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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

MOST CAPPED PLAYER

Jock Hepburn, 1 Cap
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	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
 DUNFERMLINE	8	4	4	0	11	4	7	16
 FC EDINBURGH	8	5	0	3	17	13	4	15
 MONTROSE	9	4	2	3	13	8	5	14
 AIRDRIEONIANS	9	4	2	3	17	13	4	14
 FALKIRK	8	4	2	2	12	9	3	14
 ALLOA ATHLETIC	8	4	1	3	16	11	5	13
 QUEEN OF THE SOUTH	8	2	3	3	12	13	-1	9
 CLYDE	8	2	1	5	12	18	-6	7
 KELTY HEARTS	8	2	1	5	5	13	-8	7
 PETERHEAD	8	1	2	5	8	21	-13	5

WEEKEND'S FIXTURES











LEAGUE 1

 ALLOA ATHLETIC	 DUNFERMLINE
 AIRDRIEONIANS	 QUEEN OF THE SOUTH
 CLYDE	 MONTROSE
 FC EDINBURGH	 KELTY HEARTS
 PETERHEAD	 FALKIRK











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 ST JOHNSTONE	 CELTIC
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 KILMARNOCK	 HEART OF MIDLOTHIAN

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 ARBROATH	 DUNDEE
 AYR UNITED	 QUEEN'S PARK
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LEAGUE 2

 ALBION ROVERS	 BONNYRIGG ROSE
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**William
MUIR**

16/03/1993

183 CM 75 KG



1



DEFENDERS

**Scott
TAGGART**

27/12/1991

183 CM 75 KG



2



**Daniel
CHURCH**

21/07/2000

183 CM 79 KG



3



**Craig
HOWIE**

02/07/1996

CM KG



4



**Keir
BURT**

09/09/2004

175 CM 69 KG



21



**Andy
GRAHAM**

22/09/1983

188 CM 85 KG



5



**Mark
DURNAN**

28/11/1992

188 CM 89 KG



6



**George
STANGER**

15/08/2000

190 CM 88 KG



14



**Jay
HOGARTH**

18/07/2003

185 CM 82 KG



31



**Paul
MCLAREN**

01/04/2004

185 CM 76 KG



22



**David
DEVINE**

20/06/2001

CM KG



23



MANAGER

BRIAN RICE



MIDFIELDERS

Kevin CAWLEY

17/03/1989



Jon ROBERTSON

25/04/1989



Murray MILLER

29/01/2001

175_{CM} 65_{KG}



Stefan SCOUGAL

07/12/1992

170_{CM} 63_{KG}



Adam KING

11/10/1995

178_{CM} 74_{KG}



Cameron O'DONNELL

29/09/2001

183_{CM} 70_{KG}



FORWARDS

Luke DONNELLY

20/01/1996



Bradley RODDEN

21/08/1996

178_{CM} 68_{KG}



Ross MACIVER

28/02/1999

180_{CM} 73_{KG}



Seff KHYIAM

06/07/2002

175_{CM} 69_{KG}



Conor SAMMON

06/11/1986

188_{CM} 91_{KG}



Steven BUCHANAN

26/03/2003

178_{CM} 70_{KG}



Luke RANKIN

27/11/2004



Kieran OFFORD

28/03/2004





BRIAN RICE



AFTER A SMASH & GRAB IN DUMFRIES

The game lasts ninety minutes you've got to keep going to the end. That's what I said to the players.

We didn't play well but we've scraped a point and that keeps the good wee run that we're on going.

We hung in there and showed great spirit despite not playing the

way we wanted to but to come down here and get a point, I'm delighted with the result.

They had a gale force wind behind them in the first half, so it was difficult but Queens are a good team. We needed to hang on and got our not-so just rewards because we put the ball in the box.

We were aiming to do that today but up until the last ten minutes we didn't manage it.

Jay Hogarth has made a couple of good saves but he's at fault for the first goal. It was a poor decision from him but he's learning. He doesn't let it affect him and you can see that from the really good saves

he's made at 1-0. It's all about learning for these young players.

Ross MacIver is good in the air. We can see that week in, week out. He's got on the end of a fantastic delivery by Daniel Church for the goal. Very pleasing note to end the game on and take a point up the road.





JOHN GLENCROSS



NEWSDESK

Welcome back to the Indodrill Stadium for our ninth league fixture in this season's Cinch League One and our fifth home league match, today against Dunfermline Athletic FC as we enter the second quarter of the season, we welcome James McPake, Dave MacKay and Alan Main as the management team, the directors, players and fans of Dunfermline Athletic FC. "The Pars" currently sit top of Cinch League One on 16 points at the

start of the week, prior to the two midweek Cinch League One fixtures - Montrose v. Airdrie & FC Edinburgh v. Peterhead, however Dunfermline Athletic will be disappointed to have dropped two points last Saturday against Peterhead losing two late goals and will want to bounce back today. This will be our third encounter this season having won 5-4 on penalties after 1-1 in Premier Sports Cup and the following week lost 1-0 at East End Park

to a wind assisted goal. Brian Rice and his team are currently on a five game unbeaten run and will go into this game looking to win the three points to keep "The Wasps" in a challenging position in the League table.

Congratulations to goalkeeper Jay Hogarth, who is currently on loan to the club from Rangers, he was named in Scott Gemmill's Scotland U21 squad for the double header with Northern Ireland,

firstly on Thursday 22nd September at Danny Blanchflower Stadium, Belfast, which the Young Scots won 3-1 and then on Sunday 25th September when he made his Under 21 debut at the Simple Digital Arena, Paisley, the game ended 1-1 draw.

Kieran Offord, who is currently on loan to the club from St. Mirren was included in the Scotland Under 19 squad which took part in friendly tournament in Slovenia. Kieran came

off the bench after 62m v. Croatia, then made his Under 19 debut v. Malta scoring twice in 3-1 victory before again coming on as second half substitute v. USA after 65m in the final game, congratulations.

Steve Jauncey and 2 friends are travelling from Reading to watch today's game against Dunfermline Athletic. One of his party, Vic Herridge has sponsored players for the last couple of seasons, currently he sponsors Mark Durnan's home top, the trip is part celebration for his 70th birthday.

