His change of career into the police force, with its shift patterns

meaning under Brian Rice Cawley had to miss a series of matches (especially on days when the Glasgow derby was taking place), together with becoming a father, his advancing years (those snake hips have swivelled for longer than some professional dancers!) and some niggling injuries meant that I thought he may quietly call it a day in the summer. However, and most pleasingly, Cawley has had something of a renaissance this season, beginning the first seventeen games of the campaign and being one of the first names on the teamsheet in that time.

Cawley's match-winning contribution in the away-day cup success at Partick Thistle was another personal high point of so many during his Alloa career. Not only was it his two superbly taken goals (a brave and power-

ful header to level the scores, before a ferocious left-foot strike from the edge of the box into the postage stamp corner of the net to give Alloa the lead), but his all-round game of intelligent touches, running off the ball to weave and link the play against higher league opposition was delightful to watch. Moreover, the joy which Cawley took from celebrating that second strike demonstrated that the fire still burns brightly in his belly to continue for some while yet. Hopefully, Kev can continue to make memories in what has been a glorious Alloa career that the supporters will talk about with nothing but joy and admiration in the decades to come. Cawley's will hope there are still a few more chapters left to write in his remarkable Alloa career story and I wouldn't bet against the 'Wee Man' for a second.





PAT FOLEY

WILLIE VINT

ERIC WALKER

THE GAME THAT NEVER WAS

ALLOA ATHLETIC V. STEN-HOUSEMUIR

1ST JANUARY 1959

HALF-TIME (2-1)

ABANDONED AFTER 85 MINUTES AT (3-2)

Let's look at a game which never made the record books as it never finished, January 1st 1959 the game we look at. So to Recreation Park we travel back to Ne'erday 1959 as the teams lined up as follows

Alloa Athletic:- Alex Devannay, Gordon Gilmour and Willie Vint; Jack Wishart, Davie Kidd and Archie Murphy; Pat Foley, Eric Walker, John Gibb, Dennis Gillespie & Jimmy Docherty.

Stenhousemuir:- Newman who was Robert Lowe, who had played for the Warriors in 1950 until 1952, Dan Watson and Bobby Kennedy; George Samuel, Rab Quinn and Jim Richardson; Jimmy Cousin, Davie Campbell, Peter Stewart, John

Kilgannon & Mike McKenna. Referee who was to be the star of the show was Mr W M Syme from Glasgow.

It was the Warriors who took the lead in 20 minutes Peter Stewart netted after the Alloa 'keeper palmed out a Cousin cross, the home side were back on level terms on 32 minutes when from a Foley cross, Docherty headed home. Eight minutes into the second half Gibb, who later played with the Warriors gave Alloa the lead and a further 9 minutes after that Docherty headed home from another Foley cross. The Warriors scored from their next attack after a goal mouth scrimmage Jim Cousin netted on 64 min, by this time the pitch was in a bit of a mess most of the pitch markings were obliterated as the constant rain made things tricky, the players failing to keep their feet most of the second period. So with only THREE MINUTES to go in a blinding sleet storm and semi-darkness Mr Syme abandoned the match, you can guess the reaction from the home spectators and officials.

Warriors Secretary Jim Weir said after the match, that with the overhead and under foot conditions that the match should have been stopped long before it was. After the game the Alloa press asked the referee why he did not let the match finish with only 3 minutes to go, Mr Syme said he didn't as the game still had 5 minutes and 35 seconds to play on his stopwatch. When the game was finally played in April 1959, the Warriors won 3-2.

