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WELCOME

Well it finally happened. After a wretched season The Pars got their thoroughly deserved relegation. With only a couple of exceptions the performances were abysmal. Those are the facts. I have my opinions but this is not the place for them.

Let's concentrate on the positives. It has been a great year for the FPA. The Brunch with Bert and Dick was a resounding success. To be in the company of a team which played with spirit, drive and ambition and scored goals to win matches was great for everyone in attendance. Our magazine goes from strength to strength and now has a circulation in excess of 300.

The new Podcast is proving to be a great success. Ian Westwater, Craig Faulconbridge and Andrius Skerla have been fascinating subjects. Next up is David Bingham. The Facebook page is growing in membership and the daily spot the players and challenges are becoming quite competitive.

This month's edition has all your favourite items and more besides. Last season is finished. Let's get together and work for the future.

Chris Wishart
Secretary



COVER: CHRIS AND JACKIE SINCLAIR

One of the few father and son acts to both play for the club. We have a great article in this issue about Jackie on page 22.



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GOOD LUCK JAMES McPAKE!

New manager James McPake provides us with another link to Coventry City. After a successful start to his playing career with Livingston, he was signed by the Sky Blues for the start of season 2009/10. One of, if not his first games was on 29th July 2009 when he played in a friendly for Coventry against The Pars at East End Park. Athletic won 1-0.

He was capped by Northern Ireland in 2012, the same year that he moved back north for a couple of seasons with Hibernian.

In 2014 he moved on to Dundee. He became manager in 2019 and led his club into the SPL in 2021. He lost his job earlier in 2022.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



4th June: Graeme Robertson - 60



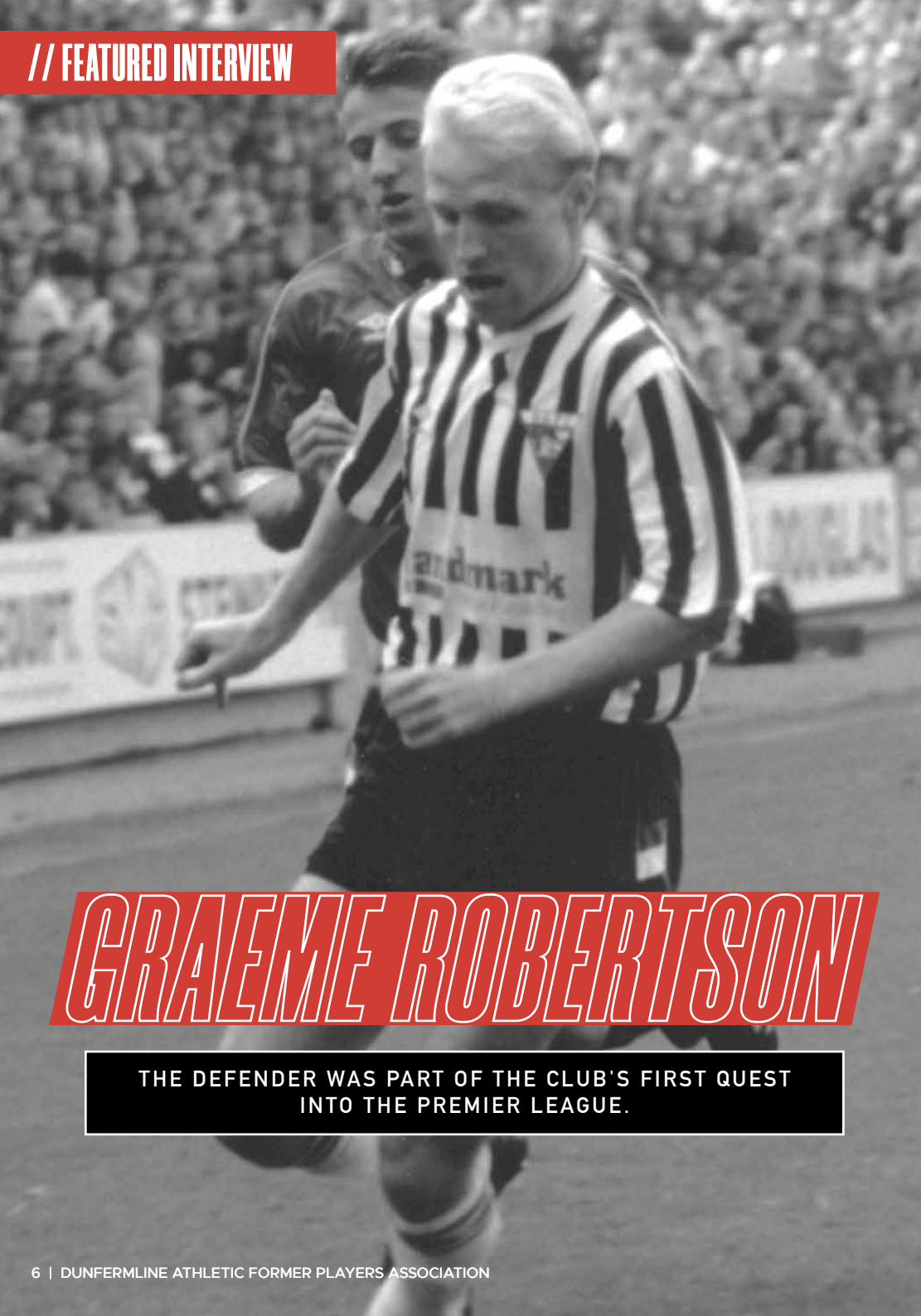
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GRAEME ROBERTSON

THE DEFENDER WAS PART OF THE CLUB'S FIRST QUEST INTO THE PREMIER LEAGUE.