Alloa's Women's team but history last week when they played their first ever Women's Scottish Cup tie, making their debut against a very strong unbeaten Harmony Row Women's side who on the day won by five goals to nil. Alloa Athletic X Energy Law, a huge thank you to @elu_llp for renewing their Academy sponsorship for the 2022/23 season. Our U18 and U20 squads debuted the new strips last weekend @AlloaAthAcademy

Alloa Athletic supporters should be aware of a new rescheduled date for the away match v. Falkirk, which was due on 10th September, 2022, but has now been rearranged for Tuesday 18th October, Kick-Off 7.45pm at the Falkirk Stadium.

The History of Alloa Athletic book, which celebrates the club's 100 years in the Scottish League, Over 660 pages in A4 size covering League Tables, Results, and Player Appearances since the club joined the Scottish League in 1921. The book will be sold via the club with profits going directly into the club. The book will be on sale at Waterstones Retail Price £ 40. However the book can be ordered direct from the club for £ 29.95. Orders can be placed directly on the club website alloaathletic.co.uk visiting the club shop and placing order.

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The draw for the 4th Round of this season's SPFL Trust Trophy was made on Tuesday with Alloa Athletic been drawn to face Queen of the south at home on the weekend of 10th / 11th December, 2022. The Full Draw was:-

Alloa Athletic v. Queen of the South

Arbroath v. Dunfermline Athletic or Celtic B

Elgin City v. Clyde

Falkirk v. Dundee

Hamilton Accies or Rangers B v. Inverness CT

Kelty Hearts v. Linfield

Raith Rovers v. Greenock Morton

Queen's Park v. Montrose

Games Outstanding
Rangers B v Hamilton Academical on 8th November and Dunfermline Athletic v. Celtic B on 15th November, 2022

Alloa Athletic fixtures for December will be - 3rd December Montrose (A), 10th December Queen of the South (H) TBC, 17th December Falkirk (H), 24th December Clyde (A) and 2nd Jan 2023 Kelty Hearts (H)



CHILD PROTECTION AND WELLBEING POLICY

Alloa Athletic FC acknowledges its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of those who engage with the club especially children and vulnerable adults. We are committed to protecting children and vulnerable adults from all form of harm and actively promoting the creation of a positive, safe and supportive environment.

We recognise -

- the welfare of the child (up to the age of 18) is paramount.
- all children regardless of age disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse.
- working in partnership with children and their families is essential in promoting and embedding this policy

The purpose of the policy and related procedures is to:

- promote and prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults
- provide staff and volunteers with appropriate training to recognise, identify and respond to safeguarding concerns relating to children and vulnerable adults
- ensure appropriate action is taken in event of incidents of concerns and that support is provided to those who raise or disclose the concern and that is dealt with confidentially;
- prevent the employment or engagement of unsuitable individuals by adopting rigorous recruitment and vetting procedures

Alloa Athletic Football Club's policy will be widely promoted and will be reviewed on a regular basis, or in the event of changes in legislation or government guidance, or as a result of any other changes.

MIKE MULRANEY, CHAIRMAN
ALLOA ATHLETIC FC

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1st October 2022
Palmerston Park, Dumfries
3:00pm KO

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH

1:1

ALLOA ATHLETIC



(1:0)

SCORERS

Reilly 42' 1:0

1:1 87' MacIver



STARTING XI

- 13** FOX
- 2** MCKAY
- 4** WILSON
- 7** PATON
- 8** TODD
- 9** REILLY
- 12** MCKENNA
- 15** MCGRORY
- 16** EAST
- 17** HENDRIE
- 33** GIBSON

SUBS

- 1** CURRIE
- 3** QUITONGO
- 6** COCHRANE
- 10** CONNELLY
- 11** MURRAY
- 19** RUTH
- 20** IRVING
- 22** BANGE
- 27** GIBSON

SUBS

- 1** MUIR
- 3** CHURCH
- 4** HOWIE
- 5** GRAHAM
- 9** DONNELLY
- 10** RODDEN
- 11** MILLER
- 16** KING
- 19** BUCHANAN

STARTING XI

- 31** HOGARTH
- 2** TAGGART
- 7** CAWLEY
- 8** ROBERTSON
- 12** SCOUGALL
- 14** STANGER
- 15** MACIVER
- 18** SAMMON
- 20** O'DONNELL
- 23** DEVINE
- 25** OFFORD

REFEREE: Callum Scott

1st October 2022
 East End Park, Dunfermline
 3:00pm KO

DUNFERMLINE

2:2

PETERHEAD



(0:0)

SCORERS

Breen **67'** **1:0**

Todorov **84'** **2:0**

2:1 **87'** Brown

1:2 **94'** Hewitt



STARTING XI

- 1** MEHMET
- 2** COMRIE
- 4** BENEDICTUS
- 12** BREEN
- 3** EDWARDS
- 6** MACDONALD
- 8** CHALMERS
- 26** TODD
- 11** MOCHRIE
- 10** TODOROV
- 14** MCCANN

SUBS

- 5** HAMILTON
- 9** WIGHTON
- 15** FISHER
- 20** LITTLE
- 21** RITCHIE-HOSLER
- 27** YOUNG
- 28** TOD
- 29** SUTHERLAN
- 30** MAHON

SUBS

- 7** ASARE
- 15** STRACHAN
- 18** BROWN
- 20** MCLEOD
- 27** WOOD

STARTING XI

- 1** RITCHIE
- 2** GILLIES
- 3** DIXON
- 6** STRACHAN
- 5** BROWN
- 4** MCDONALD
- 14** SCULLION
- 26** HEWITT
- 12** BROWN
- 10** DOW
- 11** HEFZALLA

REFEREE: Barry Cook





JONATHAN MARKWELL



UNEARTHING HIDDEN GEMS

One of the most pleasing aspects of Alloa's first quarter of the season has undoubtedly been the emergence of summer signing Bradley Rodden. The 26 year old has so far scored six goals, with five of those in the cinch League One. Given that all but two of Rodden's league appearances have come off the bench, that equates to a goal every forty-nine minutes played, which is a phenomenal strike-rate at any level. When you also factor in that

Rodden also has two assists to his name, it all adds up to a start to the season which will probably go beyond even his own expectations given this is his first taste of football in the SPFL.

Rodden's career up to joining the Wasps exclusively involved appearances in the juniors. Whilst he has been on the books of both Livingston and Stirling Albion in the past, Bradley never made a senior appearance for either side and instead his list of former clubs include

Possilpark YMCA, Kilbirnie Ladeside (who his dad Derek also played for), Wishaw (on loan from Stirling), Drumchapel United, Ashfield and latterly Rossvale. After only joining in November, Rodden was actually the joint top goalscorer at Rossvale last season but he couldn't prevent them being relegated from the West of Scotland Premier Division after finishing a lowly 18th out of 20 teams.

