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#### Introduction

There has been a great upsurge in the documentation of Junior Football and in minor football grounds and teams since this book was first published in 1988 when I only looked at the grounds and brief history on the teams

In this book I have looked at each community in Fife which has had a football team junior and senior from the small hamlets of to the city as well as some teams from Clackmannanshire who played in the cups and leagues from 1885 to 2011. Many of the junior teams and grounds were fairly short in duration due to the pressure of land, so that many grounds and teams have been forgotten within the space of a number of years of disappearing.

The work has involved many hours in Libraries looking at newspapers and maps from 1880 until the present time with the help of the librarians of Alloa, Edinburgh, Falkirk, Cupar, Dunfermline, Lochgelly, Kirkcaldy, Perth and St Andrews.

#### **Front Cover South Inch**

Fife is known as the kingdom as in the past it was its own kingdom as was Strathclyde and was run from St Andrews by the local king then became part of Scotland in 909 and the lands were run from the Bishops Castle in St Andrews by the monks.

Football came to the area when the local militia started playing football but had to look to Dundee, Perth and Edinburgh to arrange matches. A senior association for Fife was formed in 1880 as part of East of Scotland but broke away in 1896.

In 1886 the juniors first formed the Kirkcaldy & District Junior Football Association as a lot of teams had been formed with the finding of big seams of coal. The teams that formed the Kirkcaldy JFA were all from Kirkcaldy, Abden, Blackburn, Dunnikeir, Eclipse, Kirkcaldy Albion, Kirkcaldy Eastern, Kirkcaldy Thistle, Kirkcaldy Union, Kirkcaldy United, Raith Rovers, Ramblers, Ravenscraig Rovers, Rosslands, Royal Oak and St Clair Blues with an annual subscription of 3 shillings (15p). The first subscription paid for a cup known as the Kirkcaldy Cup up to 1889 when it became the Fife County Cup.

The first Kirkcaldy Cup final was played at Newton Park where Albion defeated Union 4-1 and of the original members that came together on the February day in 1886 only Raith Rovers have survived to this day and have the honour of being last of five clubs that played in the first year of the Scottish Junior Cup in 1886/87 season.

In January 1887 the town of Cowdenbeath formed a District Junior Association but they opened it to all clubs in the area and on that day Auchterderran Thistle, Buckhaven United, Cowdenbeath, Cowdenbeath Juniors, Cowdenbeath St Leonards, Crossgates Albion, Dunfermline Albion, Dunfermline Hearts, Dunfermline Hibernian, Dunfermline Our Boys, Gladstone, Lochgelly Junior XI, Lochies (Burntisland), Rossland and South End (Cowdenbeath). The first final was played at Ballast Park, Burntisland, where St Leonards (Cowdenbeath) defeated Lochies (Burntisland) 3-2; this trophy would be played for till 2004

Both associations agreed in principle in June 1889 to become Fife Junior Football Association affiliated to the Scottish Junior Football Association with the Kirkcaldy Cup renamed the Fife County Cup. The county members saw how leagues were working for the senior so in the west of the county and east of the county leagues were formed.

In the west the West Fife League was formed by Blairdam, Cowdenbeath Juniors, Dunfermline, Dunfermline Athletic Junior XI, Hearts of Beath, Lassodie, Lochgelly Rangers, Methil Rovers, Pathhead United (Kirkcaldy) in June 1893 with Cowdenbeath JFC just beating Dunfermline Athletic Juniors to the title this trophy became the Fife County League Trophy and is still played for today as the East Region Central District Trophy.

A year earlier in 1892 the east junior clubs had formed the Howe of Fife League in June 1892. The clubs that formed this league were Ancient City Athletic, Anstruther Rangers, Crail Union, Crossgates Thistle, Cupar Athletic, Guardbridge, Leven Thistle, and South Fife (Methil). It was south Fife who won the first championship from Guardbridge but only after a play-off at Haughsburgh Park Leven in front of a reported crowd of 1200.

Both leagues had run separately from each other since their formation. Both agreed in June 1913 at a meeting of the Fife JFA to merge and became Fife County League. Some of the east clubs did not to be a part of the new League and so joined the East Neuk League. The East Neuk League would be

played for till 1914 then was reformed in 1918 and lasted till 1923 when the last remaining clubs joined the Fife County League or went to the Juvenile Leagues

When war was declared in 1914 most of the clubs closed down as most players had joined the armed services but five clubs kept the league going, they were Dunfermline, Glencraig Celtic, Inverkeithing United, Denbeath Star and Hearts of Beath who had recently stepped down from the seniors.

When the clubs came back from their forced closure and new clubs had been formed there were so many clubs they had to form East and West Divisions in 1921 with the influx of clubs. The championship was decided between the divisional champions playing off at a neutral venue with Kingseat defeating Wellesley (Buckhaven) at Central Park, Cowdenbeath in front of a reported crowd of 3,500 to take the first championship to be decided this way.

This would last till the end of the 1924/25 season. With the loss of clubs it became one division again and would remain till 1938/39 season when again two divisions were tried for a season. When World War II was declared the league was suspended for a month and then played on till May 1940 and was stopped because of lack of clubs but cup competitions played on till 1941 when Fife JFA suspended all football in the county till the war was over as all the miners were needed for the war effort.

In August 1946 the first games were played again in the Fife League with 18 clubs of which 7 play today in East Region. The Cheshire Report of 1968 reorganised Junior Football except in Fife the County League was renamed the Fife Regional League.

Since 1946 the county league has played as one division apart from two seasons and although they had kept their name in 1968 the regions were reformed in 2002 when Fife lost its independence to become part of the new East of Scotland Junior Football Association.

Glenrothes and Oakley United would join the new Superleague made up of Lothian, Tayside and Fife clubs but in 2006 the name was changed to East Region League Central District after a Premier Division had been formed and Kelty, Rosyth and St Andrews had been promoted to join the league and the Central District was joined by clubs from Perthshire.

In its 121 year history Fife clubs have had their hands on the Scottish Cup 3 times by Dunfermline Athletic and East Fife. The Scottish Junior Cup on five occasions has come to the county with four different sides Glenrothes, Hill of Beath Hawthorn, Inverkeithing United and Tayport.

The oldest surviving senior club is Cowdenbeath formed in 1884 and the oldest junior club is Newburgh formed in 1892 as Tayside Albion, staying on the same ground. Crossgates Primrose (1902) they have dropped down from junior to amateur on four occasions

The towns have been listed where either senior or junior club has played, ground and honours or in some clubs just leagues.

## Anstruther

Football in the town started at the local public park with 3<sup>rd</sup> Fife Artillery Company part of Lowland Territorial Battery but with little competition and played between 1878- 1883.

#### Waid Park

The ground of Waid Park has been used by four teams before it was covered by houses on Station Road in the 1920's. The teams were Anstruther, Anstruther St. Patricks, Anstruther Comrades and Anstruther Rangers.

#### Milton Park

The Rangers new ground of Milton Park which was situated opposite the Craw's Nest Hotel, the club had a small stand built which was sold on after Rangers demise in 1930 and the ground is part of the local golf club in Bankwell Road.

#### Anstruther JFC

In 1906 Anstruther joined Rangers playing on Waid Park, having played on the local public parks. Anstruther won their first and only championship in the Howe of Fife League in 1907/08 and went defunct in 1910

**Founded** – 1899

**Defunct** – 1910

Ground - Mitchell Park, Waid Park

**Leagues** – Howe of Fife League

Honours

Howe of Fife League

Runners up – 1906/07, 1907/08

#### Anstruther St. Patricks

St Patricks won the West Fife League in 1908/09 seasons but both them and Anstruther went out of business within weeks of each other, leaving only Rangers to play at Waid Park.

**Founded** – 1907

**Defunct** – 1910

**Ground** – Waid Park

**Leagues** – West of Fife League 1907 -10

#### Honours

West Fife League

Champions - 1908/09

## Anstruther Rangers

Rangers entered the mainstream of Fife Junior football in 1892 when they joined the Howe of Fife League as a founder member and were later joined by four other clubs all sharing the ground.

Rangers won the first trophy in 1895 when they defeated Crail Union in the Martin White Cup at St Andrews (the papers did not give the ground but it may have been the playing fields of St Andrews University). They reached the semi-final of the Montrave Cup in 1897 before losing to Leven Thistle and in 1899 another semi-final of the Montrave Cup but lost to Tayport United; the Rangers had also three semi final appearances in the Martin White Cup between 1896 – 98 and again a pair of Semi-finals in the same cup 1900 and 1901 and a semi final place in the Fife Shield. The Rangers won the Howe of Fife League championship in 1911/12, then joined the East Neuk League and they disbanded in 1915 for lack of players.

Anstruther Rangers reformed after the war as Anstruther Comrades. The team moved from Waid Park to Milton Park, and joined the Fife County Junior League in 1920 before they changed their name back to Anstruther Rangers in 1924 remaining in the league till their demise in 1930.

The Rangers won their first trophy after the war when they won the Montrave Cup shocking people by defeating Denbeath Star at Bayview in Methil (1925) and they went on to win their first championship since 1911/12 season when they won the Fife County League in 1925/26. Denbeath Star got revenge over the defeat at Stair Park Kirkcaldy in the final of the Cowdenbeath Cup (1926) and Rangers were to be runners up again in the Cowdenbeath Cup at East End Park, Dunfermline, against Inverkeithing United in 1927. Their last final was to be at St Andrews when the lost in the final of the Montrave Cup in 1928 at Kinness Park.

**Founded** – 1890 (Played as Anstruther Comrades 1919 – 1924)

**Defunct** – 1930

**Grounds** – Waid Park, Milton Park

Highest Attendance - Arniston Rangers Scottish Cup 1926 1, 500

League – West of Fife League 1903/04, Fife County League 1920 - 29

#### **Honours**

Fife County League

Champions – 1925/26

Howe of Fife League

Champions – 1911/12

Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up – 1926, 1927

**Montrave Cup** 

Winners - 1925,

Runners up - 1928

Fife Consolation Cup

Winners - 1926

## <u> Auchtermuchty</u>

#### Low Road Park

The ground was just of the Low Road in the town and was used up to the 1970's by the local amateurs. The ground is now situated amongst the houses of Orchard Park just off the Low Road.

## Auchtermuchty Bellevue

The club joined the Howe of Fife Junior League in 1902. The Bellevue was to be runners up in the Howe of Fife League in 1904/05 season they went on to play one season in the East Neuk in 1909/10. The Bellevue name is carried on in the Fife Amateurs today at a public park in the town.

**Founded -** 1899 **Defunct** – 1910

**Ground** – Low Road Park

**League** – Howe of Fife League 1900-05

Honours

#### Howe of Fife League

Runners up - 1904/05

### Auchtermuchty JFC

In 1947 local juvenile side Auchtermuchty took the step up and played on till 1956, playing on a public park on the Low Road. In their first season in the league, they were runners up in 1947/48 but this was the high point.

The club failed as only eight people turned up at the AGM in 1956 and with small crowds they decided to call it a day and went back to amateur status.

**Founded** - 1946

**Defunct** – 1956

**Ground** – Low Road Park

**League** – Fife County League 1947 – 56

Honours

Fife County League

Runners up - 1947/48

## Ballingry

The village first took up football in 1878 with Vale Juniors but games were in short supply. Local amateurs Ballingry who were formed in 1946 decided in 2007 to join the juniors after a very successful time in the amateur ranks but with no suitable ground in the village they moved 2 miles away to the former Glencraig Celtic ground in Glencraig and renamed it Ore Park.

## Blairhall

#### Woodside Park

The first club to use Woodside Park was the successful Blairhall Juvenile side which was formed in 1919. The colliery had been sunk in 1906 and was owned by the Coltness Iron Company from Wishaw in Lanarkshire. The company built the club a small pavilion as part of the juvenile side in 1932 and improved it in 1936. This pavilion had been officially opened against Coltness United in August 1933.

As the club were a community club, it was fitting that work started on building terracing on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 1938 built by their own supporters and the new terracing using soil from the housing scheme, this was first used against Benburb from Govan in Glasgow with a Scottish Cup tie attended by 3,432.

The attendance boom after World War II led to a discussion at their AGM in 1947 that seated accommodation should be provided. The previous season had seen a league game against Lochgelly Albert attract a 4000 crowd. Further plans were put forward for the provision to accommodate 10,000 in the ground.

The pavilion was burnt down in 1951 so they bought a pavilion from the defunct Oakley side. The club changed in the local miners' hall for 3 seasons. The NCB reopened the pavilion in September 1954. This had been built of 50,000 bricks from the old NCB houses in Valleyfield and the new building had showers and plunge baths.

Despite the bubble of high crowd numbers disappearing in the sixties, Scottish Cup ties could still attract 1,000 gates, as against Beith in January 1964 and Cambuslang Rangers in April 1963. The

emergent Oakley United ground shared in 1965 because of lack of suitable accommodation at their home ground.

During this time the wandering Jubilee Athletic ground shared in 1973 (they had been given a nickname of the Wanderers as they could not find a suitable ground to play on). The ground is an open piece of land between South Avenue and Wilson Street.

## **Blairhall Colliery**

The club was first called Blairhall Juvenile which was formed in 1919 and had played in the Dunfermline & District Juvenile League. This club stepped up to the junior ranks in 1928 with sponsorship from the local Blairhall Colliery and so the club took that name in 1936.

The Colliery won the Fife League championship in 1936/37 season and did the double by taking the Cowdenbeath Cup back to Woodside Park and retained the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1938. In the first season back after the war 1946/47, Blairhall were runners up in the Fife County League and in 1956/57 season they won the Cowdenbeath Cup to the shock of their fans. The club were to be runners up in the Fife League in 1960/61; they won the Fife Junior Cup in 1963 and in 1966 they were runners up in the Express Cup.

The crowds started to disappear and by 1969 the club was renamed Castlehill Colliery but the crowds were not there and in 1975 the town called a halt to junior football which had lasted since 1928.

**Founded** – 1919 (as Blairhall Juvenile)

**Defunct** – 1975 (as Castlehill Colliery)

**Ground** – Woodside Park

**Leagues** – Fife County League 1932 - 40, 1945 – 1968, Fife Regional League 1968 - 1975

#### **Honours**

#### Fife County League:

Champions - 1936/37;

Runners up – 1946/47, 1960/61

#### Fife & Lothians Cup:

Runners up - 1938

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1963

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1933, 1937, 1938, 1957

Runners up - 1955

#### **Express Cup**

Runners up - 1966

## Bowhill

In 1894 there was little evidence of Bowhill (now part of Cardenden) just a collection of houses to the north of the village now bearing the name "Wellsgreen". By 1901 a football pitch had appeared on the local maps beside Station Road and Wellsgreen.

The pitch laid NNW to SSW above the pitch which is visible to the west of Station Road at the present. In 1905 the local miner's social club built them a wooden pavilion with rooms and showers.

Bowhill Rovers took over the ground in 1930 and 5 years later turned junior. They built a new enclosure which was opened in August 1932 against Blairhall Colliery having also having to move the stand west of the old Wellsgreen. A photo of the day shows the ground had a wall built round it. The bing that had grown up around it with the waste from the pit caught fire before a match for the Fife Shield in September 1932, the final had been held over from the previous season but in dousing the fire flooded the pitch and the match had to replayed the following week.

No pre war attendances for Rovers are available but in 1946 in a Scottish Cup tie against Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic 2,000 attended. The next season 5,000 squeezed into the ground to watch Bathgate Thistle in the  $2^{nd}$  round of the Scottish Cup.

The ground was used for Fife and local cup finals up to 1957; Bowhill Rovers AFC in Cardenden still use the ground but the stand and enclosure have long since gone just like the pit.

### **Bowhill JFC**

The club was formed as Bowhill Thistle in 1901 and joined the West of Fife League in 1903 as Bowhill. After their successful run the East of Scotland Cup in 1906 when they were runners up to Alva Albion Rangers the club thought about going senior in 1907 but the local mining company would not give them the land to do so. They would again be runners up in the East of Scotland Cup in 1910 losing to Arniston Rangers after a replay; both games were played at East End Park, Dunfermline, in front of a reported 6,000 crowd.

Hill' won the Fife County Cup in 1906 and was runners up in 1911. They were runners up in the West of Fife League, Montrave Cup and Dunfermline Cup in 1909/10. But when war came they closed down in 1915 having no players to form a team.

The club was reformed after the Great War in 1919 and joined the Fife County League, with the expansion of clubs they were placed in the Western Division of the fife county League in 1921 and played there for the next three seasons before withdrawing from the League in 1924 and the club failed in 1925.

**Founded** – 1901

**Defunct** – 1925

**Ground** – Wellsgreen Park

Leagues – West of Fife League 1903 -13, Fife County League 1913 – 16, 1919 - 24

**Highest Attendance** - 6<sup>th</sup> Round East of Scotland Cup v Newtongrange Star 5,000 1906

#### **Honours**

#### East of Scotland Junior Cup;

Runners up – 1906, 1910

Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1906

Runners up - 1911

West of Fife League

Runners up - 1909/10

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Runners up - 1910

#### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1910

#### **Bowhill Rovers**

Rovers were formed in 1930 playing in the local Juvenile League, they turned junior in 1935. In the 1930's although the area was in depression the club was not, winning its first league title in 1930/31 season and won it again in 1934/35 and were runners up in the league in 1931/32, 1933/34 and 1935/36 as well as winning the Fife County Cup in 1932, 1934, and 1937, the Fife and Lothian Cup in 1936, the Dunfermline Cup in 1931 and 1940. In 1941 the club won the Dunfermline and the Cowdenbeath Cups.

Rovers were reformed in 1945 they were to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup in 1947 and a year later runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup, they closed at the end of the 1950/51 season because there was no funding from the local pit.

**Founded** – 1930

**Defunct** – 1951

**Ground** – Wellsgreen Park

**Leagues** – Fife County League 1930 – 1940, 1946 - 51

**Highest Attendance** - 5,000 v Bathgate Thistle 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Scottish Cup 11/10/47

#### Honours

#### Fife & Lothians Cup:

Winners - 1936

#### Fife County League:

Champions - 1930/31, 1934/35

Runners up – 1931/32, 1933/34, 1935/36

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners -1932, 1934, 1937

Runners up – 1931, 1947

#### Cowdenbeath Cup-

Winners -1941

Runners up - 1933, 1935, 1948

#### Sinagora Cup:

Winners - 1933

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1931, 1940, 1941

Runners up – 1932, 1937

## Buckhaven

The town of Buckhaven grew with the finding of coal and a pit shaft was sunk called Denbeath Colliery and it grew more when the town was made a terminus for the Wemyss to Buckhaven railway line which was extended to Methil in 1887.

The town has had three top class junior sides Buckhaven United, Denbeath Star and Wellesley who won many honours in their short times but since 1939 the town has only seen amateur football with most people travelling out with the town to watch East Fife or Raith Rovers.

#### Shore Public Park

The first club in the town was called Gladstone who formed in 1885, played on land called Shore Park and were soon followed a year later by Muiredge United (1886) and then the first Buckhaven United (1887) but all went out of business by May 1888 and it would be two seasons before junior football came to the town with a reformed Buckhaven United and a new team Buckhaven Celtic. Celtic would use Shore Park while United went on to use Toll Park.

Shore would not be used between 1892 to 1895 and then 1897 to 1908 when Hawthorn were formed but changed its name to Celtic who again would only last three seasons as they could not keep up with United and Star who were the dominant clubs of the town.

Wellesley moved into the ground in 1912 having played at Toll Park before moving to Sandwell Park in 1919. The ground is an open piece of land in the town to this day where children play football.

#### Toll Park/School Park

The miners set up many teams in the town using the long public park but it was not long before a team took up land in Station Road in town and fenced it off. This ground was on the corner of Station Road and Wellesley Road and was next to the local sawmill

The School Park ground was opened in a friendly against senior side Hearts of Beath; United had used School Park during the 1898/99 season because of flooding at Toll Park. They finally had to move as the local Sawmill was expanding and more houses were needed in the town.

#### **Den Park**

The ground was situated at the top of Den Walk and Den Road, between Cowley Street and Sea Road which today is an open field. The ground was used by Star and Wellesley up to 1941.

#### Sandwell Park

The was opened in 1919 and was used by Wellesley the ground was about two hundred yards from School Park on Station Road it has know been built over by houses.

#### **Buckhaven United**

The United were formed in 1890 using the long public Park before moving to Toll Park in 1896. The United surprised everybody by reaching the Fife Junior Cup final in 1898 before losing to Methil Rovers at Scott Park, Kirkcaldy and having been runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup to Leven Thistle the year before.

United would do the double of Dunfermline Cup and Montrave Cup in 1900 having been runners up in the Dunfermline Cup the season before and then win their first Fife Junior Cup in 1901 when they

defeated Leven Thistle at Ladysmill Park Dunfermline in front of a reported 4,500 which they retained in 1902. United would also be runners up in the Nairn Cup in 1901, 1902, 1903.

They won the Dunfermline Cup, Fife Junior Cup and Fife Shield in 1902, they would merge with Buckhaven in 1905 to bring more people to the new ground of School Park which was opposite their old ground but was now off Wellesley Road.

United would take their first league championship in 1907/08 winning the West of Fife League having been runners up in 1902/03, 1903/04 seasons. In 1908 they won the Cowdenbeath Cup but were runners up in the Fife Cup and a year later did the double of Dunfermline and Montrave Cups, they retained the Montrave in 1910 as well as champions of the East Neuk League having been runners up in the League the year before. The club finally closed their doors at the end of the 1911/12 season because of lack of finance.

**Founded** – 1890

**Defunct** – 1912

**Grounds** - Toll Park, School Park, Den Park

**League** – West of Fife League 1897/98, 1900 – 08, East Neuk League 1908 - 1912

#### **Honours**

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners 1901, 1902

Runners up – 1898, 1908

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners -1908,

Runners Up 1897, 1900

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1900, 1902, 1909

Runners up - 1899

#### West of Fife League

Champions -1906/07

Runners up - 1902/03, 1903/04

#### East Neuk League

Champions -1909/10

Runners up - 1908/09

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1900, 1902, 1909, 1910,

Runners up – 1899, 1903

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1901, 1902

#### Nairn Cup

Runners up – 1901, 1902, 1903

### Denbeath Star

Denbeath Star was formed in 1905, they joined the West Fife League and later with the merging of the Howe of Fife and the West of Fife League in 1913 they would join the Fife County League.

Star won their first trophy in 1911 when they defeated when they defeated Rosslyn from Kirkcaldy at East End Park, Dunfermline in front of 4,000 and won the Montrave Cup for the first time at St Andrews University Grounds again against Rosslyn.

The Star won their first Fife Junior Cup in 1912 as well as the Montrave Cup they retained both trophies the next season and also winning the Fife Shield (1913), they would retain the Montrave Cup in 1914 and be runners up in the East Neuk League.

Denbeath highest crowd would not be at the Den Park but was at the final of the 1915 East of Scotland Junior Cup final at Newton Park, Bo'ness when a 15,000 crowd squeezed in to watch Star defeat Loanhead Mayflower and went on to win their first Fife Shield.

In 1916/17 season they shocked everybody by winning the Fife County League, East of Scotland Cup, Cowdenbeath Cup, Dunfermline Cup and Fife Shield with a mixture of youth and former players not in the services, having only done the double in 1914/15 season of East of Scotland Cup and Fife Shield.

The Montrave Cup was regularly found in there cabinet winning, it six times in 10 years between 1911 and 1921. They would win it in total 11 times and runners up three times.

Star retained the Fife County League in 1917/18 season and did the double be winning the Fife Junior Cup at Starks Park, Kirkcaldy. The 1920's for Star were three runners up in East Division Fife County League 1921/22, 1923/24 and 1924/25. They reached the fifth round of the Scottish Cup for the only time in 1924/25 season.

Star won the Fife Cup and Montrave Cup (1920) and Cowdenbeath Cup (1926) plus retains the Montrave Cup in 1921 and wins it again in 1923. They would win only four Montrave Cups (1930, 1934, 1935 and 1936) and runners up once in 1935. They also won the Fife Shield in 1930 but times were hard for the area and the club suffered for the lack of support.

The start of World War II saw the end of Star they were not reformed surprisingly after the war had ended and the ground is now a patch of land in the town

**Founded** – 1905

**Defunct** – 1941

**Ground** – Den Park

**Leagues** – West of Fife Junior League 1906 – 1913, Fife County League – 1913 – 40

**Highest Attendance** - Wellesley Fife Cup 1914 2,000

Honours

**East of Scotland Junior Cup** 

Winners – 1915, 1917

Fife County Junior League

Champions - 1916/17, 1917/18

Runners up - 1915/16

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1911, 1912, 1918, 1920

Runners up - 1916

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1912, 1917, 1926

Runners up - 1922

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1911, 1917

Runners Up 1922

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1915, 1917, 1930

Runners up - 1916, 1928

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1920, 1921, 1923, 1930, 1934, 1935, 1936

Runners up – 1925, 1926, 1933

### **Wellesley**

As Star and Welles ley were virtually born from the same mine both formed in 1905, it's though with the disappearance of United from the scene and Welles ley moving into their ground in 1912 of Shore Park having played on the local public park and Toll Park for seven years the club grew with the crowds increasing their form improved. They moved to Sandwell Park in 1919 after reforming after World War I some people think that Welles ley were the second team of United but there is no proof at the moment that they were.

The Well first major trophy was in 1907 when the Dunfermline Cup was won but they would have to wait till after the war before the won the Well only won their first championship and only one in 1921/22 season in the Fife County League East Division and runners up in the play-off for the League title and the roaring twenties were good for the well as they were runners up in the Fife Junior Cup four times, Montrave three times, Dunfermline Cup three times, and four league championship runners up and they reached the sixth round of the Scottish Junior Cup in 1929/30 season.

The Well won the Fife Junior Cup and Fife Shield were won in 1931 and winning there last trophy in 1939 defeating St Andrews United at Bayview in front of 2,500. The club would play in the Fife County League between 1919 – 39 when like star they closed for the duration of the war but never reformed.

**Founde d** – 1905 **De funct** – 1940

Grounds - Toll Park Shore Park, School Park, Sandwell Park

Leagues – West of Fife League 1905/06, Fife County League 1919 - 40

#### **Honours**

#### Fife County League

Runners Up – 1921/22, 1926/27, 1928/29, 1929/30

#### Fife County League East Division

Champions -1921/22

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners -1931

Runners up – 1926, 1927, 1930

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1907

Runners up – 1926, 1927, 1930

#### Fife Shield

Winners - 1931

Runners up - 1930

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners - 1939

Runners up – 1921, 1922, 1926, 1937

## Burntisland

#### Ballast Bank/Lammerlaws

The bank as it was known local or Lammerlaws was an enclosed ground on an old part of the local golf course, the ground was used by Thistle, Lochies and Binned Rangers.

Rovers moved on to the ground in 1893 having moved from the Cricket Ground so they could apply to join the West of Fife Junior League but this was rejected as the FJA were not sure if it was private or public park and this was shown when both clubs were evicted by the owner in 1894. The Ground was situated just on the outskirts of the town on the Aberdour Road and Kilmundry Drive and is now just a ploughed field.

#### Kirkton Park (Shipyard Park)

The land was used for all sports (having been donated by the local shipyard and they had put a corrugated fence around it) including bowling, quoting and tennis courts. It was first used by Rossend in 1880 and then by Binned Rangers in 1889 but they moved to Kirkcaldy after they fell out with the owners. It was nearly the end for the "Ship when the Shipyard went bust, the ground sold to the local Education Board then to the District Council. Since then the old railway carriage changing rooms had been replaced by modern facilities.

#### **Burntisland Thistle**

The Thistle was the first club to be formed in the town in 1878, playing in the senior ranks for the Fife Cup, Edinburgh & District Shield (East of Scotland Cup) and in the Scottish Cup. Every club was reckoned to be senior at that time as there was no way of telling what was junior and senior

Thistle played at the local cricket club before and would use it till 1885. They moved to the bank and were founder members of the Cowdenbeath Junior Football Association along with Lochies who they shared the ground with till 1888.

The "Thistle" won the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1892 when they defeated their neighbours Binnend Rangers at Scott Park Kirkcaldy.

**Founded** – 1878

**Defunct** – 1898

Grounds - Cricket Park, Kinnonmouth Park, Ballast Bank, Kirkton Park

**Honours** 

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1892

### Lochies

Lochies who in the first season of the Cowdenbeath Cup lost in the final to St Leonards from Cowdenbeath and North End Park, Cowdenbeath in 1887 and they disappeared within a year.

**Founded** – 1886

**Defunct** – 1888

**Grounds** - Ballast Bank

Honours

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up – 1887

### **Burntisland Shipyard**

A shipyard side started in the juniors playing in the East Neuk League but for only a season before stepping up to the senior ranks and merged with a local Juvenile side to become Burntisland Shipyard FC in 1919. They have been entering the Scottish Cup since 1929/30 season and once made it to the third round of the Scottish Cup before losing to Vale of Leithen at Victoria Park, Innerleithen. They joined the Edinburgh & District senior league in 1932/33 season.

They were joined by newly formed senior side Burntisland Athletic who had stepped up and had been playing at Greenmount Park. Ships joined the Fife Seniors in 1933 and were hammered by Raith Rovers 8-0 in the Fife Cup.

The "Ship" was to be runners up in the Scottish Qualifying Cup South in 1972 to St Cuthbert Wanderers and in 1995 to Whitehill Welfare. Although the play in the Caledonian League as amateurs know, they enter the Scottish Cup first round every year since the Qualifying Cup was abolished and even made it to the third round before being outclassed by Albion Rovers 8-0.

**Founded** – 1919

**Grounds** – Shipyard Park, Kirkton Park

Leagues – East of Scotland Senior League, Fife Amateur League

#### Honours

#### Scottish Qualifying Cup South

Runners up – 1972, 1995

### Binnend Rangers

Rangers were formed in 1889 playing at the Cricket Ground before moving to Bank Park, in 1891 they were runners up in the Fife Cup and the next season went out at the Semi-final stage when 1400 spectators crowded into the Shipyard Park to watch Rovers play Cowdenbeath Juniors in the Fife Junior Cup and were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup to their neighbours Burntisland Thistle at Scott Park Kirkcaldy.

The Rangers before they moved to Nairn Park in Kirkcaldy in 1894 after being evicted from Shipyard Park along with Thistle they played on for one more season before going defunct

**Founded** – 1889

**Defunct** – 1895

Grounds – Shipyard Park Burntisland, Nairn Park Kirkcaldy

Highest Attendance - 1400 v Cowdenbeath Juniors Semi-Final Fife Junior Cup 1893

#### **Honours**

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1891

Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1892

## Cardenden

#### **Dundonald Park**

In the village which includes Dundonald and Bowhill, the first ground to appear on ordnance survey was Dundonald Park this was the home of Denend Thistle and was played on for 5 years before being given over to the public and was on the side of the Dunfermline to Thornton Railway line. The thistle played in the Fife Cup between 1889 to 1894 but never got past the first round of the cup

#### Moorside Park

The Bluebell have been using Moorside Park since their formation in 1936 as a Juvenile side and in 1946 they turned junior and a second round Scottish cup match against Bo'ness United attracted over 3,000 to the ground, helping them update the facilities on the ground.

In 1960 they built a new pavilion as the old one that had been there since 1937 was burnt to the ground. A temporary stand was put on the ground and in 1974 a new stand was built over the old one and concrete steps were put on the ground in 1991.

## **Dundonald Bluebell**

The club were formed in 1936 as Juvenile team and it was not till 1946 that they turned junior. In only their second season as a junior club they were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup in 1948, but went on to win the Mitchell Cup (1948) and then retained it in 1949.

This was the forerunner to a great 10 years for the club as they won the League twice runners up twice, runners up in the Mitchell Cup, Dunfermline and Cowdenbeath Cups and winning the Fife Junior Cup in 1955. They had to step down to amateur for 1960/61 because of a fire at their ground.

Bluebell had a down turn during the 1970's as no cups were won but runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and Montrave Cup were all they had to show for their hard work on and off the field. Bluebells won their first League championship in 1982/83 season and was runners up in Division Two in 1988/89 and 1989/90 as well as runners up in Fife Cup, Cowdenbeath Cup and Laidlaw Cup.

In 1992 the Bluebell won the Fife Cup and Laidlaw Shield and retained the shield in 1993 but for the rest of the 90's there was nothing to show. In 2002 they moved with all of the Fife clubs to the East Region and won the Fife District in 2006/07, having been runners up in the Fife Junior Cup the year before.

They just survived being relegated in the first season in the Premier League but were relegated the next season, the Bluebell just missed out on promotion in 2010/11 season when they were runners up to Oakley United.

They were again runners up in the Central Division only losing two games but just finished behind Jeanfield Sifts not losing an away game all season but to many draws they were to be runners up in the Fife League Cup when the lost 4 - 0 to Hill of Beath Hawthorn.

**Founded** – 1936

Ground - Memorial Park

Leagues – Fife County League 1947 – 68, Fife Regional league 1968-2002, East Region 2002 –

#### Honours

#### Fife League:

Champions – 1951/52, 1956/57, 1957/58

Runners up - 1952/53, 1954/55

#### Fife League Division Two

Runners up – 1988/89, 1989/90

#### Fife Regional League

Champions - 1982/83

Runners up - 1983/84

#### **East Region Central Division**

Champions -2006/07

Runners up – 2010/11, 2011/12

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1955; 1992

Runners up – 1977, 1987, 1995, 2006

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1965

Runners up – 1954, 1956, 1984

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Runners up – 1948, 1951

#### **Express Cup**

Winners - 1966

#### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1971

#### Fife League Cup

Runners up - 2012

#### Mitchell Cup

Winners - 1948, 1949

Runners up - 1956, 1963

#### Laidlaw Shield

Winners – 1992, 1993

Runners up – 1985, 1986

#### Fife & Tayside Cup

Runners up - 1996

## <u>Cellardyke</u>

The village which is on the outskirts of Anstruther the ground was the local public park was beside the railway line.

## Cellardyke Bluejacket

Blue jacket played out three seasons in only cups and friendlies before disappearing at the end of 1903 after winning the Martin White Cup defeating St Andrews City at the University Grounds in St Andrews.

**Founded** – 1900

**Defunct** – 1903

**Ground** – Public Park

#### **Honours**

#### **Martin White Cup**

Winners - 1903

## Charlestown

#### Broomhall

The club took its name from the local estate of Lord Elgin called Broomhall they started out as a senior club and participated in the Fife Cup in 1882, when they played St Leonards from Cowdenbeath in the first round.

They stepped down to junior but were always rejected because of the open pitch on the village square. It would take till 1919 when they were admitted to the Fife County League and played in the West Division till 1924 when they resigned because of costs and could not enclose Village Park. The club wound up in 1925.

Founded – 1880

Defunct - 1925

Ground – The Square

League - Fife County League 1919 - 24

## Coaltown of Balgonie

### Balgonie Scotia

The small village of Coaltown of Balgonie saw Balgonie Scotia join the Fife league in 1934/35 season and were runners up in the Montrave Cup in that season. They quit after four games in 1953 and rejoined the amateurs because of cost. They played on School Park which is still an open playing field in the village played by Scotia. The team is now 114 years old, still playing amateur in the Caladonian League Fife.

**Founded** – 1897

Ground - School Park

League - Fife Junior League 1934/35, 1953/54

#### **Honours**

**Montrave Cup** 

Runners up - 1935

## Caallavin Wemyss

#### **School Park**

There are two pitches at School Park beside the A955 Dysart to Leven Road, behind the miner's row as Violet had played on the lower pitch while Michael Colliery had used the high pitch

The ground has supported three other junior sides Lochhead, Frances Colliery and Kirkcaldy YMCA. Kirkcaldy YMCA moved to the ground in 1972 as they had lost their own ground because of building work on Hayfield Road. The YM would stay for 4 seasons before moving back to Windmills Park in Kirkcaldy. Both pitches are still open and used by amateur sides.

## Wemyss Violet

At the start of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century a pit was dropped called Lochhead the miners forming a team called Weymss Violet in 1900. They would join the West Fife League in 1902/03 season before leaving for two seasons rejoining in 1904 and playing on till 1910 and were runners up in the West Fife League in 1905/06 and 1907/08 seasons and runners up in the Fife Junior Cup in 1905.

**Founded** – 1900

**Defunct** – 1910

**Ground** – School Park

**Leagues** – West Fife League 1902/03, 1904 - 10

**Honours** 

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up -1905

#### West of Fife League

Runners Up - 1904/05, 1907/08

### Michael Colliery

Michael Colliery only played a season in East Division of the Fife League before disappearing.

**Founded** – 1918

**Defunct** – 1922

Ground - School Park

**League** – Fife League 1921/22

#### Lochhead

The club was named after the pit. They played their first match against Inverkeithing United in August 1928 using the Miners Welfare to change but this lack of amenities did not prevent 3,200 attending a fourth round Scottish Junior Cup tie in January 1931. They were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup (1931), at the end of June 1932 the club closed down for lack of money.

**Founded** – 1927

**Defunct** – 1932

Ground - School Park

Leagues - Fife County League 1928 - 31

Highest Attendance - 3,200 v Tranent January 1931 Scottish Junior Cup

#### Honours

Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1931

## Francis Colliery

The club were formed in Dysart Kirkcaldy in 1957. In 1959 events in Dysart Kirkcaldy forced the Colliery to move to Coaltown of Weymss but with Wellsgreen Amateurs using the top pitch the Colliery agreed the amateurs would have precedent over them and in August 1959 for the first time in 27 years the town had a junior team.

The Colliery although a Kirkcaldy based team was ignored by all the local press in the area and reports of attendance for the club are incomplete. Frances were under pressure but saw them get to the final of the Dunfermline Cup in 1960 only to lose to Thornton Hibernian at Starks Park and finished the season as runners up in the Fife League.

In February 1967 the committee saw electricity as a needless expense and so cut off the heating so both set of players had to shower in cold water after the match but were told to switch it back on by the FJFA.

The colliery won the Fife Cup in 1969 and would by runners up in the Fife Drybrough Cup in 1976 and the club would go on till September 1979 when the committee called a day after only 6 games of the 1979/80 season.

**Founded** – 1957

**Defunct** – 1979

Ground - Smeaton Park, School Park

Leagues – Fife County League 1957 – 68, Fife Regional league 1968 – 79

**Honours** 

Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1969

Fife County League

Runners up - 1959/60

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Runners up – 1960

Fife Drybrough Cup

Runners up - 1976

## Colinsburgh

Colinsburgh is a small quiet village on the outskirts of Leven and a united side of Leven & Colinsburgh had formed at Station Park in 1893 and played in local competitions but never got past the second round in four seasons and the club failed because of lack of commitment from the locals. The pitch is still used by the local amateurs and was always an open pitch

## Colinsburgh United

It was not till 1912 that a new Colinsburgh United was formed joining the East Neuk League, winning the championship in 1915/16, having been runners up the season before closing down till 1919 when Comrades were formed. But they changed back to Colinsburgh United in 1920 playing in the East Neuk League before joining the East Division of the Fife League for one season of 1922/23, only winning two matches in the whole season and running up a record goal deficit of -60.

**Founded** – 1912

**Defunct** – 1924

**Ground** – Station Park

**League** – East Neuk League 1913 – 16, 1919 – 22 & Fife County League East Division 1922/23

**Honours** 

East Neuk League

Champions 1915/16

Runners up – 1914-15

## Cowdenbeath

In the late 1870s, Cowdenbeath was a small mining village of some 2,000 inhabitants. The burgeoning development of the Cowdenbeath Coal Company was to lead to an influx of miners from all over Scotland. Among these incomers were the Pollock family who hailed from the Ayrshire town of Old Cumnock.

#### **North End Park**

The ground was first laid out by North End in 1878 and boundary fencing was placed around with local miner building up the banking that was nicknamed the Miners Den and in 1881, it was

associated with the pits of the Lochgelly Coal Company while the Rangers players were mainly Cowdenbeath Coal Company men.

In 1905 they changed the ground to run parallel to the railway line with the help of the local miners with new gates and a pavilion which was the length of the pitch, and greyhound racing was introduced in 1908.

Cowdenbeath leased part of North End Park from Bernard's Trustees for £20 per annum and the other part from the Fife Coal Company at £5 per annum so subletting to the greyhound racing company at £104 per annum proved a lucrative source of income.

The 25 year lease on the ground ended in 1912 with the club having made £800 improvements with a whippet track and running track they offered the land owner to pay £60 per annum but the owner wanted £100 a fortune for a small club so they choose to look for a new ground but this took five years and would be found in Chapel Street.

The club had the honour of hosting a replay of the Scottish Qualifying Cup final in 1913 when Abercorn and Arbroath were via for the cup and 8,500 were accommodated at the ground which ended 1-1 and was the biggest crowd at the ground.

Season 1917-18, opened with the club moving to its present-day ground at Central Park, with the move being largely precipitated by the club's landlord's realisation that it would prove more rewarding to let North End Park direct to the greyhound racing company. North End Park is still used as a football ground and is located behind the local public library.

North End Park had also been home to junior side Cowdenbeath Juniors, Cowdenbeath Athletic and St Leonards all used Foulford Park for main games but semi-finals they would use North End Park. The Council owns North End and when the wanderers from Dunfermline Jubilee Athletic wished to play at the ground, they were told they could not charge any money so when it came to Scottish Cup games they played at Central Park before moving there before moving back to Dunfermline then on to Rosyth.

#### Foulford Park/Beath View Park

This was first used in 1878 by Cowdenbeath Rangers before they moved along the road to merge with North End in 1881 it was taken over by Cowdenbeath Juniors, Cowdenbeath South End and St Leonards but on their demise was used by Vulcan Rovers who had been kicked out of North End Park in 1908.

It was also shared with Kirkford Juveniles from 1908 that would in 1933 step up to the juniors and would play till 1939. A crowd of over 3,500 watch Kirkford play Kelty Rangers in the Fife Cup in 1936. Today it is part of the playing fields for Foulford School but has been renamed Beath View Park.

#### Central Park

Central Park was opened in 1917 with North End Stand haven been taken to bits and taken down Main Street and rebuilt and within the expanses of Central Park they added to the North End Stand. In 1922 with promotion to Division One they built a new stand and sold the old stand to East Fife and it survived till the demolition of Bayview.

1922/23 was to be a season of transition, it marked by the opening of the new Central Park stand on August 19th at the game v Vale of Leven. 120 yards long, 14 tiers high and able to accommodate 3,500 spectators it was widely considered to be the best provincial club stand in Scotland. It remains partly in use to this day, after local youths tried to burn it down twice in 10 years.

In September 1949 for a League Cup quarter final, the 2nd leg against Rangers, it attracted a record crowd of 25,586 (more than twice the population of the town) to Central Park. With the money from the Rangers game a roof was built on the Chapel Street end of the ground. There was one positive development at Central Park; this was the Installation of a £7000 floodlighting system in 1968 which was switched on against Celtic in a friendly match.

In 1983 the Chapel Street Enclose was blown down of and vandals destroyed the stand causing £40,000 worth of damage. The stand was devastated by a second fire and although half was salvaged, a new stand 'the Alex Menzies Stand' was opened in 1995.

#### Cowdenbeath FC

Football in the town came with the formation of North End played at North End Park and Rangers they secured a pitch on the south side of the village at what became Jubilee Park and erected a set of goalposts and then moved the other at the edge of town at Foulford Park in what is know Beath Hill View Park which was used by Kirkford Juniors.

After 4 seasons and being, founder members of the Fifeshire Football Association they decided to merge and became Cowdenbeath Football & Athletic Club in 1881 with Foulford Park being used by their 2XI called Cowdenbeath Junior XI who would become founder members of the Cowdenbeath Junior Football Association and founder members of the Fife Junior Football Association in 1889

Cowdenbeath Rangers and North End amalgamated to become Cowdenbeath FC in 1882 when the Fifeshire Football Association was established. In their first season they were runners up in Fife Cup to Dunfermline FC at Ladybank.

The club soon made its mark on the local soccer scene, winning the 1885 Fife Cup, beating Dunfermline (who had won the cup in the first two years of its existence), 2- 0 in the Final at Ladybank in Dunfermline, their first of 20 Fife Cups. Buoyed by this success Cowdenbeath entered the national cup competition for the first time in 1885-86. In the first round Cowden had a walkover when Aberfeldy Breadblane scratched but the Fifers themselves scratched in the second round allowing Vale of Teith to advance. 1886 also witnessed a record victory when the hapless Kirkcaldy Rangers were defeated 18-0 in the Fife Cup on their way to the final when they would be runners up and played in the East of Scotland Cup. They would win the Fife Charity Cup back to back 1888 and 89 and then the Fife Cup back to back 1890 and 91.

In 1888/89, Cowdenbeath also embarked on an exciting run in the Scottish Cup. Kirkcaldy Wanderers, Lassodie and Dunblane were all dispatched on the way to a fifth round meeting with the Paisley club Abercorn. Raeside of Abercorn scored five goals as Cowden were crushed 8-2. In 1890, the village of Cowdenbeath acquired the status of a Burgh but in the 1890-91, Scottish Cup eventual defeat was encountered in the third round against the students of Edinburgh University. Further Scottish Cup success proved elusive until season 1895/96 when in the last 32 'The Miners' were drawn at Renton against the local side past 'world champions', twice former cup winners and the previous year's finalists. In the end a thrice-taken penalty provided the only goal of the match for the home side.

They joined the Midland League along with former junior side Raith Rovers and would play there till it failed in 1897 before joining the Central League, Beath won the short- lived Central League in 1896-97 after an abortive spell in the Midland League and further success was forthcoming in local cup competitions such as the King Cup and East of Scotland Qualifying and Consolation Cups. The crowds were growing, creeping into the thousands most during the Scottish Qualifying Cup rounds.

The East of Scotland Cup was won in 1897 the King Cup and East of Scotland Consolation Cup in 1899 and 1901 and the East of Scotland Qualifying Cup in 1900 & 1903.

Cowdenbeath had joined the Northern League in 1901. 'The Miners' were Fife League Champions and Qualifying Cup semi-finalists in 1904- 05. The club, by now a professional organisation, then decided to apply for election to the Scottish League as near neighbours Raith Rovers had done successfully three years previously. The Scottish League had decided to extend the First Division by two clubs for 1905-06 and this meant that there were two vacancies to be filled in the Second Division. Prior to applying for election the club was restructured into a Limited Liability Company with Andrew Dick of Dick's Co-operative Institutions and Hugh Kelso, a local tailor, as the principal promoters. Ten clubs chased the four available League places. St. Bernards and Abercorn topped the poll and were re- elected. Cowdenbeath with 18 votes and Vale of Leven with 17 were the other successful applicants.