This month, Jason Barber caught up with a former player who spent three successful seasons with the club in the late 1980s and replaced a club legend when he took over the number two jersey; Graeme Robertson.

Signed from Queen of the South in the summer of 1987, Robbo was a number of new players brought into the club for the first ever tilt at Premier League football that coming season. With Bobby Robertson coming towards the end of his playing days, and full time football certainly not an option for the doctor, manager Jim Leishman moved to sign a player who had always performed well against The Pars in recent seasons.

With Dunfermline and Queen of the South both going for the second division title in 1985/86 season, Robbo was part of the Dumfries side that

had the opportunity to take the championship. He played in the 3-1 victory down at Palmerston that gave them the upper hand, but later blew a 3-1 lead against Cowdenbeath to draw 3-3 and Dunfermline pipped them to it.

Robbo recalls that “The next season, both clubs were then in the First Division and Dunfermline’s last home game of the season was against us. We obviously got the bus up for the game and Willie Irvine had scored the only goal to give Dunfermline the win. I had already decided that I wanted away at the end of that season and I went up to the Paragon Club and basically started punting myself around the place to all the Pars supporters in there! I was telling them how brilliant a crowd they were and how keen I was to come and join Dunfermline if I got the chance. The team bus nearly left without me, I had to get dragged out the Paragon or it

would have left without me!

I put a transfer request in shortly after that and the local paper in Dumfries contacted me to ask if any club was in for me, which I wasn't aware of. Asked the club secretary if there had been any interest, they told me that there had been but couldn't say from which club. As well as playing part time for Queen of the South, I had a welding job down there too and the next day I got a call; it was Jim Leishman phoning me to say that the clubs had agreed a fee and he wanted to meet me! I went straight into my foreman's office and kicked off my welding shoes in a dramatic fashion, told him that I was going to drive straight up to Dunfermline to discuss a move.

“What about your job here?” I was asked, but that was me and I jumped into the car and was in Dunfermline about two hours later.



It wasn't until I got near the Forth Road Bridge, with the adrenaline still pumping, that I remembered I'd never actually driven over the bridge before. I'd always been on a team bus. I was absolutely wetting myself and gripping the wheel as I drove over that bridge, daft things like that you remember!

I met with Leish and Brian Marr (Gunter) at the Auld Toll just next to Dunfermline High School for lunch, which reminds me I'm not actually sure that Leish didn't take that lunch out of my signing on fee, I'll need to follow that up.

After quitting that welding job, I trained myself down in Dumfries until the pre season started which was my first introduction to full time football. I actually stayed in the Auld Toll until I ended up getting digs with John Jobson in Wellwood.

That was never a dull moment, all sorts happened there! There was one incident when I'd been back down in Dumfries and ended up staying

with Ian McCall in Edinburgh on my way back up the road. Leish met us on the team bus for training the next day and was going daft about a fire, thinking I'd been taken to hospital. Turns out there had been a fire at my digs the night before but I knew nothing about it.

After that, I was moved out to the tranquillity of Crossgates with Gunter and got a room at his. The weekend we beat Celtic 2-1 in the Premier League, we were obviously all flying. Leish was on Scotsport the next day and some of us met in the old Cross Inn at Crossgates to watch it, we even set George Cowie up on a blind date in there at one point. Some great laughs there.

With three teams getting relegated that season, it was always going to be nigh on impossible to stay up, but the next season was another great one for all the boys. The two draws at the end of the season, after that 1-1 with Clyde, the manager decided to take us

away before the Meadowbank game to try and relax us all, take the pressure off. We all stayed at the Airth Castle which was great, however there was also a wedding on in the hotel the same day; all of them Falkirk fans. When word got round that we were staying in the hotel too, they rattled on all our doors throughout the whole night until they finally went to bed before breakfast.

Thankfully, we got the point we needed against Meadowbank with Winker scoring that goal and the East Port was the place to be that night. John and Margaret Grieve would organise a lock in and we'd be in the bottom bar until the early hours after a big game such as that one. I had moved to Scotland Drive by this point, so used to wander back to Garvock Hill in the early morning sunshine and grab a Sunday paper from outside the bank on my way home!

Back into the Premier league and both Tommy Wilson and Hugh Burns came

in as competition at the back. I left the club at the end of that season because I was convinced Iain Munro didn't rate me. I went to Partick Thistle after that but I can honestly say that working and playing with those characters and that team at Dunfermline; it was a togetherness and we all got on. That's unusual in football.

There were obviously the end of season trips to Tenerife at that time too, I would room with Norrie and one night we came back in the early hours and a whole coachload were trying to check in, whilst someone was hanging over the reception desk trying to explain in broad Fife which room he was in; it was the gaffer. We got him his key and I asked Norrie what we should do with him; Norrie said "I'll show you exactly what we'll do with him" and took his room key,

opened the door and kicked him through it before shutting the door behind us "that's our job done Robbo"

Last time I was involved on matchdays was as kit man up at St Johnstone when Tommy Wright was manager there. One time, we were playing Rangers and losing 2-1, Tommy told me to get the electronic board ready and gave me the numbers for who was coming off, and who was coming on. He then changed his mind and didn't think to tell me, Stevie May was meant to be coming off but stayed on the park. The manager went ballistic after that, but what happened? Stevie scored to make it 2-2 and we got a point. Tommy was telling the players back in the dressing room about it and saying that football sometimes throws up these


quirks or good fortune from time to time; I walked through the door and got a standing ovation and the boys were wanting me to make all the subs from then on!