Rodden bravely put himself forward for the PFA Showcase and Exit Trial last May and it was there where he caught Brian Rice's eye. The Alloa manager said he saw something a bit different in Rodden, which persuaded him to invite him in for pre-season training. Rodden certainly impressed in the pre-season friendlies, putting in energetic displays and scoring three goals as "Triallist #10" to earn himself a year long deal with the Wasps. On signing, Rice cited his

energy, enthusiasm and work-rate as qualities Rodden would bring to the team. Bradley himself echoed those comments a week later when speaking with the Alloa Advertiser's Ciaran Vance, with his determination and desire to get goals and assists evident. Rodden's signing is a bit of a throwback to past decades in the game, where an 'eye test' from a manager leads to a trial and then a contract. Nowadays, football recruitment, at least at the top level and increasingly filtering down the game, seems to be more about analytics, show-reels and agents, with more traditional scouting networks now more of a secondary element. Sometimes the simple approach of a manager spotting a player can be just as effective!

For me, it is Rodden's undeniable hunger to succeed at a higher level which is so refreshing. It is immediately noticeable from watching Bradley's performances so far that his desire is second to none, from chasing lost causes, closing down the opposing goalkeepers and giving defenders not a minute's peace. His second goal versus Kelty epitomised those qualities by chasing down a lofted ball heading to the goalkeeper and applying enough pressure to force a mistake which he gleefully

profited from. For any defender a Waspish forward who never lets you settle is often the most challenging, with Rodden being Alloa's first line of defence with his high-pressing.

However, all the off-the-ball qualities shouldn't mask Rodden's quality on the ball either. There's always something more eloquent about left-footed players and Rodden has that poise and quality in abundance, with his finishing as a whole appearing more natural than many strikers at this level. He's also typically cool in front of goal (his pre-season strikes against Cumbernauld Colts and the right-footed winner versus Montrose being the best examples) and has that tremendous knack of being in the right place at the right time to sniff out a goal being welcome (for example his close-range opener at Clyde). Furthermore, although I wouldn't suggest that heading is a particular strength in Rodden's armoury, he already has two headed goals to his name (his first competitive goal against Buckie and his maiden league goal against Kelty). Finally, Rodden clearly has a feisty streak, which if channelled correctly is to be encouraged, with an over-zealous tackle in the first pre-season friendly against Partick and a challenge which

earned him a booking at Clyde being two examples we won't want to see repeated again. It's already been quite the journey for Bradley, from the juniors and being plucked from the PFA showcase game to being the joint second top goalscorer so far this season in cinch League One. Hopefully Rodden can continue that work ethic which has served him so well so far in the months to come, as doing so will only benefit both player and club.

Perhaps the emergence of Rodden will persuade Brian Rice and other lower league managers to scout the lower echelons of footballing pyramid for other hidden gems? It is admittedly not a route that the Wasps have ventured down for at least a decade, with the last Alloa player emerg-

ing from the juniors and making a significant impact on the first team being Eddie Ferns, who Paul Hartley signed from Blochairn Star (of the Strathclyde Saturday Morning Amateur League) in September 2012. Ferns went onto make over a century of appearances for the Wasps although over 83 of his 102 games were from the bench! Prior to that, there were other success stories for the Wasps, most notably the transformation of Martin Cameron from an Edinburgh park player into a £100,000 departure to Bristol Rovers in under 3 years back in 2000. Former Alloa striker Greig Spence is well placed to comment on the strength of the game under the SPFL level, having dropped down to play for enjoyment at Hillfield



Swifts at the start of last season. The 4-spell Wasp reckons there is a wealth of talented hungry players at lower levels who could step up, with many probably looking on at Rodden as a fine example to seek to emulate.

Considering this from a slightly wider angle, for a club like Alloa I consider there to be roughly seven different approaches to recruitment, namely:

- experienced players dropping out of full-time football
- youngsters released from top clubs
- the loan market
- those capable of making the step up from League Two or the lower reaches of League One
- promoting players from the youth set up
- plucking trialists from down south or across the world
- unearthing gems from the juniors

In reality, most teams at League One level will seek to use a combination of all these approaches as the lowest risk strategy, which is most likely to mould a squad which comprises all the necessary components for a successful season. If one strand is utilised too heavily it is more likely to fall down. Just look at Stenhousemuir signing virtually half the BSC Glasgow squad at the beginning of last season, following manager Stephen Swift but just a year later, only a few of those recruits are still at Ochilview. Another example would be Falkirk, who in recent seasons have (unfortunately for them) been a shining example of poor recruitment with Hartley's English trialist experiment not working (in a similar vein to his over-reliance on Scottish signings for Hartlepool this summer contributing to his spell at Victoria Park ending before the end of September) and an over-reliance on signing over the hill 'names' from bigger clubs who



had the pedigree but not the required hunger to succeed at League One level. This season Peterhead are taking a different approach, with traditional signing strategies being more difficult for a variety of reasons (as openly revealed by their chairman recently), meaning in recent weeks the Blue Toon have signed a Ugandan, an Egyptian, a Ghanaian and a Dutchman as they strive to field a winning team – time will tell as to whether that approach proves to be successful. There are of course notable exceptions to the general rule, most famously when Clyde cleared their entire squad in 1998 under Allan Maitland and instead recruited solely from the juniors, shaping a squad which went on to have great success.

With Alloa's scouting network understandably not being able to be as extensive as others, the Wasps recruitment has

largely been a combination of young players released from the biggest teams in the country (with the most obvious success stories in the past decade being Scott Bain and Calum Waters, although for every Bain and Waters there is a Reece Willison and Edin Lynch), players dropping down from the full-time game and the all-important loan market. Two strands which have been less well used has been unearthing gems from the juniors and utilising players from the youth set up. Brian Rice has refreshingly shown a willingness to give both a genuine chance so far this season. Possibly Rodden's successes so far will lead to a more concerted effort to utilise the junior strand of recruitment, and if others turn out half as well as Rodden has so far there will be more hits than misses for the Wasps.