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FIXTURE	VENUE	COMPETITION	RESULT	WIN/DRAW/LOSS	OGAYI	PARRY	MORRISON	TAGGART	WATERS	GRAHAM	NEILL	MCKAY	THOMSON
East Fife	Home	LC	0(5)-(4)0	Draw			90	90	90			90	20
Brechin	Away	LC	1-3	Win			90	90	90		90	90	10
St Johnstone	Home	LC	3-2	Win			90	90	90		90	90	
Greenock Morton	Away	LC	2-1	Loss			90	90	90		90	90	
Queen of the South	Home	L1	0-0	Draw			90	90	90			90	90
Dumbarton	Away	L1	3-3	Draw			90	90	90			90	90
Stenhousemuir	Home	L1	1-0	Win			90	90	90		29	90	61
Annan Athletic	Away	L1	0-1	Win			90	90	90			90	90
Arbroath	Away	L1	0-0	Draw			90	90	90			90	6
Partick Thistle	Away	CC	1-3	Win	90			90	90			90	2
Inverness	Home	L1	2-2	Draw			90	90				90	90
Kelty	Home	L1	1-0	Win			90	90				90	90
Montrose	Away	L1	2-2	Draw			90	90				90	90
Cove Rangers	Home	L1	0-2	Loss			90	90	90		45	78	12
Arbroath	Home	CC	1-0	Win	90			90	90			90	90
Stenhousemuir	Away	L1	1-0	Win			90	90	90			90	90
Arbroath	Home	L1	0-1	Loss			90	90	46		42	90	90
Annan Athletic	Home	L1	5-0	Win			90	90				90	90
Queen of the South	Away	L1	1-1	Draw			90	90	90			90	90
Dunfermline	Away	CC	1-0	Loss	90			90				90	90
Inverness	Away	L1	1-0	Loss			90	90	90			90	90
Dumbarton	Away	SC	3-2	Loss			90	90	90			90	90
Dumbarton	Home	L1	2-2	Draw			90	90	90			90	90
Kelty	Away	L1	0-2	Win			90	90	75			90	90
Montrose	Home	L1	1-2	Loss			90	90				90	90
Cove Rangers	Away	L1	2-0	Loss			90	90				90	90
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Kelty	Away	L1											



APPEARANCES

	POS	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL		ALLOA CAREER LGE	
		APP	GOAL	APP	GOAL	APP	GOAL	APP	GOAL
OGAYI	GOAL	0 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	8 (1)	0
PARRY	GOAL	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	138 (0)	0
MORRISON	GOAL	18 (0)	0	5 (0)	0	23 (0)	0	48 (1)	0
TAGGART	DEF	18 (0)	2	8 (0)	2	26 (0)	4	283 (2)	18
WATERS	DEF	14 (0)	1	7 (0)	0	21 (0)	1	54 (0)	2
GRAHAM	DEF	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	190 (8)	14
NEILL	DEF	14 (2)	1	6 (0)	1	20 (2)	2	48 (2)	1
MCKAY	DEF	18 (0)	0	8 (0)	0	26 (0)	0	32 (5)	1
THOMSON	DEF	8 (3)	1	2 (3)	0	10 (6)	1	8 (3)	1
DEVINE	DEF	0 (1)	0	1 (0)	0	1 (1)	0	33 (4)	0
HETHERINGTON	MID	12 (2)	0	5 (1)	0	17 (3)	0	169 (35)	6
CAWLEY	MID	12 (5)	1	7 (1)	3	19 (6)	4	350 (61)	65
ROBERTS	MID	3 (0)	0	4 (0)	0	7 (0)	0	39 (0)	4
NEVANS	MID	0 (3)	0	0 (4)	0	0 (7)	0	0 (3)	0
SCOUALL	MID	12 (2)	1	6 (0)	1	18 (2)	2	94 (24)	9
VIRTANEN	MID	9 (3)	0	2 (1)	0	11 (4)	0	22 (14)	1
O'DONNELL	MID	9 (7)	1	2 (2)	0	11 (9)	1	42 (48)	4
MULLEN	MID	2 (1)	0	1 (3)	0	3 (4)	0	2 (1)	0
MCDONNELL	MID	3 (7)	0	0 (1)	0	3 (8)	0	3 (7)	0
HONEYMAN	MID	0 (4)	0	0 (1)	0	0 (5)	0	0 (4)	0
DONNELLY	FWD	13 (3)	6	5 (3)	2	18 (6)	8	31 (30)	15
SAMMON	FWD	4 (13)	4	3 (3)	1	7 (16)	5	66 (57)	31
BUCHANAN	FWD	17 (1)	0	7 (0)	0	24 (1)	0	27 (28)	2
RANKIN	FWD	12 (1)	4	6 (0)	3	18 (1)	7	12 (12)	5