Brilliant times though and I still enjoy getting along to games now, though I was at the Queen of the South game at the end of last season, so the less said about that the better unfortunately. These days I'm working down in Rosyth at the Soccer Shop through the week, so it allows me to get to games on the weekend which I enjoy and it's only just down the road for me too.

Hopefully I'll get to more games next season and see the new manager and the lads get back to winning ways and climb back up those leagues!



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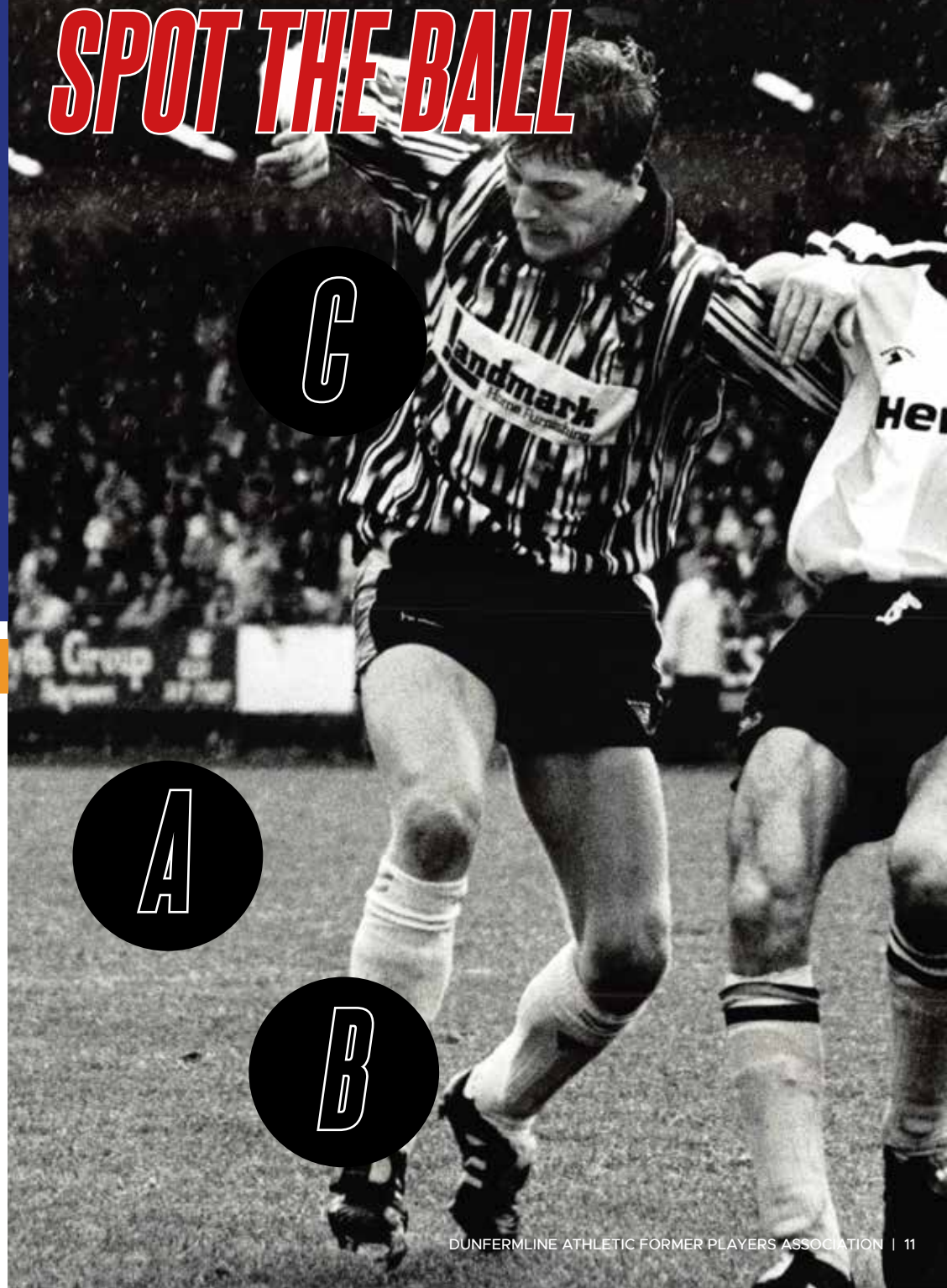
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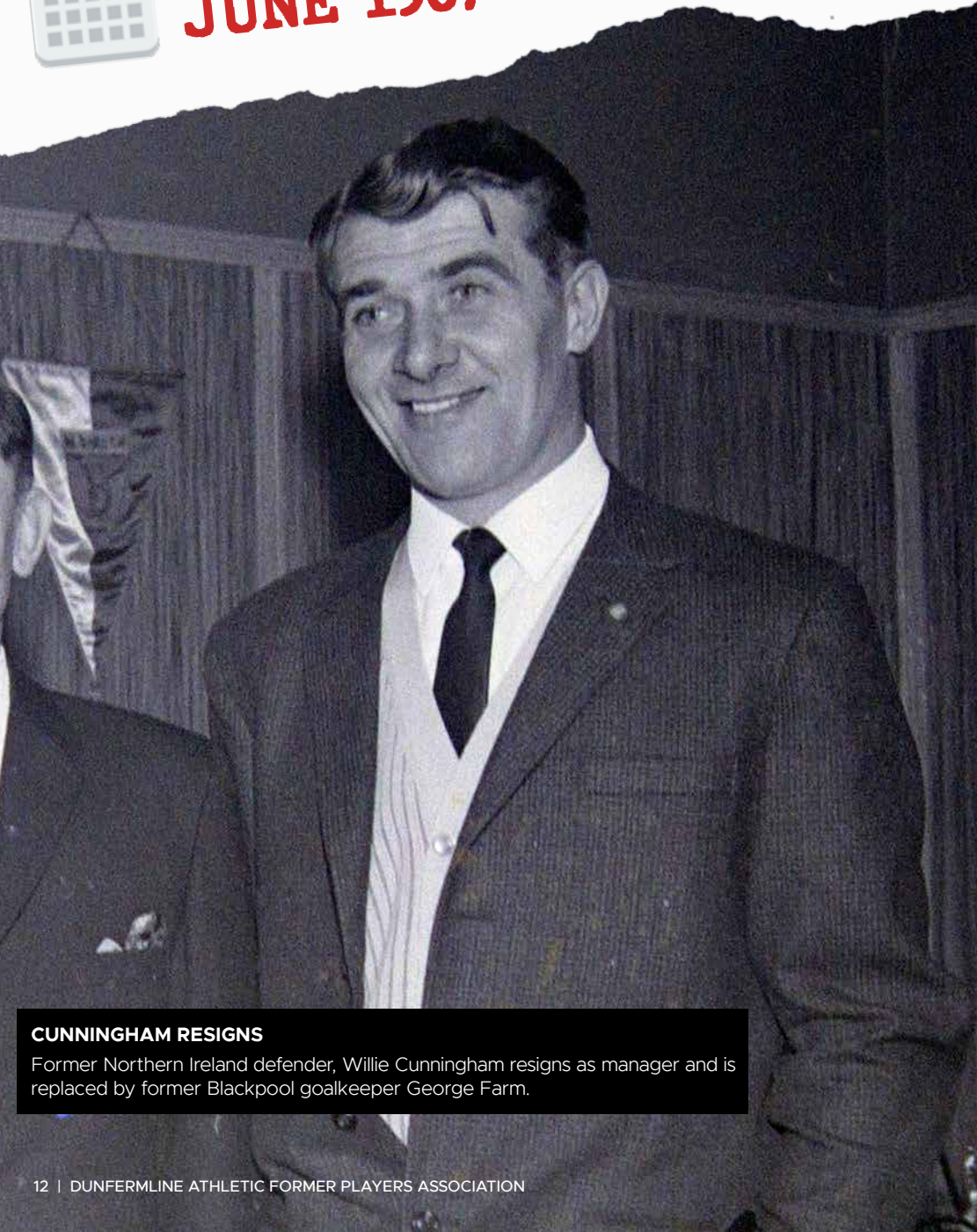
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Back Row (l-r) Steven Ferguson, Neale Cooper, Andy Grant, Craig Robertson, Paul Trail, Hamish French, Ray Sharp, Scott McCallum, Norrie McCathie, Craig Smart, Chris Sinclair, David Hutton. Middle Row (l-r) Pip Yeates, Hugh O'Neill, Iain Downie, Rab Shannon, Graham Smith, Lindsay Hamilton, John Hillcoat, Derek Laing, Scott Leitch, Andy Hawkins, Joe Nelson. Front Row (l-r) Dick Campbell, Mark Bowes, Jackie McNamara, Graeme Fraser, George O'Boyle, Bert Paton, Eddie Cunningham, Paul Smith, Billy Davies, Derek McWilliams, Jimmy Thomson.