DONALD POLLOCK

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—First Division.

	r.	W.	L.	D.	Goals.		Pts.
					F.	A.	
Aberdeen,	10	6	2	2	21	12	14
Hibernians,	9	5	2	2	9	9	12
Falkirk,	8	4	1	3	9	5	11
Rangers,	7	4	1	2	13	4	10
Airdrieonians,	8	4	2	2	9	4	10
Dundee,	9	4	3	2	14	11	10
Kilmarnock,	8	3	2	3	13	10	9
Hearts,	8	2	1	5	12	10	9
Celtic,	6	4	2	0	10	7	8
St Mirren,	8	3	3	2	13	11	8
Partick Thistle,	7	2	2	3	8	7	7
Third Lanark,	8	3	4	1	10	15	7
Raith Rovers,	8	2	3	3	6	12	7
Clyde,	7	2	3	2	10	11	6
Morton,	6	2	2	2	7	6	6
Alloa,	8	2	4	2	6	11	6
Albion Rovers,	8	1	4	3	6	12	5
Motherwell,	7	1	4	2	10	14	4
Ayr United,	7	1	4	2	6	13	4
Hamilton Accas., ..	9	1	7	1	11	19	3



FICKLE FOOTBALL IN THE FIRST DIVISION

The clocks were to go back in early October 1922 but as the days grew shorter and darker all was sweetness and light for Alloa followers. The Wasps had begun their debut season in Scotland's top flight with defeats against Rangers and Celtic, games which had brought plenty of plaudits but no points. A fighting draw at Brockville got Alloa off the mark and the Wasps had followed it up with a win over St Mirren in Paisley and a 1-1 draw with Motherwell. Then

came the sensational news of the return of Willie Crilley, Alloa's goal machine of the previous season agreeing to come back to the Recs just four months after leaving for Celtic. With Crilley back in attack Alloa had defeated league leaders Airdrie 2-0 at Broomfield, this despite finishing with 10 men after the returning hero limped off. "Perhaps the very thought of Crilley on the field spurred the other players on, and when this boy was hurt, their idea of revenge

was to give Airdrie a great defeat - and they did it! The forwards played great and the defence was stupendous and superb", the local Devon Valley Tribune had enthused. Alloa were four games unbeaten in the league, looking very much at home in the First Division and they had their talisman back. But for that injury sustained by Crilley, these were heady times indeed for the Wasps.

There were serious tests ahead as Alloa

now had a quickfire double header at the Recs against Hearts and Aberdeen. Crilley was still suffering from the knock against Airdrie and didn't appear against the Jambos. He was missed as the Wasps dominated the first half in front of 9000 fans but were unable to score, their best chance coming when Tully Craig drove an effort against the crossbar. There was a blow on the restart as Headrick went off injured and shortly after White fired Hearts into

the lead. A patched up Headrick reappeared but White soon added a second, before completing his hat-trick from the spot. The Dundee Evening Telegraph reported that "It was a curious game in that for 50 minutes Alloa had monopolised the play, confining their opponents to their goal area". "Hearts victory flattered them. Alloa played the better football", added the Sunday Post, but while Alloa fans rued the absence of Crilley to make that possession count, the final score of 3-0 was pretty convincing.

There was no rest for the Wasps with Aberdeen arriving in town on holiday Monday. Orrock, McNally and Crilley were all out injured. Burns, the young

striker signed to replace Crilley before the wee man's return, was back in the team. Burns was yet to score for Alloa and with added competition for places in attack at the Recs the pressure was on. Could he take his opportunity with Crilley out injured? Alas for Alloa, it was the league leading Dons who grabbed the lead midway through the first-half, Thomson heading home from a corner. They finished Alloa off just after the hour mark, Middleton with another header as Aberdeen won 2-0. The Aberdeen Daily Journal reported that Alloa were "unfortunate not to score". Cochrane and Quinn were picked out as effective attackers but it was felt that the forward line "lacked a leader". Alloa fans would surely have pointed out

that he was sitting in the stand. The Aberdeen paper also noted that the Wasps were a "rather diminutive side, and physically at least are at a disadvantage with most of the Scottish League First Division teams".

Back to back home defeats with no goals scored and five conceded had rather burst Alloa's balloon after the optimism of the return of Crilley and the win at Airdrie. It was reported that "Supporters of the club are much disappointed and many hard things are being said both of players and those in authority". Nothing new about the fickleness of football fans, it would seem. There were grounds for optimism with the news that "Crilley's leg is heal-

ing rapidly now" and that Orrock might also be back in defence for the trip to Kilmarnock. On the eve of the game the press recalled the last game between the sides when Killie had seen off the Wasps at the Recs in the Scottish Cup. Having gone in front, Killie "proceeded to kick the ball out of bounds at every opportunity". Kicking for touch had worked for the Ayrshire men and the ploy had apparently gained notoriety as "a Kilmarnock trick".

The Wasps had been warned as they targeted a win to try and escape the lower reaches of the table. More on the trip to Killie and the subsequent home match against Dundee in the next edition of The Wasp.



APPEARANCES

	POS	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL		ALLOA CAREER LGE	
		APP	GOAL	APP	GOAL	APP	GOAL	APP	GOAL
MUIR	GOAL	0 (0)	0	1 (0)	0	1 (0)	0	0 (0)	0
BURT	GOAL	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (1)	0
HOGARTH	GOAL	8 (0)	0	4 (0)	0	12 (0)	0	8 (0)	0
TAGGART	DEF	8 (0)	0	5 (0)	0	13 (0)	0	202 (0)	6
CHURCH	DEF	4 (3)	0	5 (0)	0	9 (3)	0	24 (7)	0
HOWIE	DEF	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	17 (3)	1
GRAHAM	DEF	4 (0)	0	5 (0)	0	9 (0)	0	180 (1)	13
DURNAN	DEF	4 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	4 (0)	0	37 (0)	4
STANGER	DEF	8 (0)	2	4 (1)	0	12 (1)	2	8 (0)	2
MCLAREN	DEF	0 (1)	0	2 (1)	0	2 (2)	0	0 (1)	0
DEVINE	DEF	2 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	2 (0)	0
ROBERTSON	MID	6 (1)	0	0 (0)	0	6 (1)	0	153 (29)	2
SCOUGALL	MID	5 (1)	1	3 (1)	0	8 (2)	1	39 (14)	6
KING	MID	3 (5)	0	4 (0)	0	7 (5)	0	29 (10)	4
O'DONNELL	MID	4 (2)	0	2 (1)	0	6 (3)	0	11 (22)	0
MILLER	MID	4 (1)	0	5 (0)	0	9 (1)	0	4 (1)	0
CAWLEY	MID	8 (0)	0	1 (2)	0	9 (2)	0	306 (43)	62
DONNELLY	FWD	0 (3)	0	1 (0)	0	1 (3)	0	0 (9)	1
SAMMON	FWD	8 (0)	4	4 (1)	5	12 (1)	9	29 (13)	9
MACIVER	FWD	8 (0)	2	4 (1)	0	12 (1)	2	11 (5)	3
KHYHAM	FWD	0 (1)	0	0 (3)	0	0 (4)	0	0 (1)	0
RODDEN	FWD	2 (6)	5	4 (0)	1	6 (6)	6	2 (6)	5
BUCHANAN	FWD	0 (3)	0	1 (2)	0	1 (5)	0	0 (3)	0
RANKIN	FWD	0 (2)	1	0 (0)	0	0 (2)	1	0 (2)	1
OFFORD	FWD	2 (1)	2	0 (0)	0	2 (1)	2	2 (1)	2