On 26 August 1905, Cowdenbeath made their Scottish League debut at North End Park. A penalty goal by stalwart Willie Mercer gave Cowden a 1-0 victory over Leith Athletic. The first two seasons of League membership saw 'The Miners' establish themselves in the middle reaches of the Second League. The next three seasons, however, saw the club's fortunes reach their nadir - twice finishing next to bottom and on the other occasion propping up the table. Gates fell as a consequence of this poor form and the club was in danger of going to the wall. In 1909, with the club £600 in debt a motion to close down was defeated. In retrospect it was the introduction of whippet racing at the ground in 1908 that was to prove the club's salvation.

The club's fortunes rapidly improved with top five League finishes being registered in each of the next three seasons. The team's longstanding colours of red and white striped jerseys were ditched in 1911 for the well known blue jerseys and white shorts which the club sports to this day. One consequence of this was the renewed success in the Scottish Consolation cup having been knocked out of the Qualifying cup in the third round by St Johnstone, the y knocked out Hearts of Beath (h) in a replay Kirkcaldy United(h), Vale of Atholl (a), Dunblane (h),three games against St Bernards before the tie was settled at Bo'ness that brought about the situation which faced the club on 30 March 1912 when they were scheduled to play a home game v East Stirling whilst at the same time play a Consolation Cup semi- final at Galston. The regulars made the trip to Galston and lost 2-0 whilst a scratch eleven largely composed of eve-of-the-match signings from local neighbours Lochgelly United and Hearts of Beath won the League game 1-0.

In 1912-13 great local rivals Dunfermline Athletic gained Second League status and at the end of the season a war of words ensued between the clubs as both applied for election to the First Division. Cowdenbeath tied in the vote for election to the top flight with Dumbarton but 'The Sons' were elevated to the upper echelon on the casting vote of the Chairman, Mr. Ward of Partick Thistle, who voted for a fellow West of Scotland club.

Stung by this reversal Cowdenbeath were determined to demonstrate their right to a place with the game's elite. The conclusion of season 1913-14 saw the Second Division championship flag flying at North End Park for the first time. The title was clinched, rather ignominiously, on March 7 despite a 3-0 defeat at Dundee against Dundee Hibernian. The following week, however, in front of their own supporters the champions took full revenge in the return fixture winning 7- 0 with Willie Philip notching five goals. Election to Division One again being denied, Cowdenbeath emphasised their ability by winning the championship for the second successive year. 'The Miners' finished on equal points with St. Bernards and Leith and a three- way play-off was required to settle the issue. Cowden defeated Leith at East End Park and St. Bernards at Easter Road to take the title.

This time, however, election to the First League was precluded by the onset of 'The Great War'. The Scottish League decided that the First League should continue but that the Second League should be disbanded for the duration. The Division Two clubs got together and decided to set up regional leagues, primarily to minimise the amount of travelling. Cowdenbeath became members of the Eastern League.

As hostilities in Europe continued the playing resources of clubs were inevitably depleted. Cowdenbeath managed to maintain a relatively high standard aided by the fact that many of their players were in reserved occupations at the local pits. In the first Eastern League season Cowden finished third and in 1916-17 were Eastern League champions with their line up featuring ex-Manchester United and England winger George Wall.

Cowdenbeath were joint champions of the Eastern League (along with Dundee) in 1917-18 but the continued degradations of the war meant that the League had been reduced to a membership of only seven. The regular playing staff continued to dwindle in number and the club decided at the end of season 1917-18 to close down until the end of the war. 'The Great War' ended with the Armistice of November 1918 and three months later Cowdenbeath again took the field.

The Scottish League Management Committee decided that only the First Division would be run in 1919-20 but that it would be extended from 18 to 22 clubs. Cowdenbeath confidently applied for a place in the top League - a place they felt they fully merited given their record in the recent past. The ballot took place on 3rd April 1919 and incredibly, as had happened six years before, Cowdenbeath again tied with a West of Scotland club, Albion Rovers, each having received 10 votes. Again a West of Scotland Chairman, this time Mr. Hart of St. Mirren, gave his casting vote to the West of Scotland club.

Cowdenbeath, faced with little alternative, applied to rejoin the Eastern League and season 1919-20 saw a creditable third place finish achieved. In addition, they were to reach the final of the Scottish Qualifying Cup having defeated Lochgelly United (h) Dundee Hibernian (h), Bye, East Fife (a), Alloa Athletic after a replay at Central Park, Armadale (h) and a replay at Larkhall against Royal Albert in the semi final but lost 2-0 in the final to Bathgate at Ibrox. The Scottish League AGM of 1920 had before it a proposal to reintroduce Division Two but to the anger of the excluded clubs this proposal was defeated. Cowdenbeath, along with the other excluded clubs, then realised that the establishment was hell-bent on maintaining the status quo. Cowdenbeath resigned their membership of the Eastern League for election to the rebel Central League. 1920/21 saw Cowdenbeath happily ensconced in the Central League. Outwith Scottish League control 'The Miners' were able to attract First League players by offering lucrative signing-on fees without paying any transfer fee.

It did not take the Scottish League long though to realise the danger posed by the rival league. The Central League clubs were enticed back into the Scottish League fold by the re-institution of the Second Division and the long desired concession of automatic promotion and relegation on merit.

The team was strengthened for 1921/22 by the signing of goalkeeper John Falconer from St Anthony's, full back Dick Little from Hamilton and most prominently of all J.R. Smith, the Kilmarnock centre-forward who had scored the winner in the 1920 Scottish Cup Final. Two-up/two-down was the agreed system for promotion and relegation but for this one season one-up/three-down applied in order to even up the numbers in the two leagues. Cowdenbeath finished as runners-up and weren't promoted. J.R. Smith was in devastating form, scoring 32 League goals as well as 7 in a Scottish Cup tie v Vale of Athol. A disastrous end of season run of 1 win in 12 matches meant that Cowden finished 13 points behind Alloa. In the Scottish cup first round in 1921/22 season the put 10 past St Andrews University in the first round which was their highest score at the time.

Willie Devlin, a centre-forward. Signed from Clyde, he blossomed in 1923/24 when he topped the Division 2 scoring charts with 25 goals as 'The Miners' at last achieved promotion to Division 1 finishing runners-up, 1 point behind St. Johnstone.

1924/25 was to be Cowdenbeath best ever season, finishing in 5th place in Division 1 with a 42 point tally. Average gates at Central Park were over 9,000. Success continued in 1925/26. Devlin notched 38 League goals to end the season as top scorer in Division One. He left for Herbert Chapman's Huddersfield for £4,200 where he won a Division One championship medal.

In 1926/27, 'The Miners' for the second consecutive season finished 7th and for the 3rd season in a row gained 42 points. Another notable achievement in 1926/27 was the defeat of both Rangers and Celtic in consecutive League fixtures.

Duncan Lindsay replaced Wright for 1927/28 and proved an inspired choice, scoring 31 League goals as well as 6 goals v Johnstone in a Scottish Cup tie. The 12-0 victory in this game remains the club record league or cup victory. Ninth place was attained in the League whilst Falconer was capped in goal by the Scottish League.

The industrial recession bit even harder in the Fife coalfields and attendances at Central Park suffered badly. The town was basically too small to support a top level football club but the money made by transferring their stars allowed Cowdenbeath to survive.

1930/31 witnessed a revival in the club's fortunes with a 7th place League finish and the Scottish Cup quarter final being reached. Cowdenbeath went down to Motherwell by 1-0 at Central Park in front of a then record crowd of 18,673. Cowdenbeath then fell to 12th place in the League in 1931/32.

The 1932/33 team had an excellent forward line but a disastrously leaky defence. 111 goals were conceded as the club finished fourth from bottom, while 1933/34 was a disaster with only 5 wins from 38 games, 118 goals were conceded and after 10 years in the top flight 'The Miners' were relegated to Division 2.

At the end of the 1933/34 season, the club was on its knees, manager less, with only one signed player and the princely sum of 9d in the bank. They got a new manager a local school teacher, a team was scraped together for the start of 1934/35 but only one win was forthcoming in the first 11 games of the season. A 10-1 record home defeat by St Bernards in this period saw the club firmly rooted at the foot of the table. The team eventually began to gel and 12th place was reached by the season's end. The next two seasons saw gradual improvement to 10th and 6th place respectively. Transfers were still required to balance the books. Sixth place was again achieved in 1937/38. A team was beginning to take shape which could be considered serious promotion contenders. 115 League goals were scored with ex-Hibernian and St Bernards centre Robert (Rab) Walls notching 34 of them. The following season Walls was in irresistible form scoring 54 League goals, with 9 hat-tricks or better including 6 in a game v Stenhousemuir as Cowden reclaimed their place in the top flight. Cowden finished as champions, 12 points ahead of Alloa with a record points haul of 60, scoring 120 goals and only losing 2 matches.

The town was solidly behind the club and season 1939/40 was eagerly anticipated. Sadly, after only 5 games the League closed down with the outbreak of World War 2. Cowden then joined the Eastern Regional League but after 15 games with the club sustaining heavy financial losses it was decided to close down for the duration of the conflict.

In 1945, as the war in Europe drew to a close, thoughts in Cowdenbeath turned to the revival of senior football in the town. On 7th April, a public meeting was held in the Co-op Hall and the club directors revealed that Cowden's liabilities were of the order of some £2000. As a result of this meeting the

Cowdenbeath Football Trust was set up and £1500 was raised to revive the dormant club. Cowdenbeath were then admitted to the League Division B for 1945/46.

The ground saw the its biggest crowd in September 1949 for a League Cup quarter final following "The Miners" sensational win at Ibrox in the 1st leg of the 1949/50 League Cup quarter-final. Cowdenbeath won 3-2 (Armstrong 2, Dick) to become the first ever lower-league side to defeat Rangers. The 2nd leg Alex Menzies put Cowden 4-2 ahead after only 6 minutes on aggregate. Rangers had pulled one goal back when with only 13 seconds to play Rutherford agonisingly headed home the equaliser. In extra-time, Sammy Cox scored an inevitable winner for the Ibrox side.

Little success was forthcoming in the next 5 seasons with a highest league finish of 8th. A record 11-1 defeat was suffered at the hands of Clyde in 1951 and "The Miners" twice flirted with relegation to Division C. Transfers continued to balance the books and infuriate the fans. One highlight during this barren spell was Jimmy Inglis 30 League goals in 1953/54 which included the feat of a hat-trick of headed goals in 4 minutes v Third Lanark.

A 6th place was attained in 1957/58, Bob Gilfillan scoring 25 and Albert Craig 21 of Cowdenbeath 100 League goals but 85 goals was conceded in that season. The appointment of Archie Robertson by the board bore fruit with a sixth place in 1966/67 but in January 1968 Robertson left to take charge of his old club, Clyde. Jim Burns soon followed his old boss to Shawfield. Andy Matthew, who had played for all 4 Fife clubs as well as Rangers, was Robertson's successor and quietly set about building up his own squad. 2 consecutive 12th place finishes did not hold any portent of what was to come.

In 1969/70 "The Miners" led the League table from start to finish only to be pipped for the Championship by a single point by Falkirk. It had taken 3 decades for "The Miners" to regain their 1st Division place but unfortunately their spell upstairs was to be of the minimum duration. The player pool was strengthened but despite a brave fight Cowden was destined to finish bottom of the table with only 17 points

To ease financial problems they have staged dog racing and know stock car racing of which the ground is leading venue in the UK. The head of the stock car racing Gordon McDougall took over the club in late 1990 after deposing the incumbent board, and 1992 at last brought an upgrade to Division 1 under John Brownlie with a team featuring the likes of Buzz and Sum Lamont, Graeme Buckley, Eric Archibald and Gus Malone. Disaster followed as Cowden endured a 38 League game barren run at Central Park and plunged to the basement of Scottish football. New boss Craig Levein then reinvigorated the club and promotion from Division 3 was earned in 2001.

The Club was relegated back to Division 3 at the end of season 2002/03 after two seasons in the 2nd Division. The first two seasons back in the bottom league saw 5th and then 3rd place achieved. The beginning of season 2005/06 featured 3 memorable milestones as it marked the club's 125th anniversary as well as 100 years since it first joined the Scottish League. In addition, the 14th League goal of the new campaign was the 5,000th goal scored by the club in the Scottish League, scored by Robert Downs away to Albion Rovers. This historic season was capped off in memorable style with the team clinching the League Championship, the first since 1939, on the last day of the season at home to Elgin City - all the more remarkable given that Cowden trailed then league leaders Stenhousemuir by eleven points in early March!

The fans had renamed the club "The Blue Brazil" as they secured a very creditable sixth place in their return to 2nd Division football with a team full of flair and adventure. Transfers though once again affected the club, which lost out to Arbroath in the relegation play-off in 2007/08 and returned to the 3rd division after Gordon McDougall had sold out his stake in the club to new owners Innovate

(Cowdenbeath) Ltd. 2008/09 was an amazing season of highs and lows on and off the park. After missing out on the title and then promotion in an agonising manner under Danny Lennon, Cowden were belatedly elevated to 2nd Division status due to Livingston's demotion.

The "Miners" fortunes have improved over the last two seasons going from Division Three to Division One by default and play-off, they would only play one season in Division One before being relegated to Division Two for 2011/12 season.

**Founded** – 1881 (Merger of Cowdenbeath North End & Cowdenbeath Rangers)

Grounds - North End Park, Jubilee Park, North End Park and Central Park

**Leagues** – Scottish Football League 1905 – 14, 1921 -39, 1945 -

**Highest Attendance** - 8,500 Abercorn v Arbroath Scottish Qualifying Cup final replay 1913 North End Park, 25, 586 at Central Park Quarter-Final v Rangers 1949

#### **Honours**

#### **Division Two**

Champions – 1913/14, 1914/15, 1938/39

Runners up - 1921/22, 1923/24, 1969/70

#### **Division Three**

Champions - 2005/06

Runners up - 2000/01

#### Eastern League

Champions - 1917/18\*

#### Fife Cup

Winners - 1885, 1890, 1891, 1893, 1902, 1904, 1905, 1910, 1916, 1917, 1924, 1926, 1928, 1929, 1935, 1971, 1984, 1988, 1989, 1996

Runners up – 1883, 1886, 1908, 1900, 1910, 1912, 1920, 1922

#### **Penman Cup**

Winners -1911, 1916, 1920,

#### Wemyss Cup

Winners – 1899, 1900\*, 1911, 1914, 1916, 1917, 1920, 1923, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1929, 1931, 1932, 1938\*

#### Fife Charity Cup

Winners – 1888, 1889, 1899, 1924, 1927

#### King Cup

Winners – 1895, 1899, 1901

#### East of Scotland Shield

Runners up – 1903

#### **East of Scotland Consolation Cup**

Winners 1897, 1899, 1901

Runners up - 1898

#### East of Scotland Qualifying Cup

Winners 1900, 1903

#### West Fife Charity Cup

Winners - 1914, 1925, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1920, 1923

\*shared

### Cowdenbeath Athletic

Athletic were formed in 1902 and in 1903/04 season won the West of Fife League but could not compete with the senior side in the town who were attracting large crowds to Scottish Football League games and the club folded in 1906

Founded – 1902 Defunct – 1906

Grounds - Jubilee Park, North End Park

Leagues – West of Fife League 1903 - 06

#### Honours

#### West of Fife League

Champions - 1903/04

### Cowdenbeath JFC

The club were the third team of the senior club Cowdenbeath and won the Cowdenbeath Cup at North End Park in 1893. They won their only league championship of the West of Fife League a year later in 1893/94 season and were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1895. The club was disbanded by Cowdenbeath after they had joined the Scottish League because of costs.

Founded – 1882 Defunct – 1906

Grounds - North End Park, Foulford Park

Leagues - West of Fife 1893 - 96

#### **Honours**

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1893

Runners up – 1895

#### West of Fife League

Champions - 1893/94

### Kirkford JFC

The club was formed as a juvenile club in 1903 and in 1933 stepped up to the junior ranks and they would be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup in 1936 and 1937 and won the Dunfermline Cup in 1936. They did the double of the Cowdenbeath and Fife and Lothian Cup in 1935. The club was not reformed after the war.

Founded – 1903

Defunct - 1940

Ground – Foulford Park

League-Fife County League 1933 – 40

Highest Attendance – Kelty Rangers Fife Cup 1936 3,500

#### **Honours**

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1936, 1937

Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1935

Fife & Lothians Cup

Winners – 1935

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Winners -1936

#### Cowdenbeath St Leonards

St Leonards were a founding member of the Cowdenbeath Junior Football Association and won the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1887 and 1888 and won the Fife Cup in 1892 and would play at Foulford Park till their demise in 1906.

Founded - 1885

Defunct - 1906

Grounds - Foulford Park

#### Honours

Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1892

Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1887, 1888

## Crail

This is a small once-thriving fishing village on the Firth of Forth and is now a quiet village on the Forth coast road.

### Crail Union

The local fisherman mission union formed a team on a field called Harbour Park in 1890. They became founder members of the Howe of Fife League in 1893 and were to be runners up in the first season then champions for two seasons winning in a play off at Leven against Vale of Wemyss in 1895. They were runners up in 1896/97 season and won the championship back to back in 1898/99 and 1899/1900 seasons but went defunct in 1905.

The name was revived in 1920 when the local Royal Naval Air Squadron changed from Crail Aerodrome to Crail Union. The new Union would play in the East Neuk League winning the championship in 1922/23 and 1923/24 before going to the wall and the pitch is now open public land.

Founded- 1890 Defunct – 1905

Reformed – 1920 Defunct – 1926

Ground – Harbour Park

Leagues – Howe of Fife League 1893 -1900, East Neuk League 1920 -23, Fife County League 1923/24

#### **Honours**

#### Howe of Fife League

Champions – 1894/95, 1895/96, 1898/99, 1899/1900

Runners Up – 1893/94, 1896/97

#### East Neuk League

Champions - 1922/23, 1923/24

Runners up -1919/20

## <u>Crossgales</u>

Football started in the town of Crossgates with Crossgates Albion who played on a field near the Dunfermline Road but was not enclosed. With them going defunct the Thistle were formed but they got the lease of Allan Park.

#### Allan Park

There were two pitches on Allan Park, one was an ash park were the Thistle trained and the other was a well kept grass park.

#### Humbug Park/New Humbug Park

The ground was named after the local Humbug Pit number 12 which was situated at the end of the tramways from Dunfermline. The first team to use the ground were Crossgates Albion in 1887 and Crossgates Hearts shared with Primrose from 1921 - 27.

Primrose in 1906 built up banking at the ground and with fence and a fixed rope round the pitch this was rebuilt in 1921. In 1933 Humbug Park was wanted for houses by the local council and they gave them a year to find a new ground and land was bought for £65 on the A907 and named New Humbug Park.

The local miners built a grandstand and Enclosure on the ground and this was recognised by the Fife Junior FA when they organised the Final Junior Cup final at the ground in 1936 when 2,000 supporters watched the game between Kirkford and Thornton Hibernian.

The ground was sold to Dunfermline Athletic in 1961 for £500 for use as a training pitch by Athletic under the management of Jock Stein. Kelty Rangers used the ground in the 1960's while fixing their ground from flooding.

The ground was upgraded in May 1968 and rotated by 90 degrees to today's pitch orientation running alongside the B91 road to the Forth Bridge with an eight foot wall constructed with a house built for a caretaker at the south of the park.

The house has been sold and a new clubhouse has been built on the ground and a gate has been placed to stop people getting into the ground at the car park entrance.

### Crossgates Thistle

In their first season of 1892/93 they reached there one and only final by winning the Dunfermline Cup defeating Hearts of Beath.

After 8 seasons the club closed down but were reformed in 1909 but could not compete with Primrose at Humbug Park and closed down in 1916

Founded – 1892 Defunct -1900

Reformed – 1909 Defunct – 1916

Ground – Allan Park

#### **Honours**

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1893

## Crossgates Primrose

Crossgates Primrose was formed by the miners and in 1906 Primrose won the Cowdenbeath Cup defeating Dunnikeir Athletic at North End Park Cowdenbeath. They failed to come out for the 1907/08 season as they turned Juvenile.

Primrose did not step back up to the juniors till 1911/12 and were runners up in the Montrave Cup and Dunfermline Cup in this period. In 1915/16 and they were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup when they came back to the juniors in 1921 they shared the ground with Crossgates Hearts and joined the Fife League.

They were to be runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1928 and then won it in 1929 when they beat Dunnikeir Colliery at Central Park Cowdenbeath. But it was not until after the Second World War that many honours came to the Primrose.

Primrose used Schoolview Park for the start of the 1933/34 season before moving to New Humbug Park. The club closed down for the duration of World War II and was reformed in 1945 rejoining the Fife League and with the post –war boom in attendances 4,500 watched a semi-final of the Fife Junior Cup in 1948. In that year they won the Fife Junior Cup and Dunfermline Cup for the first time and were runners up in the Mitchell Cup.

This would be the best era for the Primrose as in the next ten years they won the Fife Cup plus two runners up, Cowdenbeath Cup five runners up, Dunfermline Cup one winner two runners up, Mitchell Cup twice runners up. In 1961 they decided they could not afford to be a junior side and stepped down to amateurs.

While in abeyance from 1978 to 1983 the club had run pools in the Dundee Courier and using the money they bought the ground back from Athletic for £800 and rejoined the juniors on the 13<sup>th</sup> of August 1985 against Dundonald Bluebell. Primrose were to be runners up in the East Coast Windows Cup in 1989 and runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1990 but for the supporters they has been little to shout about and when Fife merged with East Region they were placed in Fife District now Central District East Region League.

Founded – 1896 Defunct -1916

Reformed – 1921 Defunct – 1961

Reformed - 1982

Ground - Humbug Park, New Humbug Park

League – West of Fife League 1905/06, 1910 – 12, Fife County League 1912 – 14, 1928 – 40, 1946 – 61, Fife Regional League 1983 – 2002, East Region 2002 - PD

#### Honours

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners -1948, 56

Runners up – 1949, 1958

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners 1906, 1929

Runners Up 1916, 1928, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1953, 1958, 1990

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1948, 1952, 1958

Runners up -1913

#### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1912

#### Mitchell Cup

Runners up – 1948, 1953, 1958

#### East Coast Windows Cup

Runners up – 1989

## Crosshill

In 1900 Lochore Rangers were formed and they played on till 1912 firstly at Jamestown Park, then Bon Accord Park and then on to Central Park and were a senior outfit with no success

#### **New Central Park**

This was built in 1930 and was used by juvenile and amateur teams from both villages Welfare moved on to the ground and fully enclosed they joined the 18 strong Fife County League for 1935/36 season. When Stoneyburn came to play in a Fife & Lothian Cup tie 2000 spectators watched the match.

The Miners built a new pavilion with changing rooms in 1938 with the help of local builders at a cost of £400.

They even put up lights for night training at the ground. In the Scottish Junior Cup in 1954, 3000 spectators crowded into the ground to watch Welfare play Baillieston and in 1964 the ground was put to its limit along with the new stand when 4, 500 spectators watched the Welfare play Johnstone Burgh in the fourth round of the Scottish Junior Cup.

The stand had been built in 1955 which could accommodate 1500 and was improved in 1964 to 2000 spectators but has now been demolished and the 1938 pavilion has been also been removed and new changing room have been built.

### Lochore & Crosshill United

A merger of two Juvenile clubs in 1919 formed Lochore and Crosshill United who used Bon Accord Park in Crosshill but had played their first league game at the Glencraig Celtic ground of Bore Park while the ground was brought up to standards for the juniors. They then moved to Central Park which is at the back of today's New Central Park

They played one season in the Fife League and played in the West Division for 1921/22 the ground after 1930 was moved 50 yards and rotated 90 degrees, United folded in 1924.

**Founded** – 1919

**Defunct** – 1924

Ground - Bore Park Glencriag, Bon Accord Park and Central Park

League – Fife County League 1921/22

#### Lochore Welfare

After the depression Lochore Welfare was formed in 1933 to raise money and to benefit both mining communities. They joined the 18 strong Fife County League for 1935/36 season. The club reached its first final but lost to Hearts of Beath in the Cowdenbeath Cup at Central Park.

The clubs first success was the winning of the Fife Junior Cup in 1938 when they defeated Lochgelly Albert at Central Park, they went on to win the Dunfermline Cup again defeating Lochgelly Albert this time at East End Park Dunfermline as well as the Mitchell Cup and being runners up in the West Division of the Fife County League.

Welfare won their first championship in 1938/39 when they won the West Division and then won the play-off to win the overall Fife County League when they defeated Rosslyn Juniors at East End Park; they ended the season retaining the Dunfermline Cup and runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup.

Although they closed down for the war they came back in 1945. Welfare won their first championship after the war in 1947/48 season. Welfare won the Dunfermline Cup in 1949; they won their second Fife Junior Cup in 1951, they their first Cowdenbeath Cup and runners up in the Dunfermline Cup in 1953.

A season later they won their first championship since 1948 and won the Dunfermline Cup which they went on to retain in the next season. In 1956 they won their third Fife County League

championship and were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup. Welfare was to be runners up in the League the next season.

The 1960's were to the clubs era they won the Fife Junior and Express Cups in 1961, a year later they won the Fife Junior League, Cowdenbeath Cup and Mitchell, they retained the league they next season and added the Mitchell and Dunfermline Cups.

In 1963/64 season Welfare won third third league championship in a row they also won the Fife Junior Cup, Cowdenbeath Cup and Express Cup they were to be runners up in the Fife League for the next two seasons.

The won the fifth Cowdenbeath Cup in 1968 and were to be runners up a year later in the new Fife Regional League as well as in the Fife Junior Cup and Fife and Lothians Cup. The 1970's Welfare was to be runners up in the Fife Regional League, Cowdenbeath Cup and Fife Drybrough Cup once and Division Two twice but it was not unit 1980 they won the Fife Junior Cup.

The rest of the 1980's saw those runners up in the Laidlaw Cup and Fife Drybrough Cup as as runners up in the Fife Regional League once and it would not till 2003 when the club won the Stella Artois Cup and were to be runners up in 2005 when it had been renamed the Kingdom Kegs Cup

Welfare merged with Amateur team Benarty in 1999and a year later with Lochore Miners for a season became Lochore Miners Welfare but since reverted back to Lochore Welfare. They play in the East Region to this day and the ground is just off Main Street as you come in from Glencraig

Founded - 1933

Ground - New Central Park, Off Main Street, Crosshill

Leagues – Fife County League 1935 - 41, 1946 - 68, Fife Regional League 1968 - 2002, East Region 2002 - PD

### Honours

### Fife County League

Champions – 1938/39, 1947/48, 1953/54, 1955/56, 1961/62, 1962/63, 1963/64

Runners Up – 1956/57, 1964/65, 1965/66, 1966/67,

### Fife Regional League

Runners up - 1968/69, 1971/72, 1981/82

### Fife Regional League Division Two

Runners up – 1972/73, 1973/74

### Fife County League West Division

Champions – 1938/39

Runners up – 1937/38

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1938, 1951, 1961, 1964 1980

Runners up – 1941, 1968, 1969

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1953, 1956, 1962, 1964, 1968

Runners up – 1936, 1939, 1971

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Winners - 1939, 1949, 1954, 1955, 1963

Runners up – 1953, 1956

Mitchell Cup

Winners - 1938, 1956, 1962, 1963

Runners up – 1939, 1967

**Express Cup** 

Winners - 1961, 1964

Fife & Lothians Cup

Runners up – 1969, 1996

Laidlaw Cup

Runners up - 1982

Fife Drybrough Cup

Runners up – 1975, 1982

Stella Artois Cup

Winners - 2003

**Kingdom Kegs Cup** 

Runners up -2005

## Culross

The small village of Culross had started a Club on a small pitch on the shore of the River Forth but only lasted one season and reached the second round of the Scottish Junior Cup in 1895/96 season.

The village had to wait till Valleyfield Colliery moved from High Valleyfield down the hill, after being 6 years in abeyance in 1963 after their ground was covered by the by pass.

There was no pavilion just a hut to change in an the ground was named after the house at the back of the ground Bon Accord the pitch was the same as Culross Warriors had played on. The pitch is still used by local amateur football team Valleyfield and is at the end of the village on B9037 road to Low Valleyfield (See Valleyfield)

### Valleyfield Colliery

The club had been formed in 1938 and had joined the Fife League; they played in High Valleyfield at Valley Park till 1940 when they went in abeyance till the end of the War. They reformed in 1945 and the old pavilion was refurbished with new baths going in and terracing on the east side was laid with sleepers.

The clubs first success came in 1951 in the final of the Cowdenbeath Cup when they defeated Crossgates Primrose at East End Park, Dunfermline and a year later lost out in the final of the

Cowdenbeath Cup to Kelty Rangers but went on to win the Fife Cup defeating Thornton Hibernian at East End Park in front of 6,000 crowd.

In 1954 the NCB who owned the land put in mains water as they had been using a household supply till then and they fully terraced the ground and improved the fencing around the ground. This improved the ground but with all the traffic going through the villages the council decided to build a by-pass round the lower villages. The route went over half of Valley Park and so they were going to move on land but found it was unsuitable because of mine workings the club went into abeyance but would return in 1963 playing down the road in Culross at Bon Accord Park.

In their first season back they were runners up in the Mitchell Cup but two seasons later they won the Dunfermline Cup and the Mitchell Cup which they retained a year later as well as being runners up in the Dunfermline Cup and Express Cup. A season later they were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1968 but had to wait till 1970 to win the Dunfermline Cup which they retained the next season and were to be runners up in the same competition for the next two seasons from there it was downhill with loss of sponsorship from the NCB they had to close their doors because of lack of support 15 turned up at their last league match in 1974.

Founded – 1938 Abeyance – 1959 – 1963

Reformed – 1963 Defunct – 1974

Ground - Valley Park (High Valleyfield), Bon Accord Park

Leagues – Fife County League 1938 – 40, 1946 – 59, 1963 – 1968, Fife Regional League 1968 – 73

### Honours

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners 1952

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners -1951,

Runners up – 1952, 1968

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1966, 1970, 1971

Runners up – 1967, 1972, 1973

### Mitchell Cup

Winners - 1966, 1967

Runners up - 1964

### **Express Cup**

Runners Up 1967

# Cupar

The town's football teams have used Cuparmuir for their pitches. The two main pitches were from 1890 – 1923 were Trynlaw Park and Duffus Park

### Trynlaw Park

This pitch was first used by Cupar Athletic in 1892 and was on the corner of Drum Road and Westfield Road (beside the farm today). The ground was taken over by Cupar Rovers in 1903 as they had been kicked out of Duffus Park after only two games because of the local landlord.

### **Duffus Park & New Duffus Park**

Duffus Park (was just across from Trynlaw Park on the Westfield Road) was used by Cupar Renton in cup games for the 1885/86 season and friendlies 1880 to 1886. When they folded the ground was taken over by Cupar JFC in 1893 but they folded within a season. It lay empty till another Cupar Juniors was formed in 1906 and joined the Howe of Fife League which they played in until they went out of business in 1910, but had been joined by Vale of Eden named after the river Eden which flows throw Cupar.

The New Duffus was laid out on Balgarvie Road where the Sports Centre is today. The New Duffus Park had an enclosure and was used by Cupar Juniors in the Fife League. Cupar Thistle made a brief appearance before the Second World War in the Fife Junior League 1938/39 season but folded in 1940.

All traces of this pitch were removed in 1951 when buildings were put on it which later became the local college and sports centre but a third Duffus Pitch was laid out between the Sports Centre and Balgarvie Road which is now used by Cupar Hearts (who play in the top amateur league in Fife called the Caladonian League), this ground was opened in 1951 between the Hearts and Queens Park Victoria XI. Hearts won the Caladonian League in season 2009/10.

### Cupar JFC

The club was formed in 1902 and there only honour before the Great War was to be runners up in the Marton White Cup in 1904.

The club were in abeyance during the Great War and were reformed in 1919 they rejoined the Fife League and were placed in the East Division of the Fife League where they were to be champions in 1923/24 and runners up in the Fife League play off as well as winning the Martin White Cup, having been runners up the year before. In what was to be their last season as junior in 1926 they were runners up in the Fife Shield to Roslyn Juniors from Kirkcaldy.

Formed – 1902 Defunct - 1926

Ground - Duffus Park

Leagues – Howe of Fife League 1906 -10

#### **Honours**

Fife League

Runners up - 1923/24

Fife League East Division

Champions -1923/24

**Martin White Cup** 

Winners - 1924

Runners up – 1904, 1923, 1925

Fife Shield

Runners up - 1926

### Cupar Athletic

They joined the Howe of Fife in 1892/93 as founder members and won the championship from Crail Union in 1894 having been runners up the year before.

The Athletic were to be runners up four times in the Martin White Cup before winning it in 1912 they went into abeyance at the start of the Great War but were not reformed

Founded - 1892

Defunct - 1915

Ground – Trynlaw Park

Leagues – Howe of Fife League 1893 -96

### Honours

### Howe of Fife League

Champions - 1893/94,

Runners up -1892/93

### **Martin White Cup**

Winners - 1912

Runners up – 1896, 1897, 1901, 1902

### Cupar Rovers

In their first season on Trynlaw Park they were runners up in the Howe of Fife League to Tayport Albion, they would play in the Howe of Fife League till 1911.

Founded - 1903

Defunct - 1911

Ground – Trynlaw Park

Leagues – Howe of Fife League 1903 -11

### Honours

### Howe of Fife League

Runners up - 1903/04

### **Cupar Violet**

In 1904 Violet who had stepped up from the Juveniles and they joined the Howe of Fife League and in their second season were champions of the League just ahead of Freuchie Rovers.

In 1908 Violet were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup to Glencraig Celtic as well as runners us in the Martin White Cup which they won a year later in 1909.

Founded - 1905

Defunct - 1910

Ground - Trynlaw Park

Leagues - Howe of Fife League 1904 - 08

### Honours

### Howe of Fife League

Champions - 1905/06

Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1908

**Martin White Cup** 

Winners – 1909

Runners up - 1908

Vale of Eden

The Vale in their first season as a junior club in 1908/09 season were runners up in the Martin White cup and a year later were champion of the Howe of Fife League but had moved from Murray Park in Guardbridge as the owner wished to extend their house and moved up the road to Cupar.

Founded – 1901 Defunct – 1912

Grounds - Murray Park Guardbridge, Duffus Park Cupar

League – Howe of Fife League 1909 - 12

### **Honours**

Howe of Fife League

Champions - 1909/10

**Martin White Cup** 

Runners up - 1909

# Dalgely Bay

The town of Dalgety Bay stands astride the local airfield known as RNAS Donibristle or RAF Donibristle. After the Great War a junior team was formed called RAF Donibristle and played in the Fife League for one season.

The pitch was beside the airfield. During the Great War it had been used by the RNAS and the laird from Donibristle House. The ground was used by a senior side in the Edinburgh & District Senior League from 1933 to 1935 but went under the runway when it was used in World War Two by Coastal Command for flights and rescue over the North Seas. The field was short and could not take the large bombers of the day. The ground is now under the Donibristle Industrial Estate.

### RNAS/RAF Donibristle

Founded – 1918 Defunct – 1921

Ground – The Airfield

League - Fife County League 1919 - 21

## Donibristle

The hamlet of Donibristle is situated to the South of the B925 to the East of Crossgates. The village was named after the laird who owned the land. At the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century it was dotted with mine shafts owned by the Donibristle Coal Company later to become the Fife Coal Company.

The Heatherbell were the second club of this hamlet of houses to use the pitch with grassy knowles as embankments they played in the West Fife League from 1898 - 1900. The ground is between the B925 and Donibristle village

### Donibristle Heatherbell

Founded - 1897

Defunct - 1900

Ground - The Hamlet

League - West of Fife League 1898 - 1900

# <u>Dunfermline</u>

The town has played rugby and cricket since the 1850's but football came in 1874 which saw the local sportsmen start a football team to play through the winter months. They started it after seeing a football at Hamilton Crescent home of West of Scotland Cricket Club between Clydesdale and Queen's Park in the Scottish Cup final

### Ladysmill Park/ McKane Park

The first recorded football match on Ladysmill was against 5<sup>th</sup> Edinburgh Rifle Volunteers in the Edinburgh Shield in 1875 with a 2-1 win for ERV. Scottish Cup matches in the East Region were started in September then followed by Edinburgh Shield (East of Scotland Cup) and in 1887 Kings Cup.

The ground was bought from a Colonel Hunt by a former citizen of the town who lived in the USA a Mr John McKane in 1906 who had added to the 1901 cricket pavilion In the 1905/06 season Violet moved from Brucefield to McKane Park playing in the West of Fife League

It was next used for junior matches by Jubilee Athletic who had been formed in 1960 playing in the Kirkcaldy and District Amateur League and had played at Pitreavie fields before moving to McKane Park.

The first junior match was played in against Lochore Welfare on the 29<sup>th</sup> August 1964 when they lost 2-3 but would only stay for four years before going on a Wanderer like existence before ending back at Pitreavie Park in 1989. Jubilee would then moved down to Rosyth to change their name to Rosyth Recreation in 1992 and the become Rosyth Juniors in 2006.

#### **East End Park**

There have been three East End Parks the first was rented out by the newly formed Dunfermline Athletic Football Club which, at that time, was just to the west of the present day stadium and shared East End for with Dunfermline Albion.

In 1912 East End Park moved east along the railway line again to where today's ground is. This became the second East End Park and a new pavilion was built for the start of the 1913 season which was opened by the Provost of Dunfermline a Mr Macbeth.

The ground was used by the army as a transport deport because of the large car park at the end of the east enclosure during World War I. Things moved apace at East End Park, Athletic purchased the land from LNER railway company in 1921 for £3,500 and the ground moved, to its present position, by 25 yards and now with an all seated stand replacing the 1913 pavilion. The new stand was built in the style of Leitch who built the stand at Rangers and Partick Thistle and would survive until today's main grandstand was built in 1962.

The terracing was brought up to standards and could now hold 16,000 and greyhound racing was used during the depression to keep the club afloat. This money was also used to put a simple cover over the North side terracing with wood reportedly from the Mauretania which was being broken up in Rosyth Dockyard and yet the east terracing was not developed yet, was just banking with rough steps. The Army returned to East End park in 1940 and paid £50 a year to park their vehicles at the top of the East terracing which was a favourable place to watch matches and were soon followed by a Polish Transport Unit and in 1943 the requisition of the pavilion. The ground was also used for a boxing match to help the Russian war effort.

The army departed in January 1945 paying the sum of £329 compensation to Athletic, This money was used to upgrade the toilets facilitates in the ground after the board of sanitation said there was inadequate facilities for the crowd on match day.

A record crowd of 20,000 in 1951 came after crush barriers had been installed and more roofing had been put on the north terrace and wings added to the stand and pavilion. The club installed floodlights to the ground in 1959 with a match against Sheffield United.

In 1961 Athletic set about the demolition of the pavilion and 1921 stand saw a 3000 seat stand go up in their place. It was a fitting exploit for the Pars exploits in Europe that saw a new North enclosure built and the continuation of this on to the west terracing.

The club embarked upon the completion of an all-seated stadium at East End Park in 1998 with the assistance of a £1.5 million grant. On 15th August the newly constructed East Stand is opened for the first time, and on 26th September the West Stand, renamed the Norrie McCathie Stand was opened. The Norrie McCathie Stand incorporates new state-of-the-art changing facilities and management offices. A year later the refurbishment of the Main Stand which will see the creation of new bars, suites and corporate hospitality boxes using the old main stand changing facilities as part of this. The ground has fully modernised which is all seated with a capacity now of 12,000.

#### **Brucefield Park**

Brucefield is situated today beside Dunfermline Town railway station in what is called St Margaret's Park and was used by Dunfermline Federation before changing their name to Netherton Recreation in 1922 and had played at East End Park for two seasons. The ground is an open pitch used by the locals for kick about today. A number of teams have all used Brucefield for Junior games but not a lot known about these clubs Dunfermline Harp, Hibernian, Netherton Recreation, Dunfermline South Side, Dunfermline St Lenoards, and Wellwood United appeared in the local newspaper from 1886 – 1924.

#### Pitreavie Park

This is where the wandering Jubilee Athletic came to play in 1989 when they used the athletic stadium just off the Queensferry Road. This land had been bequeathed by Andrew Carnegie but there was a stipulation in this tat the ground is only used for amateur sportsmen and women.

It held its first Scottish Cup game when 80 people paid to watch Blantyre Victoria play Jubilee on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September 1989 the remainder of the crowd jumped the wall. After three seasons Jubilee decided to move to Rosyth and change their name to Rosyth Recreation.

### Dunfermline FC

The cricket ground of Ladysmill which was owned by the Hunt family with it vast surroundings of land was excellent for a new team and played a friendly against Queens Park Strollers XI in September 1874 and became founder members of the Edinburgh & District Association in 1875.

They won the first two Fife Cups in 1883 and 1884 defeating Cowdenbeath and Dunfermline Our Boys and were runners up in the Edinburgh Shield in 1880 to Hibernian at Powderhall

The decided to turn to the juniors for games, joining the Fife Junior Football Association and moved to Grange Road (where the School playing fields are) for season before moving back to Ladysmill.

In 1894 they were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup to Dunfermline Athletic Juniors at East End Park but took revenge the next year beating Athletic juniors at Ladysmill and won the Fife Junior Cup again defeating the Athletic juniors this time at East End Park. In 1893/94 season they had shared Ladysmill with Dunfermline United another offshoot of the club who had won the Fife Cup in that season.

They won their first and only West of Fife League championship in 1894/95 season they were to be runners up three times at the end of the decade in 1897/98, 1898/99 and 1999/1900 seasons.

Having been knocked out in the early rounds of the Fife Cup they won the Fife Shield in 1896 defeating Hearts of Beath at East End Park and were runners up the next season to Leven Thistle at Scott Park in Kirkcaldy.

In what was to be their penultimate season of 1899/1900 they won the Dunfermline Cup, Fife Shield, and runners up for the third time in a row in the West of Fife League. For their last season they moved to Brucefield but folded in June 1902.

Founded – 1874 Defunct – 1903

Ground – Ladysmill (McKane Park)

Leagues – West of Fife League 1893 – 1900, East of Scotland Junior League 1900 /1901

### Honours

### **Edinburgh Shield**

Runners up- 1880

#### Fife Cup

Winners – 1883, 1884

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1895

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1893

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners 1895,

Runners Up 1894, 1900

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1896, 1900

Runners up – 1897

### West of Fife League

Champions - 1894/95

Runners up - 1897/98, 1898/99, 1899/1900

### Dunfermline United

There is little known about United but they won the Fife Junior Cup in 1894 when they defeated Pathhead United at Starks Park with a 3000 crowd watching the match

Founded – 1875 Defunct – 1895

Ground – Ladysmill (McKane Park)

### Honours

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1894

### **Dunfermline Violet**

In the 1905/06 season Violet moved from Brucefield to McKane Park playing in the West of Fife League winning the championship and being runners up in the Fife Junior Cup to Bowhill Thistle at Starks Park Kirkcaldy.

Founded – 1904 Defunct – 1907

Ground – Brucefield Park, Ladysmill (McKane Park)

Leagues – West of Fife League 1905/06

### **Honours**

### Fife Junior Cup

Runners Up 1906

### West Fife League

Champions - 1905/06

### **Dunfermline Athletic**

The club had been formed after a dispute among the members of Dunfermline Football Club caused this Football section to split from the Cricket Club in 1885. After meetings on 26th May and again in the Old Inn on 2nd June, the new club based its headquarters at East End Park.

In the early days, the club colours were maroon jerseys with blue shorts but in 1886 these were changed to black and red hooped jerseys. The black and white stripes were not introduced until 1912. Athletics' first match was in June 1885 against Edinburgh University with Athletic winning 2-1. There first success came in 1887 winning the Fife Cup but in 1888, through rivalry with a Dunfermline Club which had continued to play at Ladysmill, they were suspended from the Fife Football Association. This eventually led to them playing as juniors on 6th August 1891.

They went back senior and joined the Midlands League as a founder member in June 1892 but after only a season decided to just play friendlies and Cup games for the next season which turned into three seasons and it was 1896 that the re joined a league as founder member of the Central League before joining the Fife Junior League from 1897 to 1903.

Their support grew and on 21st May 1900, at their Annual General Meeting, it was agreed to continue the senior team on a professional basis, with the 2nd XI playing in the juniors.

The Pars won the Wemyss Cup in 1909 and 1910 and the Fife Cup in 1910. In 1909 they left the Northern League where they had played since 1903; they joined the newly formed Scottish Central

League. Athletic won this Championship and the Fife Cup in season 1910/11. The 1911/12 season saw them lift the Qualifying Cup which was their first big success, beating Dumbarton in the final by one goal to nil at the Gymnasium Ground in Edinburgh in front of a 10,500 crowd with Gibson getting the only goal of the match. The same season saw the Central League Championship and the Loftus Cup come to East End Park.

Athletic were elected to Division two in 1912 and a change of colours to the more familiar black and white and went on to win their fifth Fife Cup in 1914.

During the Great War they moved to Brucefield and Blackburn Park as there ground was used by the army as a transport deport, they were to be runners up in the Fife Cup in 1916 to Cowdenbeath but won it in 1918 defeating old foes Raith Rovers at Central Park.

Athletic had been playing in the Eastern League but moved to the Central League in 1919/20 season in which they would win the Fife Cup. This league attracted more clubs than the Scottish League had anticipated and, more importantly, attracted players from bigger clubs. It was during this period that Dunfermline signed Andy Wilson who was in dispute with Middlesboro. This legendary centre forward scored four in his debut against Arbroath.

The Scottish League worried by the success of the Central League, looked into the matter and decided to form a Second Division which started the automatic promotion and relegation system. Athletic along with most members from the old Division Two of 1914/15 plus new members from Central League and Western League made up the new Division Two in 1921 with automatic promotion guaranteed.

The Pars as they became known formed a limited company in 1921 and won the Division Two championship in 1925/26 season, with Bob Skinner hammering in 55 goals that season (a record to this day) and under the management of Alex Paterson and stayed in the top flight for two seasons. Second Division football returned to East End Park for the next six seasons until 1934 when promotion was secured as runners up to Albion Rovers and once again established them in the First Division for a further three years. They would also win the Fife Cup in 1934 and then in 1947.

Greyhound racing was used during at the ground during the depression to keep the club afloat. During the war the club were paid rent of £50 for the use of the top of the East Terracing, The army departed in January 1945 paying the sum of £329 compensation to Athletic.

While playing in the Second Division in 1949/50, Dunfermline Athletic reached the final of the Scottish League Cup under the guidance of Webber Lees, only to be defeated by 3 goals to nil by arch rivals East Fife at Hampden Park.

Athletic had a yo-yo existence during the late fifties. Promotion in 1955 was followed by relegation two seasons later and promotion again after only one season in Division Two. In 1958/59 First Division status was again in danger when April came around - Queen of South were already destined for the drop and the struggle to avoid joining them lay between Dunfermline, Falkirk and Aberdeen. They ensured First Division football for yet another season by winning 10-1.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of March ex Celtic and Albion Rovers player Jock Stein was given the manager's job and he brought a decade of glory for the Pars winning the Scottish Cup in 1961. The club would win the Fife Cup on six occasions from 1958 to 1965.