ALLOA CAREER CUP		ALLOA TOTAL	
APP	GOAL	APP	GOAL

5 (0)	0	13 (1)	0
35 (0)	0	173 (0)	0
19 (0)	0	67 (1)	0
66 (1)	5	349 (3)	23
18 (0)	1	72 (0)	3
54 (3)	1	244 (11)	15
12 (1)	2	60 (3)	3
13 (2)	0	45 (7)	1
2 (3)	0	10 (6)	1
3 (1)	0	36 (5)	0
38 (10)	1	207 (45)	7
74 (13)	15	424 (74)	80
10 (1)	0	49 (1)	4
0 (4)	0	0 (7)	0
25 (8)	3	119 (32)	12
5 (4)	0	27 (18)	1
14 (7)	1	56 (55)	5
1 (3)	0	3 (4)	0
0 (1)	0	3 (8)	0
0 (1)	0	0 (5)	0
9 (7)	4	40 (37)	19
21 (7)	10	87 (64)	41
13 (4)	1	40 (32)	3
6 (6)	3	18 (18)	8



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As we shake off the Christmas turkey, we welcome Stenhousemuir to the Indodrill for a cruncher of a League 1 tie. With the festive printing deadlines, this article has been written prior to the fixture card on the 21st December. With any normal league, that would be ok, however, as we know with the nature of this division a week could be the difference of four spaces in the league. As it stands, the Warriors sit in 2nd position in the table, a point behind Arbroath and two points ahead of the hosts in 4th. With a home match against Inverness CT to fall in between this

article and the Alloa match, all could certainly change. Whatever happens, nothing can take away from the incredible start to the season from the League 2 champions. They have continued to ride the high of their first league title with a fantastic run of form putting them in the discussion for not only play-offs, but another title. Prior to their defeat against Queen of the South on the 14th of December, Stenny had been unbeaten since the 2nd of November. That is run spanning across 5 games.

THE BOSS – GARY NAYSMITH

Following last season's heroics of winning the title, manager, Gary Naysmith, will hold a place in Stenhousemuir history for the rest of time. Widely regarded as a legend already, Naysmith has certainly already made his mark at Ochilview and is continuing to do so this season. The former left-back is most known in his playing days for spells at Hearts, where he won the 1998 Scottish Cup, and Everton, where he spent 7 years. Naysmith also earned 46 caps for Scotland and was part of the 2006





Kirin Cup winning team. In what started as a player assistant role at East Fife, he took his first flurries into management at Bayview in 2013. After winning League 2 in 2016, he departed for full-time football at Queen of the South and subsequently had a spell at Edinburgh City for a year before departing for Stenhousemuir in 2023.

**THE CAPTAIN –
GREGOR BUCHANAN**

6ft3 towering defender, Gregor Buchanan, is the skipper for the opposition this afternoon. The 34-year-old has had a long and illustrious career, playing for Airdrie, Dunfermline, Dumbarton, St Mirren, Livingston, Morton, Falkirk, Queen of the South, and eventually Stenhousemuir where he has been since 2023. During that time, he has been

a stalwart of the Scottish lower leagues with his commanding nature in the box and leadership qualities. Last season he contributed at both ends with 7 goals across his 35 appearances in the league. In the side's first meeting of the season, despite being on the losing side, there was a common line on commentary of 'Buchanan heads clear', with the skipper very rarely losing out to the Alloa forwards. He has been a mainstay in the team so far this campaign featuring 23 times and scoring one goal in their win against league leaders, Arbroath.