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6 (0)	0	23 (3)	1
10 (2)	0	190 (3)	13
46 (1)	1	83 (1)	5
6 (1)	0	14 (1)	2
2 (1)	0	2 (2)	0
0 (0)	0	2 (0)	0
0 (0)	0	153 (29)	2
3 (1)	1	42 (15)	7
10 (4)	1	39 (14)	5
0 (0)	0	11 (22)	0
5 (0)	0	9 (1)	0
6 (4)	1	312 (47)	63
1 (3)	0	1 (12)	1
4 (1)	5	33 (14)	14
4 (1)	0	15 (6)	3
0 (3)	0	0 (4)	0
4 (0)	1	6 (6)	6
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BRIAN ROACH



A FAN'S VIEW

It was a return to the domestic league last Saturday following a fruitful triple header of internationals, where Scotland obviously prevailed to win their Nations League group. There was nice little trip to Poland in amongst that. I was getting accustomed to their £1.20 a pint prices before a jolt back to reality and £6 beers at London Gatwick on the return journey. Still, it was a great outcome with some good times ahead to look forward to on the international front.

Of course, Alloa's participation in the SPFL Trust Trophy was shoe-horned in between these international fixtures. The fixture experienced a welcome shift to the

Friday night- avoiding any potential scheduling clashes with the Scotland vs Ireland game the following evening. Alloa made nine changes to the starting eleven from the previous league win over Montrose. Willie Muir made his competitive debut in goal, and there were starts for Paul McLaren, Steven Buchanan, Luke Donnelly, Adam King and Murray Miller. Airdrie also rested a few first team regulars as both clubs approached the game with a similar mindset. Whilst the fixture had a reduction of importance in contrast to a league encounter, it worked to the benefit of the spectacle which was open and entertaining. The visitors were the better side in

the first half. They played the game with a high tempo and created 3 or 4 really good chances- Diamonds striker Calum Gallagher was a frequent danger to the Alloa back line. Alloa didn't really get going in the opening period for long spells- with glimpses on goal restricted to errors from Airdrie trying to be a bit too clever when playing out from the back. However, in the closing minutes before the break Alloa created the best chance of the half. Andy Graham's long ball found Bradley Rodden wide on the right, and he found Luke Donnelly in space, but his header was saved when it seemed certain Alloa would open the scoring.

Alloa had soaked up a lot of Airdrie's play and gone in at half time goalless. I didn't expect Airdrie could keep up that tempo all game, and the majority of the second half belonged to Alloa. Manager Brian Rice introduced "big hitters" from the bench Conor Sammon, Kevin Cawley and Ross MacIver at ages in the second period to try and win the tie. Alloa played some terrific stuff in the second half- with Miller, King, Scougall and Cawley excellent throughout. And MacIver frequently got Alloa up the pitch- winning headers and very unlucky not to get on the score sheet. MacIver is a bit of an unsung hero in the sense that a lot of his work can go unnoticed.

But there's definitely a reason why the manager rarely benches him- his contribution to the team is significant. Sammon passed up a glorious chance moments after being introduced with around 20 minutes remaining. MacIver's brilliant 20-yard chip struck the inside of the post and the ball fell to Sammon- the solitary player in the penalty area. The chance maybe arrived too soon for him though as he blasted his shot over the bar. The big striker put it right though with 10 minutes to go- reacting quickest in the ensuing goalmouth scramble from a Cawley corner to hammer home from close range. It proved to be the winner in an enjoyable night from a supporter perspective. The tournament has its detractors, and fans may have tempted to skip this one but those attending experienced a treat. I think Alloa probably did edge it based on their second half display, but there was decent football played by both teams. Alloa received a home draw for round 4 facing their league opponents from last week- Queen of the South. I'm expecting a similar approach as the Airdrie game- with both teams utilising their full squads and encouraging an open game on the pitch.

Last weekend Alloa returned to league duty with a tough game at Palmerston Park. Whilst it was far from Alloa's

best performance of the season, at time up it felt like a win based on the conclusion of the match. The manager reverted to essentially the line-up of the previous league encounter- again making 9 changes to the starting 11 from the Airdrie cup tie. For much of the game the hosts were on top, as Alloa were over run in midfield. A bit of hesitancy between Scot Taggart, George Stanger and Jay Hogarth allowed Queens to open the scoring. But overall, I thought these 3 performed pretty well in adversity- particularly the young goalkeeper who pulled off some fine saves to keep the deficit to a single goal. Ross MacIver again won a lot of high balls to take the pressure off the back line at times, but his influence waned a bit in the second half as Queens relentlessly chased another goal to seal the game. That didn't come though- and with 2 minutes remaining Alloa equalised- a brilliant delivery into the area from substitute Daniel

Church was converted by MacIver through a powerful header. Having not robbed the home side enough, Alloa then had the audacity to push for a winner. There was a penalty shout when Luke Donnelly's header across goal struck a Queens defender, but the replays on the highlights did show the referee was correct and the ball hit the chest and not the trailing arm. I have liked the look of Donnelly in his fleeting appearances so far. He reminds me a bit of Peter Crouch or Georgios Samaras in that sometimes his touch and movement looks a bit cumbersome but effective- defenders struggle to predict what he is going to do next. The share of the spoils was probably ill deserved from an Alloa perspective, but it stretched Alloa's unbeaten run to 5 games. Taking a result on an off-day isn't a bad habit to pick up- and credit to the players for hanging in there and clinically converting the one real clear-cut chance created

in the game.