By this time East End Park was fully modernised with a capacity of 27,000 but this was exceeded in 1968 with a game against Celtic when 27,186 was the reported crowd (but there were people who gate crashed and were even watching the game from the roofs of the North Enclosure). This was not the

last time East End bulged 25,000 watched them play against Slovan Bratislava in the European Cup Winners Cup in 1970.

The club incurred losses of £58,338 during the year of 1970/71 and took drastic action to avoid bankruptcy, but two seasons later won promotion from Division Two with 95 goals - the highest goal scorers in Britain.

Having dropped back to the Second Division in 1978/79 they went straight back up as champions with a 1-1 draw against Falkirk in front of a record crowd for the new Second Division of 5,955 and a year later took their twenty-third Fife Cup and went on to win it in 1982 and 1983. They were relegated in 1983 and in 1984 finished the season in 9th place in the Second Division - the lowest placing in the club's history.

If 1984 was a low point the Pars won the Second Division only the second major league title in the club's history. A year later history was created by winning promotion in successive seasons to reach the Premier Division for the first time in their history

The next season the club were relegated but, by way of compensation, won the Scottish BP Youth Cup. But bounced back up after a season when they won the First Division Championship for the second time

They then reached the semi-final of the Scottish League Cup for only the second time, and in November 1989, Dunfermline topped the Premier League for the first time in the their history.

In 1991 Dunfermline reached the Final of the Scottish League Cup for only the second time in their history but were beaten 2-0 by Hibernian at Hampden Park.

In 1992 they were relegated to the First Division with the lowest number of goals scored (22) in any season in the history of the club but won the Fife Cup. They narrowly failed to bounce back to the Premier Division in 1993/94 season but were the highest goal scorers with 93 goals and 65 points but failed to go up losing by one point to Falkirk.

At the end of the 1994/95 season the pars took part in the first-ever play-off for a place in the Premier League after finishing runners-up in the First Division. They lost to Aberdeen, watched by almost 40,000 over the two legs.

A season later they won the First Division title and re-joined the Premier League. The club also reached the semi-final of the League Cup. For the second successive season the semi-final of the League Cup was reached, and the club ended fifth in the Premier Division, the club's highest standing since league reconstruction.

Dunfermline was one of ten clubs to resign from the Scottish League to form a new League in Scotland for the first time in 108 years, the Scottish Premier League.

In 1999 came relegation to the Division One but they returned to the Premier League in just one season under the helm of new manager Jimmy Calderwood. Against Poland in April, Barry Nicholson and Stevie Crawford become the first Dunfermline players in over 30 years to play in a full international for Scotland.

In 2003 Dunfermline became the first club in the UK to be authorised to use an artificial surface for first team games. UEFA provided a substantial grant for a two-year experiment to be monitored by the governing body. Dunfermline's last game on grass took place on 9th August 2003 against Celtic, and the first match on the new surface took place on 20th September 2003 against Hibernian.

Dunfermline achieved fourth place in the SPL in 2004 and their highest ever Premier League point's total (53). The club also reaches their first Scottish Cup Final for 36 years, but were eventually beaten 3-1 by Celtic. In 2005 it was back to grass after being ordered by the SPL and a season later reach their seventh major national final but lost 3-0 to Celtic in the CIS Cup Final.

Season later poor league forms put Dunfermline firmly at the foot of the table and despite a late rally were relegated. Despite that the club enjoyed a terrific Scottish Cup run to reach their third national final in three years. They narrowly lost 1-0 to Celtic.

They then reached the Final of the Scottish League Challenge Cup only to lose 3-2 to St Johnstone. The club were promoted back to the SPL as champions of the First Division in 2010/11 season.

Although the Fife County Cup is rarely played for today the club have won thirty with two of them shared, just behind Raith Rovers who have won it thirty-six times.

Founded – 1885

Grounds – East End Park, 2<sup>nd</sup> East End Park, 3<sup>rd</sup> East End Park

League – Scottish Football League 1911 – 14, 1921 – 39, 1945 - PD

### Honours

### Scottish Cup

Winners – 1961, 1968

Runners up – 1965, 2004, 2007

### League Cup

Runners up – 1950, 1969, 1992, 2006

### Challenge Cup

Runners up - 2008

#### **Division One**

Champions – 1988/89, 1995/96, 2010/11

Runners up – 1986/87

#### **Division Two**

Champions – 1925/26, 1985/86

Runners Up – 1912/13, 1933/34, 1954/55, 1957/58, 1972/73, 1978/79

### Scottish Qualifying Cup

Winners – 1912

### Central Senior League

Champions -1910/11, 1911/12

### Fife Cup

Winners – 1887, 1897, 1911, 1912, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1927, 1934, 1947, 1952, 1958, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966\*, 1970, 1973, 1975, 1977, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1992, 1997, 2001, 2003, 2007

### Penman Cup

Winners - 1960

### Wemyss Cup

Winners - 1900\*, 1909, 1910, 1928, 1933, 1934

(\*Shared)

### Dunfermline Athletic JFC

The Junior XI of Athletic won the Dunfermline Cup in 1894 and were runners up in the West of Fife League for 1893/94, runners up in the Dunfermline Cup in 1895 and 1898. Athletic juniors would soon leave the juniors but not before they won the Fife Junior Cup in 1905.

The juniors were reformed in 1915 and returned for the duration of the Great War and joined the Fife Junior League and would be runners up in the Dunfermline Cup 1916 and Fife Shield in 1917 and win the Fife Junior Cup in 1918.

Founded – 1892

Defunct – 1906

Reformed – 1915

Defunct - 1918

Grounds - East End Park,

League – West of Fife League 1893 - 1900, Fife County League 1915 -18

### **Honours**

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1905, 1918

Runners up – 1895

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1894, 1899

Runners up – 1895, 1898, 1916

### Fife Junior Shield

Winners - 1898, 1899

Runners up – 1917

### West of Fife League

Champions - 1897/98

Runners up - 1893/94

### <u>Dunfermline Our Boys</u>

Our Boys moved to East End Park in 1886, they were founder members of the East of Scotland League in 1900 in which they would be champions in the first two seasons as well as being winners of the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1901 and had won the Fife Shield while playing at Brucefield in 1898 and 1899. Our Boys went defunct in 1902

Founded - 1885

Defunct - 1902

Grounds – East End Park, 2<sup>nd</sup> East End Park, 3<sup>rd</sup> East End Park

League – East of Scotland Junior League 1900 - 02

### **Honours**

### **East of Scotland League**

Champions – 1900/01, 1901/02

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1901

### **Dunfermline Strollers**

There is nothing known about strollers when formed or when they went defunct. They played in the Fife County League 1915 – 1918 and they won the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1920 defeating Glencraig Celtic at Central Park Cowdenbeath.

Ground - Brucefield Park

League - Fife County League 1915 - 18

### **Honours**

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1920

### **Dunfermline Federation**

The Federation played in the West Division of the Fife County League and they played that season at Pitreavie Park.

Founded - 1919

Defunct - 1929

Ground - Pitreavie Park

League – Fife County League 1918 – 22

# East Weymss

There have been two grounds in East Wemyss these are Albert Park which was on today's William Street and Station Park behind the railway embankment which today is accessed either under the bridge from High Street or from the corner of William Street.

The ground was not used for junior football till 1921/22 when Michael Colliery played in the Fife League East Division but went defunct. It had been used by Weymss Rovers 1919/20 season in friendly matches.

Wellsgreen Athletic moved to the ground in 1960 having moved over from Coaltown of Wemyss two miles away after the arrival of Frances Colliery on the pitch of School Park and they applied to join the juniors but were turned down.

A junior match was played on Station Park in 1970 with School Park unplayable Frances Colliery played Glenrothes in April 1970 but this was the last junior game played at this ground today it used for amateur football.

### Vale of Wemyss

Vale of Wemyss were formed in 1893, played two years in cup and friendlies on. They were reformed in 1900 but at a new ground called Station Park behind the railway embankment.

In their first season of 1900/01 the Vale won the Fife Junior Cup and the Montrave Cup and two seasons later won the West of Fife Junior League, Montrave Cup and runners up in the Dunfermline Cup. They retained the Montrave Cup in 1904 and were runners up in the Fife and Cowdenbeath Cups.

The club were supported with help of the railway workers and miners in the local area and finished runners up in the Fife Shield and Cowdenbeath Cup in 1906 then went on to win the Dunfermline Cup in 1908. The club folded in June 1909.

Founded - 1900

Defunct - 1909

Ground – Station Park

League – West of Fife League 1901 - 05

### **Honours**

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners 1901

Runners up - 1904

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up – 1904, 1906

#### West of Fife League

Champions -1902/03

### Howe of Fife League

Runners up – 1894/95

### Fife Shield

Runners Up 1906

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1908

Runners up – 1903

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1901, 1903, 1904

## Elie

Elie is a small village on the banks of the river Forth and laid out a ground in 1919 at the corner of the Toft and Wallacelea. The land is still an open piece of land on the side of the river Forth where the Toft and Wallace Roads meet at the corner.

### Elie Thistle

The Thistle joined the East Neuk League in 1918/19 season and won the championship and then were runners up in 1921 and were to be champions in 1922. They joined the Fife League East Division for two seasons and this step up in grade saw them only win one match in the league in 1923/24 season. They quickly went back to the amateur ranks and quit the juniors in 1924.

Founded – 1917 Defunct – 1930

Ground - Toft Public Park

Leagues – East Neuk League 1918 - 22, Fife County League East Division 1922 - 24

### **Honours**

### East Neuk League

Champions – 1918/19, 1921/22

Runners up - 1920/21

## Falkland

The local cricketers started a football team in the town and joined the Howe of Fife league for three seasons from 1903 – 06 but decided to go back to cricket where the still play in the National League they were joined by another side called Lomond Vale who played a season of friendlies but then disappeared.

### Falkland JFC

Founded - 1903 Defunct - 1908

Ground - The Cricket Ground

League – Howe of Fife League 1903 – 08

## Fordell

The small hamlet of houses that is Fordell is about just 800yards walk from Humbug Park in Crossgates the pitch was situated according to the Fife Junior Football Association records just of Cross House of Cole Place today.

The village club were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1888 losing in the final at North End Park Cowdenbeath to Cowdenbeath St. Leonards.

Founded – 1886 Defunct – 1889

Ground - Crosshouse Public Park

#### Honours

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1888

## Freuchie

The cricket ground in the village that is situated of Muir Road has been used for cricket since the late 1880 is the village only took up football to keep fit during the winter but after the Great War only cricket has been played at Muir Road.

### Freuchie Rovers

This was formed by the local cricketers for winter sport and they joined the Howe of Fife League in 1903. The Rovers merged with Freuchie JFC in 1905 and the combined side were runners up the Howe of Fife League championship in 1905/06. They played on in the League before winding up in 1912 and went back solely to cricket. They went on to win the Scottish Cup for cricket and the national village cup at Lords and the cricket side play in the National League.

Founded – 1902 Defunct 1912

Ground - Cricket Park/Muir Road

League – Howe of Fife League 1903 - 12

### Honours

### Howe of Fife League

Runners up - 1905/06

## Gallatown

### **Factory Park**

The town was once independent of Kirkcaldy but became part of the town in 1903. The first club to use Factory Park was the Dunnikier JFC who played in Cup and friendlies on Factory Park and was founder members of Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association. The park was on Hayfield Road and Beatty Crescent about 150 yards as the crow flies from YM ground of Den Park today on Den Road. Frances Colliery used the ground before moving to Coaltown of Wemyss.

The club used a building on Hayfield Road as changing rooms' right across from Nairn Thistle. After Frances Colliery left the ground was unused and the wooden stand was demolished.

### **Dunnikier Colliery**

In 1903 Athletic were formed and joined the West of Fife League and in 1904/05 season won the Dunfermline and Montrave Cup and runners up in the League and Cowdenbeath Cup. They played on in the Fife league till 1914.

They reformed in 1920 but were now sponsored by the Colliery so a name change to Dunnikeir Colliery Juniors with the sponsorship, better players who brought the Fife Cup back to Kirkcaldy in 1923 for the first time since Raith Athletic in 1900. They also won the Fife League championship East Division and then won the Fife League Championship play-off against West Division champions Kelty Rangers at East End Park Dunfermline.

They won the Fife Junior Cup in 1925 and then the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1928 runners up in 1929 and then winners in 1931. In 1931/32 they won the double of the Montrave Cup and Fife Shield and in

1934 did the same double but this time as runners up. Their last honour was to be champions of the Fife League in 1939/40 they closed down for the war but never reopened.

Founded – 1903(As Dunnikier Athletic)

Defunct- 1941

Grounds - Factory Park, Gallatown, Kirkcaldy

Leagues – West of Fife League 1904 - 12, Fife County League 1912 - 15, 1919 - 41

### **Honours**

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1923, 1925

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1928, 1931

Runners up – 1905, 1907, 1929

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1905

Runners - 1906

### **Montrave Cup**

Winners - 1905, 1932

Runners up – 1931, 1934

### West Fife League

Runners up - 1904/05

### Fife County League

Champions -1922/23, 1939/40

Runners up -1924/25

### Fife League East Division

Champions -1922/23,

Runners up – 1937/38

### Fife League West Division

Champions - 1924/25

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1923, 1932

Runners up - 1934

# Glencraig

The village is now a shadow of its self and is on the B920 road from Lochgelly to Lochore. The first team was Glencraig Rangers who played at North End Park between 1903 and 1907 which would later be named Ore Park by Ballingry Rovers JFC when they joined the junior ranks in 2006.

### North End Park/ Ore Park

This ground was used by Glencraig Rangers at the North end of the village and was used by Celtic till they moved to Bore Park. The highest attendance at the ground came in 1910 when 12,000 watch the 6<sup>th</sup> round Scottish Junior Cup game against Ashfield from Glasgow.

Glencraig would be without a Junior team for 48 years before amateur side Ballingry Rovers from a village two miles up the road from Glencraig joined the East Region Fife Division at the old North End Park now called Ore Park (Bore Park was know an open field behind the cottages). Ballingry moved in and joined the East Region Central Division in 2005 and renamed it Ore Park.

#### **Bore Park**

The ground was situated just over 30 yards south of today's Ore Park in a barren field across the burn it was used by Glencraig Celtic and Colliery.

The club moved over the burn to a new park bigger with showers and pavilion with enclose for bigger crowd which never came the new ground was owned by the Wilson Family who also ran the local mines.

The ground was used up to 1926 by Celtic then from 1938 to 1956 by Colliery and today is just a ploughed field and the outlines of it can be seen on Bing maps.

### **Ballingry Rovers**

The club were formed as amateur side and won honours in those ranks and in 2005 they applied to the East Region to join Fife Region which was accepted.

In their first season saw them runners up in the Kingdom Kegs Cup then runners up the Fife and Tayside Cup a season later. Then win the championship of the new Central Division East Region in 2007/08 season promoting them to the East Region Premier Division where they still play.

Founded - 1956

Ground – Ore Park (North End Park)

Leagues – East Region League 2004 - PD

#### Honours

### **East Region Central Division**

Champions - 2007/08

Fife & Tayside Cup

Runners up - 2007

Kingdom Kegs Cup

Runners up - 2006

### Glencraig Celtic

With the demise of Rangers the miners formed Glencraig Celtic and joined the West Fife League and in 1908 in only their second season as a club they won the Cowdenbeath Cup against Cupar Violet at East End Park, Dunfermline a season later they were runners up in the West Fife League but this the start of what would be a golden era for the club.

In 1909 they won the Fife Shield and retained it the next season they also won the Fife Cup, Dunfermline Cup and reached the  $6^{th}$  round of the Scottish cup losing in a replay at Possilpark in Glasgow to Ashfield. The first game had 12,000 watching the game and the replay in Glasgow,

14,000 watched the match, although 1910/11 season was barren for Celtic compared to the season they retained their hold on the Fife Junior Cup and also went on to win the Cowdenbeath Cup.

1911/12 saw the Celtic reach the Scottish Junior Cup 5<sup>th</sup> round losing 2-1 to Petershill at Atlas Park Glasgow in front of a reported 11,000, and the first of 3 back to back league championships plus winning the Dunfermline Cup and the Fife Shield and runners up in the Fife Cup. 1912/13 saw the Celtic reach the Semi final of the East of Scotland Cup losing to Vale of Grange at Newton Park, Bo'ness, win the second West Fife League Championship and Dunfermline Cup for the second season in a row

Celtic joined the merged Fife League for 1913/14 and won their third championship in a row and the Cowdenbeath Cup. They decided to play on during the Great War along with other Fife Clubs and were to be runners up in 1914/15 season in the League and won the Fife Cup. They went on to win the championship in 1915/16 season along with the Fife Shield, Dunfermline Cup and Cowdenbeath Cup. They were runners up in the Fife League in 1916/17 as well as the Cowdenbeath Cup and Dunfermline Cup. In 1917/18 were again runners up in the League before winning the championship in 1918/19.

But a change of ground seemed to bring a change of fortune as the people moved to other parts of Fife for work; the village shrank and even worse was that Lochgelly United would join the Scottish Football League in 1921.

In 1919/20 season they were runners up in the League, Cowdenbeath Cup, Dunfermline Cup and Fife Shield and a season later reached the 4<sup>th</sup> round in the Scottish Cup when they lost to Perth Harp at the South Inch Perth. Celtic folded at the end of the 1925/26 season.

Founded – 1906 Defunct - 1926

Ground – North End Park, Bore Park

Leagues - West Fife Junior League 1901 - 04, 1907 -12 Fife County League 1913 - 25

Highest Attendance -6<sup>th</sup> round Scottish Cup v Ashfield April 1910 12,000

### **Honours**

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1909, 1910, 1911, 1915

Runners up - 1912

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1909, 1911, 1914, 1915, 1916

Runners up – 1917, 1920

#### West Fife League

Champions – 1911/12, 1912/13

Runners up - 1908/09

### Fife League

Champions - 1913/14, 1915/16, 1918/19

Runners Up – 1914/15, 1916/17, 1917/18, 1919/20

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1910, 1912, 1913, 1916

Runners up - 1917, 1920

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1909, 1910, 1912, 1916

Runners up – 1913, 1920

### Glencraig Colliery

It was not until 1938 that Glencraig Colliery was formed playing at Bore Park with Juveniles playing at North End Park. The Colliery would disband during the war but rejoin the league in 1946 but it was not till 1953 when they won a Dunfermline Cup defeating Lochore Welfare at Starks Park in a derby match that ended in 7 a side football with 8 sent to the stand and 14 booked by the referee. Both teams were fined £5 for their conduct.

A season later they won the Mitchell Cup defeating Nairn Thistle at Bayview in Methil and runners up in the League, they reached the 5<sup>th</sup> round of the Scottish Cup in 1955/56 season losing to Lugar Boswell Thistle from Ayrshire in what was to be their last season.

Founded - 1938

Defunct - 1956

Ground - Bore Park

Leagues – Fife Junior League 1938 – 40, 1946 - 56

Highest Attendance – Scottish Cup 4th Round v Dalkeith Thistle 03/01/56 4,500

#### Honours

### Fife League

Runners up - 1953/54

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1953

### Mitchell Cup

Winners - 1954

## Glenrothes

Before Glenrothes became a large town it was a small village and Glens Athletic played where the village was before the new town was built. As the town grew the locals decided to form a junior team.

#### **Dovecote Park**

Their first home had been opened in May 1964 by Lord Clydesmuir. It was positioned beside Woodside High School alongside a sports pavilion and a cricket pitch this whole package had cost £7000. Showers were plumbed in the New Year and a tennis court was being built. This ground is situated just of the Queensway and the houses on Dovecote Park and is still used by the amateurs today.

The highest crowd at the ground was against Shotts Bon Accord 6<sup>th</sup> Round Scottish Cup when 5400 attended the match in 1968.

### **Warout Stadium**

The Glens moved from Dovecote to a new purpose ground about half a mile south of the old ground with a new stand and new facilities, the highest crowd watch the Glens play Cambuslang 6<sup>th</sup> round Scottish Cup 1974 when 5, 600 watched the match.

### Glenrothes JFC

Talks were held in March 1964 about forming a Junior Football Club and Glenrothes was formed and joined the Fife County Junior League for 1964/65 season. Their opening game was against Thornton Hibernian which the Hibernians won 3-2. They won the Fife League for the first time in 1965/66 season and went on to retain it in 1967 and 1968. The glens won their first of three Montrave Cups in 1967.

It was to be 1967/68 season that was to bring them to the forefront of junior football. It started with a walk over in the Scottish Cup against Jubilee Athletic as there ground was not fit for purpose, then hammering Bankfoot Athletic 8-1 at home then a trip to Perth to play Luncarty and an easy win by 4-1. They were again on their travels in the fourth round with a trip to Dundee just getting past the Violet 4-2, surprisingly defeating Linlithgow Rose (in front of 2,500 crowd) 5-1 to reach the sixth round for the second time in three seasons. Having been knocked out by Shettleston in 1966 at Greenfield Park Glasgow, this time they got through after a replay to Shotts Bon Accord 2-1.

The semi-final was played at East End Park Dunfermline against Larkhall Thistle in front of a 9,000 crowd in anticipation of a close game but Thistle was swept aside 4-1. Their first final on May 11 (exactly four year since they had been formed) was against Johnstone Burgh at Hampden Park and a crowd of 28.800 saw a 2-2 draw, three days later both teams were back at Hampden Park this time Burgh just beat the Glens 4-3 in front of 21,720.

They would win the league for the third time in a row and the Fife Junior Cup, to end a great season. The crowd potential of the town became evident when 2,000 saw a Scottish Cup tie against Newburgh in 1966 and 5,400 attended the 6<sup>th</sup> round game against Shotts Bon Accord in 1968 on their way to being runners up in the Scottish Cup.

The 1968/69 season was a blank season for the Glens with nothing in the cupboard. A year later it would be different the Fife League and Cowdenbeath Cup were won, runners up in the Fife Junior Cup. The league was retained Fife Junior Cup and Montrave Cup was won in 1970/71 season.

The next season the Fife Cup and Montrave Cup were retained again and the Cowdenbeath Cup won but it would be 1974/75 that would be the glory season when they reached their second Scottish Cup final having defeated Arbroath Victoria, Dunipace, St Roch's, Cumbernauld United, Baillieston after a replay and Ashfield at Brockville Park Falkirk in the semi-final.

The final was played at Hampden Park against Rutherglen Glencairn in front of a 17,776 crowd which saw the Glens win by 1-0 and they went on to win the League, Fife Drybrough Cup, National Drybrough Cup, Tennents Caledonian Cup and runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in that season.

In the next eleven years they would win the league 4 times runners up twice, 4 Fife Cups one runners up, 3 Cowdenbeath Cups and two runners up, Drybrough Cup three times runners up once, Laidlaw Shield Twice, Tennents Caledonian Cup once these were the good years for the club but the next en were barren apart from a few runners up.

It was the winning of the WT Men's Cup in 1995 saw that the winning feeling came back to club they would win the Whitbread Cup in 1997, the Fife Cup in 1998, then won the Whitbread Cup in 1999.

The Fife Cup won won back to back in 2000 and 2001. A season later the Stella Artois Cup was won and runners up in the Fife Cup and Fife and Tayside Cup. In 2002/03 season they had been elected to the new Superleague East Region.

The glens won the Fife Cup and Stella Artois Cup in 2004. They were relegated to the newly formed Premier Division in 2006 which they won a season later and were promoted back to Superleague and were runners up in the Fife League. In 2008/09 season they were to be runners up in the East of Scotland Cup Fife and Tayside Cup and the Fife League Cup.

In 2009/10 they were to be relegated on the last day of the season back to the Premier Division but the season had started well with the winning of the Fife League Cup for the first time. From there league form was poor a fourth round Scottish Cup drubbing at the hands of Bathgate Thistle 5-1 and going out in the early rounds of all the cups.

The Glens lost out in the final of the Fife League Cup to Hill of Beath Hawthorn and missed out on promotion to the Superleague finishing fourth six points behind runners up Carnoustie Panmure in 2011.

Founded - 1964

Ground - Dovecot Park, Warout Stadium

Leagues - Fife Junior League 1964 - 68, Fife Regional League 1968 - 2002, East Region 2002 - PD

**Highest Attendance** – Dovecot Park 5,400 v Shotts Bon Accord 6<sup>th</sup> Round Scottish Cup; Warout Stadium 5,600 v Cambuslang 6<sup>th</sup> round Scottish Cup 1974

### **Honours**

#### Scottish Cup

Winners – 1975

Runners up - 1968

### Fife & Lothians Cup

Winners – 1972

Runners up -2003

### **National Drybrough Cup**

Winners – 1975

### **East of Scotland Cup**

Runners up - 2009

### Fife County League

Champions - 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68

#### Fife Regional League

Champions - 1969/70, 1970/71, 1974/75, 1975/76, 1977/78, 1983/84, 1984/85

Runners up - 1973/74, 1976/77, 1985/86, 2001/02

### Fife Regional League East Division

Runners Up -1972/73, 1978/79, 1986/87

### East Region League Division 1

Champions – 2006/07

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1968, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1976, 1977, 1979, 1986, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2004

Runners up - 1970, 1974, 1978, 1988, 1990, 2002, 2007, 2009

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1970, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1977, 1978, 1984

Runners up - 1975, 1980, 1981, 2002

### Fife League Cup

Winners -2010

Runners up – 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011

### Fife Drybrough Cup

Winners – 1975, 1979, 1984, 1985

Runners up - 1983

### Laidlaw Shield

Winners - 1982, 1983

Runners up - 1991

### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1967, 1971, 1972

Runners up – 1968, 1969, 1970, 1973

### Fife & Tayside Cup

Runners up – 2002, 2009

### **Tennents Caladonian Cup**

Winners - 1975, 1976

Runners up - 1974

### WT Men's Cup

Winners - 1995

### Kingdom Kegs Cup

Winners – 1997, 1999,

### Stella Artois Cup

Winners - 2002, 2004

### Kingdom Kegs Cup

Winners - 2008

# <u>Guardbridge</u>

### Murray Park

This is a small village close to St Andrews with all the clubs having played on Murray Park (know Montray Park) near the RAF base at Leuchars. Vale of Eden had a disagreement with the landowners at the time and moved to Cupar. GM Naval also played at the ground but only played friendlies between 1908 - 1926

### Guardbridge United

The club were formed in 1895 as Guardbridge JFC, they merged with Whitecross in 1901 to become Guardbridge were to be runners up in the Howe of Fife League in 1899/1900 season. The Bridge were runners up in the Montrave Cup in 1909 and a season later won the Martin White Cup in 1910 when they defeated St Monans Swifts at the University Grounds in St Andrews and this was the first of six Martin White Cup finals in a row.

They were to be runners up in the Martin White Cup for the next two season before winning it three seasons in a row defeating St Andrews United all at the University Grounds.

United came back after the Great War playing in the East Neuk League were they had played since 1909 the club went defunct in 1925.

Founded – 1895 (As Guardbridge JFC)

Defunct - 1925

Ground - Murray Park

Leagues - Howe of Fife League 1893 - 1900\*, East Neuk League 1909 - 15, 1919 - 22

### **Honours**

### Howe of Fife League

Runners up - 1899/1900\*

### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1909

### **Martin White Cup**

Winners – 1910, 1913, 1914, 1915

Runners up – 1911, 1912

\*as Guardbridge JFC

### **Guardbridge Whitecross**

Whitecross who didn't play in the league brought the first honour to the village when they were runners up in the Martin White Cup in 1899. The club merged with Guardbridge in 1901 to become united.

Founded – 1897

Merged - 1901

Ground – Murray Park

#### **Honours**

### **Martin White Cup**

Runners up - 1899

## <u> Halbeath</u>

### Village Park

At the bottom of Guttergates Road is Village Park where ex Sunday League team Halbeath joined the juniors and played their first match on 21/08/76 against Kirkcaldy YM. With its open pitch doubts were about holding large crowds and this led to them having to take a Scottish Cup tie to Central Park Cowdenbeath where 1400 watched the match but in the next round against Kelty 1500 turned up to watch the Scottish Cup tie. This was overcome when Auchinleck Talbot visited Village Park where 1700 spectators witnessed a one-sided match in the third round of the Scottish cup in January 1988. Village Park is used by the amateurs, once more playing in the Caledonian League.

### Halbeath JFC

Halbeath stepped up to the juniors in 1976, gaining their first cup in 1978 when they won the Tennents Caledonian Cup and in that season were runners up in the Cowdenbeath and Drybrough Cup. A year later they won the Cowdenbeath Cup and were runners up in the League. In 1980 won the Drybrough Cup and the Laidlaw Shield.

In 1980/81 season they surprised everybody by winning the Fife Regional League but for the rest of the 80's it was to be runners up in the Laidlaw Cup, Drybrough Cup and Fife League but although they won the Fife Regional League West Division in 1987/88 season they lost out on the play off.

In 1990/91 season they were to be runners up in the Fife Cup and Fife Regional League West Division but won the League Cup for the only time. In 1992 the committee asked for a year out of playing membership of the SJFA but never returned

Founded – 1970 (Juveniles)

Defunct - 1993

Ground - Village Park

League – Fife Regional League – 1976 – 92

#### **Honours**

### Fife Regional League

Champions - 1980/81

Runners up - 1987/88

### Fife Regional League West Division

Champions -1987/88

Runners up - 1990/91

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1991

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1979

Runners up - 1978

League Cup

Winners - 1991

Fife Drybrough Cup

Winners - 1980

Runners up - 1978, 1984, 1986

Laidlaw Shield

Winners - 1980, 1984

Runners up – 1983, 1989

Tennents Caledonian Cup

Winners - 1978

# Kill of Beath

#### **Kiers Park**

On Hawthorn Crescent today is the junior club Hill of Beath Hawthorn but this ground has been used since 1883 by Hearts of Beath who had been founded as Hill of Beath Hearts. In 1928 Kiers Park was moved east to what it is today.

The ground was used for a sixth round Scottish Junior Cup tie between Lumphinnans Wanderers and Preston Athletic as the Wanderers ground could not hold the crowd with 6,500 squeezed into Kiers Park to watch the match.

The ground would not be used for junior football when amateur side Hill of Beath joined the Fife Regional League in 1982 and played against Thornton Hibs on the 21st of August and have outshone the previous junior side.

### **Hearts of Beath**

The Hearts were one of the founding members of the Cowdenbeath Junior Football Association in 1886 and were to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup in 1890. It was not until 1896 that they were to win their first Cowdenbeath Cup and Fife Shield.

They stepped up to the senior ranks in 1897 where the participated in the Central League and took their first steps in the Scottish Qualifying Cup on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 1897 against Dunfermline Athletic. They were to lose the game in a replay after a protest by Athletic that Hearts had not put up nets for the Scottish Cup tie.

They won the Fife Cup in 1901 and 1903 and with the winding up of the Central League in 1902 went on to play in a Fife Senior League before joining the Northern League for 1906/07 season but after a season quit the league, there junior XI were runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and Fife Shield. They went on to play just friendlies, Scottish Qualifying Cup, East of Scotland Cup, Kings Cup East of Scotland Qualifying Cup and Consolation Cup ties.

In 1913 they rejoined the juniors and in 1914 won the Fife Junior Cup and were to win it with a mixed bag of soldiers and sailors on leave with the relaxed regulations during the War. They won the Fife Junior Cup in 1916, 1917 and 1921 having been runners up with their junior XI in 1907.

They were to be runners up in the East of Scotland Junior Cup in 1920 losing to Tranent at Eater Road in a replay 3-1 and went on to win the Dunfermline Cup which they retained in 1921 and 1922 and were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1923 before going into abeyance for five seasons.

Hearts rejoined the Fife County League in 1928/29 season and attracted a crowd of 1700 against Wellesley from Buckhaven in October 1933 which equalled the record crowd that had watched the West Calder Swifts Scottish Qualifying Cup 4<sup>th</sup> round in 1903.

They would be runners up in the League in 1934/35 and champions the next season, 1939/40 (having won the West Division in 1939/40) but lost the championship play-off to Dunnikier Colliery at Central Park Cowdenbeath and won the Fife Junior Cup for the fifth time defeating Lochgelly Albert and Cowdenbeath Cup. A season later won the League championship and the committee put the club into abeyance till after the war but it was never reformed.

Founded – 1883 Defunct – 1941

Ground - Kiers Park

Leagues - Fife County Junior League 1913 - 1924, 1930 - 41

#### Honours

### Fife Cup

Winners – 1901, 1903

### **East of Scotland Junior Cup**

Runners up - 1920

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1914, 1916, 1917, 1921, 1940

Runners up – 1890, 1907\*

### Fife County League

Champions - 1935/36, 1940/41

Runners up – 1918/19, 1920/21, 1934/35, 1936/37 1939/40,

### Fife County League West Division

Champions - 1939/40

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1896, 1921, 1936, 1940

Runners up – 1923

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1914, 1920, 1921, 1922

Runners up – 1893, 1933, 1934, 1935

### Fife Shield

Winners – 1896, 1921 Runners up 1907\*, 1922, 1929, 1933

(\*junior XI)

### Hill of Beath Hawthorn

The Hawthorn was formed in 1975 as an Amateur side and in 1982 elected to the Fife Regional Junior League. In 1985/86 seasons Hawthorn won their first trophy defeating Halbeath at Central Park Cowdenbeath in the Fife Drybrough Cup, they also went on to win Fife and Tayside Cup and runners up in Fife Junior Cup.

A season later they were champions in the Fife Regional League East Division and won the play-off against Oakley United at Dunfermline and were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup. In 1988 the Hawthorn won the Laidlaw Shield and was runners up in the East coast Windows Cup. A year later they won the East Division championship but lost in the play-off in the League championship to St Andrews United at Methil but won the Cowdenbeath Cup defeating Oakley United.

The 1989/90 season would be historic for the club after receiving a bye in the first round in the Scottish Junior Cup they defeated Lochgelly Albert 3-0 at home and then Whitburn 1-0, Forfar West End 5-0 after a replay, Auchinleck Talbot 3-0, Arthurlie 3-2 after two replays the third game played at Linlithgow and the semi-final was played at Brockville Falkirk against Linlithgow Rose who they swept aside with ease to reach their first and only Scottish Junior Cup final.

The final was played a Rugby Park, Kilmarnock against Lesmahagow and in a dour match Hawthorn just won by 1-0. They went on to retain the Cowdenbeath Cup and win the Laidlaw Shield and runners up in the League and East Coast Windows Cup.

They lost their hold on the Scottish Junior Cup in the third round second replay to Maryhill at Linlithgow but ended the season winning their first Fife Junior Cup and East Coast Windows Cup.

Hawthorn were to be runners up in the League for the next two seasons but in 1993/94 season they won the League, Fife Junior Cup, Cowdenbeath Cup and WTM Cup and runners up in the Fife and Tayside Cup. The next season they would retain the League, Fife Junior Cup and Cowdenbeath Cup and runners up in the Fife and Lothian Cup.

The Hawthorn won their third League championship in a row along with the Fife Junior Cup and added the Fife and Lothian Cup and Tayside and Lothian Cup to their collection for the year. A year later they were runners up in the League but went on to win the Cowdenbeath Cup.

In 1998 they won the Whitbread Cup and took their fourth League Championship in five years and were runners up in the Fife and Tayside Cup, the next season was poor by their standards with only runners up in the League to show for the season.

The 1999/2000 saw them win the League and Whitbread Cup a season later they would be runners up in the League win the Cowdenbeath Cup, Fife and Tayside Cup plus retain the Whitbread Cup renamed the Stella Artois Cup.

Hawthorn would be the last winners of the Fife Regional League in 2001/02 season and win the Fife Junior Cup retain the Fife and Tayside Cup and runners up in the Fife and Lothians Cup. They joined East Region Superleague in 2002/03 season when the Fife League merged with Lothians and Tayside Leagues and in the first season were runners up in the league and won retained the Fife Junior Cup and Fife and Tayside Cup, won the Cowdenbeath Cup but within a season they were relegated back to

Fife League which they won the championship and were promoted back to Superleague, as well as Fife and Tayside Cup.

In 2008 Hawthorn won the Fife League cup and retained it in 2009; they were also runners up in the East of Scotland Junior Cup in 2006 and were runners up in the Fife and Tayside Cup in 2008.

In 2010/11 season having been runners up in the Fife League Cup the season before to Glenrothes they got revenge on the Glens by defeating them 2-1 in the final and were to be runners up in the East Region Superleague. They were again runners up in the Superleague and were in a tight race with Bonnyrigg but lost their last two games to give Bonnyrigg the championship.

Founded - 1975

Ground - Kiers Park, Hawthorn Crescent, Hill of Beath

Leagues - Fife Regional League 1980 - 2002, East Region 2002 - PD

Highest Attendance - 1781 v Arthurlie 6<sup>th</sup> round Scottish Junior Cup 1990

### **Honours**

### **Scottish Junior Cup**

Winners - 1990

### Fife Regional League

Champions - 1986/87, 1988/89, 1993/94, 1994/95, 1995/96, 1997/98, 1999/2000, 2001/02

Runners Up - 1989/90, 1991/92, 1992/93, 1996/97, 1998/99, 2000/01

### Fife Regional League East Division

Champions - 1986/87, 1988/89, 1989/90\*

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1991, 1994, 1995, 1996, 2002, 2003, 2006

Runners up – 1986, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2004, 2005

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1989, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1995, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2003

Runners up – 1987, 1996

### **Drybrough Cup**

Winners – 1986

### Laidlaw Cup

Winners – 1986, 1988, 1990

Runners up - 1992

### Fife & Lothian Cup

Winners - 1996

Runners up – 1994, 1995, 2002, 2006, 2008

### Fife & Tayside Cup

Winners – 1996, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005

Runners up - 1998

### Fife League Cup

Winners - 2008, 2009, 2011

Runners up - 2010

### **East Coast Windows Cup**

Winners - 1991

Runners up – 1988, 1990

#### WTM Cup

Winners - 1994

### **Kingdom Kegs Cup**

Winners -1998, 2000,

### Stella Artois Cup

Winners - 2001

Runners up -2002

### East Region Superleague

Runners up -2002/03, 2010/11, 2011/12

### **East Region Fife Division**

Champions-2004/05

(\*B Division)

## <u> Inverkeithing</u>

The town finds itself without a junior team at the moment since Jubilee Athletic moved to Rosyth in 1989. They could not use New Ballast Bank for Scottish Cup ties as the ground is an open park in the town, nor charge admission for league games it was inevitable that they would move ground.

### Kirkgate Park/Games Park/Ballast Park

Strathforth had first used this ground at the time it was known as Kirkgate Park but then the name was changed to Games Park as the local Highland Games were played there till the early sixties was also used by Inverkeithing Thistle

This was used also by juvenile side Inverkeithing United and was situated at the confluence of the Edinburgh to Kirkcaldy and Edinburgh to Dunfermline railway lines and North Road, with the third side being taken up by a branch line. United would play on this ground till they moved in 1927 having turned junior in 1912

A grandstand was built in 1920 (one that remained until the sixties being used in the local Highland Games) however there was no terracing and ropes lined the pitch. As in a cup tie against Broomhall in

1932 8,000 attended and the railway and local trees were used for those who could not get in as the gates were closed for safety reasons

It was a reformed Inverkeithing United laid it out and played their first game since 1927 against Crossgates Primrose on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August 1930 and an enclosure was built on the railway banking side the ground was renamed Ballast Park (its third name change).

#### **New Ballast Bank**

United moved in 1933 to New Ballast Bank in view of the Caldwell Paper Mills. The works team had played on it for two seasons before going defunct. This land is on Preston Crescent today and is still used by local amateur sides

United would play on this ground till the start of World War Two but did not reform as a junior outfit till 1958 but lasted only one season. It would not be till 1973 when Jubilee Athletic first used the land before returning 19 years later before moving to Rosyth.

Since United had went defunct in 1963 the changing rooms was the local Inverkeithing Boxing Club pavilion which has now been replaced with an up to date pavilion and the Boxing Club have moved to better premises provided by the local council.

### **Inverkeithing United**

United who played on all three grounds started as juveniles in 1906 and won the juvenile cup in 1912 and then stepped up to the juniors and in their first season won the Scottish Junior Cup defeating Dunipace at Firhill Park Glasgow where 9564 attended and it was Stratford who had won the Juvenile Cup the year before got the winning goal again a very rare occurrence. They ended the season winning the Cowdenbeath Cup and runners up in Fife Junior Cup.

A season later they were runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and Dunfermline Cup and with all their young men going to war they played through the war with a scratch team of army and navy and during the Great War were runners up in in the Fife Junior Cup in 1916

They won the league in 1920 and ended the season of doing the double by winning the Fife Shield and runners up in the Fife Junior Cup. In 1921/22 season they won their first Cowdenbeath Cups and were runners up in the Fife County League West Division. They retained the Cowdenbeath Cup and again were runners up in the West Division and were again runners up in the West Division a season later.

In 1926 did the double of the Fife Cup (winning it for the only time) and the Dunfermline Cup for the first time. At the end of the 1926/27 they went into abeyance for three seasons while looking for a new ground having won the Cowdenbeath cup for the fourth time.

The returned to in 1930 at Ballast Bank and in their first season back they were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup and would go on to win it three seasons in a row (1932 – 34) and in 1932 they were runners up in the Fife Cup for the fifth time. They were to be runners up in the league in 1933 at a new ground in Preston Crescent at New Ballast Bank and then champions in 1934 plus winning the Dunfermline cup and runners up in the Fife Junior Cup.

They closed their doors at the start of World War Two, United reformed in 1946 but it was another thirteen years before they came back to the juniors but lasted one season before going back to the juveniles. The club closed in 1963.

Founded - 1906 Defunct - 1927

Reformed – 1930 Defunct – 1938

Reformed - 1958

Defunct - 1963

Ground – Kirkton Park, Games Park, Ballast Park, New Ballast Bank

League - Fife County League 1913 - 17, 1918 - 27, 1929 - 38, 1958/59

### **Honours**

### **Scottish Junior Cup**

Winners - 1913

### Scottish Juvenile Cup

Winners – 1912

### Fife County League

Champions - 1919/20, 1933/34

Runners up - 1932/33

### Fife County League West Division

Runners up - 1921/22, 1922/23, 1924/25

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1926

Runners up – 1913, 1914, 1916, 1920, 1932, 1934

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1913, 1922, 1923, 1927

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1926, 1932, 1933, 1934

Runners up - 1914, 1922, 1924, 1931

### Fife Shield

Winners - 1920, 1924

### **Inverkeithing Thistle**

In their first season Thistle were runners up in the Fife Shield in 1898 to Dunfermline Athletic Juniors within three seasons they had disappeared.

Founded - 1897

Defunct - 1900

Ground – Games Park

#### **Honours**

### Fife Shield

Runners up - 1898

# Kelty

There have been many junior side from Kelty before the turn of the Twentieth Century, mostly called Rangers although Blairdam were founder members of the West of Fife League although they used the public park for their grounds

#### Seefar Park

This park was first used by Kelty Thistle 1898 to 1901 before going defunct and then used by Kelty Rangers and the land had been donated with the Workman's Club used as the changing pavilion. The pavilion was destroyed by fire and the club were not insured and lost £50 of equipment. Despite the loss the Rangers continued to function on the park till 1929 when the depression hit the town hard.

The ground was later used by Burnside Rovers (a local juvenile side0 but the ground was used for houses and the only evidence of the ground is the streets which have been named next to Oakfield Street.

#### Flowers Park

This was on the other side of the street from Seefar Park and was played on by Kelty Our Boys who started as an Amateur side and Flowers Park was built over with houses and the only memorial is the street name.

#### **North End Park**

The park is still extant, being used to train horses on. It is situated behind where the British Legion (St Josephs Primary School) was on and Cocklaw Street. This use enabled the bowl to remain of the embanking which rises to corrugated iron seating all round the walls. The Legion was demolished in 1988 and replaced by a new primary school.

The ground was the home of Kelty North End before they merged with Our Boys in 1947 and crowds flocked to the ground with 3, 000 for a Scottish Cup tie against Valleyfield Colliery in September 1951.

#### **Central Park**

This ground was first inspected for junior football in 1974 by the SJFA but was not used for Junior Football till the Kelty Hearts moved in 1979. They had previously been an Amateur side and played the first junior game against Clackmannan in August 1980

This pitch was beside the old North End Park shielded from the road by the Primary School with a small changing room which had been inherited as this had once being a Public Park. This pitch had problems with flooding and the Hearts levelled off the pitch. They built a shelter across from the changing rooms but this was blown down in 1992

#### **New Central Park**

Hearts moved down the road to a new ground which is on Bath Street with new changing facilities and grass banking on three sides and is pleasant ground to watch a match from.

### Blairadam

The club were to be runners up in the West of Fife League two seasons running both to Lassodie Juniors in 1896 and 1897 then had moved from the public park to join the West of Fife League in 1893 and played in the league till 1898

Founded – 1887 Defunct – 11899

Grounds – Public Park and Seefar Park

League - West of Fife League - 1893 - 1898

### **Honours**

### West of Fife League

Runners up - 1895/96, 1896/97

### Kelty Rangers (1)

Rangers would win their first trophy in 1903 when they won the Wilkinson Cup and Cowdenbeath Cup and they retained it a year later they did the treble of Cowdenbeath, Dunfermline Cups and Fife Shield.

Rangers would be runners up in the Dunfermline Cup in 1908 and two seasons later would be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup, Cowdenbeath. In 1911 the lost out in the final of the East of Scotland Cup to Penicuik at Prestonfields, Linlithgow and were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup and the West of Fife League and won the Fife Shield.

A season later they lost their third Cowdenbeath Cup final in row and in 1912/13 they lost their fourth Cowdenbeath Cup in a row but were also runners up in the West of Fife League. In 1914 they were runners up in the Montrave Cup and a year later playing with a scratch team they won the Dunfermline Cup and runners up for the fifth time in six years in the Cowdenbeath Cup

They won the championship of the Fife County League West Division in 1922/23 but lost the play-off to Dunnikeir Colliery and runners up in the Fife Junior Cup.

The great depression hit the club hard in 1929 and the committee decided to wind the club up. They had an unusual record of getting to five finals (1910-15) in the Cowdenbeath Cup losing all of them.

Founded – 1901 Defunct – 1929

Ground - Seefar Park

Leagues – West of Fife League 1902 – 07, 1910 – 13, Fife County League 1914/15, 1918 - 29

### **Honours**

### **East of Scotland Junior Cup**

Runners up - 1911

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners -1904

Runners up – 1903, 1910, 1923, 1924, 1925

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1903, 1904

Runners up – 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1915

### West of Fife League

Runners up -1906/07, 1910/11

#### Fife County League

Runners up - 1912/13, 1922/23

Fife County League West Division

Champions - 1922/23

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1904, 1915, 1923

Runners up – 1908, 1925

#### Fife Shield

Winners - 1904, 1911

Runners up - 1914

## Kelty Our Boys

This side became junior in 1935; Our Boys only triumph was in the final of the Fife Junior Cup when they defeated Lochgelly Albert at Starks Park Kirkcaldy 1939.