**ONE TO WATCH –
BLAIR ALSTON**

One of the most recognisable names of the opposing ranks is experienced midfielder, Blair Alston. The 32-year-old has had a career in Scotland since he

broke through to the senior ranks for Falkirk back in 2010. He had success with the Bairns in his first spell winning the Challenge Cup in 2012 and he built on that success exactly ten years later with his Championship winning medal for Kilmarnock in 2022. After an impressive play-off run for Partick Thistle last season, Alston departed Firhill and moved to Ochilview earlier this season. His last trip to the Indodrill was only his second appearance and it was limited to a 15-minute cameo. Since that fixture he went on to feature seven times, playing a career role in attacking midfield. That run included an impressive hat-trick against Annan Athletic. Unfortunately, an injury kept him out the team from the end of October until the most recent game against Queen of the South on

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BY KIEREN MOONEY

the 14th of December. Returning to the pitch for 13 minutes was encouragement of recovery for the Stenny faithful who will be hoping he can return to his fine form now he is back in the squad.

THE CONNECTION

There will be 2 former faces returning to the club today. Firstly, we welcome Nicky Jamieson back to the Indodrill. The centre half joined the club in 2020 during Peter Grant's COVID season in the Championship. After not getting as many minutes as he desired, he made the switch to Ochilview a year later and has been a mainstay in the Stenhousemuir defence ever since. Secondly, Adam Brown returns to Alloa. We have seen Brown since

after his appearance and goal for the Wasps Legends team in the Kevin Cawley Testimonial Match and he has done well at Stenhousemuir to earn a place in their equivalent team should they ever have one. Brown had a 3-year stint at the Wasps from 2018 to 2021 and will be remembered fondly for some eye-catching long-range goals, particularly against Dunfermline. In the Alloa ranks, Morgyn Neill is one of the players playing against his former side. Another commanding centre half, Neill played for Stenny for a season in 2018/19.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

This will be the sides third meeting of the season before the year is out. Both games have been closely fought affairs and

have both ended in the same outcome. Last time here in Alloa, the Wasps took all three points with a 1-0 win. The game was played on a knife edge and Stenhousemuir had a great chance to open the scoring through Matty Aitken. It was the veteran Irishman, Conor Sammon, who stuck home the winner that day after great combination play from the substitutes. Once again at Ochilview the teams were locked at 0-0 for a large period of the game. It took a moment of brilliance from young Luke Rankin to smash the winner past Darren Jamieson from outside the box. The latter game was filmed under the cameras of BBC Alba who were high in praise of Rankin's quality in his limited chances that evening.





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LOOKING BACK 28TH DECEMBER 2019

SATURDAY 28TH DECEMBER 2019 – EAST END PARK, DUNFERMLINE

SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP

DUNFERMLINE ATHLETIC V. ALLOA ATHLETIC

SCORE: H-T 1-2 FULL TIME 1-3

Scorers – Kevin Nisbet (20m) / Adam Brown (21m), Kevin O'Hara (25m) Iain Flannigan (66m Pen)

Crowd – 4,257

Looking back this is the last time "The Wasps" had a fixture on 28th December, and it proved to be a good win on a day the Alloa support had

feared the worse having so many key players absent.

Dunfermline Athletic – Ryan Scully, Lewis Martin, Lee Ashcroft, Joshua Edwards, Aaron Comrie, Kyle Turner, Paul Paton, Joseph Thomson, Ryan Dow, Kevin Nisbet & Greg Kiltie, subs: Lewis McCann, Matthew Todd, Antony McDonald, Harry Cochrane, Gabby McGill, Tom Land & Cammy Gill. Manager – Stevie Crawford.