A SEASON IN TIME // 1993/94

On 10th June 1993, it was announced that Bert Paton would be the new manager of Dunfermline Athletic, with Dick Campbell his assistant. Like all Pars fans, I was delighted with this and looked forward to the new season with great anticipation. After the misery of the Munro and Scott years, both good coaches but hopeless man managers and alienated from the fans, it was refreshing to have a Pars Man in charge.

Once again, the powers that be were messing around with the league structure. If only they would admit that their set up sucks and revert to larger divisions (They still haven't got it right). This time they would change, at the end of the season, to four divisions,

each of ten teams. At least teams would play each other an even number of times, home and away, instead of the unfair farce which currently prevailed.

The method of achieving this would be fair:- Teams 1-9 in the Premiership would combine with the champions of Div 1 to form the new SPL. Premier teams 10-12 would combine with Div 1 teams 2-7 and the champions of Div 2 to form the new Div 1. Div 1 teams 8-12 would combine with Div 2 teams 2-6 to form the new Div 2 and Div 2 teams 7-14 along with two newly elected teams would form the new Div 3. As far as the Athletic were concerned, there was only one promotion spot open to them. On the playing side, Paul Chalmers left to join Hamilton,

Scott Leitch to Hearts, Roddy Grant to Partick Thistle and Rab Shannon to Motherwell. Also leaving were Mark Haro to Montrose and Andy Williamson to East Fife. Norman Kelly and John Reilly were both freed. On the way in were former Montrose and Dundee forward Ivo den Bieman, former Dundee United and Hearts winger Allan Preston, centre half Lex Baillie (son of Doug) from St Mirren and young Iain Downie from Aberdeen. Partick Thistle legend Dave McParland came in as a coach.

As August began, so did the League season and Dunfermline travelled through to Brockville where they lost 2-3 to Falkirk. Ivo den Bieman and Allan Preston made their debuts, Ivo scoring along with

Hamish French. This proved to be David Moyes last appearance for The Pars before moving to Hamilton Accies. The Skol cup was next and with Lex Baillie replacing Moyes, goals, in extra time, from Craig Robertson and Hamish French saw progress at home to East Stirling. Clydebank were next, in the League and they won 2-0 at East End with Dunfermline losing their next game also. This time 0-1 away to Brechin City.