They were only Fife junior team to play on during 1941/42 season playing friendlies and Scottish Cup games and went into abeyance till 1945. In May 1947 they merged with the other Kelty side North End to become Kelty Rangers (Mark2)

Founded - 1935

Merged – North End – 1947

Ground - Flowers Park

Leagues – Fife County League 1937 – 41, 1946/47

#### **Honours**

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1939

# Kelty Rangers (2)

The club was form in 1935 at North End Park on Cocklaw Road beside the British Legion they went into abeyance during World War II and in 1947 merged with Our Boys to become Kelty Rangers.

The crowds flocked to the ground with 3, 000 for a Scottish Cup tie against Valleyfield Colliery in September 1951. Earlier that year the club won the Dunfermline Cup for the only time and in 1952 were winners of the Cowdenbeath Cup and runners up in the Mitchell Cup.

The crowds being attracted may have panicked the team into making renovations on the ground but such a plan forced them into abeyance from (1954 - 60) and 18 months later they were still needing help to update the ground. An application for a grant from the local council in 1965 was denied and it forced them to move to Crossgates while they re-laid the pitch and new drainage.

They followed Kelty Hibernians example and tried to use Kelty Playing Fields but the council denied them the use of the ground. Rangers finally gave up their existence and at the end of the 1969/70 season.

Founded – 1935 (North End)

Abeyance -1954 - 60

Defunct - 1970

Ground - North End Park

Leagues – Fife County League 1934 – 41\* 1946/47\*, 1947 – 54, 1960 – 68, Fife Regional League 1968 - 70

### **Honours**

#### Fife County League

Runners up -1940/41\*

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1952

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1951

Runners up - 1954

### Mitchell Cup

Runners up – 1952

(\*As North End)

## Kelty Hearts

Hearts moved in to Central Park in 1979. They had previously been an Amateur side and played the first junior game against Clackmannan in August 1980. In their first season they were to be runners up in the League.

Hearts won their first trophy in 1982 when the Cowdenbeath and fife Drybrough Cups were won. Hearts won their first Fife Junior Cup in 1983 against defeating Oakley United they went on to retain in the next season and were runners up in the League. In 1985 they retained the Fife Junior Cup for a third season they also won the Cowdenbeath Cup and Laidlaw Shield. They retained the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1986.

In 1987 the club went on to win the Fife Junior and Cowdenbeath Cups along with the Laidlaw Shield and runners up in the League, a year later they were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup Laidlaw Shield, Fife and Lothian Cup and in 1989 were runners up in West Division of Fife Regional League.

They were again to be runners up in the West Division then next year before taking their first championship in 1990/91 season for the West Division and won the overall championship by defeating Newburgh and they were to be runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup, they retained the Fife League championship the next season runners up in the Fife Junior Cup. Hearts won their third championship in row in 1993 as well as winning the Fife Junior and Cowdenbeath Cups

In 1995 Hearts were runners up in the League and Cowdenbeath Cup a year later they again were runners up in the League and Fife Junior Cup. In 1997 they won the League and were runners up in the Whitbread Cup.

Hearts won the Fife and Tayside cup for the only time in 1998 as well as runners up in the League and Cowdenbeath Cup. The next season was to be bit special for the club as they reached their first Scottish Junior Cup final.

The road to the final started at Crombie Park Peterculter against Culter with a win 4- 0 the next round it was back up to Aberdeen to play Glentanar at Linkswood again it was a easy win 3-0, Musselburgh Athletic took them to a replay at Musselburgh 2-1, then it was a trip to Dunbar to play United winning 3-0 they just got past Fauldhouse in the Fifth round away 2-1 before hammering Montrose Roselea 7-1 in the Quarter finals at home. The Semi-final was played at Almondvale Livingston against Petershill and in front of a crowd of 2819 Hearts won 2-1.

The final was played on May 30 1999 against Kilwinning Rangers at Firhill Glasgow but lost 1-0, Hearts had an unusual apart from one round the won all there six other games away from home. They ended the season by winning the League runners up in the Cowdenbeath and Whitbread Cups.

In 2000 they won the Cowdenbeath cup and were runners up in the League, the club joined the East Region when three League merged they were put in the fife Regional League of the East Region which they promptly won and were promoted to the Superleague and were runners up in the Fife Junior and Stella Artois Cups. They were again runners up in the Stella Artois Cup the next season along with the Cowdenbeath Cup.

At the end of the 2005/06 season they were relegated for the first time in their history and were runners up in the Fife League Cup but were to be runners up in the new Premier Division in 2006/07 and won their first Fife League Cup and they reached their second Scottish Junior Cup final. The road started with a trip to Maybole 2-0, a 14-0 drubbing of Burghead Thistle their highest score in any competition, Whitburn after a replay 2-1, Broughty Athletic (a) 6-2, Kilsyth Rangers (h) 2-1 in front of a 700 crowd, Lanark United (A) 1-0, there was disappointing crowds in the semi-final for a Saturday when only 1509 watched hearts defeat Kilwinning Rangers 1-0 at Hamilton.

The final was played at East End Park Dunfermline against Linlithgow Rose in front of a crowd of 9304 and they game was tied after 90minutes but it was Rose who went on to win 2-1. Hearts still play in the Superleague of the East Region.

Founded - 1975

Ground - Central Park, Bath Street, Kelty

Leagues - Fife Regional League 1980 - 2002, East Region 2002 - PD

#### **Honours**

#### Scottish Junior Cup

Runners up – 1999, 2007

### Fife Regional League

Champions - 1990/91, 1991/92, 1992/93, 1996/97, 1998/99

Runners up - 1980/81, 1982/83, 1986/87, 1994/95, 1995/96, 1997/98, 1999/2000

#### Fife Regional League West Division/Division One

Champions - 1990/91

Runners up - 1988/89, 1989/90

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1983, 1984, 1985, 1987, 1993, 2008, 2009

Runners up – 1992, 1996, 2000, 2003

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1982, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1993, 2000

Runners up - 1988, 1991, 1995, 1998, 1999, 2004

### Fife Drybrough Cup

Winners - 1982

### Laidlaw Shield

Winners - 1985, 1987

Runners up - 1988

### Fife & Lothian Cup

Runners up - 1988

### Lothian & Tayside Cup

Winners - 1998

### Whitbread Cup

Runners up – 1997, 1999,

#### Stella Artois Cup

Runners up - 2003, 2004

### Fife League Cup

Winners -2007

Runners up - 2006

### **East Region Fife District**

Champions - 2002/03

### **East Region Premier Division**

Runners up -2006/07

# Kennoway

Kennoway Junior were formed in 1889 and played their matches at Leven Road in the village and they play in the Howe of Fife League 1902/03 and went defunct a year later

# Kennoway Rovers

Founded - 1889

Defunct - 1904

Ground - Leven Road

Leagues – Howe of Fie League – 1902/03

# <u>Kingskellle</u>

The village of Kingskettle is 6 miles from Cupar and Glenrothes on the main East Coast Railway but the station closed in the 1960's. Leven Road

## Kettle United

United played at Ladybank Road between Parliament Square and the railway line and they moved to Ladybank Public Park across the road before joining the league in 1901. They played in the Howe of Fife League 1901 – 1913 when they folded. United won the Howe of Fife League on two occasions in 1902/03 season and 1910/11 and were runners up in the Armitage Cup in 1903, 1905 and 1908

Founded - 1899

Defunct - 1913

Ground - Ladybank Public Park

League – Howe of Fife League 1901 - 1913

#### Honours

#### Howe of Fife League

Champions – 1902/03, 1910/11

### **Armitage Cup**

Runners up – 1903, 1905, 1908

# Kincardine

Although being in Fife, football sides from the village have invariably looked west for their football; in the case of the first Tulliallan side they played in the Clackmannanshire Junior League until its demise in 1908 and other teams have played in the Stirlingshire Junior League.

### Craigieman Park

Tulliallan played at Craigieman Park in Feirgate along the Clackmannan Road from 1891 - 1898 and played against teams in the league from Alva and Clackmannan and even a team from Oakley. Later this side moved the pitch east to West and renamed it Whitesink Park and went on to play in Division Two of the Stirlingshire League

#### West End Park

Kincardine Juniors hoped for a longer spell and played in the Stirlingshire Juvenile League before merging with Tulliallan Amateurs and joined the Fife Juniors in 1939 but they lasted only one season before world events made them shut down. Both teams played at West End Park, which was opposite Tulliallan Castle on the Clackmannan Road.

#### Craige mouth Road

A new junior side was formed in July 1962 called Tulliallan Thistle and laid out a pitch on Craigemouth Road in Kincardine but for thirteen years played a cat and mouse game with the bulldozers as the council wished to use this land for houses, it was 20 yards away from the Craigieman Park. The ground was first used for junior football against Clackmannan on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August 1963 and a year later a pavilion was built by the council.

In 1967 the club moved the pitch 30 yards to the west but they built it on an old mineshaft and the pitch subsided during a Scottish cup game. The pitch and pavilion were updated in 1968 and 1969. Tulliallan's best season came in 1972 when a crowd of 1200 spectators lined the pitch in a fourth round of the Scottish Cup tie against Broxburn United in January, before 1600 attended in the fifth round against East Kilbride Thistle.

#### **Burnside Park**

The bulldozers finally moved into Craigemouth Park in 1975 and the Thistle had to play their final league matches at Alloa Athletics ground of Recreation Park. They first used Burnside Park in August 1975 with a new Pavilion but the SJFA would not let them play as the grass was too short so they played at Clackmannan till October. They put a fence round the park as part of it bordered the Clackmannan Road and using adverts blocked the view from the road.

## Kincardine JFC

Founded – 1887

Defunct - 1898

Ground - Craigieman Park

League - Clackmannanshire League

### Tulliallan JFC

The club played in the Clackmannanshire County and joined Division Two Stirlingshire League in 1908and dissolved in 1909

Founded - 1891

Defunct - 1909

Ground – Craigieman Park

Leagues - Clackmannanshire League, Stirlingshire League

# Tulliallan JFC (2)

This club played in the Fife County League from 1934 to 1940 and were not reformed after the war.

Founded – 1930

Defunct - 1940

Ground - West End Park

League - Fife County League

# Tulliallan Thistle

Thistle joined the Fife Junior League having come up from the amateurs, in their first season they won the Express Cup defeating Newburgh at East End Park Dunfermline and were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup.

Thistle won the Dunfermline Cup in 1968 defeating Clackmannan at Dunfermline and would be runners up the next season. They were to lose in their first Fife Junior Cup in 1972 to Glenrothes and to the same team in 1979.

A season later they won their first and only championship when they won the West Division of fife Regional League they lost the playoff game to Oakley United at Cowdenbeath. They were to be runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1982

Thistle sat out the 1991/92 season for financial reasons having just won the Laidlaw Shield for the one and only time and came back in 1992 but within ten years they closed becoming the first side to go defunct in the new East Region Fife District.

Founded – 1962

Defunct - 2003

Grounds - Craigemouth Park, Recreation Park Alloa, Burnside Park

Leagues - Fife County League, Fife Regional League, East Region

#### Honours

### Fife Regional League

Runners up - 1979/80

### Fife Regional League West Division

Champions - 1979/80

### Fife Junior Cup

Runners up – 1972, 1979

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1982

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1968

Runners up – 1963, 1969

#### Laidlaw Shield

Winners - 1991

#### **Express Cup**

Winners - 1963

# Kinghorn

The town of Kinghorn had two sides Kinghorn FC and Kinghorn Rossland. Both were to be founder members of the Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association in 1886 and Fife Junior Football Association in 1889 and both teams used Beech Public Park in the town till their demise. The park is now part of the local golf course.

## Rossland

Founded -1885

Defunct - 1890

Ground – Beech Public Park

Founder Member - Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association & Fife Junior Football Association

# Kinghorn JFC

Kinghorn was formed as Abhen FC in 1884 they were be founder members of the Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association in 1886 and Fife Junior Football Association in 1889.

The clubs only trophy was the winning of the fife Junior Cup at Robbie Park Kirkcaldy in 1893 when they defeated Pathhead United 2-0 in front of a crowd of 900, within a season they were dissolved.

Founded - 1894

Defunct - 1894

Ground - Beech Public Park

Founder Member - Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association & Fife Junior Football Association

Honours

Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1893

# Kinglassie

This small mining village has had a junior team from 1946 - 53 when they were given land by the colliery at the side of the bing which could be seen from Cluny and all point south and east and discoloured the Ore Burn leaking water but that was put right in the 1980's and the county council levelled the bings in the 90's.

#### **Burnside Park**

The land given to the junior club which had stepped up from the amateurs in 1946 was on Sauchie Street in the village (the amateurs had used land behind the miners') institute. The ground is still used by the local amateurs; the pavilion was updated and the pitch fenced off and it would be no difficulty for the land to be fenced off for junior football again

## Kinglassie Colliery

The club were formed as an amateur side for the local colliery playing at the Miners Institute Park; they moved over to Burnside Park and joined the reformed Fife Junior League. There first junior game was against Markinch Victoria Rangers on the 9th of August 1946.

They were to be runners up in the Fife Junior League in 1948/49 season just behind champions Lochgelly Albert and in 1950 reached the final of the Dunfermline Cup only to lose to Comrie Colliery and the club closed in 1953.

Founded - 1945

Defunct - 1953

Ground – Burnside Park

League – Fife County League

Honours

Fife Junior League

Runners up – 1948/49

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Runners up - 1950

<u>Kingseal</u>

The village of Kingseat formed a junior team in 1883 and went on to play till 1894 and even played in the early rounds of the Fife Cup till it closed in 1894. The village had to wait a year when Kingseat Athletic was formed.

## **Kingseat**

The club was formed in 1895 as Kingseat Athletic and in their first season won the Dunfermline Cup at Ladysmill Park, Dunfermline in front of 600 spectators. In 1906 joined the West of Fife League and won the championship in 1909/10.

They were to be runners up in the Fife Shield in 1911 and 1912 before going into abeyance for a season as the Athletic club refused to sponsor them anymore so for 1913/14 they became Kingseat FC and were runners up in the Fife Junior League but with World War I they went into abeyance till 1919 when they rejoined the Fife County League and in 1921 won the County League and were runners up in the Fife, Dunfermline Cups and Fife Shield.

They went on to retain the League championship having won the West Division and then won the play-off against Wellesley at Methil and in 1923 were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup and the Fife Shield. Within a year the club folded for lack of support from the community when only five people appeared at a meeting to carry on the club for season 1924/25.

Founded – 1895 (Kingseat Athletic)

Defunct - 1924

Ground - Sauchie Road Public Park

League- West of Fife, Fife County League

#### **Honours**

West of Fife League

Champions - 1909/10

Fife County League

Champions – 1920/21, 1921/22

Runners up - 1913/14

Fife County League West Division

Champions – 1921/22

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1921

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Winners - 1896

Runners up -1921, 1923

Fife Shield

 $Runners\ up-1911,\ 1912,\ 1921\ 1923,\ 1924$ 

# Kirkcaldy

The town has been called the cradle of Fife football as there have been a number of senior and junior teams in the town and from local towns that soon were annexed by the larger town. In 1886 the junior sides of the area formed the Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association five years before the seniors formed the Fife Football Association in 1891.

The first members were Abhen from Kingseat, Blackburn (1885-88) who played on High Public Park, Dunnikier from Gallatown, Eclipse (1878-87) High Street Public Park, Fern (1885-87) High Street Public Park, Giffon Park (1884-86)who played on Dysart Public Park, Kirkcaldy Albion, Kirkcaldy Eastern (1884-87), Kirkcaldy Star (1884 – 87) Kirkcaldy Thistle (1885-88), Kirkcaldy Union all started life at Newton Park, Ramblers(1883-88), Loughborough Swifts played at Haysheath, Ravenscraig Rangers(1884-87), Royal Oak (1880-86) and St Clair Blues (1883-87) also used the wide expanses of High Street Public Park. This was situated just below what is Stark Park today and the final member who is the only survivor of the gallant group of clubs is Raith Rovers who started out at Robbie Park (Beveridge Park).

#### Stark Park

Robert Stark was a local councillor and rope manufacturer in the town who also had a licensed business at the West Bridge. He presented some grazing land to local youths who had been playing on the High Street Public Park. Kirkcaldy Wanderers started the ball rolling at Mr. Stark Park later just Starks Park in a friendly in 1881 against Burntisland Rossland and the Wanderers were trounced 8-0 in front of 500 spectators paying a penny to watch.

The Wanderers moved to Newton Park in 1884. As the surroundings were so rural the field had a shed known as the coo shed and a black bull would graze on the field all week and when a game was to be played they put in the shed. Kirkcaldy Union moved in 1887 and played against Raith Rovers in a cup game but both sets of fans invaded the pitch so Mr Stark cleared the land by letting the bull go. It made many a man run faster than he thought possible in boots, according to the local paper a quote of "the first under ten second dash over a hundred yards was done by a few men as the bull got loose from the shed! (Man won just by a short horn)". The reporter of the day had a good sense of humour.

Although the soil was full of clay Raith Rovers moved in 1891 from Robbies Park (Beveridge Park) and full drained the land and sorted out the potholes and brought their pavilion which they dismantled and carried under the railway bridge, and joined it on to the stand erected by Mr Stark in 1888.

This grandstand stood for another five years before with the help of Mr. Stark, a new Grandstand was erected and the coo shed moved to the top of railway end, Rovers had two associated teams and used their up and coming players in these. Raith Athletic who played in the West of Fife League and later Raith Rovers Juniors. In between times their second XI played in the Reserve League or Northern League.

The gate money from the final helped fix the stand which had been damaged in 1911 when part of it blew down in a storm Today's L shaped stand was built in 1922 funded by the Grandstand Committee.

In 1940 gave the turnstiles to the war effort and made the turnstiles wider and installed new one in 1945 after a donation from another Mr Stark. The ground was made larger and in February 1953, 32,000 watched Raith play Hearts of Midlothian in a Scottish Cup tie Floodlights were installed in

1960 and they improved the cover they had built at Robbie Park end of the ground and a better stand/enclosure the Coo shed end (Railway End).

In 1981 when they looked like making the Premier Division with the Coo Shed Enclosure was demolished and a new Railway Stand was put up but they finished fourth in that season. Winning the League Cup, selling Steve McAnespie and playing in the UEFA Cup generated the money needed to redevelop Stark's Park as an all seater ground with North and an extended South Stand. It was completed in time for the 1995/96 season, and Bayern Munich were invited to play a friendly in the first match in the redeveloped ground, with Raith Rovers securing a narrow 1–0 win.

### **Robbies Park**

Raith Rovers moved from High Street Public Park to Robbie Park (Beveridge Park) after only two games and shared it with Kirkcaldy Albion. The opening tie on the ground was between the two residents on the 13<sup>th</sup> November 1886.

With the expansion of the town this area of land was taken over and became part of today's Beveridge Park and Raith took their stand down and moved to Starks Park.

#### **Newton Park**

The Wanderers as mentioned previously had started at Stark Park at their inception; however they amalgamated with Kirkcaldy Rugby FC of this time to base themselves at Newton Park which was a more established pitch and no drainage or potholes on the pitch. Newton Park was on Nichol Street in an area of the town called "The Newton"

Being the home of the Rugby code the park was not roped off or fenced. This was done in 1887 but within a year Wanderers had gone into abeyance for a season and successful junior side Kirkcaldy Albion took advantage and moved into the ground and a tie against Cowdenbeath Juniors attracted 4,500 in a Fife Junior cup tie.

Wanderers came back and played on till 1892 and then renamed themselves Kirkcaldy FC and had a second XI called Newton XI who played a few seasons in the West of Fife Junior League. In 1895 the ground was levelled and an ash running track put around the ground along with a stand and new pavilion built.

The running track was used by Kirkcaldy Harriers and in May 1896 2000 spectators watched a derby match against Raith Rovers. Kirkcaldy FC went out of existence at the end of 1899 and was replaced on the park by Kirkcaldy Amateurs in October 1901 who sold the land to the council and moved to Overton Park taking the pavilion and the stand with them.

#### **Scotts Park**

Kirkcaldy United moved to Scotts Park from Overton Park after changing name from Kirkcaldy Amateurs the Overton fixtures and fittings coming with them.

#### **Overton Park**

The Amateurs moved to the ground in the Dysart area of Kirkcaldy which is still extant beside Overton Mains. They had been the third or fourth club to try to find an alternative in the senior game to Raith Rovers. The amateurs later became Kirkcaldy United when they moved on to Scotts Park taking their fixtures with them including the boundary fence.

#### **Station Park**

This ground was used by junior side Rosslyn (known as the Die Hard's) who became the most successful side that the town of Kirkcaldy has ever produced in the junior ranks. The ground at Station Park, part of which is used by Viewforth High School on Windmill Road, which is 200 yards north of the School is part of their playing fields and part of the ground went for housing.

It was opened in August 1910 and the juniors would play here for nearly 50 years but it was not till 1931 that a stand was built beside the pavilion to accommodate 200 people. In 1931/32 in the fifth round of the Scottish Cup 4550 spectators saw the Rosslyn defeat Dundee North End and 5100 witnessed against Royal Albert in the sixth round.

The ground was taken over by Frances Colliery who were ejected from the ground in 1959 and moved over to Coaltown of Wemyss and School Park while they tried to find suitable land in the town. Ironically the ground nearly hosted its largest crowd at that time as Rosslyn had arranged a challenge match to raise funds for the building of a new ground but had went defunct so Frances took over but the council moved them out before the game was played. It was played at Starks Park Frances winning 6-1 against Northern Counties side Pontefract Colliery from Yorkshire

#### **Smeaton Park**

The ground only had a boundary fence and in a Scottish Cup tie Arniston Rangers refused to play the tie at Smeaton and the game was moved to Station Park with 10% of the gate money going to Rosslyn. Kirkcaldy YM took over the ground in 1970 having stepped up from the local amateurs and with the help of Nairn Floorings improved the ground their first game in August 1970 was watched by 200 spectators. The land was finally built upon in 1972 and YM went on to share with Frances Colliery at Coaltown on Weymss for four seasons before moving back

### Windmill Park

After sharing with Frances Colliery YM moved back to Kirkcaldy and were granted a 20 year lease on a pitch that was only 100 yards north of the old Rosslyn ground of Station Park which is situated beside Windmill Road. The ground was used until they moved down to Denfield Park which is only 50 yards South of Smeaton Park.

#### **Denfield Park**

This is Kirkcaldy YM's own land on Denburn Road, 2 miles west of the first ground on Windmill Road, with nice changing facilities and behind the North goal is Nairn Flooring and the old Smeaton Park location. The ground is basic on three sides and they now play in the East Region.

#### **Elders Park**

This was situated in the village of Pathhead which was to become part of Kirkcaldy in 1900 and is just before you come into Dysart in the North West of the town. The village first and only side was Pathhead United who would play at Elders Park (1885 - 1908). It was situated between Smeaton Road in the West and Den Road in the east with the railway as the south boundary.

# **Kirkcaldy Albion**

Albion were formed in 1883 and started up at the High Street Public Park they soon moved up to Robbie Park which they would share with Raith Rovers. They were founder members of Kirkcaldy Junior football Association in 1886 and the Fife Junior Football Association in 1889.

Albion defeated Union at Newton Park 4-1 they would lose their hold on the Fife Junior Cup when they were defeated by Raith Rovers at Starks Park and the bull sorted out the crowd that had invaded the pitch having been let loss by Mr Stark.

In 1889 they won their first Cowdenbeath Cup when they defeated Pathhead United at Starks Park and were runners up in the Fife Junior Cup.

They won the Fife Junior cup in 1890 when Hearts of Beath were defeated and they went on to retain the cup defeating Binnend Rangers at Starks Park the club closed its doors in 1899

Founded – 1883 Defunct – 1899

Grounds - High Street, Robbie Park, Newton Park

League - West of Fife League

#### **Honours**

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1886, 1890, 1891

Runners up – 1887, 1889

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1889, 1890

# Kirkcaldy Fern

Fern were founder members of the Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association in 1886 and were runners up to Raith Rovers at Newton Park in 1888

Founded – 1885

Ground - High Street Public Park

#### **Honours**

#### Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1888

# Kirkcaldy Union

Union were founder members of the Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association in 1886 and were runners up to Albion losing 4-1 at Newton Park in May 1886.

Founded – 1885

Defunct - 1889

Defunct 1889

Ground - Scotts Park

#### Honours

### Fife Junior Cup

Runners up – 1886

# Kirkcaldy United

United were formed in 1901 as Kirkcaldy Amateurs, The Amateurs moved to the Overton ground in the Dysart area of Kirkcaldy which is still extant beside Overton Mains from Newton Park.

They would play in the Northern League and Central League and had good runs in the Scottish Cup having only qualified in 1910 and 1914 where they lost out in the second round.

United won the Fife Cup in 1907 and 1913 and the Northern League in 1906/07 and 1911/12 and put themselves up for election to join the Scottish Football League in 1913/14 season but lost out in the vote to Clydebank and arch rivals Lochgelly United. The biggest crowd at Scotts Park was in the Scottish Cup 1rst round replay Queens Park January 1910, when 12,000 spectators watched the match. The club played until 1916 and went into abeyance but were never revived and Raith Rovers became the only senior team in the town

Founded - 1901

Defunct - 1916

Ground - Overton Park, Newton Park, Scotts Park

**Honours** 

Fife Cup

Winners – 1907, 1913

Northern League

Champions – 1906/07, 1911/12

## Kirkcaldy YM

Kirkcaldy YMCA took Smeaton Park in 1970 having stepped up from the local amateurs and with the help of Nairn Floorings improved the ground their first game in the fife Regional League was in August 1970 was watched by 200 spectators. The land was finally built upon in 1972 and YM went on to share with Frances Colliery at Coaltown on Weymss for four seasons before moving back to Kirkcaldy.

They took over part of the old Roslyn ground of Windmill Road and would play their before buying land on Denfield Road which is only 50 yards south of the Smeaton Park.

The YM were to be runners up in the West Division of the Fife Regional League in 1979/80 season and were runners up in the Fife Junior cup in 1989 losing to St Andrews United. They joined the East Region when fife merged with Lothians and Tayside Regions and were placed in the fife Regional Division of East Region.

They were to be runners up in the Fife League Cup in 2005 and in 2006/07 season just missed out on promotion to the Premier division East Region when they were runners up to Dundonald Bluebell in the new Central Division

Founded - 1969

Grounds – Windmill Road, Smeaton Park, School Park, Coaltown on Wemyss, Windmill Park, Denfield Park, Den Road, Kirkcaldy

Leagues - Fife Regional League, East Region

#### Honours

### Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1989

Fife Regional League West Division

Runners up - 1979/80

**East Region Central Division** 

Runners up - 2006/07

Fife League Cup

Runners up - 2005

### Nairn Thistle

Nairn Flooring which had an amateur works team stepped up to the Juniors in 1938/39 season renaming themselves Nairn Thistle, the ground Smeaton Park which was named after Smeaton Warehouses who owned the land beside the works.

In their first season as a junior club defeated Lochore Welfare in the Mitchell cup but went into abeyance during World War II. They rejoined the league in 1946 and were runners up in the League in 1950/51 season. They were to be runners up in 19654, 1955 and 1959 in the Mitchell Cup and were runners up in the Fife Junior cup in 1957.

The company upgraded Smeaton Park in 1957 and they even provided a night-watchman to watch the ground (as this is not one of the most exotic parts of the Kirkcaldy). Thistle played on till 1968 when the company's expansion plans got in the way of the club and the club closed down.

Founded - 1938

Defunct - 1968

Ground - Smeaton Park

League – Fife County League

#### **Honours**

### Fife County League

Runners up - 1950/51

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1957

#### Mitchell Cup

Winners - 1939

Runners up - 1954, 1955, 1959

### Newton XI

The Newton were the junior side of Kirkcaldy seniors and shared Newton Park from 1889 till they closed down in 1900

Founded - 1889

Defunct - 1900

Ground - Newton Park

League - West of Fife League

### Pathhead United

United were formed in 1886 and were to be runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1889 and 1890. In 1891 they won the Cowdenbeath Cup defeating Lochgelly United Juniors at North End Park Cowdenbeath.

They were to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup in 1892, 1893 and in 1894 and were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup. United joined the West of Fife League and were runners up in 1894/95 season

They won the Montrave cup in 1907 defeating St Andrews United at Bayview Methil. United would play on till 1908 but most fans were now wandering down the High Street to watch Raith Rovers in the Scottish Football League.

Founded – 1886

Defunct - 1908

Ground - Elders Park, Pathhead Kirkcaldy

Leagues – West of Fife League

### **Honours**

#### Fife Junior Cup

Runners Up -1892, 1893, 1894

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1891

Runners up – 1889, 1890, 1894

#### West Fife League

Runners up – 1894/95

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1907

# Raith Athletic

Athletic were the second XI of Raith Rovers and started out at Scott Park before moving down to Starks Park. Athletic won the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1895 when they defeated Cowdenbeath Juniors at North End Park. Athletic won their first Fife Junior Cup in 1898 defeating Buckhaven United at Ladysmill in front of 800 spectators

They won their first West of Fife League championship in 1898/99 season and were to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and runners up in the Fife Shield. They won the Fife Junior Cup against Leven Thistle at Ladysmill Park in 1900 having lost out to them in the previous season and were champions of the West of Fife Junior League and runners up in the Fife Shield

A season later they won the Nairn Cup given to the association by the flooring company in the town and went on to retain it in 1902. There last honour was to come in the West Fife League when they were champions in 1904/05. In 1907 the club name was chance to Raith Rovers and they joined the Reserve League

Founded - 1890

Grounds – Scotts Park, Starks Park

Leagues - West of Fife League, Scottish Reserve League

### **Honours**

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1898, 1900

Runners up – 1899

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1895

#### Fife Shield

Runners up – 1899, 1900

#### West Fife League

Champions – 1898/99, 1899/1900, 1904/05

#### **Nairn Cup**

Winners - 1901, 1902

### Raith Rovers

The Rovers were formed in 1885 as a junior side and were founder members of the Kirkcaldy Junior football Association in 1886 and the played at Robbies Park (Beveridge Park).

Raith Rovers moved from High Street Public Park to Robbie Park (Beveridge Park) after only two games in 1886 playing their last game on the High Street Park in the first round of the Scottish Cup and shared it with Kirkcaldy Albion. The opening tie on the ground was between the two residents on the 13<sup>th</sup> November 1886.

They won their first trophy in 1887 when they defeated Kirkcaldy Albion at Starks Park they went on to win it for the next two seasons. With the expansion of the town and this area of land was taken over and became part of today's Beveridge Park and Raith took their stand down and moved to Starks Park in 1891 and turned senior.

In their first season as a senior side they won the Fife Cup the first to do the junior and senior cups the only other has been Lochgelly United and were champions of the Midland League. In 1894 they won their second Fife Cup

This grandstand stood till 1896 before with the help of Mr. Stark, a new Grandstand was erected and the coo shed moved to the top of railway end, Rovers were also part of the 182 clubs that played in the first round of the Qualifying in 1895 when they played Casuals and won 4-3 and went on to defeat Dunipace 6-2, Montrose 2-1, Bye, Lochgelly United 2-1 after a replay but lost 4-1 to Kings Park at Starks Park and would go out of the Scottish Cup in the second round losing to Hibernian 6-1 at Drum Park (Easter Road).

The next season they went of the Qualifying Cup again in the sixth round losing to Kings Park from Stirling at Forthbank Park and lost out to Dumbarton, it would be Shire that would knock them out of the qualifying Cup the next season in the fifth round and knocked them out of the Scottish cup in 1897/98 season but ended the season winning their third Fife Cup as well as the East of Scotland Qualifying Cup and East of Scotland Consolation cup. They went on to win the Fife Cup it in 1899 and 1900.

Rovers had stepped up joined the seniors and became members of the Midland League in 1892 before going on to join the Central League and won the Northern League in 1901/02 season and were elected to the Scottish Football League in 1902, becoming the first side from Fife to do so.

Rover's first league game was in Falkirk against East Stirlingshire and lost 4-1 and their first home league game was against Clyde which ended 1-1 in front of 1,900 spectators but they crashed out of the Scottish Qualifying Cup to Lochgelly United and ended the season having to be re-elected to Division Two along with Clyde.

The finished fifth in the next season to champions Hamilton Accies and applied to join Division One but didn't receive enough votes, a season later they nearly had to apply for re-election but a win in the last game put them in tenth of the twelve teams and were in the bottom half the next season.

In 1906/07 season they reached the final of the Scottish Qualifying Cup it started at home with a win over old foes Kirkcaldy United 2-1, Lochgelly United were seen of at Methil in a second replay 3-1. North End Park Cowdenbeath was to be the place it was to be replayed but on advice of the Fife police the game was played at Methil. A bye in the third round and then Cowdenbeath were defeated at Starks Park in front of 7,000 spectators. Inverness Clachnacuddin in the fifth round 4-0 at Starks Park.

The semi final was played at Tontine Park Renton with four special trains went to Renton in Dumbartonshire and saw McNicol score the winning goal. The final was played in front of 12,000 spectators at Tynecastle in Edinburgh against Saint Bernards and Rovers were two nil up at half time with goals by McNicol and an own goal by Slaggie but the Saints came fighting back and goals by Finlay and Hall sent the game to a replay.

The replay was at Easter Road on December 1 1906 where 13,000 payed thrupence (2p) to watch the match and three goals up at half time with goals by McNicol, Hall and a own goal by McDonald had looked like it assured the cup was on its way back to Kirkcaldy but saint came back and scored with a goal by Findley but this time Rovers held out and the cup was on its way back to Kirkcaldy and the supporters lifted and carried them from Kirkcaldy Rail station to High Street where the cup was paraded around the town.

They defeated Aberdeen University 5-1 in the first round of the Scottish Cup and then Ayr where seen off 4-0 at Starks Park and the rovers reached the quarter finals with a tie in front of 20,000 people at Tynecastle which saw the rovers nearly defeat Hearts but a late goal spared Hearts blushes.

The banking and the stand could hold up to 19,000 spectators plus the coo shed. When Hearts of Midlothian visited in the quarter final replay of the Scottish Cup on March 23 1907, Raith having acquired a large section of Railway embankment rented for the day and a reported 18,000 spectators watched the bulls horns were decked out in blue rosettes and it was another late goal that gave hearts the win.

In 1907 they formed a Limited Company and they built a new set of turnstiles and set off in the Qualifying Cup in defence of the trophy at Lochgelly against United which went to a replay and Rovers overcame United 3-1 at Starks Park, Leith Athletic 1-0, St Johnstone 3-1 at Recreation Park, Perth, then Dunblane at Victoria Park 2-1. The semi final was played in front of 10,000 where they saw Rovers easily defeat Dumfries 5-0.

The final was played again at Tynecastle and against Saint Bernards this time it would be the Saint who won 3-1 with two late goals by Buchanan and Tennent they would reach the quarter finals of the Scottish Cup having seen off Inverness Thistle and Partick thistle after a replay but lost to Celtic 3-0

in front of 19,000, they went on to win their first Division Two championship three points clear of Dumbarton but as in the year before they didn't receive enough votes but Dumbarton were promoted.

They were knocked out in the second round of the Qualifying Cup and refused to take part in the Scottish Consolation Cup giving a bye to East Fife and ended the season winning the Fife Cup and were three points behind Abercorn as runners up in Division Two and weren't elected.

They started the 1909/10 season by going out in a second replay of the Scottish Qualifying Cup but decided to play in the Scottish Consolation Cup they defeated Cowdenbeath after a replay at Starks Park, Hearts of Beath 3-1, Dunblane 4-0, Kings Park 1-0 at Stirling, bye to reach the semi-final of the competition the game was played in front of 12,000 fans at Recreation Park where Rovers lost out to and Anderson goal but ended the season a champions of Division Two for the second time in three seasons this time they spoke to all the delegates at the SFL meeting at Buchanan Chambers in Glasgow telling of their record and when the votes were in they were elected to Division One the first Fife club to do so.

The stand was updated just in time for their first season in Division One of the Scottish Football League in 1910. Their first league game was at Greenock against Morton and lost 1-0 then three days later travelled to Aberdeen and lost 2-0 there first home game was seven days later against Rangers and lost 2-0 and finished fifthteenth of eighteen and had gone out of the Qualifying cup at the first round as well as the Consolation Cup.

Rovers made their second major final when they reached the final of the Scottish Cup in 1913 having received a bye in the first round Broxburn 5-0, Hibernian 1-0 at Easter Road in a replay they Clyde in the Semi-final 1-0 at Tynecastle after a 1-1 draw a week before.

The final was played at Celtic Park, Glasgow against Falkirk only to lose to 2-0. The club had come a long way since they had taken their first steps in the Scottish Junior Cup back in 1886.

The gate money from the final helped fix the stand which had been damaged in 1911 when part of it blew down in a storm and they played on till 1917 when they were asked not to play in the league because of travelling costs so they and the Dundee clubs plus Aberdeen didn't play from 1917 to 1919. The Junior XI played in the local Fife County League and a fire destroyed the stand in 1918 after a match.

Today's L shaped stand was built in 1922 funded by the Grandstand Committee and at the end of the 1921/22 season they had finished third in Division One, on the last game of the season the bull that had resided on the ground was sold to a local farmer and was paraded round the ground decked as always in scarves and rosettes on its horns and the coo shed was knocked down. The twenties would also see the club win four Fife Cups and one Wernyss Cup.

In 1926/27 they finished second bottom and were relegated but bounced straight back up as runners up in Division Two season later they were back in Division Two and the depression hit Kirkcaldy hard and it would take till 1939 before they would spend one season back in Division One and in that decade the Fife Cup and Wemyss Cup were won once.

In 1935/36 they suffered their highest defeat when they went down to Greenock Morton 11-2 and in 1940 gave the turnstiles to the war effort and made the turnstiles wider and installed new one in 1945 after a donation from another Mr Stark. The 1937/38 season saw Raith Rovers net 142 goals in a season to win Division Two, a record that stands to this day.

Rovers started the 1939/40 season in division but the league was abandoned after World War II was declared in September 1939. Regional Leagues were set up and Rovers played in the East League then

went into abeyance for a season before joining the North Eastern League in 1942/43 season they won the first part of the championship series in 1943/44

Rovers finally made it back to Division One in 1948/49 season with William Penman scoring 58 goals and they sold Jackie Stewart to Birmingham to keep the bank happy and dissolved the 1907 Limited company and 1920 Grandstand Committee into a new Company, Raith Rovers Ltd in 1948. They ended the decade by winning the Fife Cup in 1949 and then again in 1951 sharing the cup in 1953, 1955 and 1957.

The ground was made larger and in February 1953, 32,000 watched Raith play Hearts of Midlothian in a Scottish Cup tie and a year later saw Raith record their highest score when they put ten past Coldstream in the Scottish Cup winning 10-1.

They would spend the fifties in Division One and it was not till 1963 that they were relegated back to Division Two. It would be 1967 before they were promoted back to Division One. Floodlights were installed in 1960 and they improved the cover they had built at Robbie Park end of the ground and a better stand/enclosure the Coo Shed End (Railway End). The club won four back to back Fife Cups 1966 – 1969 and also winning it in 1962.

Raith bounced from Division One to Division Two and back winning two Fife Cups during the 1970's but in 1981 when they looked like making the Premier Division with the Coo Shed Enclosure was demolished and a new Railway Stand was put up but they finished fourth in that season and in 1987 the fife cup was won.

Raith reverted back to being a full time side again for the season of 1991/92 which was soon followed by winning the Division One title in the season of 1992/93. This was to start the most successful period in the club's history – which saw their first foray into the Scottish Premier Division but was only short-lived. They would also win five Fife Cups in six seasons 1990 – 1995 only missing out in 1992.

On 27 November 1994, Raith, managed by Jimmy Nichol, surprisingly beat Celtic 6–5 on penalties to win the League Cup, after a 2–2 draw at Ibrox Park as Hampden was being refurbished. Future Raith manager, Gordon Dalziel, scored the equalising goal for Raith in the dying minutes of regulation time. The same season, Raith were again promoted to the Premier League after winning the First Division title.

As a result of the Cup win, Raith qualified for Europe (UEFA Cup) for the first time in their history. After eliminating both the Faroese and Icelandic sides (GÍ Gota and ÍA Karnes respectively) in the first two rounds, the club finally succumbed to eventual UEFA Cup winners Bayern Munich. They were beaten 2–0 by the German side in the 1st leg, which was not played at their home ground but at Easter Road, Edinburgh. In the 2nd leg, at the Olympia Stadium they led 1–0 at half time against all odds, eventually losing 2–1. This was the first time a Scottish team had qualified for a major European competition while playing outside the top league and in that season, Raith finished 6th in the Premier League.

Winning the League Cup, selling Steve McAnespie and playing in the UEFA Cup generated the money needed to redevelop Stark's Park as an all seater ground with North and an extended South Stand. It was completed in time for the 1995/96 season, and Bayern Munich were invited to play a friendly in the first match in the redeveloped ground, with Raith Rovers securing a narrow 1–0 win.

After the club were relegated from the Premier Division, they also struggled to succeed in Division One. For the 2001/02 season they were relegated to Division Two for the first time since 1987.

Although league form was poor they won four Fife Cups in five seasons 1999 - 2002 and then won it in 2004 for the record of 36 Fife Cups.

The club returned to Division One (with the lowest winning total, to date, for champions of 59 points), under the leadership of Antonio Calderón in 2002/03 season. At the start of the 2004–05 season, Claude Anelka was subsequently appointed the manager of Raith Rovers, with Antonio Calderón refusing the offer of a coaching role and leaving the club. Anelka signed a team of (mostly) players from the lower leagues in France. A disastrous season followed, despite Anelka resigning halfway through the season (replaced by Gordon Dalziel) and his signings either leaving, or having their contracts terminated, Raith were relegated to Division Two after finishing bottom of the Division One with just 16 points. They only managed to win three games all season.

During 2005–06, the future of the club looked doubtful after the club and its traditional home of Stark's Park were both placed under threat by previous owners Colin McGowan and Alex Short. The Glasgow based property developers had repeatedly threatened to sell Stark's Park for housing in a bid to find a buyer for their stake in the club and after months of legal and financial wrangling a deal was struck

Former chairman Turnbull Hutton and director Mario Caira, who were part of West City retained their investment and were joined by major investor John Sim. The Reclaim the Rovers fans' campaign, which was launched in a bid to secure a future for the club, also secured a place for a Supporters' Representative, on the new-look board after raising £100,000 towards the final figure.

On 30 December 2005, Raith Rovers' future was secured after a £1.2 million community buy-out (The New Raith Rovers Limited consortium) assisted by the then Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown who became Prime Minister, and is a fan and shareholder of the club. Previous chairman David Sinton also completed work on the takeover.

On 2 May 2009, Raith secured the Second Division title with a 1–0 win at the home of Scottish football, Hampden Park, with a travelling support of over 1500. They lifted the trophy in front of almost 5000 the following week following a 0–0 draw with Arbroath.

In 2010 Rovers celebrated their 125 years of the clubs formation and in 2010/11 season Raith were riding high at the top of Division One after Dundee were docked 25 points for going into administration with arch rivals Dunfermline snapping at their heels and it was a battle between them to see who would go back to the Premier Division with their arch rivals Dunfermline going up and winning a tight battle.

Founded - 1885

Grounds – Robbie Park, Stark Park, Kirkcaldy

Leagues - Midland League, Central Combination, Scottish Football League

#### **Honours**

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1887, 1888, 1889

Scottish Cup

Runners up – 1913

Scottish League Cup

Winners – 1995

Runners up - 1948

#### **Scottish Qualifying Cup**

Winners - 1906/07

Runners up - 1907/08

#### **Division One**

Champions - 1992/93, 1994/95

Runners up - 2010/11

#### **Division Two**

Champions - 1907/08, 1909/10, 1937/38, 1948/49, 2002/03, 2008/09

Runners Up – 1908/09, 1926/27, 1966/67, 1975/76, 1977/78, 1986/87

#### Fife Cup

Winners – 1892, 1894, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1906, 1909, 1915, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1925, 1930, 1949, 1951, 1953\*, 1955\*, 1957\*, 1962, 1966\*, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1972, 1976, 1987, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2004

(\* Shared)

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1887, 1888, 1889

#### **East of Scotland Qualifying Cup**

Winners – 1898, 1901, 1902,

#### **East of Scotland Consolation Cup**

Winners - 1898

### Wemyss Cup

Winners - 1898, 1901, 1904, 1905 1906, 1915, 1921, 1939

#### Penman Cup

Winners – 1906, 1909, 1912, 1924, 1937, 1959

#### Midland League

Champions - 1891/92

#### Northern League

Champions -1901/02

#### North Eastern League

Champions Part 1 – 1943/44

# Rosslyn

The Die Hards were formed in 1908 but it was not until 1919 that they joined the Fife Junior League. In their first season they were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup and would be runners up in the next three seasons and were runners up in the Montrave Cup in 1911.

In 1922 they won their first Fife Junior Cup when they defeated St Monans Swifts at Bayview Methil and added the Fife Shield when they defeated Hearts of Beath at Central Park, Cowdenbeath.

They were to be runners up in the East Division Fife County League to Dunnikeir Colliery in 1922/23 season and in 1925 won their first Cowdenbeath Cup when they defeated Valleyfield Colliery at Central Park Cowdenbeath and were runners up in the Montrave Cup and Dunfermline Cup in 1929.

They won four trophies in 1929/30 season of League, Fife Cup, Cowdenbeath and Dunfermline Cup plus runners up in the Montrave Cup, in 1931 the Die Hards reached the semi-finals of the Scottish Junior Cup but lost to Glasgow Perthshire at Tynecastle where 7,761 watched that match and were to be runners up in the League.

In 1931/32 they won the League, Cowdenbeath and a season later won the League, Montrave Cup, Fife Shield, and the Sinagora Cup. Their last honour was to be runners up in the League in 1938/39 season.

The need for building land for the local council made them buy Station Park from the club in 1955 but the club could not find land even though the players and fans raised £750 and the club closed down.

Defunct - 1957

Founded – 1908

Ground - Station Park Windmill Road,

Leagues - Fife County League

#### Honours

### Fife County League

Champions- 1929/30, 1931/32, 1932/33

Runners up - 1930/31, 1938/39

#### Fife County League East Division

Champions – 1922/23, 1938/39

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1922, 1930

Runners up – 1929, 1933, 1935

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1925, 1930, 1932, 1934

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners - 1933

Runners up – 1911, 1929, 1930

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1922, 1926, 1933, 1934

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1930

Runners up – 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1929

# <u>Ladybank</u>

There has been two clubs that have played in the junior circles in Ladybank they have been Ladybank Violet, Ladybank Ex Servicemen who became Ladybank FC, they all played on the local Ramornie Park.