Alloa Athletic – Jamie MacDonald, Jon Robertson, Liam Dick, Robbie Deas, Scott Taggart, Steve Hetherington, Kevin Cawley, Iain Flannigan, Liam Buchanan, Adam Brown & Kevin O'Hara, subs: Robert Thomson, Paul Gillespie, Cammy O'Don-

nell, Blair Malcom & Chris Henry. Manager – Peter Grant.

Alloa haven't had to deal with the absence of captain and leader Andy Graham too often- so it was a concern to see him ruled out of the trip to Fife through injury. Scott Taggart moved to centre half to partner Robbie Deas, with Jon Robertson once again dropping into the right back position. Alloa were also missing Alan Trouten - a player who has been a real thorn in the side of the Pars at this stadium in the past couple of seasons. The hosts immediately went for the throat in the early stages of the game, and it took a couple of great stops from Jamie MacDonald to keep them at bay.

However, it looked ominous when Dunfermline took the lead just before the midway point of the first half, through a certain Kevin Nisbet on 20 minutes. Like many others within the travelling support, I feared the worst at this stage. But Alloa immediately ventured up the pitch and equalised, with Adam Brown lashing home amidst chaos in the home penalty area. It got even better moments later when Kevin O'Hara pounced on a defensive error and slammed the ball into the corner of the net to give Alloa the lead- a remarkable turnaround, and impressively clinical from the

Wasps. The entire context of the game changed when Alloa possessed a lead to hold onto. There wasn't a great deal of football played- with Flannigan and Hetherington more focussed on protecting the back 4. But they frustrated Dunfermline- who just weren't troubling the Alloa goal at all, forced into speculative efforts flying high and wide. You could sense the desperation around the ground, and Alloa were once again clinical in the second half. In a rare venture forward, Jon Robertson embarked on a dangerous run into the penalty area and was upended for a

clear penalty. Iain Flannigan slotted the spot kick home after 66 minutes, with his trademark ice cool technique for a classic sucker punch which made the points safe.

East End Park has become a real favourite of the team over the past couple of seasons, and the supporters certainly enjoyed the latest edition. Of course, it's nice to win playing great football, but for me this was a classic away performance- spirit, composure, courage under fire and intelligent game management, classic Peter Grant victory.



HALF TIME QUIZ

- 1. STENHOUSEMUIR'S ONLY CHALLENGE CUP TITLE CAME AGAINST DUNDEE UNITED. HOW MANY GOALS DID THE TERRORS CONCEDE IN THE WHOLE TOURNAMENT?**
- 2. ALLOA HAVE A LONG UNBEATEN RUN AGAINST STENHOUSEMUIR TO DEFEND. WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME THE WARRIORS TOOK ALL THREE POINTS AGAINST ALLOA?**
- 3. CELTIC (119) OVERTOOK RANGERS (118) IN TROPHY'S WON AFTER THIS YEAR'S PREMIER-SPORTS CUP FINAL. HOW MANY HAVE THE OTHER SCOTTISH CLUBS WON COMBINED?**
- 4. WHICH PLAYER IS THE YOUNGEST EVER TO SCORE IN A UEFA CONFERENCE LEAGUE MATCH?**
- 5. MANCHESTER CITY'S SPECTACULAR FALL FROM GRACE CONTINUED AT THE WEEKEND WITH A LOSS TO ASTON VILLA. HOW MANY GAMES HAVE THE CHAMPIONS OF THE LAST 4 YEARS LOST IN THEIR LAST DOZEN?**



TWENTY GREAT GOALS SCORED AT HAMPDEN

1. Possibly the greatest goal that was scored was by Zinedine Zidane on 15th May 2002 for Real Madrid v. Bayer Leverkusen in Champions League.