With FC Edinburgh and Falkirk picking up wins, Alloa slipped two places to 5th in the table. But still only 3 points separate Alloa from today's opponents and league leaders Dunfermline so its ridiculously tight at the top. The league is shaping up to be very competitive and unpredictable. Peterhead- who looked every inch like league whipping boys when they came here a month ago- have picked up 4 points from the last 2 games including an impressive point at East End Park last week. Alloa and Dunfermline of course met in the season curtain raiser, where Dunfermline edged a tight game. The Pars remain unbeaten in the league this season, and Brian Rice puts everything into winning games for Alloa- so hopefully this afternoon will produce another good spectacle for the supporters. Enjoy the game.





ANDREW COCKBURN



ALLOA'S THIRD.— Cunningham acts as "escort" as Bobby Simpson's shot enters the net for Alloa's third goal in the game with Dunfermline at the Rees. on Saturday.

LOOKING BACK 6TH OCTOBER 1984

The Premier Division's top match was undoubtedly at Celtic Park, where third-placed Celtic hosted leaders/reigning Champions Aberdeen, in front of 31,418 spectators. And a 2-1 win for The Celts saw them move into second spot, in place of fierce local rivals Rangers, & just a point behind The Dons. Rangers dropped to third place after a 0-1 defeat at Hearts, fourth-placed St. Mirren were 2-0

victors v struggling Hibs at Love Street, while Dundee United were also victorious on home soil, v another of the strugglers, Dumbarton, and as such retained fifth spot. At the other end of the table, Morton collected only their fifth point of the campaign so far, from a 1-1 home draw with Dundee, though The Ton still propped up the table. But Hearts' win lifted them up two places, The Jambos were replaced

in second-bottom place by Hibs, while Dumbarton's own defeat saw them drop to third-bottom position.

In The First Division, the day's top clash took place at Broomfield, where leaders Airdrie hosted their second-placed Lanarkshire rivals Motherwell. And The Diamonds made it four wins on the bounce, and without having conceded a goal, after a 2-0 victory, in

front of 4,000 onlookers. The Well meantime, dropped to third place, Clydebank now occupied second position after a 2-1 win v Ayr, in another top-of-the-table clash at Kilbowie, The Honest Men thus slipped from third to fourth, while Forfar, 1-0 home winners v East Fife, moved up to fifth place. At the other end of the table, St. Johnstone's initial away success of the season, 3-2 at Clyde, moved them

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up one place off the bottom. The Saints were replaced by Kilmarnock, who suffered a 0-4 hammering at another of the strugglers, Meadowbank, though who in spite of their success remained in third-bottom place.

Down in The Second, Alloa had made a positive start to their bid for an immediate return to The First Division, and The Wasps now made it nine league games unbeaten since the start of the season, with a 3-2 win at Stranraer, courtesy of goals from Bobby Harris,

Davie Lloyd & Drew Paterson. And Alloa had lined up at Stair Park as follows: Lowrie, Thompson, Haggart, Thomson, Dall, Barr (Harris), Paterson, Kelly, Murray, Sorbie, Lloyd. Today's visitors Dunfermline remained second after a 2-0 victory at lowly Arbroath, Grant Jenkins & John Watson The Pars scorers, while Montrose retained third spot, after they too were successful on their travels, by 1-0 at Cowdenbeath. But there was no joy for rock-bottom East Stirling, whose winless start

to the season continued with a 1-2 home reverse v Berwick.

South of the border, Arsenal were the new leaders of The First Division, after a 1-0 home win v Everton. The Gunners displaced their North London rivals Spurs, who dropped to third, after a 0-1 defeat at Southampton. Nottingham Forest retained second spot, despite being held 1-1 at home by lowly Stoke, while in the "base-ment clash" at Vicarage Road, Watford remained bottom and winless, after

a 0-1 home reverse v fellow strugglers Coventry. Birmingham City still topped The Second Division, in spite of a 0-2 defeat at Brighton, though The Blues advantage was purely on goal difference over Portsmouth, who moved into second spot after a 2-1 victory at struggling Cardiff, while Blackburn, 3-1 home winners v Shrewsbury, were now third.



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This afternoon we welcome table-topping, Dunfermline Athletic, to the Indodrill for a crunch match in Cinch League 1. Following a disappointing season last year, the Pars' fate was sealed with a play-off defeat to Queen's Park and they were relegated back to the 3rd tier of Scottish football. Their bid to return at the first time of asking has started well, however, with the side being the only unbeaten team in the division. Having played the first quarter of the season, barring the fixture postponement, after 4 victories and 4 draws, they sit a point clear at top. A

victory for Alloa today would seem the Wasps join them on 16 points, despite sitting in 5th before a ball was kicked. Thus, emphasising how tight the league is in the opening quarter.

THE BOSS – JAMES MCPAKE

A change at the top was required following the relegation and John Hughes departure from the club. Shortly after that news broke, they made the move to appoint James McPake as manager of the club on a 2-year deal. McPake's only stint in management prior to this was at Dundee where he

enjoyed a promotion to the Premiership via the play-offs in the 2020-21 season. This success also saw him earn the SPFL Scottish Championship Manager of the Year, a fantastic achievement in his first full season. Despite winning his last two games at Dundee, including an impressive victory over Hearts at Tynecastle, he lost his job in the middle of February. It only took till May to return to football with the task of replicating his Dundee success and securing promotion for the Pars.





his career at the Manchester City youth ranks, he has already had a feel for the lower leagues of Scottish football with a loan spell at Clyde. The wide man made his debut off the bench for the Pars on Saturday but was unfortunately for him, saw his side lose 2 late goals and drop 2 vital points. He will be looking for his first start on Saturday in a more positive result.