## Ladybank Violet

Violet were to be runners up in the West Fife League in (1909) and Martin White Cup (1907). There only championship was the Howe of Fife League in 1908/09 season but closed down in 1915

Founded - 1901

Defunct - 1915

Ground - Ramornie Park

Leagues – West of Fife League, Fife County League

#### Honours

West of Fife League

Runners up - 1908/09

**Howe of Fife League** 

Champions - 1904/05

**Martin White Cup** 

Runners up - 1907

# <u>Lassodie</u>

The Rosewell Mining Company from Midlothian started mining in the village in 1860, with there at one time being five working pits around the village which soon grew into a small town.

The miners formed a team in 1884 and a year later formed a junior XI in 1885 and played friendlies up to 1887 when they entered the Edinburgh Shield but lost to Kirkcaldy Wanderers.

### Lochvie w Park

The senior side shared the ground with the junior XI from 1885 - 1894 when the senior side of the club was wound up, the ground was a boggy clay pitch with changing facilities at the small mining institute, A team called Loch Rangers played on the pitch for one season after the demise of the Senior Lassodie side.

## Lassodie FC

The club won the Fife Cup (1888), Fife Charity Cup (1890) and runners up in the East of Scotland Consolation Cup (1892).

Founded – 1884

Defunct - 1895

Ground – Lochview Park

### **Honours**

#### **East of Scotland Consolation Cup**

Runners up – 1892

### Fife Cup

Winners 1888

### Fife Charity Cup

Winners - 1890

### Lassodie Junior XI

They joined the West of Fife League and were back to back champions (1895 - 97) and runners up in 1900/01 and 1901/02 and in that season were runners up in the Wilkinson Cup.

They lost to Kelty Rangers in the final of the Cowdenbeath Cup of 1903 but won the Dunfermline Cup defeating Vale of Weymss at Ladysmill Park Dunfermline the Junior XI would play on till the 1914 even though all the five pits had closed down and most people had moved over to Kingseat.

Founded - 1885

Defunct - 1914

Ground - Lochview Park

League - West of Fife League

### **Honours**

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Runners up – 1903

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up – 1903

#### West of Fife League

Champions – 1895/96, 1896/97

Runners up – 1900/01, 1901/02, 1911/12

### Wilkinson Cup

Runners up - 1902

# <u>Lessie</u>

Leslie Our Boys were the first to use Prinlaws Park in the town and were formed in 1888. In their first season they reached the Semi-final stage of the Fife Cup only to lose at Starks Park in Kirkcaldy and went defunct in 1893.

The ground lay vacant until juvenile side Leslie Hearts stepped up and with help of a Mr Zetland put boundary fencing round the pitch and erected boundary fencing and changing rooms at Prinlaws Park instead of the using the local Miners Welfare.

In only their second season season as a junior club they won the Armitage Cup and the Martin White Cup (1904), The Hearts joined the Howe of Fife League and won back to back championships (1906 - 08), for extra games they played in the East of Neuk League which they would dominate with 6 championships in seven years.

They did the treble of Fife Junior Cup, Montrave Cup and the Howe of Fife League in 1907/08 season and did another treble with Armitage Cup, Martin White Cup and East Neuk League in 1910/11

season and a year later all three trophies were retained. They went on to win the East Neuk League for the next three seasons making 8 championships in nine seasons between the Howe of Fife League and East Neuk with one runners up in 1909/10

The Hearts won the Fife Shield in 1914 making a league and cup double and they stopped playing in 1915 and went into abeyance for the duration of World War One. They were reformed in 1919 and joined the Fife County League and also played in East Neuk League and the East Division Fife County League before the club closed in 1923.

### Leslie Hearts

Founded - 1900

Defunct - 1923

Ground - Prinlaws Park

Leagues – Howe of Fife League, East Neuk League, Fife County League

### **Honours**

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1908

Runners up - 1909

### Howe of Fife League

Champions – 1906/07, 1907/08

### East Neuk League

Champions – 1908/09, 1910/11, 1911/12, 1912/13, 1913/14, 1914/15

Runners up - 1909/10

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners - 1908

### Fife Shield

Winners - 1914

#### **Martin White Cup**

Winners – 1904, 1911, 1912

#### **Armitage Cup**

Winners – 1904, 1911, 1912

Runners up – 1909, 1910

# Leven

The first club to play in the town was Leven FC and played at Aitkenhead Public Park in the town but lasted one season.

#### Linwood Park

The enclosure which was behind St Agatha School was first played on by All Stars v Leven Juniors on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August 1969 before this the people of the town had watched junior or senior football either at Buckhaven, Methil or Denbeath.

The ground had been improved with £2,150 on pavilion, boundary fences and turnstiles along with two set of kit but the crowds were small as East Fife were playing in Division One of the Scottish Football League at this time but the club switched a match to Sunday to play Clackmannan on September 17<sup>th</sup> 1971 and 400 spectators turned up to watch the match in the second round of the Fife Cup

They had to move for a season to Herd Park in Methilhill after a disagreement with the local Education Committee and had been turned down for King George V Park, they moved into this ground for 1975/76 season but after a season at Herd Park they moved back to Linwood Park for two season before moving everything bar changing rooms to King George V Park.

### King George V Park

A pavilion with changing facilities had been put on this land for amateur sides and was beside the Windygates Road opposite Butlers Engineering Works in a complex of Pitches.

Leven were told by the local council that they would upgrade the pitch for 1970 season but they played on at Linwood Park till 1975 when everything they wanted was done by the council then moved all their belongings including boundary fences turnstiles and even the enclosure, but it was not till January 1975 the ground held its first junior match as Leven had played all their games up to this time away from home.

## Leven Thistle

In 1891 when Leven Thistle was formed they built a small pavilion on Haughhouse Road. With houses needed the moved to Links Park in 1899 and attracted in Semi-Final of Fife Cup in 1899 a crowd of over 3000 spectators against Lochgelly Juniors. They went on to win the Fife Cup in that year, having been runners in 1896.

The jags won their first of five back to back (1895 - 1899) Montrave Cups against defeating Ancient City Athletic from St Andrews at Madras Park St Andrews before losing the trophy in the semi final to Methil Rangers in 1900 and would be runners up in the Montrave Cup and Fife Junior Cup and Wilkinson Cup in 1901 and in 1902 runners up Montrave Cup and Fife Junior Cup.

Thistle won three back to back Cowdenbeath Cups (1897-99) and in 1896/97 season amassed four trophies the Howe of Fife League Championship, Cowdenbeath Cup, Dunfermline Cup and Fife Shield

In 1903 they won the Nairn Cup and at the end of the 1902/03 season merged with Methil Rovers to form East Fife Football Club in Methil playing at Rovers ground of Kirkmuirhill, and it would not be till 1969 when junior football returned to the town.

Founded -1891 Merged -1903

Ground - Haughhouse Park, Links Park

League – Howe of Fife League

#### Honours

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1899

Runners up - 1896, 1900, 1901

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1897, 1898, 1899

Runners up – 1900, 1901

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1897, 1898

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

Runners up – 1900, 1901

#### Fife Shield

Winners - 1897

Runners up – 1901, 1902

#### Howe of Fife League

Champions - 1896/97

#### **Nairn Cup**

Winners - 1903

#### Wilkinson Cup

Runners up - 1901

## Leven JFC

Leven joined the Fife Regional League in 1969 having stepped up from the amateurs playing at Linwood Park and in 1971 they were runners up in the Fife Junior Cup to Glenrothes and were runners up in the Tennents Caledonian Cup in 1975.

In 1979 they were runners up to Halbeath in the Cowdenbeath Cup, the next season they won the Cowdenbeath Cup defeating Glenrothes. Leven won their first league championship in 1981/82 season and added the Fife Junior Cup

In January 1985 in a Scottish Cup tie 1500 spectators watched Leven take on Shotts Bon Accord. They would be runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup having also been runners up in 1983 and would be again runners up in the Fife Regional League West/Division2 in 1987/88 season

At the end of the 1989/90 season they were runners up in the Laidlaw Cup but Leven would come to an abrupt end in. The club folded 7 games into the 1990/91 season and there record was omitted, they pitches are still used but the enclosure and boundary fences have been removed.

Founded – 1968

Defunct - 1990

Grounds, Linwood Park, Herd Park Methilhill, King George V Park

Leagues – Fife Regional League

### **Honours**

Fife Junior League

Champions – 1981/82

Fife Junior League West Division

Runners up - 1988

Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1982

Runners up - 1971, 1982

Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1980

Runners up - 1979, 1983, 1985

Laidlaw Cup

Runners up - 1990

**Drybrough Cup** 

Runners up - 1981

**Tayside Cup** 

Runners up – 1975

# Levenmouth

The village club was called Vale of Leven would play in the town from 1885 to 1895 and were founder members of the Cowdenbeath Junior Football Association in 1886 and Fife Junior Football Association in 1889. They played on a public park and changed at the local welfare halls in the village.

## Vale of Leven

Founded – 1885

Defunct - 1895

Ground - Public Park

Founder Member - Kirkcaldy Junior Football Association & Fife Junior Football Association

# Lochgelly

The town had at one time two senior sides and three junior sides one even played in the Scottish Football League 1914 – 1927. Today there is only one side and even that nearly went to the wall when Raith Rovers stalled payments for two players in the early eighties. Whether the exploits of the senior sides could match the Albert side of the late 30's or 50's is quite debatable.

### Coope rhall Park

This park was used by Lochgelly Athletic from 1885 a senior side of the town, but they merged with Fifeshire Hibernians in 1889 to form the first Lochgelly United. This pitch was beside the Jenny Gray Pit which was just of Cooperhall Avenue today (Lochgelly Golf Club) and they shared the facilities with the local cricket teams and harriers. Athletics first game was against Kingseat in August 1885 and the same team opened the 1886 season. Their first venture in the cup was against Burntisland Thistle in the King Cup first round in November 1887.

However the park wasn't enclosed and canvas was put around the ground to get gate money and due to financial pressure they moved to Schools Park during 1889/90 before becoming United in June 1890.

Lochgelly Juniors and then a change of name to Lochgelly Rangers used this ground in the junior ranks before moving in with United in 1895.

#### **Schools Park**

This was United home for the next eleven years as situated on what is today David Street and Lochgelly Centre, was beside East School and at that time in 1890 was an undeveloped part of land and with the juniors moving in 1895 it was fully enclosed.

In 1901 the East School had to be extended and so both United and Rangers moved out and the school extended this has since been replaced in 1976 by Lochgelly Centre.

#### Reid Park

This was situated on what are Lumphinnans Road and Zetland Place and the ground was extended as the local Lochgelly Cricket Club moved in a year later. In 1904 a Mr Zetland helped the club build a stand which accommodated 450 spectators, engaging a Mr Brown Builders from Edinburgh who had built stands at Hearts of Midlothian and Cowdenbeath and were experienced in this field. The structure cost both parties a total of £300 but was wrecked in a storm and another £60 had to be spent to bring it up to standards.

The first game on Reid Park was against Hearts of Beath in the East of Scotland Consolation Cup in February 1901. In 1908 because houses were needed the ground was moved East on to the cricket part of the ground and the Ground was renamed West End Park, which was used until 1910.

#### **Recreation Park**

The stand from West End Park was moved to the new ground, the new ground was on what today is Cartmore Road although they had been offered an alternative land by the Earl of Minto which was 50 yards from their old ground in Davie Street.

They had left the Juniors and cricketers at West End Park and the club built a brick boundary fence with three turnstile gates and an embankment. United joined the Scottish Football League Division Two for 1914/15 season but went into abeyance for the duration of the war.

With the death of Lord Zetland the new landowner had run greyhounds events during the war and United had to play at Central Park Cowdenbeath for a year so as to pay back rent to the new owner.

United would play on till 1927 when they folded and Lochgelly Amateurs in their fourth incarnation were formed they joined the Edinburgh and District Amateur League before moving out in 1934 when they merged with juvenile side Albert Athletic to become Lochgelly Albert and moved into Gardiners

Park. In 1935 Recreation Park was erased from the map and Timmons Park and Gordon Road houses were placed on it.

#### **Gardiners Park**

The long time tenants have been Lochgelly Albert who started life as Albert FC playing in the West Fife Amateur League before stepping up to the juveniles in the late twenties then merged with Lochgelly Amateurs in 1934 to become Lochgelly Albert. Albert had also shared the ground with Athletic and Star.

The formation of Violet led to a boom in attendances for the club especially between the two clubs as on the 25<sup>th</sup> of July 1936 3, 000 attended a match between Albert v Violet and this was equalled a year later in a Scottish Junior Cup 2<sup>nd</sup> round tie v Blairhall Colliery

In 1947 the park was stretched to its limit for Violet v Forth Wanderers, a Scottish Junior Cup 4<sup>th</sup> Round tie when 8000 attended but it really was put to extreme when 12, 645 attended a 6<sup>th</sup> round Scottish Cup tie against Bo'ness United in 1948 with people sitting on house roof tops in South Street to watch the match.

The requirement for building houses forced Albert to play their first six games in 1958-59 season away from home in Glencraig at Ore Park and at Central Park Cowdenbeath so that the pavilion could be moved but they moved it onto uncharted mineshafts and that did for the pavilion so new changing rooms were built. The crowds have diminished and Gardeners Park today is compact but is lucky if it gets into three figures for a match let alone in the thousands.

#### **Stewart Park**

On the opposite side of Lumphinnans Road from Reid/West End Park is Stewart Park or was sometimes referred as Violet Park which has been built on by a playground and filling Station. This land was first used in 1919 by Lochgelly D&D.S who played in the Fife Junior League in 1919/20.

# Lochgelly United

They were formed in 1890 after the merging of Lochgelly Athletic (1885) and Fifeshire Hibernians (1889), Athletic had been formed at first from the Melgund Pit and played at Cooperhall Park, Fifeshire Hibernians had been formed by a group of Irish immigrants into the town in 1889 and played at Melgund Park and their first game was against Athletic at Cooperhall Park with Athletic winning 7-1.

The new club moved to School Park in 1890 and although they used Cooperhall for the 1890/91 season they finally moved into School Park with a game in the Fife Cup at the semi-final stage against Lassodie before 1000 spectators which ended in a win for United but this was protested and would take another two games before United reached the final.

They would again reach the final of the Fife Cup in 1894 but lost out to Raith Rovers after three games. They finally won their first trophy when they defeated Cowdenbeath in the final of the East of Scotland Consolation Cup at East End Park, Dunfermline in front of 6,000 spectators.

United again won the East of Scotland Consolation Cup in 1900 when West Calder were defeated at North End Park Cowdenbeath and were runners up in the Fife Cup to Dunfermline Athletic after two games. In 1902 & 1903 the Wemyss Cup was won and they also won the King Cup and Dunfermline Hospital Cup (1903) in that season. The clubs second XI played as Lochgelly Rangers before they walked away from United and merged with Lochgelly St Patricks and became Lochgelly JFC.

In 1902/03 season they joined the Northern League having first tried League football in the Central League in 1897/98 season and although the Northern League had thirteen clubs they finished runners up in that first season. United were banned (for not playing a tie in the King Cup but had played a League game instead in 1904) by the East of Scotland and Fife clubs en- mass walked away from East of Scotland and the Fife Football Association affiliated themselves with SFA.

The Wemyss Cup reverted from 1905 to an 8 team league system and they saw neighbours Cowdenbeath promoted to the Scottish Football League and in that season United and Hearts of Beath were paired together in the Scottish Qualifying Cup. A record attendance of 4,000 for the time at Reid Park saw United win 2-1 but the match was marred after it with running battles between the miners of both clubs. A good run in the competition saw victories over Alloa Athletic (after three games), Stenhousemuir and Arthurlie before losing to Leith Athletic 3-1. This qualified United for a place in the Scottish Cup and they travelled to Greenock to play Morton. It was a rough game Morton went down to 10 men when a United player was head butted and they led 3-1 at half time and were looking forward to a second round but Morton rallied and scored three unanswered goal to win 4-3 in front of 20,000 spectators. The local paper reported it as the bloodbath of Greenock with 19 booked, 1 sent off and 80 fans arrested for violent conduct and seven goals!

In 1908 they were given a bombshell that Reid Park was needed for houses so they moved the ground 50 yards west on to Cricketers ground who had shared Reid Park with them. They would move to a new ground with the help of Lord Zetland and his agents and moved to Recreation Park in 1910. In their last season at Reid Park (1908) they won the Weymss Cup.

The club joined the 11 club Central League for 1909/10 and at the end of that season Lochgelly United became a Limited Company. The first visitor to Recreation Park were neighbours Hearts of Beath in the Wemyss Cup and won the match 2-0 and in the Qualifying Cup reached the fourth round. This game was abandoned as their opponents Galston had arrived 45minutes late due to problems on the Railway and United were awarded the match but they met the same team in the Scottish Cup and went down 8-0.

The clubs saw a slump in spectators and overall income due to the down turn in the mines and former junior side Lochgelly Juniors becoming a senior side and both teams played in the Northern League. A year later while Lochgelly FC played in the Northern League, United returned to the Central League.

In 1913 the opening games of the season were a farce as both clubs. One played Broxburn Athletic the other played Shamrock these would go on to become Broxburn United and at the end of the season United lost to Dunfermline Athletic in the Final of the Fife Cup.

With both in financial peril they merged and applied to the Scottish Football League as Lochgelly United (the old Limited company had been wound up in 1912). The Scottish League had places up for offer for the 1914/15 season and they were successful on the third ballot as the two league clubs had been comfortably re-elected and Clydebank had won on the second ballot and they just won the third ballot.

The played their first match in the Scottish League on August 15<sup>th</sup> 1914 with a local derby against Cowdenbeath. Captaining the United side that day was Jim Brown who had also been captain with Cowdenbeath and Dunfermline Athletic on their first game in the Scottish League.

World War I had been declared only 10 days earlier but United lost their first game 4-0 in front of 6,500 spectators. This season had only started after the War Office in London had told the Scottish League to keep on playing although they knew that the local Volunteer Battalion would be needed.

United players signed up for the forces and it was a depleted side reached the fifth round of the Qualifying Cup before losing but the Scottish Cup had been abandoned for the duration of the war. United would finish 10<sup>th</sup> of 14 clubs in their first league season.

Division Two was abandoned till 1921 and United joined the Eastern League for 1915/16 season with a mixture of Army and naval personnel and a young player John Duncan who went on to have a illustrious career in England with Leicester Forres (City) scored a hat-trick on the opening game of the new season. United looked like champions after the first four games but not having stable personnel they finished 9<sup>th</sup> of 12 and decided to stop playing football in 1917 till the end of hostilities.

It was not till 1919 that United played Raith Rovers in a friendly and they joined the Eastern League and because they owed rent to the new owners of the land which had been sold by Lord Zetlands family the club played at Central Park while the funds were acquired to pay the new owners two years rent of which £50 was owed.

They returned to Recreation Park in October 1919 and finished 7<sup>th</sup> of 10 in the first season back but they had got through to the first round of the Scottish Cup where they defeated Inverness Caledonian (2-0), then Royal Albert (2-1) before being drawn against Third Lanark. This brought a great interest in the county and 18,000 watched the match on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January but United were not disgraced when they lost 3-0.

The club moved from Eastern League to Central League as the Scottish League had not reformed Division Two. They started off well in Central League before being thrashed by Hearts Reserves 10-0 and were knocked out of the Qualifying Cup but finished the season with 27 pints out of 34 games.

They bought Recreation Park for £1000 in 1921 and United elected along with all the Central League to Division Two they had raised the money on a share issue. A 9000 crowd at Central Park in Cowdenbeath watch their first game back in the Scottish League for six years but lost the game 4-3.

Early in 1922/23 season they won their first honour for nearly fourteen years when the Wemyss Cup was won against East Fife at Cowdenbeath and it looked like they were on for promotion by New Year. Celtic were the visitors in the First round of the Scottish Cup in front of 9,850 spectators and United went ahead to the roar of the crowd then Celtic hit two quick goals before United equalised again but with 5 minutes to go Celtic got the winner to the despair of manager Tom Timmons (the road would later be named after him erase Recreation Park from the map of the town). In February form took a massive kamikaze slide and they finished 10<sup>th</sup> in the league.

They won their first game of the 1923/24 season but did not win another till December and were propping up the table but a tie at Ibrox in the Scottish cup in front of 48,000 (when United went down 4-1helped their finances which otherwise would have been dire as Rangers gave them the agreed £50 plus half of the gate money to help them out.

They didn't win the next 13 games and were propping up the league but defeated Bo'ness then Albion Rovers and released all their players at the end of the season and they next season played with mostly amateur players who worked in the local mines. One player William Miller would be transferred to Liverpool for £200 and would later play for Scotland.

They had been relegated to Division Three the team only failed to score in six games that season with 6-0 wins against Dumbarton Harp and Galston but finished 5<sup>th</sup> of 16 and they were forced to sell their best players to keep the club afloat as the gates in the Third Division plus guarantees were too high for the gates and they club were £800 in the overdraft till Penman was off- loaded to Stoke City for £300.

They just managed to raise a team for the 1925/26 season but playing in the Third Division was pushing up the overdraft and they were just paying the players expenses only and the club went defunct in 1927 with £474 owing which the people who had put shares in to buy the ground back in 1921 had to pay out. The ground was eventually sold to the town council for £400 in 1935.

Lochgelly Amateurs would play on at Recreation Park till 1934 before merging with Albert and moving to South Street with Lochgelly Celtic using it for one season.

Founded - 1890

Defunct - 1927

Grounds - School Park, Reid Park, West End Park, Central Park Cowdenbeath, Recreation Park

Leagues- Central League, Northern League, Midland League, Central Combination League, Scottish League

### **Honours**

### Northern League

Runners up -1902/03

#### **East of Scotland Consolation Cup**

Winners - 1895, 1900

#### **Kings Cup**

Winners - 1903

#### Fife Cup

Runners up – 1891, 1894, 1900, 1914, 1921

### Wemyss Cup

Winners – 1902, 1903, 1908, 1922, 1924

#### **Dunfermline Charity Cup**

Winners - 1903

# Lochgelly United JFC

United were the reserve side of the senior Lochgelly United and in their first season were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup. Three seasons later they won the Cowdenbeath Cup defeating Pathhead United.

In 1897 they were to be runners up in the Fife Junior and Cowdenbeath Cups and were again runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup the next season and in 1906 they won the Montrave Cup defeating Thornton Rovers at Bayview Park, Methil at the end of that season they were to split from the senior side and in 1907 they merged with Lochgelly Rangers to from Lochgelly and would play on in the West of fife League till 1911 when Lochgelly joined the seniors and the Northern League.

Founded - 1890

Merged - 1907

Grounds - School Park, Reid Park, West End Park,

### Fife Junior Cup

Runners up – 1897

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1894

Runners up – 1891, 1897, 1898

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners - 1906

## **Lochgelly Albert**

The Albert stepped up from Amateur to Juvenile in 1919, it was not till the end of the twenties and united going defunct that success came to the club as they were winners of the Fife Juvenile League four times and runners up twice in six seasons and five Juvenile Cup in a row (1928 – 33). They merged with Lochgelly Amateurs to become Lochgelly Albert in 1934.

In their first season as a Junior outfit the shocked everybody by getting to the final of the Cowdenbeath Cup losing to Roslyn but in 1935 they did the double of Fife and Dunfermline Cups. A year later they were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup In1937 the Dunfermline and the Fife & Lothians Cups was residing in the cabinet at Gardiners Park.

In 1938 they won their first league championship when they won the West Division and then the overall championship; defeating Thornton Hibernian in the play-off match they were to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup, Dunfermline Cup and Mitchell Cup. They were to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and Dunfermline Cups in 1939 and 1940 and the Dunfermline Cup runners up in 1941.

The club went into abeyance from 1941 to May 1945 and returned to reform the Fife County Junior League in 1946 and won the first League championship and won the Cowdenbeath Cup defeating Crossgates Primrose at Central Park, Cowdenbeath.

In 1947 the park was stretched for Violet v Forth Wanderers, a Scottish Junior Cup 4<sup>th</sup> Round tie when 8000 attended but Gardiners Park put to its limit when 12, 645 attended a 6<sup>th</sup> round Scottish Cup tie against Bo'ness United in 1948 with people sitting on house roof tops in South Street to watch the match

In 1948/49 season Albert won the League again an in 1949/50 was runners up in the League but won the Mitchell Cup defeating Markinch Victoria Rangers having been runners up in this cup the season before.

In 1954 Albert won the Fife Junior cup and Cowdenbeath Cups, a season later retained the Cowdenbeath Cup and won the League championship and was to be runners up in the Fife Junior and the Dunfermline Cups.

They were to be runners up in the League in 1955/56 season and won the Dunfermline Cup which was retained the next season as well as the Fife Junior Cup which was retained in 1958 and in that season also won the Mitchell Cup. The Cowdenbeath Cup was won in 1959 and even with all that success they did not get further than the Third Round of the Scottish Junior Cup in that decade.

In 1960 they won the Express Cup defeating St Andrews United at Methil and runners up in the Mitchell Cup. The rest of the 1960's were barren for Albert they were runners up in the Mitchell in 1962 and Dunfermline Cup in 1966.

In 1968 the Fife County Junior League became Fife Regional League and Albert joined the new league and in 1972 won the Dunfermline Cup defeating Valleyfield Colliery at East End Park, won the West Division championship in 1972/73 season but lost in the playoff final to Newburgh Juniors.

They won the league in 1973/74 season and the National Drybrough, Fife Drybrough and Tennents Caledonian Cups, they were to win the Fife Drybrough Cup in 1976 and runners up in the Fife Junior and Fife & Lothians Cups, a season later wee runners up in the Tennents Caledonian Cup and in 1978 won the Fife Junior Cup

Albert success waned and since then the club has not won a trophy and in 1986/87 season the refusal of Raith Rovers to pay a fee for a player almost cost the club its future but Raith paid out later and the club was saved. Albert now plays in the East Region.

Founded – 1909 (As Albert FC)

Ground - Gardiners Park, South Street, Lochgelly

Leagues, West Fife Amateur League Fife Juvenile League, Fife County League, Fife Regional League East Region

Highest Attendance - 12,645 v Bo'ness United Scottish Cup round 6 13/03/1948

#### **Honours**

### Fife County Juvenile League

Champions - 1927/28, 1929/30, 1931/32, 1932/33

Runners Up – 1928/29, 1930/31

#### Fife County Juvenile Cup

Winners – 1928, 1929, 1930, 1932, 1933

### **National Drybrough Cup**

Winners - 1974

#### Fife County League

Champions – 1937/38, 1946/47, 1948/49, 1954/55, 1973/74

Runners up -1949/50, 1955/56,

### Fife County League West Division

Champions - 1937/38

Runners up - 1938/39

### Fife Regional League

Runners up - 1972/73

#### Fife Regional League West Division

Champions -1972/73

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1935, 1941, 1954, 1957, 1958, 1978

Runners up – 1938, 1939, 1940, 1950, 1953, 1955, 1976

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1947, 1954, 1955, 1959

Runners up - 1934, 1938, 1960

Fife & Lothians Cup

Winners - 1937

Runners up - 1976

Fife Drybrough Cup

Winners - 1974, 1976

**Tennents Caledonian Cup** 

Winners - 1974

Runners up – 1977

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Winners – 1935, 1937, 1956, 1957, 1972

Runners up - 1936, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1955, 1966

Mitchell Cup

Winners - 1950, 1958

Runners up - 1938, 1949, 1957, 1960

**Express Cup** 

Winners - 1960

Runners up - 1962

### Lochgelly Celtic

Celtic joined the fife County Junior League in 1927 and were runners up in the League as well as the Fife Junior and Dunfermline Cups they closed their doors in 1930

Founded - 1906

Defunct 1930

Ground - Recreation Park

League - Fife County League

**Honours** 

Fife League

Runners up - 1927/28

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1928

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Runners up - 1928

### **Lochgelly Hearts**

Hearts joined the Fife County League as founder members in 1913 and would play in the League till 1915 and were to be runners up in the fife Shield in 1915 they went into abeyance in 1916 and were never reformed.

Founded – 1913

Defunct - 1916

Ground – Zetland Park

League - Fife County League

### **Honours**

Fife Shield

Runners up – 1915

### Lochgelly Rangers

Rangers were founder members of the West of Fife League in 1893 but it was not till 1900 that they won the Cowdenbeath Cup and a year later won the Dunfermline and Wilkinson Cups. The 1901/02 season they played in the West of Fife League as well as the East of Scotland League and were to be champions of the West of fife League and runners up in the East of Scotland League as well as winning the Wilkinson Cup for the second year in a row and the Cowdenbeath Cup.

They were to be runners up in the Wilkinson Cup in 1904 and in 1905 the Fife Shield was won and they went on to retain it in 1906. The junior combination Lochgelly Rangers had been joined by Lochgelly St Patricks in 1907 on Reid Park Rangers and Lochgelly United Juniors had merged to become Lochgelly Juniors. Lochgelly and St Patricks teams merged in 1909 to come under the title of Lochgelly Juniors. They joined the seniors and moved to the Northern League in 1911, they would merge in 1912 with United as United had been tight for funds since they had become a Limited Company in 1910.

Founded – 1890 Merged – 1907 (Lochgelly United Juniors), 1909 (Lochgelly St Patricks), 1912 (with Lochgelly United) Defunct – 1927 (as Lochgelly United)

Grounds - Cooperhall Park, School Park, Reid Park,

Leagues – West Fife League Northern League (as Lochgelly FC)

### **Honours**

West Fife League

Champions – 1901/02

East of Scotland League

Runners up -1901/02

Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1902

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Winners - 1901

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1905, 1906

### Wilkinson Cup

Winners - 1901, 1902

Runners up - 1904

### **Lochgelly Violet**

In May 1936 it was announced that local Juvenile side Violet would join the Fife Junior League in 1936/37 season. Although Albert were the dominate side in the town, Violet won the Cowdenbeath Cup and were runners up in the Fife Cup (1948) a year later they disappeared and left Albert to become the sole side in the town.

Founded - 1926

Defunct - 1949

Ground - Stewart Park

Leagues Fife Juvenile League, Fife County League

### **Honours**

#### Fife Cup

Runners up - 1948

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1948

# <u>Lumphinnans</u>

There have been two junior teams and one senior team in the village and football was played from 1909-1915 and 1947-52. Two grounds have been used:

#### **Zetland Park**

The pitch lay between the Cowdenbeath to Lochgelly Railway line and another now closed railway line in the North West of the village and was named after the land owner Lord Zetland who provided land for other clubs in the neighbourhood.

The Swifts were the first to play in the Village and would later join the seniors in 1913 as Lumphinnans FC but lasted only till 1915 when the closed down for the duration of the war but never reformed. There is only two games registered for the club in the senior ranks, both were in the Qualifying Cup.

### The Basin

After World War II another attempt was made in the village for junior football called the Wanderers with the ground just off the Lochgelly Road. The club played its first three games away from home as the Fife Junior League had asked them to improve the ground as it did not meet junior standards of the day. They would play on until 1950 when there was no interest in the club and it closed down.

# Markinch

The first club to play in the town was Markinch Athletic formed from the local harriers in 1879 and played at John Dixon Park which is still used by the local amateurs. The park was shared from 1893 to 1900 with Markinch Albion. The ground was also used for junior football from 1946 - 1956 with Markinch Victoria Rangers

### Markinch Albion

Albion became a member of the West Fife League and also played in the Howe of Fife League during their junior career. They won the Armitage Cup three years out of four (1907-10) having been runners up in 1904 and was runners up in the Howe of Fife League in 1910/11 season went into abeyance for the duration of World War I, reformed in 1919 but went defunct in 1921.

Founded - 1893

Defunct - 1921

Ground – John Dixon Park

League – West Fife League, Howe of Fife, Fife League

### **Honours**

### Howe of Fife League

Runners up - 1910/11

#### **Armitage Cup**

Winners – 1907, 1909, 1910

Runners up - 1904

### Markinch Athletic

Athletic didn't play in any leagues and their only honour was to be runners up in the Montrave Cup in 1898. They went defunct in 1900.

Founded - 1879

Defunct - 1900

Ground – John Dixon Park

### **Honours**

### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1898

### Markinch Victoria Rangers

It was not till 1939 that junior football returned after the merging of Markinch Victoria and Markinch Rangers to become Markinch Victoria Rangers they would play one season before World War II stopped football in the town but they came back in 1946.

They won the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1949 and were runners up in the Mitchell Cup a year later. In 1956 they had a meeting to whether to continue the club but only three people turned up and the club decided to join the amateurs.

Founded - 1938

Defunct -?

Ground – John Dixon Park

League - Fife County League

#### Honours

Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1949

Mitchell Cup

Runners up - 1950

## Methil

The first club to play in Methil was a club called South Fife formed in 1891 who played on a piece of land called Kirkmuirhill that would later become Bayview Park.

This was taken over by Methil Rovers in 1895 when they merged with Leven Thistle and became East Fife

### Bayview Park

The ground was renamed in 1903 by footballers from the towns of Buckhaven, Leven and Methil to Bayview and was part of Kirkland Farm before Methil spread itself with the ground soon finding itself in the middle of the town.

The only senior club to occupy the ground was East Fife who was formed in May 1903 by the merger of Methil Rovers and Leven Thistle plus some players from the town of Buckhaven. The ground was opened with a friendly against Hearts of Midlothian in August 1903. The summer of 1922 was dominated by the construction of the new grandstand on the south side of Bayview Park, opposite the wooden structure erected in 1906. The grandstand, which could only hold around a third of the originally proposed capacity, was opened at the beginning of October. Further ground improvements were carried out by a volunteer work force during the summer of 1923 when the banking around the ground was terraced in order to allow 20,000 spectators to be accommodated 'in comfort'. Once again, the facilities at Bayview were improved with the addition of four turnstiles at the main entrance and two pay boxes in School Street, with the standing capacity of the ground also added to in 1925 just before the Rangers game.

In preparation for the club's first season in the top flight, several further improvements were carried out at Bayview Park during the summer of 1930. A press box was added to the front of the grandstand and telephones were installed at the east end of the pavilion to allow match reports to be relayed swiftly to the media. Additional turnstiles were also installed at the west end of the ground.

The promise of further success and larger attendances at this time meant that further improvements were required at Bayview Park, and land to the north of the ground was purchased from Wemyss Estate to allow the main terracing to be re-constructed and extended. This additional land also allowed the playing surface to be widened by a yard. Permission was also granted during the summer of 1948 for the east terrace to be extended into the Aberhill School playground.

The following summer, concrete anti-tank blocks that had been placed strategically on Leven beach during the Second World War were transported to Methil and used to heighten the terracing at the west end of the ground.

Bayview record crowd came in January 1950 in a derby match against Raith Rovers with 22,515 spectators watching the match. In 1954 the erected floodlights and these were first used in a friendly match against Leeds United in March 1954 and the ground became the first ground to stage a Scottish Cup match under floodlights with Stenhousemuir the visitors.

In 1967 they demolished the old enclosure and built a new enclosure and in 1986 replaced the lights and moved the directors to the side of the stand with an enclosed box out of wind and rain. The moved to a brand new ground right on the Firth of Forth for 1999/2000 season.

Two junior teams used the ground. These were the junior sides of East Fife: Bayview Athletic and East Fife Juniors the latter folding in 1933 after the SJFA had disallowed any junior team to be affiliated with a senior team

### **New Bayview**

The ground was opened in August 1999 and has only two stands at the moment which can accommodate up to 3,000 crowd built on the Methil Docks, the old ground having gone under a superstore built by the developers.

### South Fife

South Fife were founder members of the Howe of fife League in 1892, won the first championship they would play on till 1894

Founded - 1890

Defunct - 1894

Ground - Kirkmuirhill

Leagues – Howe of Fife League

#### Honours

#### Howe of Fife League

Champions - 1892/93

### Methil Rovers

Rovers were to do back to back winners of the Fife Junior Cup and Runners Up in the Dunfermline Cup back to back seasons (1896-97) and were runners up in the Montrave Cup in 1900 and were the forerunners of today's East Fife after they merged with Leven Thistle in 1903.

Founded - 1894

Defunct - 1903

Ground - Kirkmuirhill

League – Howe of Fife League

#### Honours

### Fife Cup

Winners - 1896, 1897

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Runners up – 1896, 1897

### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1900

### East Fife Juniors

The juniors were the third side of East Fife, the juniors won the League and Fife Junior cup in 1924 and were runners up in the Martin White Cup and were to be runners up in the Fife Shield in 1925 and the senior club wound up the third team in 1926.

Founded - 1921

Defunct - 1926

Ground – Bayview

Leagues - Fife County League

### **Honours**

Fife County League

Champions - 1923/24

Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1924

Fife Shield

Winners - 1925

**Martin White Cup** 

Runners up - 1924

### Bayview Athletic

Athletic only played one season before having to be wound as they were affiliated to East Fife and played on Bayview and this was banned by the SFJA in 1933.

Founded – 1932

Defunct - 1933

Ground - Bayview

League - Fife County League

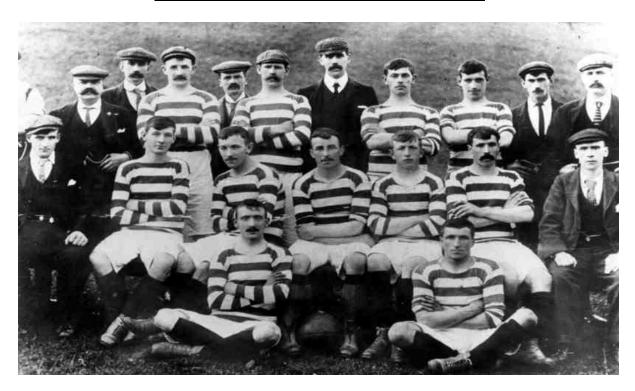
### East Fife

Founded – 1903

Grounds - Bayview, New Bayview

Leagues – Central League Combination (1903/04), Eastern League (1904/05)(1915-19)(1939/40), Northern League (1905-07), Central Combination League (1909 – 15), Central League (1919-21), North Eastern League (1941 – 45) Scottish Football League (1921-39), (1945 – PD)

The club was formed by Methil Rovers and Leven Thistle plus players from Buckhaven, the club joined the Central League Combination playing in Green and white hoops and the first cup game was in the Scottish Qualifying Cup defeating Kirkcaldy United 1-0 at Kirkcaldy but lost out in the second round to Hearts of Beath at North Park Cowdenbeath in a second replay.



East Fife FC1903

The Central League Combination folded at the end of 1903/04 season and In June 1904, East Fife were rejected by the Northern League for a second time and decided to call a meeting of clubs they thought would be interested in forming a new league for Fife and the Lothian. The clubs who were represented at the meeting; East Fife, Hearts of Beath, Edinburgh Adventurers, Bathgate, Bo'ness, Broxburn, Broxburn Shamrock, Dykehead and West Calder, were all in favour of the new combination and the Eastern League was born. For a season before moving to the Northern League in 1905 where they played for two seasons. They then played on only friendlies and Wemyss Cup games till 1909 when they joined the newly reformed Central Combination League.

In 1907/08 season they went out in the first round of the Scottish Qualifying cup so went into the hat for the Scottish Consolation Cup and were drawn at home against Forfar Athletic (another member of the Northern league) who they thrashed 5-2 in front of a crowd of 400 spectators, Inverness Caledonian were defeated in round two at home, a bye in the third before a epic four games against Cowdenbeath which saw East Fife through 2-0 at Kiers Park, Hill of Beath. The quarter final was another epic against another Northern League side Brechin City and took five games and two periods of extra time before East Fife got through at Dens Park 2-0.

The Semi-Final was played at home and they lost to Division Two side Dumbarton 3-1. In April 1908, East Fife won their first ever trophy, the Fife Cup, with a 4-2 victory against Lochgelly United at the neutral venue of North End Park, Cowdenbeath. Although nowadays the Fife Cup is considered to be a minor tournament, back in 1908 it was considered to be a major prize. After being presented with the trophy, team Captain Tommy Fitzpatrick was carried shoulder high by a euphoric band of East Fife supporters, around 500 having made the journey to Cowdenbeath by special train. The next season they against went out of the Scottish Cup at the first round and went into the hat of the Scottish Consolation Cup they walked over Raith Rovers who refused to play the tie, Bathgate were just seen off at home, then a Bye, in the fourth round they made a trip to play Berwick Rangers at Shielfield Park which ended in a draw before the Fifers saw of the wee rangers at Bayview 1-0 in front of 2,000

spectators, they were taken to a replay by Renton in the quarter finals before losing in the semi-final to Arbroath at Dens Park.

At a meeting held in Dunfermline during March 1909, a new twelve team competition was inaugurated consisting of West Lothian clubs Bathgate, Broxburn Athletic and Bo'ness; Alloa Athletic and King's Park from the Stirling area and Northern League clubs St. Johnstone, Arbroath, Dunfermline Athletic, Lochgelly United, Kirkcaldy United and East Fife with the twelfth place taken by Cowdenbeath reserves. The Central League, which was destined to have a huge impact on the Scottish game, was formed.

In their first season in the Central Combination League they reached the first round of the Scottish Cup. The Fifers, after having discarded their green and white jerseys in favour of navy blue, played their first ever Central League match against St Johnstone at Bayview on 21st August 1909. The first win in the new competition, however, was not recorded until 25 September 1909, when Broxburn Athletic was beaten 4-1 in Methil. What is also significant about this match is that Willkie's three goals for the Fifers that day was the first ever hat-trick scored at Bayview Park! Later that same month, won the right to play in the Scottish Cup for the first time in their history by beating Aberdeen Harp 3-0 in the third round of the Qualifying Cup; they were knocked out at the fourth round stage by Kirkcaldy United 1-0 at home.

The club's first ever Scottish Cup tie was played against Hurlford at Bayview on 15 January 1910, where the Fifers won a place in the last sixteen of the competition with a convincing 4-1 win. The following round saw the Fifers drawn at home against Queen's Park; the Spiders ended the Fifers interest in the competition with a 3-2 win in front of 6,000 spectators.

The club had financial problems, eventually, the decision was taken to float the club as a Limited Liability Company and, by April 1911, the flotation was reported to be 'proceeding merrily'. On 29th May 1911, East Fife Football Club Limited was incorporated as a Company under the Companies (Consolidation) Act 1908.and the ground was moved 50 yards north which put the pavilion on the half way line instead of the north east corner. The opportunity was also taken to change the team colours to black and gold, a choice that the club has retained to this day.

In the summer of 1914, East Fife applied for Scottish League membership yet again when the size of the Second Division was increased to sixteen, but were rejected in favour of Lochgelly United and Clydebank. Had their application been successful, however, the membership would have been short lived due to the outbreak of the Great War just weeks later.

The Central League closed at the end of 1914/15 season and along with former Division Two clubs from the Scottish football league formed the Eastern League they would rejoin the Central League when it was reformed in 1919 East Fife won their first major trophy, the Scottish Qualifying Cup, by beating Bo'ness at Central Park, Cowdenbeath, in front of a record crowd of 18,603. Huge crowds gathered at Methil station to welcome the team home, they had knocked out Lochgelly United, Cowdenbeath, Blairgowrie, and Inverness Caledonian after a replay, Alloa Athletic after three games and in the semi-final had put out Queen of the South at Bayview.

Reaching the latter stages of the qualifying competition won entry to the Scottish Cup for the fourth time and, after defeating Stevenston United, the team met Celtic for the first time in their history. With a huge crowd expected, major improvements were carried out at Bayview Park and squads of workmen were employed raising an embankment on the north side of the ground, adjacent to the grandstand. The match attracted a new ground record of 11,000, who saw Celtic progress with a 3-1 victory.

By 1920, the Central League had become a very successful competition and, as the league was made up mainly by clubs from the prosperous mining communities of Fife and the Lothian, there were very reasonable crowds attending the matches in the Central League.

The Central League could pay better wages than the Scottish League at the time and the pressure was on the League to reform it, a meeting at the Buchanan Rooms in Glasgow East Fife were elected to the League having failed on three attempts before and were joined in the league by three other Fife Clubs - Cowdenbeath, Dunfermline Athletic and Lochgelly United who had been former members of Division Two in 1915 and they were joined by Alloa Athletic, Arbroath, Armadale, Bathgate, Bo'ness, Broxburn United, Clackmannan, Dundee Hibernian (United), East Stirlingshire, Forfar Athletic, Johnstone, Kings Park (Stirling), St Bernards (Edinburgh), Stenhousemuir and Vale of Leven (Those marked in bold still play today). On Saturday 20th August 1921, East Fife played their first ever Scottish League match against Bathgate at Bayview Park, where Neish scored the Fifers' first league goal from the penalty spot as the visitors won a disappointing match 2-1. Defeat at Stenhousemuir followed a week later, but on Saturday 3rd September the first ever Scottish League win was recorded; a single goal triumph over near-neighbours Lochgelly United at Bayview. They finished 10<sup>th</sup> in the first Scottish League season.

The only time the club came anywhere near promotion was in season 1925/26 when they finished fourth; four points adrift of second placed Clyde and ten points behind Champions Dunfermline Athletic but were usually in mid table.

East Fife played Rangers for the first time when the two clubs were drawn to face each other in the Scottish Cup on 24th January 1925. Unfortunately, like their rivals Celtic four years earlier, the Glasgow giants returned west with a 3-1 victory.

A successful run in the Scottish Cup didn't elude the club for much longer, however, and in January 1927 the Methil men embarked on what was to become a truly remarkable Scottish Cup run. Victory over Thornhill in the first round was rewarded with a home tie against Aberdeen. On 5th February, the 'Dons' visited Methil for the first time, where an early Jock Wood goal was countered by a Cheyne equaliser to take the tie to a replay at Pittordrie. The following Wednesday evening, the Fifers became 'giant killers' by knocking their First Division opponents out of the cup with a shock 2-1 victory. Two weeks later, a new ground record crowd of 12,000 paid to see East Fife take on Fife rivals Dunfermline Athletic in the third round of the competition at Bayview, where the home side claimed another First Division 'scalp' with a 2-0 victory.

The Quarter-Final paired them with fellow Second Division side Arthurlie at Dunterlie Park, Barrhead; they went through easily by three goals without reply. Only Partick Thistle now stood between East Fife and the final of the country's top football tournament. On 26 March, a crowd of 38,000 packed the neutral terraces of Tynecastle Park in Edinburgh for the semi-final against the more fancied Glasgow side. With the score standing at 1-1, the captain Jock Wood netted what proved to be the winner. Just six years after becoming Scottish League members, East Fife met Celtic in the Scottish Cup Final at Hampden Park on 16 April 1927, the first Cup final to be broadcast live on the radio.

The Fifers took a shock lead through a header from Jock Wood. Unfortunately, the joy was short lived. Only a minute later the match was squared, just before half time Celtic took the lead, then just after the break the Glasgow scored again to make the final score 3-1.