2. On the 19th April 1958 England beat Scotland 4-0. - I think this was Bobby Charlton's first cap and it would be his first international after surviving the Munich air disaster. That must have been emotional. It was mentioned, that the Scottish goalkeeper Tommy Younger ran out his goal area and congratulated Charlton. - It was a fantastic goal. You can see it on YOUTUBE. What a strike. Bryan Douglas (22 mins), Derek Kevan (35 & 74 min) & Bobby Charlton

(66 mins)

3. Archie Robertson scoring direct from a corner kick in the last-minute v Celtic in the 1954-55 Scottish Cup Final on 27th April 1955, Clyde won the replay 1-0 with a goal from Tommy Ring, the referee was Charlie Faultless, with Jock Stein at centre half in the middle of the Celtic defence, (This was the first televised Scottish Cup Final. You can see the goal by the magic of YOUTUBE).

4. Two goals from Davie Cooper. - The Dryburgh Cup Final on 4th August 1979, Playing keepy uppy over the Celtic defenders before scoring, a young John

MacDonald opened the scoring before Sandy Jardine scored a goal which is as good as any scored at Hampden, before Davie Cooper scored one of the best goals I have ever seen, a solo goal which included knocking the ball over the Celtic players heads on 3 occasions and showed great skill before putting Rangers 3-0 ahead, Bobby Lennox scored a late consolation for a Celtic side managed by Billy McNeill. The other goal from Davie Cooper was on 25th October 1987 League Cup Final v. Aberdeen, Davie Cooper's goal brought the game level at 1-1 with an 18-yard rocket with Jim Leighton never moving. The

game ended 3-3 with Rangers winning on penalty kicks.

5. The goal that started the Hampden Roar, the goal that is credited with starting the roar was scored by Alec Cheyne (Aberdeen) scoring a last-minute winner v. England in 1929, Alex Jackson the Scotland winger had been taken off to the hospital and he recollects hearing the cheer at Victory Infirmary. However other credit the feat to Jimmy McGrory of Celtic scoring a goal v. England in 1933.

6. Tom Forsyth goal in the 1973 Scottish Cup Final played 5th May 1973, Kenny Dalglish (24 mins), Derek Parlane (35 mins), Alfie Conn (46 mins for Rangers), George Connelly (51 min Pen) before Tom Forsyth was the unlikely goalscoring hero, barely knocking the ball over the line on the hour mark, to win the trophy 3-2 for Rangers.

7. Kenny Dalglish scoring v Spain on 14th November 1984, Mo Johnston had scored twice earlier in game (33, 42 mins) with Kenny scoring his 30th goal for Scotland after 75 mins, and can remember seeing his Dad in the front stand celebrating. (I think Dalglish said this was his best ever goal).



8. John Greig v Italy in 1966 World Cup Qualifying game on 9th November 1965, scoring two minutes from the end on 88 minutes to win the game 1-0.

9. Joe Jordan header v Czechoslovakia on 26th November 1973 in a World Cup qualifying match, Nehoda had put Czechoslovakia in an early lead when Ally Hunter in the Scottish goal let the ball go under his arms and into the net. Scotland had the incentive to Qualify for the finals in West Germany if they could win the match. Jim Holton headed Scotland level in 40 mins, Joe Jordan then replaced Kenny Dalglish after 64 mins

and scored his never to be forgotten winner on 75 mins to take Scotland to the World Cup finals, which featured Ex Alloa Athletic winger Tommy Hutchison.

10. The highest scoring European Cup Final on 18 May 1960, the game ended 7-3 to Real Madrid, defeating Eintracht Frankfurt. Ferenc Puskas (45+1,56,60 & 71 mins) and Alfredo Di Stefano (27,30 & 73 mins) both scoring hat-tricks, although Puskas went one better with a fourth goal, these were the first ever hat-tricks in a European Cup final. Referee was Jack Mowat (Glasgow) in front of 127,621 lucky support-

JOHN GREIG VS ITALY

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. ZERO – DUNDEE UNITED LOST OUT ON PENALTIES ONLY AFTER NOT CONCEDING DURING THE COMPETITION

2. 15 SEPTEMBER 2012– A 2–0 LEAGUE DEFEAT AT HOM

3. 112 – STILL 7 SHY OF CELTIC’S TALLY

4. HEARTS YOUNGSTER JAMES WILSON – 17 YEARS – 9 MONTHS AND 13 DAYS OLD WHEN HE SCORED IN HEARTS 2–2 DRAW AGAINST PETROCUB THAT SAW THEM KNOCKED OUT OF THE COMPETITION ON GOALS SCORED.