The poor form continued, as The Pars exited the Skol Cup defeated 0-2, at home to Rangers. Stewart Petrie was signed from Forfar Athletic and went straight into the team for the home match against Airdrie, which was won 3-2 with goals from Hamish French, Allan Preston and George O'Boyle.

Having got that first win, The Pars started September with a 2-0 victory over Clyde at Douglas Park, where they were currently exiled, Hamish French and George O'Boyle hitting the target. The poor form returned with a 2-0 defeat at Stirling Albion's new stadium, Forthbank and followed with a loss 3-4 at home to St. Mirren.

A resounding 4-0 home win against Morton was followed by a 1-1 draw away to Ayr United, courtesy of George O'Boyle. Back to Hamilton, this time to see the home team soundly beaten by two Allan Preston goals. Accies manager was Iain Munro and I was amused to hear the home fans booing their manager. Colin Miller and Kenny Ward both played for Hamilton, but David Moyes had moved on after only

4 weeks, to Preston North End with whom he was later to begin his illustrious managerial career.

The month of October began well for The Pars with a 4-1 home victory over Dumbarton. Norrie McCathie, Paul Smith, George O'Boyle and Derek Laing all scored. There was an interesting article in the programme, entitled "Where are they now" Iain Westwater was at Falkirk, Graeme Robertson and Hugh Burns at Ayr United, Bobby Smith was running a pub in Dalkeith, Stevie Morrison was with Clyde, Trevor Smith in Irish football, Mark Smith with Shrewsbury Town, Davie Irons was at St. Johnstone, Ray Farningham with Dundee and Grant Tierney with Partick Thistle. John Holt was manager at Montrose. Willie Callaghan was with Cowdenbeath, Eddie



George O'Boyle scored 19 goals in the season.

win at Love Street. On the last Saturday of the month, Falkirk took a point away when Greg Shaw equalised George O'Boyle's counter. The crowd inside East End Park was 13,357. The game was Allan Moore's debut for The Pars, Allan Preston having moved in the opposite direction. One more midweek game completed the month. A goal by George O'Boyle proved the winner, away to Clydebank. John Hillcoat left to join Clyde.

with goals from Andy Tod and Norrie McCathie. A single goal from Hamish French secured a 1-0 home win against Ayr United. The month ended with a 2-1 win at home to Brechin City.

Amidst much hullabaloo, Airdrie played their last match at Broomfield. The result was the worst possible for The Pars as John Martin put up the shutters and a wicked deflection off Neale Cooper gave all three points to The Diamonds. This allowed Falkirk to go back in front of Dunfermline, with only one game to go. The equation was simple- Athletic had to win at home to Clyde and hope that Clydebank could win at home to Falkirk. The Pars played their part when four goals from George O'Boyle and one from Andy Tod, gave them a 5-0 win. The Bains got their point in a 1-1 draw to deny Dunfermline

and take the title. It was cruel in the extreme. Dunfermline had a record number of wins, for the division, they had a points tally of 65, which would have won the title in any other year (it still being only two points for a win) and they had scored 104 goals in all competitions.

There were high returns from George O'Boyle with 19 goals, Hamish French chipped in with 16 and, in only half a season, Andy Tod scored 13. None of this could change matters, well as Dunfermline had done, Falkirk had more points and deserved their success. Pars fans were disappointed rather than depressed and the remarkable job that Bert and Dick had done, gave everyone hope for the new season under the new structure.

A nervous 2-1 win at home to Stirling Albion, heralded April's fixtures. It was debut time, second time around for Pars Great, Ian Westwater, who had signed from Dundee. The Pars began to wind down their season with two more wins, 2-0 away to Dumbarton and 2-1 at home to Hamilton. In a packed fixture list, Dunfermline next drew 2-2 away to Morton,



Gallagher at St. Mirren, both Andy Williamson and Stuart Beedie at East Fife and John Watson was player-coach with Berwick Rangers. Back to the football and Derek Laing scored the only goal to beat Falkirk at East End. The good form continued with a 2-1 win at Love Street. The second round of the B+Q Cup took Dunfermline down to Dumfries, where they wiped out Queen of the South 6-0. Stirling Albion were the next visitors and they were neatly despatched 3-0. The third round of the B+Q Cup was a disaster as Falkirk prevailed 4-1 at Brockville. Dunfermline bounced back as the month ended with a 4-0 home win against Brechin City, who included Marc Millar in their midfield.

Paul Smith scored to gain a 1-1 draw away to Airdrie as The Pars November schedule got under way. It continued with a 4-0 win at home to Clyde and progressed with a 5-1 thrashing of Dumbarton at Boghead. Hamish French scored a hat trick in this game and Derek Laing a brace. On to December and a hard fought 0-0 draw with Morton at the Tail of the Bank. Andy Tod made his debut, from the bench, in

this game. Athletic's excellent form continued with a comfortable 4-0 home win against Hamilton Accies. A 3-0 away win against Clydebank and a 6-1 thrashing handed out to Ayr United, kept the pre-Christmas fun going. The year finished on a high, at East End Park, when St. Mirren were defeated 4-2.

There were several postponements as the new year came in. The Pars first game was not until 11th when they won 1-0 in Brechin. A blip, the following week when Dunfermline lost 0-2 away to Falkirk, but they bounced back with a 2-0 home victory against Clydebank. A dour 0-0 draw at home to Airdrie was followed by an away Scottish Cup tie against the same opponents. A late Andy Tod goal secured a replay 1-1.