East Fife came agonisingly close to winning promotion the following season, but lost out by just two points to second placed Third Lanark. The club didn't have long to wait for a crack at First Division football, however.

Promotion was finally achieved in season 1929/30 following an exciting season-long battle for the Second Division Championship with Leith Athletic, who eventually landed the title on goal average. The Fife Cup was in residence at Bayview during the 1930's with the cup won on 5 occasions along with the Wemyss Cup on three straight occasions (1935-37). The club have won the Fife Cup to date, on 17 occasions with one of them shared and the Wemyss Cup on 7 occasions.

East Fife's venture into the First Division, however, was largely disappointing. A poor start to the season saw heavy defeats inflicted, before the first victory arrived on the last Saturday in September when Ayr United were beaten 4-1 at Bayview. Following further heavy defeats over the course of the season, the team finished at the foot of the table and returned to the Second Division after only one season in the top league.

The 1930's generally saw East Fife finish their league campaign in mid-table, with little to boast about in the cup competitions. In season 1937/38, however, the Fifers enjoyed a reasonably successful league campaign, and on 11th December 1937, recorded their biggest ever competitive win by beating Edinburgh City 13-2 at Bayview in a Division Two match.

The club became the first and only Second Division side to win the Scottish Cup and were only the second Division Two side to reach the final the other was Dumbarton in 1897. It began in the first round at Broomfield Park, Airdrie, on 22nd January, where the home side Airdrieonians entertained the Fifers several hundred of whom travelled through by special trains and a crowd of 5,000 saw the visitor's progress with a 2-1 win. Another fellow Second Division team, Dundee United, were trounced 5-0 at Bayview in round two, then came Aberdeen in the third round. But there was stalemate in Methil before seeing of the Dons at Pittordrie.

The Quarter-Final draw set up a local derby against Raith Rovers. A new ground record of 18,642 packed the Bayview terraces on 19th March 1938 for the big game, a keenly fought tie which finished 2-2. An even larger crowd of 25,500, again a record attendance, packed into Stark's Park four days later for the replay, with East Fife winning with a 4-2 victory.

The Semi-Final tie was played against St Bernards. The tie against the Edinburgh side took three games, all played at Tynecastle. Following two 1-1 draws, the Semi-Final was finally settled on Wednesday 13th April with a 2-1 win. Cup fever gripped Methil and the East of Fife as the Cup Final against Kilmarnock approached, and no fewer than six special trains were scheduled to depart from Methil and Leven stations. A crowd of 79,000 lined the Hampden terraces on Saturday 23rd April, where the Fifers took the lead through Eddie McLeod, only for Kilmarnock to equalise eight minutes later. But neither side managed to find the net and the match finished all square at 1-1.

A crowd of 91,710 turned out for the replay on Wednesday 27th April. McKerrell put the 'Fifers' ahead. Within six minutes, however, Kilmarnock had turned the match around and went in at half-time 2-1 ahead. Despite further pressure from Killie, East Fife managed to square the match once again just before the hour-mark, when McLeod scored. When the final whistle sounded, the score was still level at two goals apiece and the match went into extra time. As the additional 30 minutes progressed, the crowd roared encouragement and, with ten minutes remaining, Miller scored and McKerrell scored a fourth to put the result beyond doubt and the Scottish Cup was on its way to Methil!

The exertions of the cup run, however, took its toll on the push for promotion and the club finished the season in fifth place. The following season, 1938/39, they were again pipped for a place in the First Division, but only on goal average from Alloa Athletic.

With the outbreak of war the Scottish League went into abeyance for the six year duration of the hostilities, during which the club competed in the regional war-time competitions. They would play in the Eastern League (1939/40) and the North Eastern League (1941 - 45).

They returned to league football in 1945 in Division B, The appointment of former Rangers and Scotland internationalist Scot Symon as Manager in June 1947 signalled a huge turnaround in the club's fortunes. In season 1947/1948 along with they reached their first League Cup final having got through a tough sectional group they had saw of Hearts of Midlothian in a seven goal thriller at Tynecastle Park, and Aberdeen were defeated 1-0 at Dens Park, Falkirk were beaten over two games at Hampden. The Division 'B' Championship was won to promote them back to Division A

For almost a decade, East Fife was regarded as one of the top teams in Scottish football. The Methil men twice finished their league campaign in third place and were fourth on two occasions. One season in particular, season 1953/54, saw the club lead the championship race for most of the season, only to be pipped at the post by Rangers. The Scottish Cup also eluded the club during the 'halcyon years', although they did reach the Final for the third time in 1950, when they lost 3-0 to Rangers at Hampden in front of 120,000 spectators.

They won another two League Cup during this time, with the trophy brought back to Bayview following cup final wins against Dunfermline Athletic in season 1949/50 and against Partick Thistle in season 1953/54. In the mid fifties they went from top of the league to bottom just avoiding relegation but in 1957/8, following a disastrous season which included the club's record defeat of 9-0, East Fife were relegated to Division Two.

As the 1960's progressed, the push for a return to the First Division grew stronger and, after being close a couple of times, promotion dreams were finally realised in 1971 when they finished the season as runners-up to Partick Thistle

First Division status was finally relinquished in 1978, at the end of a disastrous season that saw them finish bottom of the league, five points behind also-relegated Alloa Athletic. It would take them six seasons before they would go back to Division One

In a tight Division Two in 1983/84 season East Fife beat off the challenge of several other clubs to claim second place in the league. This time they managed to stay in the First Division for four seasons and, during that time, were twice involved in the battle for promotion to the Premier League. Of these four seasons, the 1985/86 campaign saw them fail to record their first league win until 9th November, their fourteenth league fixture, yet eventually missed out on promotion to the Premier League by just two points!

After being relegated in 1988 finishing just a point behind third bottom Kilmarnock, a further period of gloom ensued as East Fife became firmly rooted in the Second Division., although at the end of a more promising campaign in Season 1991/92 again missed out on promotion by just two points. Two years later, league re-construction once again put them back in Division One.

The club were soon back in Division Two and moving to a new ground at Methil Docks did not improve their form and they found themselves in Division Three for the first time. It would take them a till 2008/09 season to get back to Division Two as champions of Division Three.

#### Honours

### Scottish Cup

Winners - 1938

Runners up – 1927, 1950

#### League Cup

Winners - 1947, 1949, 1954

### Scottish Qualifying Cup

Winners - 1921

#### **Division Two**

Champions -1947/48

Runners up – 1929/30, 1970/71, 1983/84

#### **Division Three**

Champions -2008/09

### Fife Cup

Winners – 1908, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1936, 1937, 1950, 1954, 1955\*, 1960, 1974, 19878, 1979, 1985, 1986, 2005, 2006

Runners up – 1909, 1913, 1917, 1919, 1922

#### Wemyss Cup

Winners – 1912, 1913, 1918, 1919, 1935, 1936, 1937

## Montrare

The only junior outfit to come from this town was Montrave United who played at Home Park and the played in the Howe of Fife League (1913 - 15). There had been other teams in the town earlier and Lord Montrave had set up a trophy for these clubs but they had gone quicker than they were formed. The trophy was played for by clubs in the East of Fife area till 1968.

### Montrave United

United only success was they defeat of Windygates Rangers in 1916 having lost to the same team a year earlier both games were played at University Grounds in St Andrews. The club closed in 1916 and would reopen in 1919 and were to be runners up in the Montrave Cup in 1920 they closed in 1922.

Founded – 1911

Defunct - 1922

Ground – Holm Park

League – Howe of Fife League

#### Honours

### **Montrave Cup**

Winners - 1916

Runners up - 1915

# Newburgh

The town of has had two clubs Newburgh and Newburgh Athletic. The ground was shared from 1905 – 1914 by Newburgh Athletic. The highest attendance was against Irvine Meadow XI in the Scottish Junior Cup 6<sup>th</sup> Round in March1962 when 4,500 spectators watched the match.

### Newburgh JFC

Newburgh Juniors were formed in 1887 as Tayside Albion they and founder members of the Dundee & District League before moving to the Howe of Fife League for 1897/98 season. The first Scottish Junior Cup tie to be played by the club was against Dunfermline at Ladysmill Park, Dunfermline in September 1899.

The overheads and travelling costs were high and they joined Perthshire League in 1901/02 season, They changed their name in 1910 to Newburgh East End and played in the Fife Cups but played in the Perthshire League until World War I was declared then went into abeyance for the duration of the war.

They moved back to the Fife League (Eastern Division) in 1923/24 and played in the Fife League till 1939. In 1924/25 season they won their first championship by winning the Eastern Division and winning the overall championship in a play- off game defeating Dunnikeir Colliery Juniors and the Montrave Cup and runners up in the Fife Shield.

In 1927 they were runners up in the Fife Shield and in 1930 were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup and in 1932 the Fife Shield where they were runners up playing under their new name of Newburgh Juniors and a season later the first of seven Fife Junior Cups was won when they defeated Rosslyn and in 1937 were again runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup and won their second Montrave Cup.

They went into abeyance during World War II and they joined the Perthshire League for 1946/47 season and it was to be the halcyon days for the club. From 1947 to 1976 there were few times when a trophy was not in the cabinet at the ground of East Shore Park.

In their first season back in the Perthshire League they won the championship and a season later were to be runners up in the Perthshire Consolation Cup. In 1949/50 season the Perthshire Advertiser Cup was won and burgh were to be runners up in the Currie Cup and Cowdenbeath Cup

In 1950/51 season won their second Perthshire Consolation Cup and were to be runners up in the Currie Cup, Perthshire Advertiser Cup a season later. In 1952/53 burgh won their second Fife Junior Cup and were to be runners up in the Currie Cup and Perthshire League.

In 1953/54 season Newburgh won the Perthshire League, Perthshire Advertiser Cup, Currie Cup and the Rosebowl and reached the fourth round of the Scottish Junior Cup before losing to Dundee violet 4-2 in front of 3,500 spectators, they would go two better by adding the Mitchell Cup and Fife Consolation Cup in 1955. They again retained the Perthshire League for a third season in a row and were runners up Fife Junior Cup, Perthshire Advertiser Cup and Perthshire Consolation Cup and in 1956/57 season retained the Perthshire League for a fourth season in a row and added the Perthshire Rosebowl to the cabinet

In 1957/58 season the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and were runners up to Blairgowrie in the Perthshire League. A season later the Perthshire Advertiser Cup was retained them again were runners up to Blairgowrie in the Perthshire League and were also runners up in the Perthshire Rosebowl, Perthshire Challenge Cup, Express Cup, and Dunfermline Cup.

The 1959/60 season was barren for Burgh with a runners up in the Dunfermline Cup to show for their exploits but a season later the Cowdenbeath Cup, Mitchell Cup were won and were to be runners up in the Perthshire League and Perthshire Rosebowl,

In 1961/62 the club won the Fife Junior and Express Cups and were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup and Perthshire League and a season later were runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and Express Cup

and in 1963/64 season the Mitchell Cup was won and the club were to be runners up in the Express and Perthshire Consolation Cups.

They returned to the Fife County League in 1962/63 season and in 1964/65 season won the Fife County League, Fife Junior Cup and Mitchell Cup, a season later the club won the Montrave Cup runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and Cowdenbeath Cup

In 1966/67 season they did the double of the Fife Junior Cup and Cowdenbeath Cup a season later were runners up in the Fife League and in 1969/70 were again runners up this time in the new Fife Regional League but won the Fife Junior Cup at the end of the season.

Burgh would also make two appearances at the semi-final stages of the Scottish Junior but lost on both occasions to Renfrew at Firhill Park Glasgow in 1962 and Cambus lang Rangers at Brockville in 1974.

In 1972/73 the club won the Fife Regional League Eastern Division championship and then defeated Lochgelly Albert in the play-off for Fife Regional League championship and were runners up Fife Junior Cup, a season later they won the Fife Junior Cup and were runners up Cowdenbeath Cup.

In 1974/75 they were runners up Fife Regional League just behind Glenrothes and a season later won the Cowdenbeath Cup and runners up Tennents Caledonian Cup. In 1976/77 they won the Fife Regional League and Tennents Caledonian Cup, a season later were runners up in the League.

It was a bold move by the committee of Newburgh who had delivered letters to everybody in Newburgh asking for £10.00 towards the purchase East Shore Park which was successful. The club went into abeyance for 1989/90 season but came back to the league a season later after the ground had been brought up to standards.

In their first season back they won Division B of the Fife Regional League but lost the playoff for the championship to Kelty Hearts. The club now play in East Region and in June 2012 will be the 125 anniversary of their formation.

**Founded** – 1887 (As Tayside Albion)

**Ground** – East Shore Park

Leagues – Dundee & District League, Howe of Fife League, Perthshire League, Fife County League, Fife Regional League, East Region

Highest Attendance – Irvine Meadow XI, Scottish Junior Cup 6<sup>th</sup> Round 24/03/1962, 4,500

#### **Honours**

#### Fife County League

Champions - 1924/25\*, 1964/65

Runners up - 1967/68

### Fife Regional League

Champions – 1972/73, 1976/77

Runners up - 1969/70, 1974/75, 1977/78, 1990/91

### Fife County Eastern Division

Champions - 1924/25\*

### Fife Regional League Eastern Division

Champions -1972/73

### Fife County Western Division

Champions - 1990/91

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1933, 1953, 1962, 1965, 1967, 1970, 1974

Runners up – 1956, 1963, 1966, 1973, 1981, 1993

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1961, 1967, 1976

Runners up - 1930\*, 1937, 1950, 1966, 1974

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Runners up – 1959, 1961, 1962

### Fife Shield

Runners up – 1925\*, 1927\*, 1932,

### **Montrave Cup**

Winners - 1924\*, 1937, 1966, 1973

### **Express Cup**

Winners - 1962

Runners up - 1959, 1963, 1964

### Mitchell Cup

Winners – 1955, 1961, 1964, 1965

### Fife Consolation Cup

Winners - 1955

#### **Tennents Caledonian Cup**

Winners – 1977

Runners up - 1976

### Perthshire F.A. Challenge Cup

Runners up - 1959

### Perthshire Junior League

Champions – 1946/47, 1953/54, 1954/55, 1955/56, 1956/57

Runners up – 1952/53, 1957/58, 1958/59, 1960/61, 1961/62

### **Currie Cup**

Winners - 1954, 1955

Runners up – 1950, 1952, 1953

#### Perthshire Advertiser Cup

Winners - 1950, 1954, 1955, 1958, 1959

Runners up – 1952, 1956

#### Perthshire Rosebowl

Winners – 1954, 1955, 1957

Runners up 1959, 1961

### **Perthshire Consolation Cup**

Winners - 1951, 1955

Runners up - 1948, 1956, 1964

(\*As Newburgh West End)

### Newburgh Athletic

Athletic were formed as Tayside Athletic in 1900 and moved from the public park to Shore Park in 1905 and changed the name to Newburgh Athletic. At the end of the 1904/05 season the club won the Armitage Cup and were to be runners up the next two seasons before winning the Armitage Cup in 1908 they went into abeyance in 1914 but were never reformed after the Great War.

Founded – 1900

Defunct - 1914

Ground – East Shore Park

League – Howe of Fife League

#### **Honours**

#### **Armitage Cup**

Winners - 1905, 1908

Runners up - 1906, 1907

# North Queensferry

The town had a League team in the West of Fife League Queensferry United played at a Public Park off the Main Street beside Newhaven House from 1905-10. The first club to play in the town was a team called Vale of forth who played senior football from 1882 – 1887.

### Queensferry United

Founded - 1904

Defunct - 1910

Ground - Newhaven Public Park

League - West of Fife League

# <u>Oakley</u>

In the late 1800's to the start of the 1900's teams from Oakley lived a double life as they played in the Fife competitions but also played in the Clackmannanshire League.

### **Foundry Park**

The ground was first used by Oakley United Juniors from 182 to 1904 when they moved the short distance to Comrie. The park lay unused by the juniors till after World War Two but the juvenile side Oakley United continued to use it.

Comrie Colliery was formed in 1947 and the locals helped build a stand and put fencing round the pitch and would use the ground till 1951 before moving to Blairhall. The name Comrie Colliery would come back but this time at Steelend when the Victoria changed their name to Comrie Colliery because they were supported by the local Comrie mine in nearby Bickramside.

#### **Blairwood Park**

The ground is situated on the north side of the village above the main A907: Dunfermline to Stirling Road across the road from the Oakley Miners Welfare Club. The land was partly owned by Fife County Council and by a local farmer. The miners had been eager to see Junior Football in town and had contributed £300.

Before the start of season 1972/73 a new fence was put round the ground and a terracing embankment was built up on the east goal. Also an embankment on the north side of the pitch and a small stand and new changing rooms were built (they had been using an old pre fab building for the previous years).

### Oakley United (1)

United was the first team to be mentioned from the village when playing in the first round of the Dunfermline Cup in October 1897 when they were thrashed 12-0 by Dunfermline Juniors at their home of Furnace Bank.

The club had been denied access to the West of Fife League and joined the Clackmannanshire League for 1904/05 season playing at Foundry Park before moving to Tapitlaw Park a year later. Their first game in the League was against Tillicoultry Rovers in September 1904 but the finished bottom of the 8 club league and moved over to Comrie for what was to be their last season

They would play on till 1906 where there last home was at Tapitlaw Park in Comrie, a piece of land named after the farm west of Oakley

Founded -1892 Defunct - 1906

Grounds- Furnace Park, Foundry Park, Tapitlaw Park Comrie

League - Clackmannanshire League

### Oakley United (2)

In April 1964 Oakley United were accepted into the Fife Junior League. They had been a juvenile club previously. The land had been identified by Comrie Colliery when they had been looking for land in the town. However some work had to be done and for 1965/66 season they played at Blairhall.

United reached their first final in 1966/67 but lost out in the final of the Cowdenbeath Cup to Newburgh, in 1968/69 season they defeated Tulliallan Thistle in the Dunfermline Cup, a season later would be runners up Dunfermline Cup.

The Cowdenbeath Cup was first won in 1971 but it would take them another twelve years before it came back to Blairwood and were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup, a season later the club won their first Fife Regional League having been runners up the season before

In 1972/73 the Dunfermline Cup was won and as the last holders of the cup, it is in the cabinet for posterity. In 1976/77 they defeated Clackmannan Juniors to win the Fife Drybrough Cup for the first time and a season later would be runners up Tennents Caledonian cup

In 1978/79 season the club won the League and were runners up Drybrough Cup, they retained the League the next season in a play-off having won the East Division championship. The club would win the Fife Drybrough Cup in 1981 but the club best season for the club was in 1982/83 season when they won Fife and Lothians Cup, Cowdenbeath Cup and Fife Drybrough Cup and they reached the sixth round of the Scottish Junior Cup.

United would win the League in 1985/86 and 1987/88 seasons and win their first Fife Junior Cup in 1988 having been runners up in 1985, they were to be runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1989. They would be a few barren seasons for the club but in 1994 they were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup and two seasons later won the Cowdenbeath Cup which they would win in 2002 and 2004 with being runners up in 2001.

They were runners up in the Whitbread Cup in 1997 and when the cup changed to Stella Artois they were runners up in 2001 and they were league champions in that same season. The cup changed its name to Kingdom Kegs Cup which they won in 2005 and 2007 and runners up in 2006

United joined East Region in 2002 along with the rest of Fife clubs playing in the Superleague they would be relegated in 2005 but won the Fife District League in 2005/06 season and were promoted to the Superleague where they played for two seasons before being relegated to the Premier Division and then down to Central Division in successive seasons.

They missed out on promotion back to the Premier division in 2009/10 season when they finished as runners up in the Central Division but were promoted back to the Premier division for 2011/12 season when they won the Central Division championship in 2010/11 season.

Founded – 1947 (1964 as a junior side)

Ground - Furnace Park, Blairwood Park, Blairwood Road, Oakley

Leagues - Fife County League, Fife Regional League, East Region

### Honours

### Fife Regional League

Champions – 1971/72, 1978/79, 1979/80, 1980/81, 1985/86, 1987/88, 2000/01

Runners up - 1970/71, 1986/87, 1993/94

### Fife Regional League East Division

Champions – 1978/79, 1979/80, 1987/88

### Fife Regional League West Division

Champions - 1986/87

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1988, 2007

Runners up – 1985

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1971, 1983, 1996, 1999, 2002, 2004

Runners up – 1967, 1989, 2001

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners – 1969, 1973

Runners up – 1970, 1971

#### **Drybrough Cup**

Winners – 1977, 1981, 1983

Runners up – 1979

#### **Tennents Caledonian Cup**

Runners up - 1978

Fife & Lothians Cup

Winners - 1983

Whitbread Cup

Runners up - 1998

Stella Artois Cup

Runners up - 2001

Kingdom Kegs Cup

Winners -2005, 2007

Runners up -2006

Fife League Cup

Winners - 2006

East Region Fife District League

Champions 2005/06

**East Region Central League** 

Champions - 2010/11

Runners up - 2009/10

### Comrie Colliery (1)

The colliery would win the Dunfermline Cup in 1950 but at the end of 1950/51 season they were told to vacate the land as it was being used for the extension to the Inzievar Primary School.

They shared with Blairhall but after a season the club went defunct and the pavilion sold to Blairhall to pay off debts that had been incurred while playing on their ground.

Founded – 1947

Defunct - 1954

Ground - Foundry Park, Woodside Park, Blairhall

**Honours** 

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Winners - 1950

Runners up - 1949

# Pittenweem

The fishing village of Pittenweem has had two sides both Hearts and Rovers would share the Railway Park which was not fenced off and was in the north west of the village beside the old railway line on Charles Street.

### Pittenweem Hearts

Hearts joined the East Neuk League in 1919 and won the Montrave Cup in 1922 and at the end of that season joined Fife League from 1922 – 24 but still played in the East Neuk League for extra games.

They were to be runners up in the East Neuk League back to back to Crail Union and went to four finals of the Martin White Cup, but won only once they would go to the juveniles till 1939 when the

rejoined the Fife League for one season along with Rovers. Both clubs went into abeyance in 1940 and were never reformed.

Founded 1919

Defunct - 1940

Ground- Railway Park

Leagues - East Neuk League, Fife County League

### **Honours**

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1922

### **Martin White Cup**

Winners - 1923

Runners up - 1921, 1922, 1924

### East Neuk League

Runners up - 1922/23, 1923/24

### Pittenweem Rovers

Rovers joined the Eastern Division of the fife County League in 1939 and played for one season sharing Railway Park with Hearts and went into abeyance in 1940 but were never reformed.

Founded - 1939

Defunct - 1940

Ground – Railway Park

League – Fife County League Eastern Division



Teams based around the town of Rosyth were mainly made up from crews of the naval ships during the Great War and Rosyth side were able to start immediately after the Great War in the East of Scotland Junior League for a season in 1918/19. They also played in the East of Scotland Junior Cup and all East of Scotland Cups.

The first team in the town to join the Fife junior ranks was Bungalow City who played on the south side of the town on Castle Road in a community called "Dollytown". This has since been wiped off the map by the shipyard and houses. They played in Fife County League for one season 1919/20

#### **Recreation Park**

The first Recreation Park was in Castle Street and was used by Rosyth Recreation and Rosyth Reserve Fleet and the old recreation Park is now a supermarket.

#### **New Recreation Park**

The new ground was open piece of land used by the local amateurs till Jubilee Athletic moved in after have wandering all around the West of Fife trying to find them a home. This is situated just of Admiralty Road and Jubilee Athletic were renamed Rosyth Recreation and since moving in the ground has had new changing rooms and has been fully enclosed with grass banking. The Recreation changed their name to Rosyth JFC in 2006.

#### Canteen Park

The ground was situated on Castle Road and may have been the ground used by Bungalow City in 1919/20 as there is only 20 yards difference and the ground may have been rotated because of the housing..

### Rosyth JFC

Today's Rosyth Juniors were formed in 1960 as Dunfermline Jubilee Athletic playing at Ladysmill Park and joined the joins in 1964 as Jubilee Athletic the club wandered around Fife trying to find a permanent home and played at Ladysmill (Mc Kane Park), Central Park (Cowdenbeath), North End Park (Cowdenbeath), Central Park (Cowdenbeath), Blairhall (1973), Ballast Bank (Inverkeithing), Pitreavie Park (Dunfermline) till 1992 when they moved into New Recreation Rosyth and changed the name to Rosyth Recreation.

They were to be runners up in the Fife Drybrough Cup in 1974 and were again runners up in 1985, the club won their first trophy in 1981 when they defeated Newburgh and did the double by winning the Cowdenbeath Cup; they would be runners up in the next season in the Fife Junior Cup.

They would win the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1988 and in 1994 the club was runners up in the fife Junior Cup, Cowdenbeath Cup and WTM Cup playing under the name Rosyth Recreation having been runners up in the Laidlaw shield a year earlier.

In 1997 they were again to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup and in 2004/05 season missed out on promotion to the Superleague as they were runners up in the Fife District League having joined East Region along with all the other Fife clubs in 2002.

In 2006/07 season they reach the final of the East of Scotland Cup but lost on their own ground 3-1 to Bathgate Thistle and two seasons later again missed out on promotion finishing runners up in the new Central Division of East Region to Thornton Hibernian. The club changed its name to Rosyth Juniors in 2006

#### Founded – 1960 (**Dunfermline Jubilee Athletic**)

Ground – Ladysmill (Mc Kane Park), Central Park (Cowdenbeath) - North End Park (Cowdenbeath) , Central Park (Cowdenbeath), Blairhall (1973), Ballast Bank (Inverkeithing) , Pitreavie Park, New Recreation Rosyth

Leagues - Fife County League, Fife Regional League

### Honours

#### **East of Scotland Junior Cup**

Runners up - 2007

#### Fife Cup

Winners - 1981\*

Runners up - 1982\*, 1994\*\*

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1988\*

Runners up - 1994\*\*

#### **Drybrough Cup**

Runners up - 1974\*

#### WTM Cup

Runners up - 1994\*\*

East Region Fife District League

Runners up - 2004/05\*\*

**East Region Central Division** 

Runners up - 2008/09

(\*Jubilees Athletic) (\*\* Recreation)

### **Bungalow City**

City played in the Fife Junior County League for one season in 1918/19 playing at Castle Road in Rosyth

Founded - 1918

Defunct - 1920

Ground - Castle Road, Rosyth

League - Fife County League

### Rosyth Reserve Fleet

The Fleet played in the Fife junior county League for one season in 1918/19 playing at Recreation Park.

Founded – 1916

Defunct - 1920

Ground - Recreation Park

League - Fife County League

### Rosyth Recreation (1)

After only two games a team pulled out of the league and Rosyth Recreation took over the ir fixtures and was also joined by Rosyth Reserve Fleet for a season. They were made up of the naval crews based At Rosyth Dockyard the Recreation only honour was a runner up in the Cowdenbeath Cup and they went defunct in 1926

Founded - 1916

Defunct 1926

Ground - Recreation Park

League - Fife County League

#### **Honours**

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1921

### Rosyth Recreation (2)

The recreation were reformed in 1946 and 4,000 spectators watched a first round Scottish cup tie against Bo'ness United. Two year later a stand was built to hold 500 people and the Recreation won their the Fife County League as well as Fife Junior Cup, Cowdenbeath Cup in 1950 and a year later they went out in the sixth round of the Scottish Junior Cup to Irvine Meadow XI at home in front of 6,400 people. The Recreation went defunct in 1957 but in what had been their last season were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup.

Founded - 1946

Defunct - 1957

Ground - Recreation Park

League - Fife County League

**Honours** 

Fife County League

Champions - 1949/50

Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1950

Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1950

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Runners up - 1957

### Rosyth Dockyard Recreation

Rosyth Dockyard Recreation who had been formed in 1919 and had played in the local Juvenile Leagues in 1933 and up till hostilities in 1939 played in the Edinburgh & District Senior League which gave them access to the Scottish Qualifying Cup.

In their first season in the Qualifying Cup (North) they reached the final. They defeated Lochgelly Amateurs 2-1 at home, bye in the second round, Falkirk Amateurs 8-1, then Burntisland Shipyard in front of 600 spectators 3-0. In the Semi-Final they knocked out, at home Vale of Ocaba from Alexandria 3-0 in front of 700 spectators.

The final was played at Pittordrie in Aberdeen and a special train carrying 400 supporters to watch the match against Highland League side Ross County. It was Dockyard who easily won 4-1 in front of 1,560 spectators and they went out in the first round of the Scottish Cup to Vale of Leithen.

The next season they again reached the final of the Scottish Qualifying Cup, defeating Dunkeld and Birnam, Burntisland Shipyard, Bye, Paisley Academicals with the semi-final being a repeat of the previous season against Vale of Ocaba this time the game was played at Millburn Park, Alexandria with the same score 2-0.

The final was again played at Pittordrie Aberdeen, this time against Clachnacuddin from Inverness but lost (in front of 4, 313 spectators) 2-0 and again went out of the Scottish Cup at Broomfield to Airdrieonians in front of 6,000 spectators by 1-0. They went on to win their first championship at the end of that season and were to be runners up the next season the last year of the league. In 1939 when hostilities started they went into abeyance but never were reformed and the ground was built on in 1946

Founded – 1918 Defunct – 1940

Ground - Canteen Park, Castle Road, Rosyth

League – Edinburgh & District Senior League

#### **Honours**

**Edinburgh & District League (Senior)** 

Champions - 1934/35

Runners up - 1935/36

**Scottish Qualifying Cup** 

Winners - 1934

Runners up - 1935

# St Andrews

The ancient town of St Andrews has had the longest run of clubs with the Fife Junior Leagues since 1892. Starting with Ancient City Athletic to today's St Andrews United there have been a number of pitches used by the clubs.

### Kinness Park/Lade braes Park/Cockshaugh Park

The earliest representatives were Ancient City Athletic (who played under the name St Andrews Athletic) who were formed in the same year as St Andrews University in 1887. The park was beside the Kinness Burn which was at the edge of the town at that moment however the ground was called the above names as well.

St Andrews United had used this ground from 1906 to 1914 and moved back in 1921 before moving over in 1922 to Recreation Park and they played in East Neuk League as well as Fife County League. It was next used by St Andrews Athletic the second formation of that name in the Town City played till 1928 when they moved over to Recreation Park and shared with United, Athletic were strictly amateur playing in the Junior League.

#### **Madras Park**

After the Great War a group of ex soldiers formed themselves as St Andrews Comrades, They played only one season in 1920-21 seasons playing on land let to them by Madras College part of St Andrews University. The ground was used for the finals of the Martin White Cup up to 1914.

#### **Links Park**

This land was used by St Andrews Violet played from 1906 to 1912 and they played in the Howe of Fife League from 1907 – 1912 and were runners up in the League in 1909/10 to Vale of Eden from Guardbridge just down the road. The ground was later used by St Andrews Comrades for two games during 1920/21 season and St Andrews United before they moved back to Kinness Park

### **University Grounds**

The grounds were originally known as Hepburn Gardens but have been used by the University for its entire clubs since 1886 and have been used by St Andrews University Football Club since 1887 where today it plays in the Fife amateur League and the Scottish University League.

#### **Recreation Park**

St Andrews United moved on to this pitch in 1922 and six years later St Andrews Athletic moved in and shared the costs till their demise in 1939. The ground was open and it was not until 1953 work became on an enclosure erected on the east end of Recreation Park.

The club had been given a 35 year lease on the ground and when it was up in 1958 they offered to buy and a sum of £150 was suggested to the club. It would take till 1981 before this was completed and they then paid £5,000, Largo Road was identified as possible land in the town but this went under houses in the late 60's.

Lights were erected around the ground and new fencing was also put round the boundary in 1973 and a new pavilion was built and opened in May 1981 they had been using the same huts from 1922. The new pavilion was opened with a challenge match against Dundee United with a crowd of 600

watching. The cost of the new pavilion was £11,000 with labour free from supporters and the community. The largest attendance came during the Scottish Cup run in 1960 when 3000 watched the fifth round game against Armadale Thistle and two months later in the sixth round the same attendance watched them defeat Greenock Juniors.

### St Andrews Athletic

The club was formed in 1887 as Ancient City Athletic playing at Kinness Park and they joined the Howe of Fife League but kept going from one name to the other. They won the Martin White Cup four years in a row (1896-99) and in 1902/03 season were runners up in the Howe of Fife League to Kettle United having also been runners up in 1895/96 season. In the 1898 Martin White Cup final they played their second XI in the final at Hepburn Gardens. They changed their name to St Andrews city from 1906 to 1916 then changed back when they reformed to St Andrews Athletic in 1919.

They won the Martin White Cup in 1902, 1904, 1906 to 1908 (as either Athletic or City) and were runners up in 1903 and 1905 and were runners up in the Montrave Cup in 1895, 1896 and 1904 they were again to be runners up in the Howe of Fife League in 1911/12 season won their first and only championship a season later

The club closed in 1916 but came in back in 1926 to the juniors and they used Kinness Park for two seasons before moving in with United at Recreation Park in 1928 till their demise in 1938

The club won the Fife Consolation Cup in 1929 and 1930 defeating Lochhead on both occasions and were runners up in the Fife Shield in 1932 and their best run in the Scottish Junior Cup came a season later when they reached the fourth round in 1932/33 season. They were to be runners up in the Martin White Cup in 1927 and 1928 then 1936 to 1939 all to St Andrews United at Madras Park.

The club went into abeyance in 1940 but were not reformed after the war and United is the only junior side in the town.

Founded – 1887 (Ancient City Athletic)

Defunct - 1939

Ground - Kinness Park, Recreation Park

Leagues - Howe of Fife League, Fife County League

### Honours

### Howe of Fife League

Champions - 1912/13\*\*

Runners up – 1895/96\*, 1902/03\*, 1911/12\*\*

#### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up – 1895\*, 1896\*, 1904, 1912

### **Martin White Cup**

Winners - 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1902\*, 1904, 1906\*\*, 1907\*\*, 1908\*\*

Runners up – 1898\*, 1900\*, 1903\*, 1927, 1928, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939

### Fife Consolation Cup

Winners - 1929, 1930

(\*As Ancient City Athletic) (\*\*St Andrews City)

### St Andrews Violet

Violet joined the Howe of fife League in 1907 and would play till 1912; the club would be runners in the League in 1909/10 season.

Founded - 1906

Defunct - 1912

Ground – Links Park

League Howe of Fife League

#### **Honours**

### Howe of Fife League

Runners up - 1909/10

### St Andrews University

The club was formed in 1887 and plays to this day and used the land at University Park (Hepburn Gardens) which is still used. The Club fully affiliated to the Scottish Football Association (SFA) in 1907, playing Senior Football until it allowed its membership to lapse in 1939. Since then the University Teams have been playing in the local Fife Amateur league.

In the early 20th Century the four 'Ancient' Universities (Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow and St. Andrews) were given a bye into the 3rd qualifying round of the Scottish Qualifying Cup. St. Andrews debuted in 1907 against the Vale of Atholl in front of 1000 spectators at University Park.

They played in the Scottish Qualifying Cup and Scottish Qualifying Cup North 1907 – 39 although without lack of success and the occasional foray into the Fife Cup without winning a match. The club have appeared in the Scottish Cup proper on three occasions losing 10–1 to Cowdenbeath in 1923, 3-0 at home to Bathgate in 1929 and 6–1 away to Nithsdale Wanderers in 1930. The University have won the Fife Amateur Cup on two occasions - 1935 and 1958.

Founded - 1887

Ground – Hepburn Gardens, University Fields

League - Fife Amateur League, University League

### **Honours**

#### Fife Amateur Cup

Winners – 1935, 1958

### St Andrews Comrades

Comrades played in the League for one season before closing in 1921

Founded – 1919

Defunct - 1921

Ground – Links Park, Madras Park

League – Fife County League

### St Andrews United

The club were formed in 1905, and only played friendlies and cup games from 1906 – 1914 and at that time were amateur. They reached their first final in 1907 in the Montrave Cup against Pathhead United at East End Park which was lost 2-1 and there next final was in the Fife Junior cup a few weeks later when they defeated Hearts of Beath XI at Kirkcaldy and in 1913 they reached the final of the Martin White Cup against Guardbridge United at Hepburn Gardens which they lost and would lose, the next two finals, all to United. The club closed for the war years but returned in 1918 in the East Neuk League.

They would have to wait till 1921 to win the Martin White Cup when they defeated Pittenweem Hearts at Madras Park and it was the same final a year later with the same result. They had moved from Kinness Park to Links Park in 1920 while Recreation Park was being laid out and in 1922 they moved in and joined the Fife County League, after being runners up in the East Neuk League in 1921/22 season.

Four seasons later United won their first Fife League Championship and also won the Dunfermline Cup and the Martin White Cup, a year later the retained the League championship, Dunfermline Cup, Martin White Cup and also won the Fife Junior Cup, Montrave Cup and Fife Shield, A year later they retained the league championship, Dunfermline Cup and Martin White Cup for a third season in a row and added the Fife Junior Cup, Montrave Cup and Fife Shield.

The 1930's brought no more major honours for the club but they did win the Martin White Cup from 1935 to 1939 defeating e rivals and ground sharing partners Athletic, and were runners up in the Fife Shield (1931), they hold the Martin White Cup for posterity as it was not played for after the War.

It was not till the late fifties that the trophies came to United the seeds had started to flourish in 1952/53 when the Mitchell Cup was won and they reached the third round of the Scottish Junior Cup before being thrashed by Bo'ness United 7-2 in 1954/55. The Mitchell Cup was won again in 1957, but it was not till 1958 when they won their first major trophy after the war, when they defeated Crossgates Primrose in the final of the Cowdenbeath Cup. A year later the Dunfermline Cup was won.

In 1959/60 was to be the clubs finest year. It started after a poor start in the League the spark was the thrashing of Haddington in the first round of the Scottish Junior Cup, then Bonnybridge Rose Athletic were hammered 6-0 at home and league form improved and received a bye to the fourth round of the cup. In the fourth round 3,000 spectators watched them take on Armadale Thistle at home and most forecast jags win but United easily defeated those 3-0. They had to travel to Aberdeen for the fifth round where they just disposed of Banks O'Dee and in the next round they had to travel to Denny to play Dunipace in the Quarter finals. In front of 4,000 spectators (800 having travelled by special train to Denny) saw them reach their first Semi-final. The Semi-Final was played at Starks Park and 15,411 spectators watched an all Fife game against Thornton Hibernian on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April which ended in a draw, which 11,000 watched the replay in which United defeated Thornton 2-1 at Starks Park.

Before the Scottish Junior Cup final. United won the Fife Junior Cup defeating Thornton Hibernian at Starks Park and won the County League for the first time since 1930. The final was played at Hampden Park against Greenock Juniors in front of 34,603 spectators and St Andrews was a ghost town that day as cars buses and special trains headed for Hampden Park a reported 8,000 left to cheer on United and Greenock succumbed to a swift one-two by United to take the cup back to Recreation Park.

The town celebrated long into the night with the team being carried through the town with the Cup after they had got off the bus at their home ground. Larger home attendances were reserved for the following season as United attempted to retain their hold on the Scottish Junior Cup. However having reached the fifth round they lost in a replay to Renfrew in front of 4,000 but they retained the League

and won the Dunfermline Cup. The next season saw 3,000 watch a third round Scottish Cup tie against Armadale Thistle and went on to retain the Dunfermline Cup.

A year later 1,600 watched them play against South United from Aberdeen in the Scottish Junior Cup and before the Greenock cup tie rubble from the Cannongate was built to improve the terracing for the anticipated crowd and 3,000 watched the match.

In 1964/65 season they again won the League championship having been runners up the year before, and a season later the double of the Fife Junior Cup and Cowdenbeath Cup was done, Several players players went on to play for senior teams in Scotland and England and with the loss of all these players it took the club a long time to recover. There was also the expense of buying Recreation Park and new changing facilities at the ground which cost the club £16000.

After a twenty five year absence the League championship came back to Recreation Park (1990) and the Fife Junior Cup was won. They were to be runners up in the East Division in 1991, the Fife and Lothians Cup was won for the first and only time (1995) and were runners up in the Fife and Tayside Cup (1999).

In their hundredth year as a club they won the Fife Cup and a year later won the Kingdom Kegs Cup for the only time (2006) and had been runners up in the East Region Fife League in 2004 and 2006 seasons, they were runners up again in 2007/08 season before being promoted to Premier Division for 2009/10 season. After they won the league championship, the next season they were promoted again this time as champions of the Premier Division 8 points clear of Carnoustie Panmure. They were nearly relegated back to the Premier Division but a point against Lochee saw them safe and they ended the 2011/12 season by defeating Kinnoull at Kiers Park 4-1 to win the East of Scotland Cup for the first time.

United is only one of three clubs in Fife to have reach one hundred years as a club

Founded - 1905

Grounds - Kinness Park, Links Park, Madras Park, Recreation Park

Leagues - East Neuk League, Fife County, Fife Regional League, East Region

Highest Attendance – Armadale Thistle Scottish Cup third round Replay 7/12/60, Greenock Juniors Scottish Junior Cup 11/2/61 3,000

#### Honours

#### Scottish Junior Cup

Winners - 1960

### Fife County League

Champions – 1926/27, 1927/28, 1928/29, 1959/60, 1960/61, 1964/65

Runners up – 1951/52, 1957/58, 1958/59, 1961/62, 1963/64

### Fife Regional League

Champions - 1989/90

#### Fife Regional League East Division

Champions - 1989/90

Runners up - 1987/88, 1990/91

### **East of Scotland Cup**

Winners - 2012

### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1907, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1960, 1966, 1988, 1989, 1990, 2005

Runners up - 1959, 1967, 1984

### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1958, 1966, 1969, 1991

Runners up- 1963, 1973, 1976, 1992, 1993

### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1927, 1928, 1929, 1959, 1961, 1962, 1964

Runners up – 1958, 1965

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1927, 1928, 1929

Runners up - 1931

### Laidlaw Shield

Winners - 1989

Runners up – 1980, 1981

### Mitchell Cup

Winners – 1953, 1957

Runners up - 1966

### **Martin White Cup**

Winners - 1921, 1922, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941

Runners up – 1913, 1914, 1915

### East Neuk League

Runners up -1921/22

#### **Express Cup**

Winners -1959

Runners up – 1960, 1961

### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1927, 1928, 1929

Runners up – 1907, 1937, 1939

### Fife & Lothians Cup

Winners - 1995

Runners up – 2005

### Fife & Tayside Cup

Runners up - 1999

### **East Coat Windows Cup**

Winners 1988, 1989, 1990

Runners up - 1991

### Kingdom Kegs Cup

Winners – 2006

Runners up -2008

### East Region Fife District League

Runners up -2003/04, 2005/06

### **East Region Central League**

Champions - 2008/09

Runners up -2007/08

### **East Region Premier Division**

Champions -2010/11

# St. Monan's

Situated in the East Neuk (east corner) of Fife between Elie and Pittenweem, St Monans huddles against the shore. A small fishing village, and have had one junior side.

### St Monan's Swifts

The Swifts were formed in 1893 and are still playing in the amateur ranks they came on the Junior scene in 1912 when they joined the East Neuk and remained in that League before joining the Fife County League East Division in 1922 and played for three seasons before returning to the amateurs although they did come back to the Eastern Division in 1939/40 but left after 4 games and have stayed amateur ever since and are now in there 118 years of football

They were invited to play in the Martin White Cup in 1910 and were runners up and again they were invited to make up the numbers and won the cup. In their first season in the East Neuk League they were runners up to Leslie Hearts they didn't play during the Great War but rejoined the East Neuk League in 1918 and were to be runners up to Ellie thistle but were to be champions in the next two seasons and in 1922 they were to be runners up in the Fife Junior Cup.

The club now play under the name of St Monans Swallows AFC.

Founded - 1893

Ground - The Common

League - East Neuk League, Fife County League

### **Honours**

### Fife Junior Cup

Runners up - 1922

East Neuk League

Champions - 1919/20, 1920/21

Runners up - 1918/19

**Martin White Cup** 

Winners - 1911

Runners up - 1910

# Steelend

The small village of Steelend has had one junior team with two names Victoria and Comrie Colliery when Victoria was supported by the colliery up to its demise in 1989.

### **Steelend Victoria**

The Victoria club were formed in 1945 and the ground Woodside Park is at the end of the village. They joined Fife Junior League for 1946/47 and it was not until the end of their first season as a junior club that the terracing and banking were completed.

Victoria won the Fife Junior Cup in their first season and in 1950/51 season took their only League championship and the Mitchell Cup. The ground had drainage problems and had to be shut for two months in 1957 to lay new drains and re-turf the park so played at Blairhall for two months and the pavilion they had at the east side of the ground was blown down.

The financial situation of the club meant they eventually took support from the miners and changed their name to Comrie Colliery from 1963 to 1989. In 1971/72 season the SJFA would not let them play Scottish Junior cup ties at home because of the state of the facilities and so ties against Dundee Violet and the now defunct Dundee Osborne were taken to the oppositions ground.

Woodside Park received a grant in October 1975 and a new pavilion was built on the South side which was improved in 1994, Comrie Colliery were Runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup (1972) and runners up in Fife Regional league West Division and Laidlaw Shield (1987).

The club lost its sponsorship from the mine in 1989 and went into abeyance and the ground was used by local amateurs and juvenile sides. They returned as Steelend Victoria in 1995 and played in the Fife Regional till 2002 when it became part of East Region where the club still play.

Formed – 1945 Abe

Abeyance – 1989- 1995

Ground - Woodside Park

Leagues - Fife County League, Fife Regional League, East Region

Highest Attendance - Dunipace Scottish Junior Cup Round 1 1956, 1645

#### **Honours**

Fife County League

Champions -1950/51

Fife Regional League

Runners up – 1975/76

### Fife Regional West Division

Runners up - 1986/87\*

Fife Junior Cup

Winners - 1947

Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up 1972\*

**Dunfermline Cup** 

Winners - 1965\*

Mitchell Cup

Winners - 1951

Laidlaw Shield

Runners up - 1987

(\*as Comrie Colliery (2))

# Strathkinness

The local Rangers were formed in 1896 but would only last a season and in that season there were runners up in the Montrave Cup to Leven Thistle who had won it four seasons in a row.

### **Strathkinness Rangers**

Founded - 1896

Defunct - 1897

Ground - Public Park

### **Honours**

### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1897

# Tayport

The first football played in Tayport was the 1st Fife Artillery Volunteers part of Lowland Battery Volunteer Company Fife and they played in the local park for 5 years against teams from Fife and Dundee.

Abertay were the first and only side in the town to turn senior and played in the Scottish Cup but never went past the first round. The local public park was used by clubs to play football between 1878 and 1900 by clubs of the name of Rosevale, Tayport Our Boys, Tayport Union and Tayport United played on the two pitches laid out by the local town board.

#### Waterson Park

The first club to leave the public park and fix themselves up with their own pitch and to join a league was Tayport FC. The next time the ground was used for junior fixtures was by a club called North Fife who joined the Fife Regional League in 1977 but went defunct in 1980

### Canniepart Park

This was first laid out by Tayport Amateurs in 1946 and went on to play in the Midlands Amateur League till 1990 when they formed Tayport Juniors and joined the Second Division Tayside League with a 2XI remaining in the Amateur League. The ground is bounded on two sides by a burn with a small covered enclosure on Shanwell Road. The club built up banking so people could not view the match for free.