5. IT’S NOW 9 LOSSES IN 12 GAMES – RELEGATION FORM!

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11. On 12 May 1976 St. Etienne lost the European Cup Final to Bayern Munich 1-0, which was the German's 3rd consecutive final win. Before going to the game, the Germans stayed in the Turnberry Hotel, where the Rolling Stones were staying, and who made a noise all day. St. Etienne dominated the game and almost scored, hitting the woodwork on two occasions except they hit the square shaped posts/crossbar, and the ball came flying back out. So near and yet so far from victory. Roth scored the winner for Bayern after a 57 min free kick.

12. The TWO free kicks from Leigh Griffiths v England on 10th June 2017, Griffiths was to score two late identical free-kicks to put Scotland in dreamland going 2-1 ahead but as fate happens, had Scotland have cleared the ball from defence out of the park for full time but Stuart Armstrong decided to try and play out of defence allowing Harry Kane to score an injury time equaliser.

13. Alan Gilzen scoring the winner v England in 1964 on 11th April, what a header/jump in

front of 133,000 Scottish fans. This was Scotland third straight win over England in which Scotland had Jim Baxter, John White, Dennis Law & Willie Henderson in top form. Sadly, John White would tragically be killed by lightning, three months later on 21st July 1964 aged only 27.

14. Billy Bremner scoring for Leeds United v. Celtic 15th April 1970 European Cup Semi Final 1st Leg after only 14 mins, Celtic won the game 2-1, John Hughes (47 Mins) & Bobby Murdoch (51 mins) scored the Celtic goals.

15. Alex McLeish for Aberdeen v. Rangers on 22nd May 1982 Scottish Cup Final, John MacDonald had put Rangers in front (15 mins) before Alex McLeish curled a magnificent shot to draw the game level (32 mins), game ended 1-1 then to extra time, Mark McGhee (93 mins), Gordon Strachan (103 mins) & Neale Cooper (110 mins) all scored to take the trophy north, Aberdeen winning 4-1.

16. Queen's Park v. Alloa Athletic on 31 August 1991, Alloa Athletic were in the process of building their new £ 300,000 stand and therefore had to play

their opening 13 games of the season all away from home, the game against Queens Park was not a classic indeed Alloa were losing 2-0 with a minute to go, before Willie Newbigging rifled in a shot, which has elongated as the years have went past, initially recorded as from around 30 yards, I have now heard Alloa supporters claiming it was scored from 60 yards? Nevertheless, it was a bullet shot from long distance out, that if it hadn't nestled in to the top corner of the net they would be looking for it on Cathcart Road!

17. Scotland v. North Macedonia on 5th September 2009 in a World Cup Qualifying match, Scott Brown had opened the scoring after 56 mins for the Scots, but the game was still on a knife edge until James McFadden produced a bit of magic, James took the ball for a solo run before despatching a right footed shot to the lower right corner of the net and Hampden erupted 2-0.

18. 23rd October 1971 Scottish League Cup Final which was previewed on Grandstand by saying "It's League Cup Final day in Scotland where Celtic play Partick Thistle who have no chance" Celtic had played in the 1970 European Cup Final v. Feyenoord, while newly promoted Partick Thistle under the guidance of Davie McParland were to create a major upset, going 4-0 ahead in the opening 37 mins, goals from Alex Rae (10 mins), Bobby Lawrie (15 mins), Denis McQuade (28 mins) before Jimmy Bone drifted into the Celtic box, unchallenged to make in 4-0 all before even half-time, this was a huge shock in Scottish football with Kenny Dalglish scoring Celtic's





solitary goal on 70 mins with Thistle winning the game 4-1.