February began with a surprise 0-1 defeat away to Stirling Albion, but The Pars held on to top spot. The home replay against Airdrie was next and in front of 6,494 fans, Dunfermline lost 1-3, with Jackie McNamara sent off. The SFL had decided to accept the applications for membership from Dingwall based Ross County and from a union of two of the three Inverness clubs, Caley and

Thistle with Clach retaining their independence and their place in the Highland League. As The Athletic returned to League action, two Andy Tod goals and one from Stewart Petrie were enough to see off Dumbarton 3-2 at East End Park.

The next game had an interesting back story. It was an away match against Clyde, which had been abandoned, earlier in the season, at Douglas Park, where Clyde were playing their matches. Now they were ensconced in their new stadium at Broadwood. The Pars enjoyed their first ever visit by winning 1-0, thanks again to Andy Tod. The month ended with heavy snow and more postponements. The snow meant that March was going to be a busy month, as clubs caught up with their fixtures.

Dunfermline's first was a trip to Hamilton, where they drew 1-1. Next they comfortably disposed of Morton, 3-0 at East End. Ayr United were next on the hit list at Somerset Park. Two goals from Stewart Petrie and one each for Ivo den Bieman and Paul Smith produced an excellent 4-0 win. Andy Tod and George O'Boyle took care of things to secure a 2-0



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Dunfermline Athletic Former Players Association was founded in 2009. It exists to provide a meeting point for anyone associated with the playing staff of Dunfermline Athletic. It is independent and run by a committee of former players. It also provides sponsorship to Dunfermline Athletic and its players.

Benefits to Members

Free entry to matches at East End Park with free half-time refreshments. A reserved area in the main stand. The Guest of Honour Scheme allows a member and his guest to enjoy full hospitality in the Club's premium hospitality suite at a game of his choice on a first come first served basis. The FPA also organises social events such as quizzes, cabaret evenings, whisky tastings, theatre trips and our own reunion events. A much admired magazine is issued each month.

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The Association provides financial assistance to The Pars by donating kit items, help with young players expenses and capital items such as contributions for a players' room fridge, kit van, training items, etc. The FPA sponsors an inductee into the Hall of Fame each year. The Guest of Honour Scheme

provides the interviewee for Jim Leishman MBE which is such a popular part of Hospitality.

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Provision of the capital items is usually in conjunction with other DAFC groups such as The Supporters Trust, Lifeline and The Heritage Trust. The most popular part of the Heritage Trust's work has been the video interviews of former players. These interviews have almost all been with Guests of Honour.

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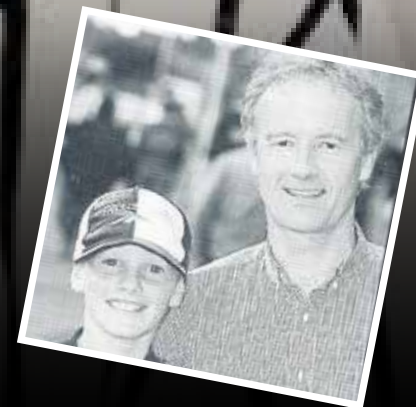
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// CULT HEROES



KENNY WATSON

Kenny Watson was one of many young lads from the successful Dunfermline United project.

He signed for The Pars in 1973 and before the season was out he had made his first start and added three appearances from the bench. The following season he was a regular with 32 appearances and seven goals. His lightning pace down the wings earned the nickname Flash and endeared him to the fans. A part-timer, Kenny combined his football with his studies to become a dentist.

Flash continued as a regular fan favourite and virtual ever present for the next two seasons. In season 1977/78 he made twenty appearances (ten starts and ten from the bench). With the Club going towards full time Kenny gave up the game to concentrate on his dentistry. This took him to the South West of England.

During his five year period with Dunfermline, Kenny made 126 appearances and scored 12 goals. He was a cult hero with the fans.

200 CLUB

A former Scottish youth internationalist, Ian Westwater joined the club from Hearts in 1985.

BY MICHAEL WOOD

Ian Westwater was an accomplished goalkeeper before stepping foot in East End Park. Even though he was born in Loughborough, he was as Scottish as they came, representing the nation in underage competitions.

Westwater held a presence for the Scottish schools under 15s through to the 18s while having a trophy-laden spell with Salveson Boys Club in Edinburgh. A juvenile side in which Dave Bowman, Gary MacKay and John Robertson were teammates with Ian and all went to Heart Midlothian.

His form saw him fast-tracked by Jambos manager Bobby Moncur. At the age of 16-year-old, in November 1980, the youngest shot-stopper to ever play a top-flight match in Scotland made his debut.

Injury stunted his progress at Tynecastle, which explains, in part, why Jim Leishman was able to bring him across the Firth of Forth for a sum of £4,000.

"Westy," his moniker at Dunfermline Athletic, started in April 1985 against Stranraer. He shut out the Dumfriesshire outfit, the first of his five that season from eight outings.

In the following campaign, Westwater had 20 shutouts as Athletic won Division Two, the bottom tier of Scottish football. The subsequent year was even better as DAFC made it to the Premier Division after a 12-year absence.

It was not a successful first season in the top-flight for the club as they returned to Division One, but went onto win the second-tier league title in 1989.

After Leishman's departure, Westwater found himself behind Andy Rhodes in Iain Munro's pecking order. As a result of a year being benchwarmer, Ian went to Jim Jefferies' Falkirk, where he would win a First Division championship with the Bairns in 1994.