ONE TO WATCH – NIKOLAY TODOROV

This afternoon's one to watch is hit-man, Nikolay Todorov. The Bulgarian striker is well-known in Scotland since he made his first move North of the border in 2016 to Hearts. Since then, he has played for Cowdenbeath,

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THE CAPTAIN – KYLE BENEDICTUS

The man to lead Dunfermline out is a new signing in Kyle Benedictus. It was a move that certainly caught the eye of many when the experienced defender decided to make the switch from Raith Rovers to rivals Dunfermline, and in turn drop down a division, this summer. He had been an ever-present for Raith during his 7-years at the club and was made club captain in his first season. It was an eventful time at Starks Park with Benedictus being involved in a relegation, a title win, a Premiership play-off, and two Scottish Challenge Cup titles. Benedictus will be known to Alloa fans for his part in our own little bit of Challenge Cup success

as he was on loan at the club from Dundee and played in our historic 3-2 victory over Rangers in 2014/15. His start to his Dunfermline career has been a strong one with resilient performances at the back and even grabbing his first goal for the club against rivals, Falkirk, from the

spot.

NEW BOY – KANE RITCHIE-HOSLER

McPake made a move on the loan window deadline to secure the services of exciting Rangers prospect, Kane Ritchie-Hosler, on loan until January. Beginning



BY KIEREN MOONEY



Livingston, Queen of the South, Falkirk, Inverness, before signing at East End Park in 2021. Standing at 6ft 3inches, Todorov is always a threat in the air, as well as his clinical finishing ability. The forward has already bagged 8 goals this season, 3 of those coming in the league. If you look more closely into his recent form, this is where the threat comes from. A goal last week against Peterhead, was proceeded by an assist against Falkirk and another goal against Queen of the South the week previous.

THE CONNECTION

As well as the visitors skipper, Benedictus, there are two more former Alloa players returning to the club for today's match. Most notably would be former Wasp star, Kevin O'Hara, who played for the club in the 2019-20 season. It was an impressive season with O'Hara bagging 14 goals and scooping various individual awards. After that season at the Indodrill, he made the move to East End Park on a 3-year deal that summer. The other connection is a more obscure link with Dunfermline's loanee Sam Fisher from Dundee. He was part of the Alloa

Athletic Academy prior to his move to Dundee in 2019. The only former Pars player in the Alloa ranks is club captain, Mark Durnan. He played for Dunfermline for a season in 2018, however, won't face his former employers today due to injury.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Despite it only being October, the sides have already met twice this season, once in the cup and once in the league. Both fixtures took place at East End Park in consecutive weekends, and both were closely fought affairs. The cup game firstly ended in a draw,

after a Chris Hamilton looping header outside the box put the home side in front in the first half. Connor Sammon would get the Wasps back level on the hour mark to take the game to penalties. The Wasps would go on to secure the extra point after 5 perfect penalties and Joe Chalmers miss for Dunfermline. The following week the sides would face each other once more in the opening day of the league campaign. It was a freak goal that would separate the sides that week when Matthew Todd's cross come shot sailed over the head of Jay Hogarth to give Dunfermline a narrow 1-0 win.



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BRIAN ROACH



THREE OF THE BEST..... LOAN SIGNINGS

1. ROBERT SLOAN- HEARTS 2002/03

In early 2003 attacking left midfielder/striker Robert Sloan was a 19-year-old hot prospect at Hearts. He had featured in 6 matches for the first team in the previous campaign and scored a memorable winner in a 2-1 league win over Motherwell. The summer signing of left winger Jean Louis Valois had limited Sloan's chances at the Jambos. Rising through the lower leagues in his playing and management career, Hearts manager Craig Levein regularly loaned out his younger squad members and in January 2003, Terry Christie signed Sloan as Alloa sat bottom of the First Division. Sloan became the main catalyst

to a second half of the season revival. He made an instant impact on his Alloa debut, scoring a double in a 2-1 win up at Ross County- only the Wasps 3rd victory of the season. Alloa picked up 23 points in the league after Sloan's arrival- with the loanee notching 8 goals in 16 appearances. A goal in another 2-1 over relegation rivals Ross County in early April- this time at Recreation Park- was key. It gave Alloa real hope of finishing in 8th position. Alloa were neck and neck with the Highlanders on the final day of the season- level on points but with an inferior goal difference- but despite another Sloan double in a 4-0 last day win over St Mirren, the Wasps were relegated

as Ross County matched their win with a surprising 4-1 victory over Ayr United. The loan move was effective for both parties- he made 15 appearances for Hearts the following season. He fell out of favour eventually though and had a short spell at St Johnstone before rejoining Alloa on a permanent basis in 2005. He didn't have quite the same impact in something of a younger more inexperienced Alloa team. Never the less he still scored vital goals for the club- the most memorable of which were his equaliser in the play-off semi final of 2006 against Arbroath and of course the winner against Premier League club Livingston in the Scottish Cup the same season. After departing the

Wasps in 2007 he went on to have good spells at Raith Rovers and East Fife before dropping down to junior level at Bo'ness and Linlithgow Rose.

2. STEVIE MAY- ST JOHNSTONE 2011/12

As 2011 entered its winter months, Alloa had undertaken a really positive opening to their Third Division campaign under manager Paul Hartley. Recruiting a brand-new squad of players, the team had gelled impressively- with some brilliant football on display. They had endured a sticky November though, with 3 draws against East Stirling, Montrose and Peterhead. The team appeared to be over reliant on Kevin Cawley to convert goals. Cawley had a brilliant start to the sea-

son, but his performances had dipped a little and the goals were subsequently beginning to dry up. In early December, Hartley moved to sign 19-year-old St Johnstone striker Stevie May on loan. He made his debut in a 1-0 win at home to Queens Park and scored his first goal for the club the following week at Shieffield against Berwick Rangers. Alloa moved to the summit of the table on Boxing Day with a win over Elgin, and May celebrated bringing in the New Year with a hat-trick away to East Stirlingshire, including an outrageous long range strike. He scored in the next 4 consecutive games as Alloa marched towards the league championship. In early April Alloa sealed the title in style. May scored 4 goals in an 8-1 home win, with Elgin again their opponents- one of the finest individual displays from an Alloa striker in years. May signed off with goals in each of the last two league matches, to leave him with a final tally of 19 goals in 22 appearances. He was the final piece of the jigsaw in Paul Hartleys championship winning team. Again, the loan worked in both parties' favour- May was loaned to Hamilton Accies the following season, scoring 26 goals for the club. Finally ready to make his mark at his parent club, he was St Johnstones star man with 27 goals as the Perth side finished the season winning the Scottish Cup. A move to Sheffield Wednesday in the summer of 2014 was followed by his first Scotland cap later that year,

coming off the bench against England at Celtic Park. Injuries curtailed his time in England at both Wednesday then Preston North End. He ventured back north in 2017 to join Aberdeen before returning to St Johnstone 2 years later- winning Scottish Cup and a League Cup medals in 2020/21.