19. Maradona's goal v Scotland 2nd June 1979. Argentina had just won their 1st World Cup in 1978 beating Holland 3-1 in the final. Maradona scored his first international goal at Hampden Park v. Scotland, Argentina took the lead after 31 mins Leopoldo Luque getting the opening before adding a second after 61 mins, Diego Maradona then stole the show with his first international goal on 70 mins, Arthur Graham was to score a consolation goal for the Scots with 5 mins left, Argentina winning 3-1. I thought the comment overheard by a Scotland supporter, who said Maradona would never make it as a player was amazing!

20. It was fitting that Greig Spence scored the 8,000 SPFL goal for "The Wasps" against Queen's Park at Hampden Park on 18 February 2017, a ground where Greig scored on his senior debut for "The Wasps" back on the 14th February, 2009 in a 2-1 victory. Alloa Athletic manager Jim Goodwin said

"Greig is so clever around the box as he is always anticipating things happening; he showed a lot of quality with the finish for the goal as well".

Greig at the time commented on his first senior goal in his full senior debut "My dream like lots of other young boys is to play professional football and I have to say that playing at Hampden Park in my first full senior debut for Alloa Athletic is something I could not have dreamed for at the start of this season. Today's game I really enjoyed, and I felt as the game went on, I got more into the game and more involved and obviously happy to score my first goal in such an important game for the club, at an important time in the match. As the game wore on I got more tired but the goal near the end of the match from Stuart Noble gave everyone a great lift and a 2-1 victory, no more than we deserved because we had worked hard for this result. Asked about his recollection of the goal, his first in the senior game. Greig said "David

Crawford palmed away a shot which came towards me, and I only had one thought and leathered it", let's hope there are still more of Greig's goals to help "The Wasps" in the future. By the end of that season Greig was already proving his worth to the club, scoring at Somerset Park against Ayr United to clinch a 1-1 to secure "The Wasps" place that season in the division. No Alloa Athletic fan will ever forget Greig's double strike against Rangers in the Petrofac Cup Semi-final at Alloa, Rangers under manager Ally McCoist having went 2-0 ahead with goals from Kenny Miller and Dean Shiels after 64 minutes, Greig struck his first goal after 72 minutes, Ryan McCord scored the equaliser after 75 minutes and Greig scored his second goal of the evening after 89 minutes to secure a dramatic and historic winner. Greig wanted the last word "It's a great achievement to claim the 8,000 SPFL Goal at the National Stadium, it's the kind of stuff that dreams are made."



ALLO ATHLETIC



STENHOUSEMUIR

#	POS				
	1		TOCHUKWU OGAYI		
	21		NEIL PARRY		
	31		PJ MORRISON		
	2		SCOTT TAGGART		
	3		CALUM WATERS		
	5		ANDY GRAHAM		
	6		MORGYN NEILL		
	15		DAVID MCKAY		
	17		KANE THOMSON		
	23		DAVID DEVINE		
	4		STEVEN HETHERINGTON		
	7		KEVIN CAWLEY		
	8		KURTIS ROBERTS		
	10		SCOTT HONEYMAN		
	11		SHAY NEVANS		
	12		STEFAN SCOUGALL		
	14		MIKO VIRTANEN		
	20		CAMERON O'DONNELL		
	22		REECE MULLEN		
	26		TYRECE MCDONNELL		
	9		LUKE DONNELLY		
	18		CONOR SAMMON		
	19		STEVEN BUCHANAN		
	24		LUKE RANKIN		
			MANAGER ANDY GRAHAM		

#	POS				
	1		DARREN JAMIESON		
	2		ROSS MEECHAN		
	3		EUAN CAMERON		
	4		GREGOR BUCHANAN		
	5		NICKY JAMIESON		
	6		NAT WEDDERBURN		
	7		EUAN O'REILLY		
	8		JAMES BERRY		
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