### North Fife

The club played in the Fife Regional league from 1977 to 1980

Founded – 1976

Defunct - 1980

Ground - Waterson Park

League - Fife Regional League

### Tayport (1)

They played in the Howe of Fife League over a number of years and were champions of the Howe of Fife League in 1900/01 season and were to retain in 1902 and 1903 when the added the Armitage Cup. The club were to be runners up in the East Neuk League and Armitage Cup in 1911 and 1912. They also played in the Dundee & District League and the Dundee League before going defunct in 1921.

Founded - 1897

Defunct - 1921

Ground - Public Park

League - Howe of Fife League

#### Honours

#### Howe of Fife League

Champions – 1900/01, 1901/02, 1902/03

### East Neuk League

Runners up 1910/11, 1911/12

### **Armitage Cup**

Winners - 1903

Runners up - 1911, 1912

### Tayport (2)

Tayport were a breath of fresh air as the as they won the Second Division in their first season along with the Currie Cup, Intersports Cup (Red House Cup) Herschell Trophy and Perthshire Advertiser Cup, the next season the Currie Cup & Herschell Trophy was retained and Division One championship won.

In season 1992/93 they won the Herschell Trophy and Division One championship and reached their first Scottish Junior Cup final. They had gone out the year before in the sixth round to Glenafton who would be the opponents in the final at Firhill Park.

They had defeated Benburb 3-0(h), Aberdeen East End 2-0(h), Cumnock (a) 4-1, Shettleston 3-1 (h), Downfield from Dundee took three games before it was settled at North End Park in Dundee and they travelled to Firhill for the Semi-Final with Auchinleck Talbot who were just at the end of their great run and were easily dismissed 3-0. The final at Firhill was on STV in those days and 6,250 watched the match on May 23 and Glenafton just got past them by a goal from Miller.

They won their fourth championship in a row plus the Currie and Intersport Cup and Herschell Trophy (1994). A season later they won their first and only Cream of the Barley Trophy and the Tayside & North Cup was won for the first of eight times plus the League and Herschell Trophy was retained (1995).

In 1995/96 season they reached their second Scottish Junior Cup final by defeating Banchory St. Ternan, Lochgelly Albert, Baillieston and FC Stoneywood (after a replay), Shotts Bon Accord, Kirkintilloch Rob Roy and the Semi-Final was played at Fir Park against Auchinleck Talbot where Port won 2-0.

The final was played at Fir Park Motherwell, against Camelon and it took two goals by Ross in extra time to win the cup for the first time. The party went on all night quite an achievement from a team that had been Amateur only six years before. They ended the season by retaining the League and Herschell Trophy and added the Perthshire Advertiser Cup.

They went back to another Scottish Cup final the next season (1997) by defeating Forfar Albion (h), Larkhall Thistle (h) after a replay, Linlithgow Rose (h), Shettleston (h), Arniston Rangers(h), Cambuslang Rangers (a) and Arthurlie at Motherwell in the Semi-Final.

The final was played at Motherwell on May 18 in front of 3,523 spectators against Pollok and it was a one sided game; Pollok brushed Port away 3-1. They were runners up in the league and for the first time in their junior career there was no trophy in the cabinet and the next season was barren as well with only a runners up in the League to show for the season.

In 1998/99 season they won the Tayside League, Currie Cup and Herschell Trophy and they went on to retain the League and Herschell Trophy the next season along with Tayside and North Cup (2000), the league and Herschell was won for the third year in a row the Tayside & North Cup was retained and the Currie Cup was added to the collection (2001).

For the fourth season in a row the Herschell Trophy and Tayside Division Championship were retained with the Tayside and North Cup for third time in a row and the D J Laing Cup was won. At the end of that season they joined East Region with the rest of Tayside joining with clubs from Fife and Lothian.

They won the first East Region Superleague Championship (2003) retained the Herschell Cup and Tayside and North Cup and reached the final of the Scottish Junior Cup for the fourth time. They reached that by defeating Coupar Angus 8-1 (h), Johnstone Burgh after a replay, Wishaw Thistle 6-1 (h) in front of 3,500 spectators, Irvine Meadow XI (h), Cumnock (a) after a replay and Maryhill 1-0 at Broadwood Stadium, Cumbernauld. The final was played at Firhill Park, Glasgow on the 1st June with a goal by Craig defeating Linlithgow Rose.

They retained the Tayside & North Cup but were runners up in the Superleague and reached the Scottish Junior Cup final having beaten Wilson XI, Kirkintilloch Rob Roy, Arniston Rangers, Forth

Wanderers (after a replay), Cambus lang Rangers, the semi final was played at Starks Park, Kirkcaldy where Glenrothes were defeated 1-0 in front of 4,000 spectators. The final was played at Firhill Park, Glasgow but lost out to Carnoustie Panmure 4-1 on penalties.

They were back to the Scottish Cup final (their third in a row only the second club to do this the other was Cambuslang Rangers ,1971-74) having defeated Formartine, St Andrews United, Beith, Glenafton Athletic on penalties, Lugar Boswell Thistle and in the Semi-Final had defeated Renfrew 2-0.

The final was played at Tannadice Park Dundee against Lochee United in front of 6,668 spectators it was goals by Middleton and Henderson brought the Scottish Junior Cup back to Tayport for the third time and they ended the season as runners up in the Superleague and winning the Currie Cup.

Their attempt to equal Cambuslang Rangers record of four Scottish Junior Cup's in row ended at the Semi-final stage (only the second club to reach four semi-finals in a row equalling Cambuslang Rangers record ) They were beaten by Auchinleck Talbot at Firhill Park Glasgow, and ended the season by winning the Superleague Championship and Currie Cup.

The next season they won the Tayside and North Cup and would retain it the next season and were runners up in the Tayside League Cup (2008). At the end of the 2008/09 season Port were relegated for the first time in their history but went back to the Superleague as champions of the Premier League but were relegated a season later when Camelon won on the last game of the season.

A season later in 2011/12 season they just missed out on promotion when they finished third in the Premier Division just six points behind runners up Broxburn Athletic.

Founded - 1947

Ground – The Common, Canniepart Park

League - Midland Amateur League, Tayside League, East Region

#### **Honours**

#### Scottish Junior Cup

Winners – 1996, 2003, 2005

Runners up - 1993, 1997, 2004

#### **Tayside League Division 1**

Champions – 1991/92, 1992/93, 1993/94, 1994/95, 1995/96, 1996/97, 1998/99, 1999/2000, 2000/01, 2001/02

Runners up – 1996/97, 1997/98

#### **Tayside League Division 2**

Champions - 1990/91

### **Currie Cup**

Winners – 1991, 1992, 1994, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006

Runners up – 1995, 1997

#### Perthshire Advertiser Cup

Winners - 1991, 1996

#### Red House Trophy (Intersport Cup)

Winners - 1991, 1994

#### Cream of the Barley Cup

Winners – 1995

#### Fife & Tayside Cup

Winners - 1999, 2000, 2009

Runners up - 1997, 2005, 2006

#### Tayside & North Cup

Winners – 1995, 2000, 2001, 20002, 2003, 2004, 2007, 2008

Runners up – 1997

#### **D J Laing Cup**

Winners - 1998, 2002

Runners up -2000, 2001

#### Herschell Trophy

Winners - 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003

#### East Region Superleague Division

Champions - 2002/03, 2005/06

Runners up - 2003/04, 2004/05

#### North League Cup

Runners up - 2008

### **Tayport United**

United won the Armitage Cup in 1906 having been runners up in the Montrave Cup the year before. They went out of business in 1910

Founded - 1903

Defunct - 1910

Ground - Public Park

League – Howe of Fife League

#### Honours

#### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1905

### **Armitage Cup**

Winners - 1906

### **Tayport Albion**

Albion played on the Common and were to be runners up in the Howe of fife League in 1898 and then in 1902. Two season later in 1903/04 season they won their only League championship and they would again be runners up in 1912.

The club closed down for the war but were never reformed.

Founded - 1895

Defunct - 1914

Ground – The Common

League – Howe of Fife League

#### Honours

#### Howe of Fife League

Champions - 1903/04

Runners up - 1897/98, 1901/02, 1912/13

# Thornton

The first junior side in the town was Thornton Rovers who started out on the local parks before moving to North End Park in 1906.

#### **North End Park**

Rovers played on North End Park till their demise in 1911 in their time at North End Park. It would not be till after the Great War that another junior team was to play at North End Park in 1926 this was Rangers, they had played on the same local public park as Rovers. North End Park was situated be side the Thornton to Glenrothes Road on the Thornton side of the Lochty Burn. However the proximity to the burn made it liable to flooding so Rangers crossed the road and the burn and laid out a new pitch called New North End Park and they changed at the local "Ship and Stern" tavern as there was no changing rooms at the ground and the land was owned by the local famer.

#### **Memorial Park**

Thornton Hibernian started out at the local public park before moving over to Memorial Park having started out as a juvenile side in 1913. The public park was named Memorial Park in 1936 after the death of King George V.

### Thornton Rovers

Rovers were runners up in the Montrave Cup (1908) and West Fife League (1907)

Founded – 1902

Defunct – 1911

Ground – Public Park (Memorial Park), North End Park

League - West of Fife League

#### Honours

#### West of Fife League

Runners up - 1906/07

#### **Montrave Cup**

Runners up - 1908

### Thornton Rangers

Rangers played in the Fife League from 1927 - 1930

Founded - 1926

Defunct - 1930

Ground - North End Park, New North End Park

League - Fife County League

### Thornton Hibernian

Their first game was against Denbeath A Juveniles. They turned Junior in 1935, in their first season as a junior side they won the Fife Cup defeating Kirkford Juniors at East End Park and two seasons later they won the Fife League East Division but lost in the play-off for the Fife Championship and won their first of three Montrave Cups, a year later just before the outbreak of war they won their first on three Cowdenbeath Cups.

In the late fifties they had a run of finals in the Fife Junior Cup between 1959 to 1964 they were in the final five times winning once and runners up four times, in the Cowdenbeath Cup between 1957 to 1977 they reached eight finals winning two and winning the league twice in the above periods along with two Montrave Cups, Dunfermline Cup once, the Mitchell Cup three times. The highest crowd to watch a match at the Memorial Park came in 1960 when 6,000 watched them defeat Blantyre Celtic in the sixth round of the Scottish Cup they lost in the Semi-final to the eventual winners St. Andrews at Starks Park Kirkcaldy in a replay.

The eighties and nineties were nearly barren with a Division B championship the only honour it was not until they joined East Region in 2002/03 season that they were runners up in Fife Region and a year later went to the Superleague as champions of Fife Region but a season later they were back into Fife Region and they have had a spell in the new Premier Division East Region but were soon back in the new Central Region League (the new name for Fife League).

Founded - 1913

Ground - Memorial Park, Park Place, Thornton, KY1 4AN

Leagues - Fife Juvenile League, Fife County League, Fife Region, East Region

#### **Honours**

#### Fife County League

Champions -1952/53, 1958/59,

Runners up -1937/38, 1962/63,

#### Fife County League East Division

Champions - 1937/38

Runners up - 1938/39

#### Fife Regional League

Champions - 1968/69

Runners up - 1988/89

#### Fife Region League Division B

Champions - 1988/89

#### Fife Junior Cup

Winners – 1936, 1959, 1975, 1997, 1999

Runners up - 1952, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1964, 2008

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners – 1939, 1960, 1963

Runners up – 1957, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1970, 1977, 1986, 1997, 2000, 2003

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1960

#### Fife League Cup

Winners – 1952, 1973

#### **Drybrough Cup**

Winners - 1978

#### Mitchell Cup

Winners – 1959, 1960

Runners up - 1951

#### **Montrave Cup**

Winners – 1938, 1968, 1969

Runners up - 1966

#### **Express Cup**

Runners up – 1965

#### **East Region Fife Division**

Champions -2003/04

Runners up - 2002/03

#### **East Region Central Division**

Champions - 2008/09

# Townhill

The village of Townhill which is one mile north of Dunfermline has had one junior side they played at Killiebone Park at the top of Moncur Street and North End Park just of Main Street beside the tennis courts.

#### Townhill JFC

Townhill United who had won the Scottish Juvenile Cup in 1906 joined the juniors for 1906/07 season playing at Killiebone Park. They were to be runners up in the Fife Shield (1908) and moved to North End Park in that season of 1907/08 which was situated next to the Railway line. They returned after the war playing as Townhill FC and played in Fife County League up to 1925 when they folded.

Founded – 1900 (as Townhill United)

Defunct - 1925

Grounds – Killiebone Park, North End Park

Leagues – Howe of Fife League, Fife County League

#### **Honours**

#### Fife Shield

Runners up - 1908\*

(\*as United)

# Valleyfield

This is split into two villages High and Low Valleyfield and were not in existence long before the Great War. The first mention of aside from the villages was in 1912 when Valleyfield United was formed playing in Fife Juvenile League and they contracted a local builder to build them a portable pavilion.

#### Calderlea Park

The United used this ground up to the Great War but were never reformed but Valleyfield JFC took over the pavilion and land for 1922/23 season. The ground was on what is now Burns Street in High Valleyfield.

#### Valley Park

It was not until 1938 that land was found at High Valleyfield adjoining the local golf course and fencing was put up on the west end of the ground and using the golf course fencing for the rest of the ground that Valleyfield Colliery played till 1953 when they went into abeyance till they found land and moved to Culross (see Culross) after the ground went under the Valleyfield bypass.

### Valleyfield JFC

The club would play in the Fife Junior League and were runners up in Cowdenbeath Cup in 1924 and 1925 but at the end of the season the local council told the club to find a new ground as this land was to be built on for houses and the team folded as there was no land available in either of the villages

Founded - 1922

Defunct - 1925

Ground - Calderlea Park

League – Fife County League

#### Honours

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners Up 1924, 1925

# West Wemyss

The first side from the small mining village of Wemyss was Wemyss Athletic who played on the Cricket Ground from 1888- 1891. It was not until 1911 when Weymss Athletic was formed that league football came to the town.

Athletic played at the Railway Ground with the railway embankment as there boundary on the South side and a six foot corrugated fencing around the ground with changing facilities at the local Railway Arms they played all there football in the East Neuk League and the club wound up in 1925.

# Windygates

The town on Windygates is two miles north of Methil and has had two junior sides which have played in the Howe of Fife League, East Neuk League and Fife County League up to 1925.

#### Windygates Rangers

Windygates Rangers were formed in 1910 the third team to bear the name in the town. The other teams had only lasted one season; they played on an open piece of land on Milton Road where local amateurs still play today. The club were to be champions of the Fife County League in 1914/15 season and were runners up in the Fife Cup to Glencraig Celtic but won the Montrave Cup defeating Montrave United at St Andrews having been runners up two seasons earlier.

They played on during the Great War and they reached the final of the 1916 Montrave Cup but the result was reversed from the season before when Montrave United defeated them at the University Grounds in St Andrews 2-1. Rangers had played two seasons in the Fife County League but when the leagues reformed in 1919. The club was wound up because of lack of interest in 1922.

Founded – 1910

Defunct - 1922

Ground – Recreation Playing fields

League - Fife County League, East Neuk League

Honours

Fife County League

Champions - 1914/15

Fife Junior Cup

Runners up – 1915

**Montrave Cup** 

Winners – 1915

Runners up - 1913, 1916

### Windygates United

United who formed in 1902 were playing on the Recreation Playing Fields (Grieg Park) joined the Howe of Fife League for one season (1903/04) but were dissolved in 1905.

Founded - 1902

Defunct - 1905

Ground – Recreation Playing Fields (Grieg Park)

League - Howe of Fife League

# <u>Wormit</u>

The small village of Wormit near the River Tay had a junior side from 1898 - 1901 where Wormit AFC play today at the Recreation Fields.

#### Wormit Athletic

Athletic won the Martin White Cup in 1900 defeating Ancient City Athletic at the University Grounds in St Andrews and would be runners up in the Howe of Fife League in 1900/01 to Tayport Juniors in the last season before they were wound up.

Founded - 1898

Defunct - 1901

Ground - Playing Fields

League - Howe of Fife League

**Honours** 

**Martin White Cup** 

Winners - 1900

Howe of Fife League

Runners up - 1900/01

## Fields outside Fife

The following clubs have either played in the Fife League since 1892 to the present or won a senior or Junior Trophy and are listed as follows:



Although in Clackmannanshire, Alloa teams participated in the Fife Cup in the earlier years and played in the competition till 1888.

#### **Cricket Ground**

This was Alloa Athletics second ground having started out on the Alloa Public Park before given land at the end of the season by the local Brewery.

#### Gaberston Park

The club moved in 1884 with their first game at the ground being the Stirlingshire Cup tie against Vale of Forth whom they defeated 6-0. They would play on the ground till 1889.

#### **Bellevue Park**

This was again given to the club by the brewery as they had expanded on to Gaberston Park but this ground was too small for ambitions and they moved down to Recreation Park in 1895. The ground was taken over by Vale of Forth and Alloa Seafield Thistle (mostly known as Seafield Thistle) who

had used the Cricket Ground before moving to Gaberston Park. The ground was used till the demise of Seafield Thistle in 1914 then houses were built upon it.

#### Recreation Park

The ground was first opened in 1895 with a small pavilion which they had dismantled and brought from Gaberston Park. This pavilion would last till 1921 when a small stand was built with changing facilities and would go on to be known as old creaky as it swayed in high winds. This was demolished and today's stand was built the ground now has two covered enclosures one on Clackmannan Road with the other new enclosure on the Hilton Road side and the club have good parking facilities beside the old railway line.

#### Redwell Park

This was used by Athletic Junior side from 1907 to 1925 when they played in the Clackmannanshire Junior League and Stirlingshire Junior League and the ground attracted over 1, 000 people in 1924 when playing Camelon.

#### Alloa Athletic

Founded -1878

Grounds - Alloa Public Park, Alloa Cricket Ground, Gaberston Park, Bellevue Park, Recreation Park

Fifeshire County Football District Association - 1883 Founding Member

Clackmannanshire County Football Association - 1884

Stirlingshire County Football District Association - 1897

Scottish Football Association - 1883

Scottish Football League – 1921

Highest Score For 10 - 1 v Selkirk Scottish Consolation Cup Round One Replay 1908

**Highest Score Against -** 0 - 12 v Partick Thistle Scottish Cup 3rd Round 1885

The club was formed at the pavilion of Alloa Cricket Club in May 1878 as Clackmannan County Football Club who wished to promote football in the town and to keep fit during the winter months. The club changed its name to Alloa Federation Football Club before changing its name to Alloa Athletic playing in Orange and black stripes. They put in an application to join the Scottish Football Association which was confirmed in June and so were put in the draw for the Scottish Cup of 1883/84 season.

The club first recorded tie was in August when a Falkirk XI came to Alloa Public Park and swiftly taught them a lesson in football by defeating them by a 9 - 0 scoreline, but as luck would as have it they were drawn against Falkirk in the first round of the Scottish Cup.

Their first excursion into the Scottish Cup was very short because at Billbonny Park home of Falkirk, they were hammered by a scoreline of 5-0 having being put in the Stirlingshire group of clubs but were actually members of the East of Scotland Football Association plus the newly established Fife Cup even thought they came from Clackmannanshire the smallest county in Scotland.

Their first tie in the Fife Cup was at home against Dunfermline St Leonards and a comfortable win for the wasps by 6-0 with Forsyth getting four. It was then a trip to Kirkcaldy to play Kirkcaldy Wanderers at Newton Park but this was a harder game and it was again Forsyth who scored the goals

that took them through. In the Semi-final it was another away tie this time at Lamerlawns Park in Burntisland and again they cruised through to the first final, winning 4-1.

The final was played at Ladysmill Park in Dunfermline against Dunfermline the first match ended 3-3 The replay was again was at Ladysmill with Dunfermline winning 2-0. For the new year of 1884 they moved to a new park called Gaberston Park with a lease from the local Brewery Company, with pay boxes for the first time inserted at the Gaberston Road end, the ground was opened by St Leonards from Dunfermline with the wasps winning 2-1.

In the first round of the Fife Cup they received a bye but it was a good omen as they won 6-1 against Kirkcaldy Wanderers but they were defeated by a powerful Dunfermline side 3-0 at Ladysmill in the semi-final. They lost out in the first round of the Scottish Cup to Kings Park 4-1.

After only 1 year at Gaberston Park the club had to move out because of expansion by the Alloa Brewery Company. The Company laid out a new pitch down at the Forth River building them a small stand and laying out boundary fencing of the ground bordering Bellevue Street and Smithfield Loan.

The new ground was opened in a challenge match against a Stirlingshire Select team but they lost 4-0. After 1 year as members of the Fife County Football Association they decided along with Clackmannan, Kincardine, Alva, and Kincardine United, South Alloa and Alloa United to form the Clackmannanshire Football Association in 1885 and playing in their new colours of Orange shirts with black shorts instead of the original all orange colours they had started with.

The new colours seemed to be lucky as they made the second round of the Scottish Cup defeating Cowdenbeath 6-2 at home but lost out to Dunfermline Athletic by the score of 1-0, but they reached the final of the Clackmannanshire Cup. The final was played at their local rivals ground of Chapelhill Park home of Clackmannan against Clackmannan.

The game was played at a furious pace but it was Alloa who won their first cup 3-0 to take home the cup to Alloa which had been donated by Johnson & Son Jewelers Alloa. They went on to hold it till 1891 when Clackmannan defeated them at Bellevue Park by 4-0 and reached the semi final of the Fife Cup before losing to Dunfermline.

In 1885/86 season the wasps for the first time reached the third round of the Scottish Cup but were massacred by Partick F.C. 12-0. There highest ever loss but the season ended by reaching their second Fife Cup final having defeated Vale of Forth 8-1, Dunfermline Thistle 2-0 and Lassodie 4-2 to get there.

The final was played on Dunfermline Cricket Club/Dunfermline FC pitch at Ladysmill Park and easily defeated Cowdenbeath 4-0 to take the Fife Cup home for the only time after a 3-3 draw the week before.

They sent a team of reserves and juniors to the final of the Sauchie Badge Competition in 1887 but were defeated by Clackmannan at Greenhill Park, Alva. This was the fore runner of the Clackmannanshire Charity Cup where Mr. M Balfour (later Lord Balfour of Burleigh) purchased a cup from Bell Jewelers in Stirling

Alloa had in that season been runners up in the Edinburgh Shield to Mossend Swifts and went one better when they won it at Drum Park in Edinburgh defeating Leith Harp and were knocked out in the first round the next season.

The committee of Alloa had seen how well the new Scottish Football League had worked and the committee looked to join a league. As luck would have it they received a telegram from Camelon (formerly known as Tayvalla) asking them to come to a meeting at Falkirk Town Hall on May 5th

1891 in the hope of forming a league. The committee agreed this was a good idea and sent a Mr. Johnson to the meeting. At the meeting the Alloa secretary was joined by the secretaries of Camelon, Alva Bridge, Clackmannan, Dunblane, Dunfermline Athletic, Grangemouth and Raith Rovers.

The clubs decided to run their league on the same basis as the Scottish League and the Midland League was born. In the Midland League the Wasps did well and finished runners up in the first two seasons to Raith Rovers and Kings Park.

From that high position they slipped down the league and finished bottom in 1894/95 but won the last Clackmannanshire Cup as both themselves and Clackmannan joined the Stirlingshire County Football Association in 1897 as they were the only two senior sides in the county.

For the new season of 1895/96 the non League clubs plus those in Division Two of the Scottish League would have to play in the Scottish Qualifying Cup if they wished to play in the Scottish Cup replacing the Preliminary rounds of the past four seasons.

Alloa were drawn against Kilsyth Wanderers in the first round at home. They overcame the Wanderers 2-1 and progressed in the cup by getting a bye in round two before defeating Newton Stewart Athletic 3-2 at home, then defeated Division Two side Partick Thistle 5-4 from, lost out in the fifth round to Division Two side Abercorn 3-0.

This qualified them for the Scottish Cup where they were drawn against Division One St Mirren at Paisley. Much of the town travelled to Paisley to see if their team could cause another upset but the gulf in class showed as the Saint hammered 7-0 in front of a reported 10,500 crowd.

Alloa were to spend one more season in the Midland League before it disbanded at the end of 1897/98 and they didn't make the Scottish Cup as they lost out to Combination League side Falkirk in the second round of the Qualifying Cup.

A new league grew out of the old midland League called the Central Combination League. In this league were Camelon, Dunblane, East Stirlingshire, Fair City Athletic (Perth), Falkirk, Kilsyth, Kings Park, Stenhousemuir and Saint Johnstone but this league was badly run and was wound up after 1902/03 season with Alloa winning the last championship (the first in the clubs history). It was decided that the lease of Recreation Park which they had moved to from Bellevue Street in 1895 would be bought at a price of £5,000. This was agreed in May 1903 with the Alloa Brewery Company.

With their new ground instead of rented the club built a new pitch length stand and the committee applied to join the Scottish Combination League along with Beith from Ayrshire. Both clubs were accepted as the Combination League had lost two clubs one to the Scottish League and another club had left to join another league.

The new league brought the club up to a higher standard and this showed in the Qualifying Cup as they easily defeated Clackmannan 4-0, East Stirlingshire 3-0, Abercorn 3-0 and Saint Johnstone 2-1 in Perth having received a bye in the first round only to lose to the eventual cup winners Arbroath 3-0 at Gayfield Park.

They were drawn at home against fellow Qualifying Cup side Aberdeen from the Northern League whom they defeated 2-1 but were to go out at Cathkin Park to Third Lanark 3-1. However these cup ties brought a lot of revenue to the club and built a small covered enclosure across from the stand. They were to finish sixth in the Combination League after having a good start. In 1905 they won their first Stirlingshire Cup and were to be runners up in 1906 and 1907. They would win it back in 1909 and win it again in 1913 while being runners up in 1910 and 1911.

Over the next four seasons the 'Wasps' failed to get past the third round and finished mid table in the Combination League. In 1907/08 season the Scottish Football Association brought a new cup called the Consolation Cup for those clubs who failed to reach the first round of the Scottish Cup. In the first round of the new cup they travelled down to Selkirk where they surprised only drew with the Border League side but in the replay the next Saturday they went rampant winning by a scoreline of 10-1 they then went on to defeat Vale of Leven 4-3, Bye, Kings Park 1-0, Highland Light Infantry 2-1. Leith Athletic 2-1 to reach the final of the cup.

The final was played at Brockville Park Falkirk in front of 9,000 fans with Second Division club Dumbarton their opponents on the day but surprisingly for the Dumbarton fans, Alloa playing in their new orange and black hooped shirts with black shorts won 2-0 and finished that season as runners up in the Scottish Union League to Renton.

The club was unable to defend the Consolation Cup as they made it through to the Scottish Cup having lost to 2-0 to Brechin City in the fourth round of the Qualifying Cup. In the first round of the Scottish Cup they were drawn against St Mirren from Division One of the Scottish League and Recreation Park was jammed to the rafters for the tie.

It was to be a tough game for the wasps who were leading with two minutes to go but the Saints equalized to make it 2-2. The next Saturday the Alloa fans travelled by special train to Paisley from Alloa Central Station but the Saint made sure that the Union League side would not gets a second bite at the cherry easily winning by the scoreline of 5-0 with a J S Davidson scoring four of the Saint goals.

It was to be Athletics last season in the Scottish Union having moved from the Combination League in 1906/07 season as they joined with other clubs from Perthshire, Lothian, Fife and Stirlingshire to form a new Central League.

The new league consisted of Alloa, Bathgate, Broxburn, Bo'ness, Dunfermline Athletic, East Fife, Kings Park, Kirkcaldy United, Lochgelly United, St Johnstone and Stenhousemuir. The new league brought some success as they reached the semi-final of the Qualifying Cup having defeated Clackmannan, Lochgelly United, Aberdeen University, Hurlford and Douglas Wanderers only to lose to Division Two side Leith Athletic 3-0 at Old Meadowbank Park in Edinburgh.

This qualified them for the Scottish Cup but they lost out to another Division Two, side, Ayr at Somerset Park Ayr by 3-2 this display was to bring them into the reckoning for league status as the committee received a telegram asking if they wished to join the Scottish League. If so please send a communication to this effect the committee wasted no time in answering the telegram with a yes!

So in June 1910 at rooms at 10 Carlton Place at the AGM of the Scottish Football League they hoped to take the place left by the merger of Ayr and Ayr Parkhouse which had formed Ayr United but when the vote was announced they finished in sixth place with one vote seeing Dundee Hibernian take what they hoped would have been their league place.

Having been knocked out of the Qualifying Cup and Consolation Cup by Clackmannan and Kings Park the wasps put their full efforts into the Central League and while other clubs in the league were on cup duty the wasps amassed a vast lead in the championship race which the other clubs were never to catch. This game them their first Central Senior League championship title the second championship title in the 30 year life of the club.

They didn't retain the title the next season as they finished runners up to Armadale and lost out to Stenhousemuir in the first round of the Qualifying Cup and to Scone 3-1 in the Second Round of the Consolation Cup only to see most of the side join the colours in August 1914 and march off to war. In

the first season of war they finished runners up again to Armadale and went out of the Qualifying Cup in the fourth round to Lochgelly United 2-1.

The Central League closed down because of lack of clubs and lack of players as most of the clubs who didn't close their doors for the war joined the Eastern League and in the first season the wasps with a mixture of youth plus men from the three services of air, sea and land brought home their first Eastern League championship so decided that it would not be in the best interest of the war effort if they continue and so closed their doors.

The club was reformed in June 1919 with the club starting out back in the Central League and reached the fifth round of the Scottish Qualifying Cup before losing to Cowdenbeath after a replay, qualifying for the Scottish Cup where they knocked out Dumbarton Harp from the Western League after a replay, only to lose at home to first division side Kilmarnock 2-0 in front of a 8,000 crowd.

Then next season they reached the quarter-finals of the Scottish Qualifying Cup having defeated arch rivals Clackmannan (h) 2-0, St Johnstone 5-1 after two replays, Broxburn United and Armadale only to lose to East Fife after two replays.

They were given a bye in the first round of the Scottish Cup had a epic three games with first division Clydebank before defeating them at Ibrox Park. They again travelled back to Ibrox Park for the third round to meet Rangers but there was to be no shock this time as Rangers comfortably won 4-1.

At a meeting in June 1921 all the former Division Two sides apart from Abercorn, Arthurlie and Leith Athletic were readmitted but it also decided at the meeting that Alloa, Arbroath, Armadale, Bathgate, Bo'ness, Broxburn United, Clackmannan, East Fife, Forfar Athletic, Kings Park and Stenhousemuir from the Central League would join the former members of Division Two from 1914/15 i.e. Dundee Hibernian, Dunfermline Athletic, Cowdenbeath to make up a 20 club new Division Two with automatic promotion for champions.

For the new season the old Bellevue and 1903 stand were demolished and the club built a new stand of 80 yards with dressing rooms and two large baths this lasted till the 1990's when they were ordered to build a concrete one before the wind knocked it down it was known by fans as old sway (it moved in the lightest of winds).

The club opened their campaign as Scottish League side with a derby match against Stenhousemuir which they were to win 1-0 and it was to start a remarkable run as everybody had expected. It was Alloa just ahead of Cowdenbeath that were promoted to Division One with Willie (Wee) Crilley scoring 49 goals in that season and became their record goal scorer. There was a party to end all parties at the end of the season of 1921/22 in Alloa with a dinner given by the local dignitaries and to end a good season.

Their ground was brought up to Division One standards and they decided to employ a manager for the new season instead of a committee but it was to be a disaster of a campaign as they were relegated back to Division Two.

The club was to have a disastrous start to the 1923/24 campaign and was staring down at Division Three at Christmas but managed to recover and finished mid table. Over the next 15 years they struggled in Division Two seeing teams they had played in the Central League close or drop down to Junior level but in 1938/39 season they managed to get into the runners up spot behind Cowdenbeath with a couple of games to go and were promoted back to Division One.

After only six games of the 1939/40 season the Scottish League dissolved the two divisions because World War II had been declared so the teams in the East and the West teams formed their own

leagues for 1939/40 season. The wasps joined the Eastern League along with Arbroath, Cowdenbeath, Dundee, Dundee United, Dunfermline Athletic, East Fife, Falkirk, Heart of Midlothian, Hibernian, Kings Park, Leith Athletic, Raith Rovers, St Bernards, St Johnstone and Stenhousemuir. Alloa finished mid table but as in World War I it was decided by the board that the club would close for the duration of the war and not play in the Southern League because of costs and lack of players.

In 1945/46 season the tidied up their ground looking forward to the new season but were informed by the Scottish League that they would be playing in the new Division B along with Airdrieonians, Albion Rovers, Arbroath, Ayr United, Cowdenbeath, Dumbarton, Dundee, Dundee United Dunfermline Athletic, East Fife, Raith Rovers, St Johnstone and Stenhousemuir. This meant they had been relegated along with Albion Rovers, Arbroath, Ayr United, Cowdenbeath and St Johnstone without having played a game in anger. They lost heavily 0-10 v Dundee, Division 2 on the 8 March 1947 and then 0-10 v Third Lanark, League Cup on the 12 August 1953 and 2-11 v Hibernian, League Cup Second leg, quarter final on the 26 September 1965 to record the highest defeats in the clubs history.

It was to a be a long thirty year struggle to get out of Division Two not even reconstruction of the Leagues in 1974/75 season could get them into the new Division One but a year later they made it back into Division One as Runners Up to Champions Stirling Albion. However they went straight back down the next the next season but it only took them four years before they were back in Division One for the 1983/84 season (their centenary year ) were runners up to Clyde.

The club did what no other wasps' side had did since coming into the league in 1921 by staying up in Division One but one season later were back down in Division Two then went straight back up as runners up to Montrose but they went straight back down.

In 1988/89 season the wasps were to get off to a horrible start and were struggling in the bottom of Division Two but then went on an unbeaten run gaining them a runners up spot to runaway champions Albion Rovers on the last day of the season

The club surprised everybody by making a fantastic start to the season in Division One and were in third place and looking promotion contenders to the Premier Division but soon teams found their weak spot and they soon were on a downward spiral that left them bottom and were the first team in the country to be relegated in 1989/90 season. From there the club has struggled as they were forced to update their ground, which had not changed much since 1921 building a modern concrete stand and with new floodlights replacing the old 1955 lights.

There was more bad news for the club in 1993. That the league had decided to make another reconstruction of the leagues dividing it into four leagues of ten teams with two teams being invited into the league and on their form the fans knew if they did not pick up they would be playing in Division Three in 1994/95 season and this is what happened.

They were joined in the newly reformed Division Three along with Albion Rovers, Arbroath, Cowdenbeath, East Stirlingshire, Forfar Athletic, Queen's Park and Montrose and along with two teams from the Highland League (Inverness Caledonian Thistle and Ross County). Willie Irvine was to score 91 goals from 1996 to 2001 to become the holder of the record amount of goals scored by a player.

In 1998/99 the wasps had their best season in years and finished runners up to Ross County in Division Three and in the next season of 1999/2000 they went back to Division One as runners up but went straight back to Division Two, went back up again but within two seasons they were back in

Division Two and in 2009/10 they were relegated back to Division Three when they lost out in the play off to Annan Athletic.

#### **HONOURS**

#### **Division Two**

Champions - 1921/22

Runners Up -1938/39, 1976/77, 1981/82, 1984/85, 1988/89, 1999/2000, 2001/2002.

#### **Division Three**

Champions - 1997/98

#### Scottish Football League Challenge Cup

Winners: 1999/2000

Runners up -2001/02

#### Fife Cup

Winners - 1886

Runners Up: 1884. 1896, 1898

#### Midland League

Runners Up - 1891/92, 1892/93\*

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#### **Central Combination League**

Champions - 1902/03

#### Scottish Union League

Runners Up - 1906/07, 1908/09

#### Central Senior League

Champions - 1912/13

Runners Up - 1909/10, 1911/12, 1913/14, 1914/15

#### **Scottish Consolation Cup**

Winners - 1908

#### Stirlingshire Cup

Winners -1905, 1908, 1909, 1913, 1921, 1925 1934, 1947, 1956, 1958, 1960, 1966, 1982, 1997

Runners up - 1906, 1907, 1910, 1911, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1984, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2001

#### Penman Cup

Champions: 1920/21, 1925/26

Runners up - 1905/06, 1908/09.

#### Dewar Shield

Runners Up: 1904/05, 1906/07, 1908/09

#### **Stirlingshire Consolation Cup:**

Winners 1907/08

#### **Edinburgh Shield**

Winners: 1887/88 Runners Up: 1886/87

Sauchie Badge Competition

Runners up: 1886/87

Stirlingshire Combination League

Winners: 1898 Runners up – 1902

#### Vale of Forth

Vale started playing there football beside the Clackmannanshire Cricket Ground before moving to Bellevue Park and then moved to share with Alloa Athletic at Gaberston Park they were founder members of three Clackmannanshire League in 1896.

They were runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1899 and a season later won the Clackmannanshire League and in 1902 were again champions and runners up in the Clackmannanshire County Cup and when the league went they may have went amateur but no reports after 1909 on the club.

Founded - 1885

Defunct - 1909

Ground - Cricket Ground, Bellevue Park, Gaberston Park, Recreation Park

Leagues - Clackmannan League West of Fife League

#### Honours

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Runners up - 1899

#### Clackmannanshire Junior Football League

Champions - 1899/1900, 1901/02

#### **Clackmannanshire County Cup**

Runners up - 1902

### Alloa Seafield Thistle

Like Vale they shared the Cricket Ground and Gaberston with them before moving over to Redwell Park they were to be founder members of the Clackmannanshire League in 1896 and would win the championship in 1899 having been runners up the season before.

They were to be runners up in the Dunfermline Cup in 1901 and the Fife shield in 1904 and 1905 they were also runners up in the Clackmannanshire county Cup in 1903 to 1905 before winning it in 1907 the club closed during the Great War but were never reformed.

Founded - 1889

Defunct - 1915

Ground- Alloa Cricket Ground, Bellevue Park, Gaberston Park, Redwell Park

League - Clackmannanshire Junior League West Fife League

#### Honours

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Runners up - 1901

Fife Shield

Runners up - 1904, 1905

#### Clackmannanshire Junior Football League

Champions – 1898/99

Runners up - 1897/98

#### **Clackmannanshire County Cup**

Winners – 1907

Runners up – 1903, 1904, 1905



The small town of Alva had one of the most successful junior teams from Clackmannanshire; the first team to play in the town was Alva FC

#### Craigleith Park

This is where the first team from Alva started out and played a small part of the development of football in the small county.

#### Glebe Park

Alva FC moved into Glebe Park for the start of their Midland League and was open against Grangemouth FC on 10 September 1891.

They merged with two junior sides Alva Albion and Alva Rangers to become Alva Albion Rangers Junior Football Club. They moved to Westhaugh Park while refurbishment work was done on Glebe Park after the pavilion was burnt down but luckily the strips and were packed away for a trip to Grangemouth at the secretary's house.

The club joined the Clackmannanshire League and won the championship on a number of occasions then moved to the Stirlingshire League in 1909 and with the rest of Clackmannanshire were put in Division Two it would take them two seasons before being promoted as champions in 1911/12.

Alva Albion Rangers played out the war at Glebe Park while they were playing in the Stirlingshire League. The ground was situated just off Duke Street in the town.

#### Westhaugh Park

Alva Albion Rangers used this ground while Glebe Park was being refurbished it was 100 yards west of Glebe Park on Park Road and was used for one season.

#### **Tollcross Park**

This was at the bottom of Glenhead, off East Stirling Street. The club moved to the ground in 1921 having been told by the Town Council to put a pavilion and showers on Glebe Park. They had been using the Crown Inn as changing rooms.

A Pavilion was built with showers and baths for both teams and referees and was opened against Camelon in the Stirlingshire League on 20<sup>th</sup> August 1921. this burnt down in 1923 and a new brick

one was built and opened in a challenge match against Alloa Athletic with 2000 spectators paying a shilling (5p) to watch the match.

Their then biggest crowd came in November 1938 when 5,000 watched a third round Scottish Cup tie against Benburb this was eclipsed by a 6,000 v Rothesay Royal Victoria, in a League match in 1939. The club closed during World War Two as they could not find a league to play in after the closure of the SJFL. After the war, they turned the ground around 180 degrees and named in Glenhead Park

#### Glenhead Park

After the war with the local School expanding the turned the ground around 180 and renamed it Glenhead Park and joined the Edinburgh & District League for 1945/46 season before rejoining the SJFL for its last season, and then played juvenile league after being rejected by Edinburgh & District and Fife League.

They were accepted into the Fife League in 1948/49 season and in September 1948 2,000 people watched the first round Scottish Cup tie against Armadale Thistle they played two seasons in the Fife League before joining Edinburgh & District West Division. From 1950 the club used local concerts and drives to keep them in funds as the gates were less than 200 for most games according to the local paper.

The club tried floodlights for a game against Bo'ness United at Christmas of 1951 but this was never repeated. The pavilion was sold off to Alva Rugby Club to pay of the debts who on their demise sold it to Alloa Rugby Club the rest of the money was given to the local infirmary as a charity donation and most of the players joined the new Sauchie Juniors for 1962/63 season.

### Alva FC

They participated in the Scottish Cup in 1888/89 season and also played in the Midland League from 1891-1895. The club were founder members of the league in 1891 and were runners up in the league in 183 the merged with two junior sides in 1895. The name was carried on in Scottish Qualifying Cup ties till 1897.

Founded – 1888 Merged – 1895

Ground - Duke Street Public Park, Glebe Park

League - Midland League

#### **Honours**

#### Midland League

Runners up - 1892/93

### Alva Albion Rangers

The club was formed by the merging of two junior and a senior club as one club home was Glebe Park but it did not come up to standard so they moved over to Alva Rugby Ground of Westhaugh for a season while Glebe Park was fenced off and drainage put in. They were founder members of the Clackmannanshire County League in 1896 and won the first League championship in 1896/97 their first year back at Glebe Park and then went on to retain it in the next season.

In 1901 they won their third championship in five seasons and were the first holders of the new Clackmannanshire County Junior Football Association Cup defeating Vale of Forth at Recreation Park Alloa in 1902 and were runners up in the Dunfermline Cup

The club won their fourth Clackmannanshire League in 1903 and were runners up in the Wilkinson Cup and retained the league the next season also winning the Clackmannanshire Cup and Fife Shield. They were to be runners up to Clackmannan Juniors the next season but won it back and reached the final of the East of Scotland Challenge Cup defeating Bowhill Thistle at East End Park after a drawn first game.

In the 1906/07 season they reached the 7<sup>th</sup> round of the Scottish Junior Cup but went on to take the League Championship and the County Cup only to be disqualified on a technicality about one player.

A year later they won the Fife Shield and East of Scotland Cup both for the second time the East of Scotland was won after a replay against Arniston Rangers at Forthbank Park, Stirling with the first game at Easter Road.

They became the last champions of the Clackmannanshire League in 1908/09 when the league was wound up because of a lack of teams and so the club put in an application to join the Stirlingshire League. That league accepted them along with Airth Castle Rovers, Alloa Our Boys, Banknock, Bonnybridge Athletic, Bonnybridge Thistle, Calder United, Clackmannan, Fallin Hibernian, Lauriston Juniors, Longcroft Thistle, Sauchie, Slammanan Strollers, Stenhousemuir Hearts, Tillicoutry Athletic and Vale of Carron as founder members of Division Two.

In 1910/11 they did the double of the Stirlingshire League Division Two and the Clackmannanshire Cup and were runners up in the Stirlingshire League Division One in 1913/14. The club decided to play on thought the Great War with youth and retuning soldiers. The end of the Great War only one player had survived from the team of 1913/14 the rest had been killed on the battlefields.

Their last season at Glebe Park saw them runners up in the Stirling & District Cup losing to Dunipace at Brockville Park Falkirk. They moved to Tollcross in 1921 and in 1924/25 season they won their first and only Stirlingshire League Championship and lost at Forthbank Park Stirling to Grange Rovers, from Grangemouth in the final of the Stirlingshire Cup.

Alva were to be runners up in the Stirling & District Cup in 1928 and runners up in the Stirlingshire League Cup in 1929 and 1930 but won it at Forthbank Park in 1931 even though the Stirlingshire League had ceased in 1928.

The club joined the Scottish Junior Football League Eastern Division also included Cadder United, Croy Celtic, East Kilbride Thistle, Kilsyth Emmett, Kilsyth Rangers, Kirkintilloch Harp, St Ninians Thistle and Twechar Rangers.

Alva won the Eastern Division championship in 1928/29 season and won the overall championship defeating Maryhill Hibernian at Recreation Park Alloa in front of 3,000 crowd having been runners up the year before and also been runners up in the Victory Cup in 1928 and 1930.

The 1930's saw little success for the Rangers they won the Stirlingshire Consolation Cup in 1938 and in 1939 lost in both finals of the Stirling & District and Stirlingshire Cup to Grange Rovers at Brockville Park. A year later in the first season during World War Two they won the Eastern Division Championship and then won the overall Championship defeating Dunoon Athletic at Firhill Park, Glasgow.

The club went into abeyance as there was no league that would take them their last hope had been Fife League but that also was in abeyance for the war. The club reformed at a new ground of Glenhead in 1945 over the hedge from their old ground and joined Edinburgh & District League for a season before joining SJFL in its last season. They were to be runners up but won the Victory Cup at Petershill Park against Dunoon Athletic. They dropped to the juveniles for one season before rejoining

the juniors as no league was willing to accept them for the 1947/48 season but for three seasons they played in the Fife League before rejoining Edinburgh & District League Western Division but little success came to the club and fans went down the road to watch league football at Alloa

Their only final was the Stirlingshire Cup in 1952 when they lost to Camelon at Brockville Park and in what was to be the last season they lost in the final of the Stirlingshire Cup to Kilsyth Rangers the club wound up because only 6 people turned up to their AGM in may 1962.

Everything were sold off and Sauchie played in Alva colours for their first season with the pavilion moving to Duke Street and Alva Rugby Club then it moved to Alloa Rugby Club on Alva RFC demise. The ground is still used along with Glebe Park for the local amateur football clubs as well as the local Alva Academy teams.