3. ROSS STEWART- ST MIRREN 2017/18

It's easy to forget in that promotion season that up until mid-October Alloa really struggled. A patchy start to their League One campaign was compounded by a 5-2 home defeat by Albion Rovers which had manager Jim Goodwin under pressure. Form picked up towards the years end, but the manager knew he would need some additional fire power. Returning to his old club St Mirren, he recruited striker Ross Stewart on loan- who had been used sparingly in the Championship for the Paisley club. Making his debut two days before

Christmas, Stewart scored in each of his first 3 games for Alloa against Stranraer, Queens Park and Albion Rovers. A first half hat trick occurred later in the season in a thrilling 5-3 win over Arbroath. Stewart impressed with his all round play. A tall, skinny player- yet really gifted with the ball at his feet. He also played off the shoulder of the last defender brilliantly. Alloa finished the season strongly by clinching their place in the promotion play-offs. They signed off in the league with a memorable win over title hopefuls Ayr United in the penultimate game, before handing the Somerset men the league by holding Raith Rovers to a draw at Starks Park the following week. In the play-offs Stewart delivered when it mattered with goals. He scored in both legs of the semi final win over the hapless Rovers. And his 2nd leg stoppage time equaliser at Dumbarton broke Sons hearts and tipped the extra time mo-

mentum in Alloas favour. Jordan Kirkpatrick sealed promotion and the rest is history. Stewart moved to Ross County that summer, where he became one of the best strikers in Scotland at playing off the last defender and on the counter. He earned a move to Sunderland where he scored 26 goals last term as they clinched promotion to the Championship. He is beloved in the Northeast, earning the nickname the "Loch Ness Drogba". He followed this up in summer by picking up his first Scotland international cap- coming on as a late substitute in a 2-0 win over Armenia. Unfortunately Stewart is currently injured, which curtailed his brilliant start to the season- scoring 5 goals in his first 7 Championship games. Still only 26, he has yet to hit his peak- and it was great to watch him display some of his early potential at Alloa for that short period of time.

HT QUIZ

- 1. WHICH CURRENT SCOTTISH LEAGUE ONE PLAYER SCORED THE WINNER FOR ALLOA THE LAST TIME THE TWO CLUBS MET HERE IN APRIL 2021?**
- 2. ALLOA PIPPED DUNFERMLINE TO PROMOTION IN SEASON 1984/85 ON THE FINAL DAY OF THE CAMPAIGN. AT WHICH GROUND DID ALLOA PICK UP THE VITAL WIN TO SEAL THEIR PLACE IN DIVISION 1?**
- 3. NAME THIS FORMER PLAYER BASED ON HIS CLUB CAREER PATH: ABERDEEN-DUNFERMLINE-DUNDEE-MORTON-ALLOA-ALBION ROVERS**
- 4. WITH 4 GOALS JOE JORDAN IS SCOTLANDS ALL-TIME TOP GOALSCORER IN WORLD CUP FINALS TOURNAMENTS- BUT WHICH THREE SCOTS SIT BEHIND HIM IN THE SCORING CHARTS, EACH WITH 2 GOALS SCORED?**

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MIDFIELDERS						
CAWLEY	ROBERTSON	MILLER	SCUGALL	KING	O'DONNELL	
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90	90	60	50	30	29	
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65	90		90	25	61	

FORWARDS								
DONNELLY	RODDEN	MACIVER	KHYIAM	SAMMON	BUCHANAN	RANKIN	OFFORD	
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	87	90	3	87	3			
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27	21	90		63	7			
72	90	31		18	59			
29	29	90		61				



QUIZ ANSWERS

1. INNES MURRAY

2. GAYFIELD VS ARBROATH

3. DARREN YOUNG

4. KENNY DALGLISH (VS HOLLAND 1978 & NEW ZEALAND 1982), ARCHIE GEMMILL (2 VS HOLLAND 1978), JOHN WARK (2 VS NEW ZEALAND 1982)





ALLO ATHLETIC



DUNFERMLINE

#	POS				
	1	WILLIAM MUIR			
	21	KEIR BURT			
	31	JAY HOGARTH			
	2	SCOTT TAGGART			
	3	DANIEL CHURCH			
	4	CRAIG HOWIE			
	5	ANDY GRAHAM			
	6	MARK DURMAN			
	7	KEVIN CAWLEY			
	8	JON ROBERTSON			
	9	LUKE DONNELLY			
	10	BRADLEY RODDEN			
	11	MURRAY MILLER			
	12	STEFAN SCOUGALL			
	14	GEORGE STANGER			
	15	ROSS MACIVER			
	16	ADAM KING			
	17	SEFF KHYYAM			
	18	CONNOR SAMMON			
	19	STEVEN BUCHANAN			
	20	CAMERON O'DONNELL			
	22	PAUL MCLAREN			
	23	DAVID DEVINE			
	24	LUKE RANKIN			
	25	KIERAN OFFORD			
		MANAGER BRIAN RICE			

#	POS				
	1	DENIZ MEHMET			
	2	AARON COMRIE			
	3	JOSH EDWARDS			
	4	KYLE BENEDICTUS			
	5	CHRIS HAMILTON			
	6	KYLE MACDONALD			
	7	KEVIN O'HARA			
	8	JOE CHALMERS			
	9	CRAIG WIGHTON			
	10	NIKOLAY TODOROV			
	11	CHRIS MOCHRIE			
	12	RHYS BREEN			
	14	LEWIS MCCANN			
	15	SAM FISHER			
	18	PAUL ALLAN			
	20	MAX LITTLE			
	21	KANE RITCHIE HOSLER			
	24	JAKE RENNIE			
	25	MICHAEL BEAGLEY			
	26	MATTY TODD			
	27	SAM YOUNG			
	28	ANDREW TOD			
	29	TAYLOR SUTHERLAND			
	30	ROBBIE MAHON			
		MANAGER JAMES MCPAKE			

REFEREE: Alan Newlands

ASST: Paul O'Neill & John Stewart

ALLOA'S NEXT FIVE

29.10.22, HOME, 15:00

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15.10.22, HOME, 15:00

05.11.22, AWAY, 15:00

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	KELTY HEARTS		ALLOA ATHLETIC
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22.10.22, AWAY, 15:00

12.11.22, HOME, 15:00

	PETERHEAD		ALLOA ATHLETIC
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