Westwater went onto Dundee that summer for a short

spell, more as help for the other squad keepers. The allure of first-team football meant a second stint with Dunfermline, who were now under the guidance of Bert Paton. The crowning moment of Ian's return was the clean sheet against Dundee United, followed by victory over Airdrie, which saw Pars crowned First Division champions. All told, "Westy" played in over 110 league games across the six years, with his final professional match coming against Morton.

It cost DAFC £19,000 to secure Westwater's signature twice, equating to c.£52 per Pars appearance (361) or c.£164 for every clean sheet (116). A price many will agree was value for money.

Westy would move back across the Forth to Hearts' Edinburgh rivals Hibernian as a player/coach with emphasis on the latter of that dual role. Sadly, Ian had to retire from his role as goalkeeper coach in 2005, a year after hanging up the boots, due to a culmination of injuries sustained in his playing career.

361 APPS



Jackie (right) along with manager Willie Cunningham and Alex Edwards.

JACKIE

[BORN IN CULROSS]

John Evens Wright Sinclair was born in Culross on the 21st of July 1943 into a footballing family. His 15-year-old uncle Tommy playing three miles up the road for Blairhall Colliery. All while his five-year-old brother Willie was out jinking around the cobbled Fife village closes.

Tommy, a prolific winger who would earn three Scotland caps, left Blairhall to play for Partick Thistle. He would also make stops at Sunderland, East Fife, Oldham Athletic and North Shields in his career that culminated afore the age of 30.

Willie also played on the flank. His career began at Aberdeen, followed by Falkirk before periods at Huddersfield Town, Tranmere Rovers, Halifax Town, Stirling Albion then a stint out in Australia. He also called it a day before his third decade.

As his uncle and brother were settling into their post-playing careers, Jackie, his moniker, was in his infancy amongst the professional ranks with Dunfermline Athletic. And like the rest of his clan, he was a wide player, acquired from the same club as Tommy in 1960 by Jock Stein.

Sinclair's debut came in a 1-0 victory in Airdrie in April of the following year. He would not make his second appearance until November, when he netted a hat-trick in the club's 6-2 demolition of the same North Lanarkshire outfit.

It was not the only famous eight-goal thriller that the winger was a part of at East End Park. On a glacial December evening in 1962, Valencia, who would be victorious in that edition of the Inter-cities Fair Cup, suffered one of their only two defeats in that season's competition.

Dunfermline, who were trailing 4-0 after the first leg at Mestalla, found themselves three up after a quarter of an hour through Alex Edwards' opener and a brace within two minutes from Jackie, who was still a teenager. The tie concluded in a third match out in Lisbon with Los Murciélagos winning 1-0.

Sinclair embodied what European sides expected when they came to the island and what is in the genome of Scottish football. Since its inception in the mid-19th century preferred those that utilised their low centre of gravity to their advantage, combining their skill and wit to dribble past more imposing defenders.

It was not only his prowess that made him a great player that got spectators looking

on in anticipation as to what he was going to do next. Jackie excelled at completing the attack by cutting inside and scoring, so much so that he netted 20 in a single season en route to the 1965 Scottish Cup final against Celtic, led by his ex-manager Stein. Impressive displays in marquee fixtures brought suitors, and that summer, Sinclair made a £30,000 move to Leicester City.

During his time with the Foxes, Jackie would win his solitary Scotland cap in a friendly defeat against Portugal in June 1966. He would start alongside fellow fifer Jim Baxter versus the Black Pearl Eusébio, who would be the top scorer with nine goals at that year's World Cup, in which Os Navegadores finished third.

Jackie was the club's top scorer in back-to-back campaigns

with 24 and 22 goals for the side that finished seventh and then a place lower the season after. That effort saw him move closer to home with Newcastle United at the start of 1968 and finished 10th, three spots ahead of his previous employer.

Geography, as well as league placing, was vital in the tyne-siders entered into the 1968-69 Inter-cities Fairs Cup due to the quirk of the "one city; one team" rule. The exclusion of Everton, Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal came as Liverpool and Chelsea had already secured the spots for those cities. Then West Bromwich Albion qualifying for the Cup Winners' Cup after their FA Cup triumph meant the last place fell to Joe Harvey's outfit.

In the first round, Newcastle faced Feijenoord, who won the

European Cup, now Champions League, the following season against Stein's Celtic; victors in 1967. The Magpies then devoured the Portuguese pair of Sporting CP and Vitória de Setúbal, sandwiched on either side of Spaniards Real Zaragoza, to set up an England versus Scotland affair in the semi-final versus Rangers.

There would be as many goals as pitch invasions by Gers fans in the second leg as the two expatriates: Jim Scott and Sinclair netting the decisive goals after a stalemate in a packed Ibrox.

Scott, along with fellow Scot and club captain Bobby Moncur's brace, put Newcastle three up against Újpesti Dózsa in front of what was 60,000 at St. James Park in the first 90 minutes of the two-legged final.



Tommy Gibb completed the quartet of players born north of the border, in what was a very diverse British squad that featured Frank Clark, Pop Robson and substitute Alan Foggon (England); David Craig and Willie McFaul (Northern Ireland); Ollie Burton and Wyn Davies (Wales) with Preben Arentoft hailing from Denmark.

While the Hungarians made it nery heading into the half, having brought the tie back to three-two on aggregate. Moncur and Arentoft netted within five minutes of the restart with Foggon winning the tie a minute after coming on allowing the Magpies to swoop in and secure silverware.

Eight years after departing East End Park, Jackie returned in the summer of 1975 for a couple of campaigns. While Sinclair's second stint was not as scintillating as the first at Dunfermline, he remains in the record books as the holder of the club's fastest ever goal: seven seconds against Heart of Midlothian. Also, alongside his former teammate Charlie Dickson, he is the other Pars player with at least one hat-trick in the League Cup, Scottish Cup and Division One, now the Premiership.

Sinclair would round off his career with a spell at Stenhousemuir and hang up the boots at the age of 32. Yet, he

left a family legacy in football as his son, Chris, who was born during his father's four years at Sheffield Wednesday, followed in his elder's footsteps, turning out on the wing for Athletic for five years following his arrival in 1989.

Sadly Jackie died of cancer on the 1st of September 2010 at 67. But, he lives on in the memories of those, whether it was north or south of the border, that watched on as he bamboozled defenders while clad in black and white stripes.

NOT ALOT OF PEOPLE KNOW THAT

Dunfermline Athletic were once the Number One team in Scotland. This was not the result of some early season quirk of fixtures but occurred in November 1989, when a Ross Jack goal earned The Pars a 1-1 draw at Fir Park.

Inevitably Athletic lost their next game 3-0 at home to Aberdeen, when the Dons new Dutch signing Hans Gilhaus scored a hat trick on his debut. In the end Dunfermline finished eighth, but held on to their Premier League status. Never mind. For three glorious days The Pars were number one. Not a lot of people know that.

Even fewer know who this team of heroes was. So here are the top players in Scotland:-

- IAN WESTWATER
- GRAEME ROBERTSON
- DOUG ROUGVIE
- NORRIE McCATHIE
- GRANT TIERNEY
- RAYMOND SHARP
- PAUL SMITH
- STUART RAFFERTY
- ROSS JACK
- GEORGE O'BOYLE
- ISTVAN KOZMA

The Substitutes were:-
Tommy Wilson
Ray Farningham

The Scorer was:- Ross Jack
The Manager was:- Jim Leishman.

★ ★ Leishman turns the table o

Bargain team is top of class

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Dunfermline.	13	5	5	3	21	15	15
Rangers.....	12	6	3	3	14	9	15
Aberdeen.....	12	6	3	3	13	9	15
Celtic.....	12	5	4	3	17	13	14
Motherwell..	13	4	6	3	19	18	14
Hearts	12	5	3	4	20	15	13

HIGH AND MIGHTY

THE team that Jim built are the soccer kings of Scotland, on a shoe-string.

Dunfermline boss Jim Leishman looked down on the big spenders

CAST OF EAST ENDERS

These are the 13 players who took Dunfermline to the top

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3 EVENTS THAT HAPPENED IN....JUNE



1885

2nd June 1885: Dunfermline Athletic are born. At a meeting in the Old Inn in Dunfermline. The Football Club formed as a breakaway from The Cricket Club.



1989

Defender Gary Riddell dies running the Dunfermline Half Marathon raising money for the Hillsborough Disaster Fund. A truly tragic event and he is still missed to this day.



1993

Former player Bert Paton is officially announced as the club's new manager after Jocky Scott departs. He announces another former player, Dick Campbell as his assistant.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

June 1987: Various work starts to improve the stadium ahead of the season ahead.



END OF AN ERA FOR THE YOUNG PARS



The end of the season saw the retirement of the three lovely ladies who have run the Young Pars for over a quarter of a century. Christine Scott, Helen Beard and Jean Nelson have run and organised so much and all on a voluntary basis.

Here is a quick synopsis: organising the membership and the birthday cards, Meet the Players events, Sammy's Gang and their

parties, Bowling Nights, Adventure Golf, away day trips, the annual penalty kick competition, training sessions and many other events and special nights. The girls also organise the ball-boys and girls and the mascots.

It should not be forgotten that the Young Pars, involve the youngsters and their families with the club and encourage everyone to become fans of the team. Many of our former players

have worked with the Young Pars and remember those times fondly. The FPA has also sponsored some of their events.

Goodness knows how they can be followed, but we wish those that are picking up the baton, the best of luck.

We thank Christine, Helen and Jean for their magnificent contribution to The Pars Family and hope that they enjoy Extra-Time.



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Answer: John Fraser



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Groucho Marx: Go and never darken my towels again.

Stephen Cookson: At school, the teacher said today's letter is N. Stephen why don't you tell us something you are not good at beginning with N. I said spelling.

Chic Murray: The police stopped me when I was out in the car. They said it was a spot check. I admitted to two pimples and a boil.

Gary Delaney: When a Welshman says he is having a fantasy, he is talking about his fizzy orange drink.

Billy Connolly: Bonnie Prince Charlie. The only man named after three sheepdogs.

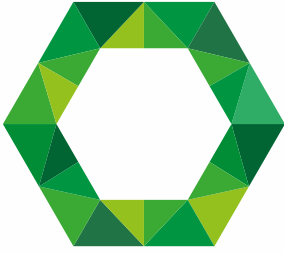
Groucho Marx: Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

Milton Jones: I've watched Mary Poppins so many times I now have a condition called Umdiddlediddlediddleumdiddle. Eye.

Tommy Cooper: Woman tells her doctor "I've got a bad back". Its old age he says. I want a second opinion she replies. OK you're ugly as well.

Rodney Dangerfield: My wife and I don't think alike. She donates money to the homeless. I donate money to the topless.

Groucho Marx: I remember the first time I had sex. I kept the receipt.



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