Founded – 1895 Defunct – 1962

Grounds - Westhaugh, Glebe Park, Tollcross Park, Glenhead Park

Largest Crowd- 6,000 v Rothesay Royal Victoria Scottish Football League 1939 (Tollcross Park)

**Leagues -** Clackmannanshire Junior League 1897 – 1909, West Fife Junior League 1900/01, Stirlingshire Junior League 1909 – 28, Scottish Junior Football League (East Division) 1928 – 39, Scottish Junior Football League 1946/47, Edinburgh & District Junior League; West Division 1945/46, 1950 – 1962, Fife League 1948 - 50

#### **Honours**

#### Clackmannanshire Junior League

Winners – 1896/97, 1897/98, 1900/01, 1902/03, 1903/04, 1905/06, 1906/07, 1907/08

Runners up - 1899/1900, 1904/05

#### Clackmannanshire Junior Football Association Challenge Cup

Winners – 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1911

Runners up – 1907, 1910, 1913

#### East of Scotland Challenge Cup

Winners – 1906, 1908

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Runners up – 1902, 1906

#### Fife Shield

Winners – 1904, 1908

#### Wilkinson Cup

Runners up - 1903

#### Stirlingshire League Division One

Champions - 1924/25

Runners up -1913/14

#### Stirlingshire League Division Two

Champions -1910/11

#### Stirlingshire Junior Football Association Challenge Cup

Runners up – 1925, 1939, 1940, 1952, 1962

#### **Stirling & District Cup**

Runners up - 1920, 1928, 1939

#### Stirlingshire League Cup

Winners - 1931

Runners up – 1929, 1930

#### **Stirlingshire Junior Consolation Cup**

Winners - 1938

#### Scottish Junior League

Runners up 1946/47

#### Scottish Junior League Eastern Division

Champions - 1928/29, 1939/40

Runners up -1927/28

#### Scottish Junior League Championship Trophy

Champions - 1929, 1940

#### **Victory Cup**

Winners - 1947

Runners up - 1928, 1930

# Bankfoot

Bankfoot is a village, in the old county of Perthshire. This village gets its name from its situation at the base of an elevated ridge, on the road from Perth to Dunkeld. The village has had one junior team and has played in the Perthshire, Midland, Tayside and East Region League

#### Railway Park

The ground was beside the Bankfoot to Strathord Midland Light Railway Line and the club played till 1939 at the ground before moving to Coronation Park when they rejoined the Perthshire League the ground is now used as a caravan park and is near the Bankfoot Railway Station.

#### **Coronation Park**

This was a public park beside Newarthall Street in the village it was named after the coronation of George VI in 1937 and Athletic moved in in 1939. The club have put a small stand and have update the changing rooms over the last few years and access to the ground is mid way on the left in Newarthall Street.

### **Bankfoot Athletic**

Athletic joined the Perthshire Junior League in 1920 and played till 1923, then returned in 1939 for one season before closing down for the war the returned to the League in 1946 and were runners up in the Currie Cup in 1959 to Alyth United.

They were founder members of the Midland Region in 1968 and were runners up in the Perthshire Advertiser Cup in 1972 and won the Manson Cup in 1973 and became a founder member of the new Tayside Region in 1974. They were to be promoted to Division One in 1974 as runners up in Division 2 to Alyth United

They were soon relegated but again and were runners up in the Cream of the Barley Cup in 1977 and were promoted back to Division One in 1978 and were runners up in the League along with the Winter Cup. But were relegated soon after they won their first championship in 1983/84 and were runners up in the Herschell Trophy having been runners up in the Winter Cup the season before.

Athletic were to be runners up in Tayside Division Two and the Downfield SC Cup in 1996 and won Tayside Division Two championship in their eightieth season in 1898/99 along with Downfield SC League Cup and were runners up in the Herschell Trophy, North Region & Tayside Cup along with Red House they were relegated straight back to Division Two but bounced back as champions and runners up in the Herschell Trophy and North End Challenge Cup in 2001. They were to be runners up a season later in the D L Laing Cup

The SJFA restructured prior to the 2006–07 season, and Athletic found them being place in the twelve-team East Region, Central Division (Formerly Fife Division). They finished twelfth (bottom) in their first season in the division. The club still play in the East Region and have not been promoted since reconstruction.

**Founded** - 1918

**Ground** – Railway Park, Coronation Park

**Leagues** – Perthshire League, Midland Regional League, Tayside Regional League, East Region

#### **Honours**

#### **Currie Cup**

Runners up - 1959

#### Perthshire Advertiser Cup

Runners up - 1972

#### **Manson Cup**

Winners - 1974

#### **Tayside Region Division 2**

Champions - 1983/84, 1998/99, 2000/01

Runners up – 1973/74, 1977/78, 1995/96

#### Tayside League Cup

Runners up - 1984

#### Red House

Runners up – 1999, 2003, 2004

#### **Downfield SC League Cup**

Winners - 1999

Runners up - 1996

#### Cream of the Barley Cup

Runners up - 1977

#### Winter Cup

Runners up – 1978, 1983

D L Laing Cup

Runners up -2002

North End Challenge Cup

Runners up - 2001

**Herschell Trophy** 

Runners up - 1984, 1999, 2001

## Clackmannan

The first club to form in the village of Clackmannan was Clackmannan FC who played at Tower Park or Glebe Park beside the church in 1885 but soon moved down within a season to what was to be home for the rest of their career.

#### Chapelhill Park

The ground was situated off Port Street beside the curling ponds. In 1892 a pavilion was built in the South West Corner and was opened with a match against Arthurlie (a 2-0 defeat) on the 31<sup>st</sup> December with new gate boxes at the west end on Port Street.

The ground was redeveloped for Scottish League football in 1921 when a 400 seated grandstand was built at the cost of £400on at the Curling pond end of the ground. When the club failed in 1936 the pavilion and grandstand were sold.

The ground was situated on the corner of Wellmyre and Chapelhill to what today is Clackmannan Primary School with South Pilmuir Street going through the old ground. Opposite to what would become Clackmannan Junior ground in Port Street?

#### King George V Park

The juniors were reformed just down from the old ground of Chapelhill Park which was under house now at King George V playing fields on Port Road. The local council built ne dressing rooms for them with baths and showers and gave them a year to year lease on the ground. The ground is still used by local teams and is on the corner of Port Street and Craigie Road in the town

### Clackmannan

Their first game was against the Alloa P. W. but lost the game 2-0 and this was a series of game lost at home and it was not till a match with Kincardine at Tulliallan that a match was won 3-1. Other opponents at that time were Vale of Forth, Vale of Bannock, Sauchie, Hillend Rangers and Alloa Federation XI.

They moved to Chapelhill Park at the end of Port Road and Wellmyre and joined the Fifeshire Football Association part of East of Scotland Football Association in the first round of the Fife Cup they defeated Alloa United 9-0 but then lost to near neighbours Alloa Athletic 11-0 at Gaberston Park their highest defeat.

The Sauchie Band Charity Badge was first played for during that season which was the first senior competition in the wee county. Clack reached the final having knocked out Alloa who sent a reserve side and the first game was drawn but the wasps sent out the same side and Clack won 4-2, Sauchie Volunteers, Vale of Devon were defeated then the final was played at Gaberston Park Alloa where Clack defeated Tillicoutry 2–0 in front of 2,000 spectators.

This competition gave rise to the Clackmannanshire Charity Cup in 1887 but Clack lost in the first round after three games to Alva but ended the 1887/88 with the Alva Band Tournament when Vale of Forth were defeated 2- 1 at Glebe Park.

Clack were to be runners up in the County Charity Cup in 1889 and 1890 but won it in 1891 and 1892 All of these were against Alloa Athletic in Alva at Glebe Park, Clack entered the Scottish Cup in 1890/91 season they were drawn against Milton of Campsie where John Halley scored four goals but lost Broxburn, in the East of Scotland Cup they were to have played St Bernards at Powderhall but the Saints had been kicked out of the SFA for being professional club but the game still went ahead as a friendly in front of 5,000 spectators. They received a walk over for the St Bernards tie but lost to Alloa 5-4 at Gaberston Park. Both sides met in the final of the Charity cup where Clack defeated Athletic 5-4 at Tillicoutry.

The club were founder members of the Midland League in 1891/92 season along with Alloa Athletic, Alva, Bridge of Allan, Camelon, Dunblane, Dunfermline Athletic, Grangemouth and Raith Rovers during that season they defeated Dunfermline Athletic 17-2 but Athletic had put out a youth side. During the next season they made the fourth round of the Preliminary rounds of the Scottish Cup having defeated Clydebank 4-1 and Armadale 4-3 at home. They Defeated Union from Dumbarton with only 100 people watching the match. They were drawn against Queen of the South Wanders and a trip to Dumfries was on the cards till the SFA told both clubs that the game would be played at the home of Kilmarnock Portland at Holm Quarry (later 3 rd Rugby Park) but lost to the Wanderers 2-0 in front of 900 spectators.

They reached their first of three Fife Cup finals in 1895 having defeated Alloa along the way. They met Cowdenbeath in the final and defeated those 2-0 at Starks Park Kirkcaldy and they went on to retain in the next season when Alloa refused to play them at Ladysmill Park in Dunfermline. They reached their third final in a row in 1897 but this time lost to Dunfermline Athletic at Starks Park Kirkcaldy.

In the 1895/96 season they were amongst 162 clubs put in for the draw for the new Scottish Qualifying Cup. they defeated Helensburgh Union 4-3 at home in before 700 spectators, then Newton Thistle 5-0 at home a trip to Callander to met the local Rob Roy in the third round. The first game was drawn 4-4 and then a 3-3 and the second replay was played at Forthbank Park in Stirling where Clack won 2-1. in the fourth round they received a bye and then in the fifth the defeated Ayr at home in front of 2,000 spectators and in the quarter finals they drew East Stirlingshire who put paid to their hopes of winning the cup but defeating them 2-0 at Chapelhill. this meant for only the second time they had reached the first round of the Scottish Cup and with all their fans looking forward to seeing St Bernards at Chapelhill but Clack took a payment of £20 to reverse the tie as well as half of the gate money where 10,000 saw Clack crushed 8-0 the club had put on free special trains to Edinburgh for their fans. But a crowd of 10,000 saw them crushed 8-0.

The club joined the Midland League in 1896/97 and won the championship flag but at the end of that season they were not asked to join the new Central Combination League so had to play a season of friendlies before being admitted to the League and in their first season finished fourth and in 1908 they were runners up to Falkirk A in the Stirlingshire Consolation Cup.

They rejoined the Midland League in 1908/09 and won the championship from Broxburn by two points with Falkirk A in third place. They were denied a place in the Central League they had the championship won by Christmas but the other clubs didn't play their matches so they became the last

champions of the Midland League and then were without a League for two years before joining the Eastern League for 1913/14 season.

Alloa had denied them entrance into the Central League after a battle in the pavilion on the field and on the terraces during a Stirlingshire Cup match in 1909 with over 400 people arrested at a match and 8 sent off and 14 booked against, Alloa withheld the gate money for damage to the ground then Clack refused there officials entrance to their ground in a Scottish Consolation Cup tie which was abandoned when the referee had sent 12 men to the stands booked the rest and over 500 arrested for trouble in and around the ground Alloa won the replay at Alva with no spectators to watch the match and ended with 7 a side. Both clubs were fined £12 for their conduct and a £5 bond by the Stirlingshire Football Association and SFA.

Clack finally joined the Central League in 1914/15 season having won the Eastern League championship the year before. This was to be their last season for five years as with the Great War having started just before the opening of the season they had lost all their players to the Forces.

The club reopened in 1919 with a tie in the Scottish Qualifying Cup against Alloa Athletic who they defeated 2-1 and then opened there season in the Central League. But in their first season back they ended up bottom of the League with only four victories in 24 games. They were re-elected to the dismay of Alloa who did not wish to play them and a new pavilion and stand was built on the South side of Chapelhill.

With the Central League plus other former members of the Scottish League reformed the Second Division in 1921/22 season. Clack first game in the Scottish League was at Recreation Park Perth as Muirton Park was unavailable because of drainage problems they faced St Johnstone in front of 5,000 spectators and Clack surprised everybody by winning 3-1. There second game was against Alloa and every policeman in the county plus from Fife and Stirlingshire were at the game with 8,500 watching but clack lost 2-1 they lost six out of there next nine games only drawing three and propped up the table and at the end of the season were voted out of the Non League along with Dundee Hibernian while arch rivals Alloa were promoted to Division One.

They joined the Eastern League for two seasons before being elected back to the Scottish League as a Member of Division Three where they spent three seasons barely getting by. In the last season they didn't play all their games they joined the Alliance League for 1926/27 season. That was to be there last season in a senior league. In the next few seasons they only played seven games before they joined the Scottish Junior League in 1931 and were runners up in their first championship in 1931/32 season.

The club won the Stirling and district Cup, Stirlingshire Junior Cup and Stirlingshire League Cup in 1933 and in 1936 when they finally closed their doors.

Founded – 1885 Defunct – 1936

Grounds – Towerhill Park/Glebe Park, Chapelhill Park

#### Honours

East of Scotland Challenge Cup

Runners up - 1901

Fife Cup

Winners - 1895, 1896

Runners up – 1897

#### Midland League

Champions - 1896/97, 1908/09, 1909/10

Stirlingshire Consolation Cup

Winners – 1910

Runners up - 1908

Stirlingshire Junior Cup

Winners - 1933

**Stirling & District Cup** 

Winners – 1933

Stirlingshire League Cup

Winners - 1933

Scottish Junior League Eastern Division

Runners up 1931/32

### Clackmannan JFC

This was the Second XI of the senior side were formed in 1889 and shared the ground with the senior side. They played friendlies and in the local Clackmannanshire Charity Junior cup and were founder member of the Clackmannanshire Junior League in 1896.

They were runners up in the Clackmannanshire League in 1898/99 and 1900/01 season and again in 1903 and 1904 before winning their first championship in 1905. The 1903/04 season was their best to date when runners up in the Dunfermline Cup and runners up in the league.

They won their first Clackmannanshire Junior cup in 1903 defeating Seafield Thistle at Recreation Park and in 1904 won the Fife Shield and Wilkinson Cup. In 1905they won the County Junior Cup again and added the Cowdenbeath Cup plus the league as well. They retained the County Junior Cup but were runners up in the league and retained the Cowdenbeath Cup.

They would be runners up in the Cowdenbeath Cup in 1908 and won the Clackmannanshire Cup in 1909 the club put in a application to join the Stirlingshire League that league accepted them and along with Alva Albion Rangers, Airth Castle Rovers, Alloa Our Boys, Banknock, Bonnybridge Athletic, Bonnybridge Thistle, Calder United, Fallin Hibernian, Lauriston Juniors, Longcroft Thistle, Sauchie, Slammanan Strollers, Stenhousemuir Hearts, Tillicoutry Athletic and Vale of Carron became founder members of Division Two for 1909/10 season. They were to play two more seasons before the juniors were wound up by the seniors to save cash in 1912.

Founded - 1889

Merged - 1912

Ground - Chapelhill Park

#### **Honours**

#### Cowdenbeath Cup

Winners - 1905, 1906

Runners up – 1908

#### Dunfermline cup

Runners up -1904

#### Clackmannanshire Junior League

Champions - 1904/05

Runners up – 1898/99, 1900/01, 1902/03, 1903/04, 1905/06, 1906/07

#### Clackmannanshire Junior Football Association Challenge Cup

Winners - 1903, 1905, 1906, 1909, 1912

#### Clackmannan JFC (2)

In their first season they defeated Auchinleck Talbot 6-2 in the first round in 1961 but lost to Baillieston in a replay in the next round and in their first season in Fife County they were runners up in the Mitchell Cup and a season later won the Fife League Cup.

In 1964/65 season reached the fifth round of the Scottish Cup before losing to Linlithgow Rose at Prestonfield but ended the season runners up in the Fife Cup, Mitchell Cup, two seasons later did the double of the Montrave Cup and the Dunfermline Cup having been runners up in the Dunfermline Cup in 1964.

The early seventies were barren for the club but in 1977 they were runners up in the Drybrough Cup and two seasons later in 1978/79 season won the West Division but lost in the Championship play-off to Oakley United at East End Park as season later they were runners up in the Drybrough Cup. They were to be runners up in the Fife Regional league in 1984/85. But in 1995 without a committee the club closed down.

# Grangemouth

Grangemouth is a town and former burgh in the council area of Falkirk, Scotland. The town lies in the Forth Valley, on the banks of the Firth of Forth, 2.7 miles east of Falkirk, The town relied mainly on its geographical location. Originally a bustling port, trade flowed through the town with the construction of the Forth and Clyde Canal in the 18th century. Nowadays, the economy of Grangemouth is focused primarily on the large petrochemical industry.

The town has had four junior sides Forth Rangers, Grange Rovers, Grangemouth United and Falkirk Juniors. Grange Rovers played at School Park and their rivals Rovers played at Dalgrain Park now used by Grangemouth Rugby club. They merged in 1956 to form Grangemouth United and moved to Grangemouth Sports Centre on Bowhouse Road in 1968.

United used the ground till 1979 when they went defunct and it was not until 2011 when new junior side Falkirk Juniors moved into the ground playing in East Region Southern Division.

### **Grangemouth United**

Grangemouth United was formed in 1956 after the merger of Forth Rangers (1890 – 1956) and Grange Rovers (1888 – 1956) with Junior football had been played in the town since 1888 with Vale of Grange who later became Grange Rovers using firstly Dalgrain Park which was later sold to Grangemouth Rugby Club who still play there and they moved to Grangemouth Sport Centre on Bowhouse Road.

They joined the Fife County League in 1959 and when playing clubs in the East would use Culross to play their games, in 1961 they won the Stirlingshire Cup having been runners up the year before and in 1962 they were runners up in the Mitchell Cup

They returned to Edinburgh & District League West Division in 1962 playing for a few months at Forthside Park before moving back to Dalgrain Park. In 1970 they moved to the Grangemouth Sports Centre. They only had a committee of two with the captain having to take over the secretary job, this continued till the AGM in 1979 when only three people turned up to it and with crowds of only 15 people watching it was time to call it a day.

**Founded** – 1956

Defunct - 1979

Grounds - Dalgrain Park, Bon Accord Park Culross, Forthside Park, Grangemouth Sport Centre

Leagues -Fife League 1959-62 Edinburgh & district West Division 1956-59, 1962-69, Lothian Region 1969-79

#### **Honours**

#### Stirlingshire Junior Football Association Challenge Cup

Winners - 1961

Runners up - 1960

#### Mitchell Cup

Runners up - 1962

# Luncarly

The village which is just a few miles outside was famous for its bleaching works and hence the nickname of the football club.

### Luncarty

They were formed in 1886 by employees of a local bleach works and after some years in local Senior football, joined the Junior grade in 1921. Their home ground has always been Brownlands Park with the railway running down the west side and the Shockie Burn in the North and the Mains Road in the east with the pavilion and changing rooms behind the goals.

In their first season as a Junior club in 1919/20 runners up Perthshire Consolation Cup and in 1929 the bleachers tied the Perthshire Junior League \* after play off at Muirton Park Perth with Vale of Earn, Perth having won the Perthshire Junior League Division One championship and were runners up in the Perthshire Consolation Cup.

In 1930 the club were runners up in the Currie Cup and the Perthshire Junior League and in 1931 were runners up in the Perthshire Advertiser Cup

The bleachers won the league again in 1932 Perthshire Junior League and were in 1933 runners up Perthshire Consolation Cup

In 1941 the last season before the League and the closed closed for four years they won the Perthshire Junior Cup and Perthshire Consolation Cup. They reformed in 1945 and rejoined the Perthshire Junior along with former senior club Blairgowrie, Errol Rovers, Kinnoull, Kinrossie, Coupar Angus, Murthly, 8 ITC A Company, B Company and C Company who were stationed at Perth Barracks at the time. A season later Murthly, Kinrossie, and the three army companies withdrew and Crieff Comrades (later Earngrove), Perth Celtic, St Leonards, St James, Newburgh, Railway Athletic and Auchterarder

Primrose plus Luncarty, Blairgowrie Kinnoull, Errol Rovers and Coupar Angus made up the League for 1946/47.

In 1950, they won the Perthshire Junior League in a play-off against Jeanfield Swifts at Muirton Park, Perth in front of 17,800 crowd after having won the Perthshire Junior League Division Two championship and were to be runners up in the Perthshire Junior Cup.

In 1951 they were runners up in the last season of Perthshire Junior League Division 2 and in 1957 were runners up in the Currie Cup. A season later they won the Currie Cup and were runners up in the Perthshire Advertiser Cup

In 1962 the bleachers were runners up Perthshire Advertiser Cup and a season later won Perthshire Junior Cup Perthshire Rosebowl and were runners up in the Currie Cup. In 1964 the club won the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and were also runners up Perthshire Junior League. A year later they were champions of the Perthshire Junior League and also added the Perthshire Consolation Cup to cabinet and were runners up in the St Johnstone YMCA Cup.

In 1969 the Perthshire Rosebowl was won for the second time and they was runners up in the Midland Regional League Division 2 in 1970/71 season and they won the in 1972 Perthshire Advertiser Cup and had to wait till1989 for their next final when they were runners up in the Winter Cup.

A year later won the championship Tayside Regional League Division 2 and were runners up in the Herschell Trophy. Up until the end of the 2005–06 season, they played in Tayside Division Two in the Scottish Junior Football Association's East Region, and they finished 2nd in the division's final season.

This would have seen them promoted into the Tayside Division 1 but the SJFA restructured prior to the 2006–07 season, and the Bleachers found themselves in the twelve-team East Region, Central Division. They finished sixth in their first season in the division and still play in the Central Division.

Formed - 1886

Ground - Brownlands

Leagues - Perthshire League (Senior), Perthshire Junior League, Midland Region, Tayside Region, East Region

#### Honours

#### **Currie Cup**

Winners - 1958

Runners up – 1957, 1963

#### Perthshire Junior Football Association Challenge Cup

Winners – 1941, 1953, 1964

Runners up - 1949

#### Perthshire Junior League

Champions - 1928/29\*, 1931/32, 1949/50, 1964/65

Runners up – 1929/30, 1951/52, 1963/64

#### Perthshire Junior League Division 1

Champions – 1928/29

Runners up -1950/51

#### Perthshire Junior League Division 2

Champions – 1949/50

#### **Perthshire Consolation Cup**

Winners - 1941, 1965

Runners up – 1920, 1929, 1933

Perthshire Advertiser Cup

Winners – 1964, 1972

Runners up – 1931, 1958, 1962

Perthshire Rosebowl

Winners – 1963, 1969

St Johnstone YMCA Cup

Runners up – 1965

Midland Region Division Two

Runners up 1970/71

Herschell Cup

Runners up - 1990

**Tayside Region Division 2** 

Champions - 1989/90

Winter Cup

Runners up - 1989

(\*Tied after play-off match at Muirton Park, Perth)

# Perth

Perth is a former city and royal burgh in central Scotland. Located on the banks of the River Tay, it is the administrative centre of Perth and Kinross council area and the historic county town of Perthshire.

The town has had numerous junior sides playing in the Perthshire League, Midland League and Tayside Regional Leagues but today has only two junior sides playing in the East Region.

#### **South Inch**

The south Inch has been used by cricketers and footballers since the early 1870's and was the home to senior side Fair City Athletic and St Johnstone before they moved to Dunkeld Road and all the Perth Junior sides used it up to the 1960's

#### **Recreation Park**

The Recreation Grounds, opened in 1885, was the first home of Scottish football club St. Johnstone F.C. It met their requirements for almost forty years, until the club moved to the other side of the Dunkeld Road, opening Greater Muirton Park in 1924 which had been the home of Fair City Athletic 1906 - 1914.

The football ground was typical of its era but very basic by today's standard. A small grandstand and pavilion was the only shelter for spectators; the rest of the crowd watched matches while standing on a grassy banking around the remainder of the pitch. The grandstand had not been built new in 1885 - it had previously housed spectators watching horse racing on the North Inch.

The Recreation Grounds were officially opened on 15 August 1885 however, somewhat unusually; the home club didn't participate in the match. The now-defunct Our Boys, from Dundee, were crushed by Queen's Park from Glasgow, 6-0. Gate receipts were £50.

It was used as a Football League ground from 1911 - 1915 and 1921 to 1924 by St Johnstone. When St Johnstone moved out Jeanfield Swifts and Perth Celtic moved in and Swifts would use this till 1930 when they crossed the burn and built Simpson Park which they played at till 2007

#### Simps on Park

The ground was first used in 1930 and was known as East Recreation Park before being renamed Simpson Park who guided Swifts for a long time as a committee member. The ground was sold to Caird Homes and they built Swifts a new ground on the North Inch in the Muirton area of Perth.

The ground was also shared from the 1960's with Perth Celtic who moved out of Recreation as it was needed for building of houses in the area and this arrangement continued till the demise of Celtic in 1989.

#### Riverside Park

This was built in 2007 by Caird Homes after their purchase of Simpson Park for new houses and is at the top of the North Inch in the Muirton area of Perth behind the church. Swifts have built an enclosure on to what was built in 2009 and have the most modern of dressing rooms but there is no terracing on three sides of the ground.

#### **Tulloch Park**

The ground is on the Tulloch Road in the Tulloch area of Perth and is used by Kinnoull who built it in 1984 they had used South Inch, Recreation Park and Simpson Park along with cow Vennel Bridgend and North End from 1943.

### Jeanfield Swifts

The Swifts were formed in 1900 playing on the South Inch they joined the Perthshire Junior League for one season in 1905/06 but then did not return till 1920. They played in the Perthshire Junior League from 1920 to 1930 before returning to the Amateurs.

They return from successful time in the local Perth Juvenile League in 1933 playing at their new ground of Simpson Park after 9 years playing at the Recreation Park sharing with Perth Celtic. It was not till 1939 that they reached the final of the Perthshire Consolation Cup losing to Coupar Angus at Muirton Park, Perth.

Swifts decided to play on in the war and when the Perthshire League closed for the war, they moved over to the Midland League with St Johnstone YMCA and the next years were to greatest in the clubs history.

In 1939/40 they were runners up in the Perthshire Junior Cup, Perthshire Advertiser Cup and Perthshire Consolation Cup and a season later they won the Currie Cup, Perthshire Advertiser Cup and were runners up in the Perthshire Junior Cup.

In 1941/42 they won their first Perthshire Junior League retained the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and was runners up in the Currie Cup and Perthshire Junior Cup. A season later they won the Perthshire Junior Cup, Perthshire Consolation Cup and for the third year in a row the Perthshire Advertiser Cup was retained and the Swifts were runners up in the Currie Cup and Midland Junior League.

In 1943/44 the Currie Cup, Perthshire Junior Cup, Midland Junior League, Perthshire Consolation Cup were won and a season later the Currie Cup, Perthshire Junior Cup, Perthshire Consolation Cup and added the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and Telegraph Cup to their cabinet to top off a great season for the club.

In 1945/46, the Perthshire Junior Cup was won and the Perthshire Consolation Cup Perthshire Advertiser Cup retained and the Midland Junior League added and a season later the Perthshire Junior Cup, Perthshire Advertiser Cup Midland Junior League were retained and were runners up in the Telegraph Cup

In 1947/48 the Currie Cup Perthshire Junior Cup, Perthshire Advertiser Cup Perthshire Junior League were won or retained in that season, and a year later the Currie Cup Perthshire Junior League were retained and the Rosebowl won for the first time and in 1949/50 they were runners up Perthshire Junior League, Perthshire Junior League Division Two but winners of the Perthshire Consolation Cup, and Rosebowl.

In the 1940's Swifts won 5 Currie Cups, 6 Perthshire Junior Cups, 4 Perthshire Junior League titles, 3 Midland Junior League titles, 5 Perthshire Consolation Cups and 7 Perthshire Advertiser Cups plus two Perthshire Rosebowl the only team to come near that was Blairgowrie in the 1950's.

In 1950/51 Currie Cup Perthshire Junior League Division 2were won and they were runners up in the play-off for the Perthshire Junior League and runners up in Perthshire Junior Cup the next season they didn't reach any final or runners up in the league for the first time since 1938.

They were runners up in the Perthshire Advertiser Cup in 1953 and runners up a year later in the Currie Cup and in 1955 the club won the Perthshire Junior Cup, and were runners up Perthshire Junior League, Perthshire Advertiser Cup

In 1957/58 the swift were runners up in the Rosebowl and a year later were winners of the Rosebowl, they retained the Rosebowl the next season and were to be runners up in the Perthshire Junior Cup and Currie Cup

In 1961 the club were runners up in the Perthshire Junior Cup and a year later the St Johnstone YMCA Cup and Rosebowl were won. In 1963/64 the Swifts won the Perthshire Junior League, Perthshire Consolation Cup and was runners up in the Perthshire Junior Cup, Perthshire Advertiser Cup and St Johnstone YMCA Cup and a season later the Swifts won the Perthshire Junior Cup

And they retained the Perthshire Junior Cup as well as adding the Perthshire Junior League and St Johnstone YMCA Cup to the cabinet.

In 1966/67 the club won the Currie Cup, Perthshire Junior League, Perthshire Consolation Cup Perthshire Advertiser Cup, Rosebowl and St Johnstone YMCA Cup were won almost the the grand slam of all the trophies in the county only the County Challenge Cup was missing from Simpson Park trophy cabinet that season.

In 1967/68 the grand slam was on wrote the Perthshire Advertiser but the Swifts won only the Perthshire Junior League Perthshire Consolation Cup and Rosebowl and were runners up Perthshire Junior Cup, Currie Cup and St Johnstone YMCA Cup the only time a club to have reached five cup finals in a season in Perthshire JFA history two seasons back to back. They had lost out in the semi-final of the Perthshire Advertiser Cup.

In 1968 the 8 clubs of Perthshire along with Dundee and District and Forfarshire clubs formed Midland Regional and were runners up Perthshire Junior Cup, and the first winners of the winners Midland League Cup and win the Perthshire Advertiser Cup.

In 1969/70 the Swifts won the Perthshire Junior Cup runners up Perthshire Advertiser Cup and a season later retained the Perthshire Junior Cup and added the Perthshire Advertiser Cup to the cabinet.

In 1972/73 they won their only Midland Regional League Division 1championship and retained for a third season in a row the Perthshire Junior Cup and became the last holders of the county cup and a season later were Currie Cup runners up.

In 1974/75 the Swifts were runners up in the Manson Cup but a season later won the Manson Cup as well as the Craig Stephen Cup. They were to be Tayside Region Division 2 champions, Craig Stephen Trophy and Tayside Drybrough Cup winners in 1976/77 season.

In 1978/79 the Craig Stephen Cup was won and a season later they were to be runners up Tayside Region Division 2, Tayside Drybrough Cup. In 1981/82 the Craig Stephen Cup was won for the fourth time and in 1985 Tayside Region League Cup was won.

They were to be a few barren years for the Swifts but in 1988 they won the Red House Cup and Currie Cup but had to wait till 1996 when they became Tayside Region Division 2 champions and added the Red House Cup and runners up Herschell Trophy.

In 2000 they again were promoted back to the Tayside Division 1 as Tayside Region Division 2 champions and were runners up in the Downfield SC League Cup and Herschell Trophy and in 2002 won the Downfield SC League Cup. They joined East Region along with all the clubs from Tayside, Fife and Lothian for the 2002/03 season

In 2005 they were runners up in the Red House Cup and a season later were East Region Tayside Division 2 champions and in 2007 won the Herschell Trophy which they hold in their cabinet at the Riverside Park

The SJFA restructured prior to the 2006–07, and Swifts along with Bankfoot Athletic found them being placed in the twelve-team East Region, Central Division (Formerly Fife Division) instead of North Division. The club still play in the East Region and and it took them six years to be in a position to be promoted to the Premier Division.

In 2011/12 season in the Central League they had, a tussle with Dundonald Bluebell the Swifts went undefeated at home scoring 64 goals and away they scored 40 and conceded only 20 goals in the 24 games season and only lost two games away from home the same with Bluebell. Swifts only drew two games with Bluebell drawing four and won the championship by 4 points.

#### **Founded** -1900

Ground - South Inch, Recreation Park, Simpson Park, Riverside Park

**Leagues** – Perthshire League, Midland Regional League, Tayside Regional League, East Region

#### **Honours**

#### Perthshire Junior F.A. Cup

Winners – 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1955, 1965, 1966, 1970, 1973

Runners up – 1940, 1941, 1942, 1951, 1960, 1961, 1964, 1968, 1969, 1971

#### Perthshire Junior League

Champions – 1941/42, 1947/48, 1948/49, 1963/64, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68

Runners up – 1949/50, 1950/51, 1953/54, 1968/69

#### **Currie Cup**

Winners – 1941, 1944, 1945, 1948, 1949, 1951, 1967, 1988,

Runners up – 1942, 1943, 1954, 1960, 1968, 1974

#### Perthshire Junior League Division Two

Champions – 1950/51

Runners up -1949/50

### Perthshire Junior F.A. Consolation Cup

Winners – 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1950, 1964, 1967, 1968

Runners up – 1939, 1940, 1947,

#### Perthshire Advertiser Cup

Winners – 1941, 1942, 1943, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1967, 1969, 1971, 1992

Runners up - 1940, 1944, 1953, 1955, 1964, 1970, 1973, 1991

#### **Perthshire Rosebowl**

Winners – 1949, 1950, 1959, 1960, 1962, 1967, 1968

Runners up- 1958

#### St Johnstone YMCA Cup

Winners – 1962, 1964, 1967

Runners up – 1964, 1968

#### Telegraph Cup

Winners - 1945

Runners up - 1947

#### Midland Junior League

Champions – 1943/44, 1945/46, 1946/47

Runners up -1942/43

#### Midland Region Division One

Champions – 1972/73

#### Midland Region League Cup

Winners - 1969

#### **Manson Cup**

Winners - 1976

Runners up – 1975

#### **Tayside Region Division 2**

Champions – 1976/77, 1995/96, 1999/2000

Runners up - 1979/80

#### **Tayside Drybrough Cup**

Winners - 1977

Runners up - 1980

#### Tayside Region League Cup

Winners – 1985

#### Craig Stephen Trophy

Winners – 1976, 1977, 1979, 1982

**Downfield SC League Cup** 

Winners -2002

Red House

Winners – 1988, 1996

Runners up – 2005

**Herschell Trophy** 

Winners -2007

Runners up – 1996, 2000

East Region Tayside Division 2

Champions -2005/06

**East Region Central Division** 

Champions -2011/12

### Kinnoull JFC

This was the second club to take the name the first junior side had gone out of existence in the 1937 and the club today was formed in 194, with3 the club was named after the school house of Kinnoull. The first ground was on the South Inch before moving to the ground with dressing-rooms at the Cow Vennel After that the club moved to new premises in Bridgend, It was not until almost five years later, after a long stay in the old St James rooms within Bridgend Hamlet that Kinnoull finally got quarters of our own by taking over the pavilion and pitch at the Recreation ground (otherwise known as 'The Bowl'), and shared with Perth Celtic.

The club joined the Perthshire Junior League in 1945/46 season and there first honour came when they lost in the final of the Perthshire Rosebowl to Newburgh at Muirton Park, Perth in 1954 and were runners up in the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and Currie Cup in 1957 but won the Perthshire Rosebowl in 1958 defeating Jeanfield Swifts at Muirton Park.

In 1960 the club won the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and were runners up in the Perthshire Consolation Cup, a season later the club retained the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and were runners up Currie Cup, Perthshire Consolation Cup

In 1961/62 the club retained the Perthshire Advertiser Cup for a third time in a row and were runners up in the Perthshire Consolation Cup and a season later were runners up Currie Cup and Perthshire Consolation Cup.

The won the Perthshire Rosebowl in 1966, 1967 and 1969 and also won the Perthshire Advertiser Cup in 1968. In 1970 the club won the Currie Cup and the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and a season later won their only Perthshire Junior Cup and were runners up in the Midland Regional League Division 1 which they had joined in 1968/69 season after the merger of Forfarshire and Perthshire Football Associations and leagues.

In 1975 the club were runners up in the Currie Cup and in 1977 the club were Tayside League Cup winners playing in the new Tayside Region. In 1982/83 season the club were champions of Tayside Region Division 1 along with the Herschell Trophy

In their last season before moving to Tulloch Park they retained the championship of Tayside Region Division 1 and added the Craig Stephen Cup and were runners up Herschell Trophy in 1983/84 season

They moved into Tulloch Park on Tulloch Road in the Tulloch area of Perth in 1984 having played 20 years on the North Inch and Simpson Park and in their first season at their permanent home the club won the Tayside Drybrough Cup and were runners up Tayside Region Division 1

In 1987 runners up Tayside League Cup, Tayside Drybrough Cup and were relegated to Division 2 in 1988 a season later they returned to Tayside Division One as champions of Tayside Region Division 2 and also won the Tayside Cup and were runners up in the Herschell Trophy.

In 1992 the club were runners up in the Red House Cup to Violet from Dundee and won the Red House Cup in 2002. A season later were promoted East Region Tayside Division 1 as runners up in the East Region Tayside Division 2 having joined East Region along with all the clubs from Tayside, Fife and Lothian

They won the East Region Tayside Division 1 championship in season 2005–06, being promoted to the Super League for the 2006–07. They were relegated at the end of the season after finishing bottom. They would play 4 years in the Premier Division before being relegated to the Central Division. In 2012, they reached the final of the East of Scotland Cup but lost 4-1 at Kiers Park to St Andrews United.

**Founded** - 1943

Ground – South Inch, Cow Vennel, St James, Recreation Park, Tulloch Park

**Leagues** – Perthshire League, Midland Regional League, Tayside Regional League, East Region

#### Honours

#### **Currie Cup**

Winners – 1970, 1985

Runners up – 1957, 1963, 1975

#### Perthshire Junior F.A. Cup

Winners - 1971

#### Perthshire Junior F.A. Consolation Cup

Winners - 1966

Runners up – 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963

#### Perthshire Advertiser Cup

Winners – 1960, 1961, 1962, 1968, 1970

Runners up – 1957, 1965, 1971

#### Midland Regional League Division 1

Runners up - 1970 / 71

#### Tayside Regional League Division 1

Champions – 1982/83, 1983/84

Runners up - 1984/85

#### **Tayside Region Division Two**

Champions - 1988/89

#### **Tayside Region Drybrough Cup**

Winners - 1985

Runners up – 1987

#### Tayside Region League Cup

Winners – 1977

Runners up -1987

#### **Craig Stephen Trophy**

Winners - 1984

#### **Tayside Cup**

Winners - 1989

#### Red House Hotel Cup

Winners - 2002

Runners up – 1989, 1992

#### **Tayside Region Cup**

Winners - 1989

#### **Herschell Trophy**

Winners - 1983

Runners up – 1984, 1989, 2007

#### **East Region Tayside Division 1**

Champions -2005/06

#### **East Region Tayside Division 2**

2002/03

#### **East of Scotland Cup**

Runners up - 2012

# Sauchie

The first Sauchie Juniors were formed in 1885 playing at Lower Abbotsfield in the town but moved to a new ground for the 1886/87 season and today's junior joined Edinburgh and district League in 1963.

#### Fairfield Park

The ground was opened in September 1887 against Alva FC. The ground was later to be used by Sauchie Juveniles. In 1960 with the help of their secretary they put rails round Fairfield Park and joined the juniors they moved over to Beechwood Park in 1970.

### Sauchie JFC

They joined the Fife Junior Football Association in 1890 and became founder members of the Clackmannanshire League in 1895. In 1901/02 they were runners up to Vale of Forth in the Clackmannanshire League and a season later they were to be runners up in the Fife Cup and Fife Shield. They were to be runners up in the Dunfermline Cup in 1905 and then won it in 1906 and the Fife Shield in 1907 and were to runners up in the Fife Shield in 1909 and 1910.

The club put in a application to join the Stirlingshire League that league accepted them and along with Alva Albion Rangers, Airth Castle Rovers, Alloa Our Boys, Banknock, Bonnybridge Athletic, Bonnybridge Thistle, Calder United, Clackmannan, Fallin Hibernian, Lauriston Juniors, Longcroft Thistle, Slammanan Strollers, Stenhousemuir Hearts, Tillicoutry Athletic and Vale of Carron as founder members of Division Two for 1909/10 season.

They won their only County Cup in 1910 and went on to win it again in 1912. They played on in Stirlingshire League till 1916 when they closed but did not return after the Great War.

Defunct - 1916

Founded – 1887

Grounds - Abbotsfield Park, Fairfield Park

Leagues - Clackmannanshire League, Stirlingshire League

#### Honours

#### Clackmannanshire Junior League

Runners up - 1901/02

#### Clackmannanshire Junior Football Association Challenge Cup

Winners – 1910, 1912

#### Fife Cup

Runners up – 1903

#### **Dunfermline Cup**

Winners - 1905

Runners up - 1906

#### Fife Shield

Winners - 1907

Runners up – 1903, 1909, 1910

## Scone

The town was the ancient capital of Alba and Scotland in the Middle Ages has had one club they who started out as a senior side but after World War I reverted to juniors in 1919 they would play junior until 1939 and stayed in the amateur ranks until 1981 when they rejoined the junior ranks.

### **Scone Thistle**

The jags were formed in 1882 at the Haugh where they played up to 1914 then moved over to The Abbey in 1919 and would play up to 1939 before moving to Farquharson Park in 1946 and then on to the Douglas Memorial Ground in Stormont Road New Scone.

They started out as a senior club and played in the Scottish cup, Scottish Qualifying and Scottish Consolation Cups till 1914. The jags won the Perthshire League (Senior) in 1897/98 and would win it again in 1905 and 1912 and were to be runners up in the league in 1904 and 1914 and in that same season were runners up in Perthshire consolation cup (Senior).

The club closed down for the war and moved to Abbey Park in 1919 and joined the Perthshire Junior League. In 1920/21 season the Jags won the Perthshire Junior League and a season later were runners up Currie Cup.

In 1924 the club won their second Perthshire Junior League and a year later won the Currie Cup and was runners up Perthshire Junior Cup. In the 1926 Perthshire Junior Cup was won at Muirton Park defeating Perth St Leonards and two years later the Currie Cup and Perthshire Junior Cup were won.

In 1929 the club retained the Perthshire Junior Cup and were runners up in the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and for the third year in a row the Perthshire Junior Cup was won and the club added the Perthshire Advertiser Cup to their cabinet for the season.

In 1931 the Jags became the first club to win four Perthshire Junior Cups in a row this has since been beaten by Jeanfield Swifts and Blairgowrie (5 in a row) and was to be runners up Perthshire Consolation Cup. In 1932 the club won the Perthshire Advertiser Cup and were runners up in the Currie Cup, Perthshire Junior Cup and Perthshire Consolation Cup. A year later the Currie Cup was retained and they were champions of the Perthshire Junior League.

In 1934 they were runners up Perthshire Consolation Cup and were champions of the Perthshire Junior League in 1934/35 season they went on to retain the Perthshire Junior League as well as winning their sixth Perthshire Junior Cup a year later.

In 1937 they were runners up Perthshire Consolation Cup, and in 1939 runners up Perthshire Junior Cup they closed down for the War but did not return to the Juniors till 1984 when they joined Tayside Region playing at the Robert Douglas Memorial Ground. It would take till 1995 before the moved to Division 1 as in 1995 the Jags won the Tayside Region Division 2 championship and in the, Herschell Trophy were runners up having been in 1992 runners up in the Scottish Road Service Cup and a year later runners up Winter Cup.

In 1996 runners up DJ Laing Trophy and a year later the club were runners up in the Currie Cup and in the Perthshire Advertiser Cup. They were to be runners up Red House in 1998 and joined East Region along with all the clubs from Tayside, Fife and Lothian.

In the 2002/03 the jags won the East Region Tayside League Division 2 championship and were promoted to Division One Tayside and in 2004 Herschell Trophy runners up. In 2005 the club were runners DJ Laing Trophy and they one better in 2006 by winning the DJ Laing Trophy beating Violet from Dundee.

A year later they were promoted to the Premier Division as where the spent one season before being relegated to North Division but have taken not playing for 2011/12 season because of the lack of players.

**Founded - 1882** 

**Ground** – The Haugh, Abbey Park, Farquharson Park, Robert Douglas Memorial Ground, Stormont Road, Scone PH2 6ED

Leagues - Tayside Regional League, East Region

### **Honours**

#### Perthshire League (Senior)

Winners – 1897/98, 1904/05, 1911/12

Runners up - 1903/04, 1913/14

#### Perthshire Consolation Cup (Senior)

Winners - 1911

Runners up - 1914

#### **Currie Cup**

Winners – 1925, 1928, 1933

Runners up - 1922, 1932, 1997

#### Perthshire Junior F.A. Cup

Winners - 1926, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1936

Runners up – 1925, 1932, 1939

#### Perthshire Junior League

Champions - 1920/21, 1923/24, 1932/33, 1934/35, 1935/36

Runners up -1924/25,

#### Perthshire Junior League Division One

Champions – 1923/24

Runners up -1922/23

#### **Perthshire Consolation Cup**

Runners up – 1931, 1932, 1934, 1937

#### Perthshire Advertiser Cup

Winners – 1930, 1932, 1936,

Runners up – 1929, 1939

#### **Tayside Region Division Two**

Champions – 1994/95

#### Scottish Road Service Cup

Runners up - 1992

#### Red House Cup

Runners up - 1998

#### **DJ Laing Homes Challenge Cup**

Winners - 2006

Runners up – 1995, 2005

#### **Herschell Trophy**

Runners up - 1995, 2004

Winter Cup

Runners up - 1993

East Region Tayside Division Two

Champions-2002/03

# Tillicoultry

The local team played at the Games Public Park and were formed in 1887 they started out like Alva, a senior team. they were runners up in the 1887 to Clackmannan in Sauchie Band Badge Charity Cup but soon changed to junior. they were founder member of the Clackmannanshire Junior League in 1895 and played through it existence there only trophy win was at East End Park Dunfermline when they won the Fife Shield beating Hearts of Beath Junior XI, the club played for 23 years before going defunct in 1910

Founded - 1887

Defunct 1910

Grounds - Games Public Park

Leagues - Clackmannanshire League

Honours

Fife Shield

Winners - 1903

Sauchie Band Charity Cup

Runners up 1887

### **Today's Fife Club Directory**

### Ballingry Rovers, Ore Park, Clune Terrace Glencriag

Train/Bus

Train to Lochgelly then turn left if you come from Edinburgh or right if you come from Dundee area and then it is a 16 min walk to the ground

Cowdenbeath, Central Park, Chapel Street, Cowdenbeath, Fife KY4 9QQ

By Rail

Cowdenbeath Railway station is three minutes walk to the ground

Crossgates Primrose, Inverkeithing Road, Crossgates KY 4

By Rail/Bus

Train to Dunfermline Town then walk down to Appin Road then get a 19 bus to opposite Primary School on Dunfermline Road then walk 7 minutes to the ground

#### Dundonald Bluebell, Moorside Park, Cardenden

By Rail/ Bus

Train to Lochgelly then bus from outside railway station to Cardenden then two minute walk to ground

# **Dunfermline Athletic,** East End Park, Halbeath Road, Dunfermline KY12 7RB By Rail

The ground is equidistant from Dunfermline Town and Dunfermline Queen Margaret Stations. Walking time from both will be around 20 minutes. From Dunfermline Town Station walk in a northerly direction through the Public Park. At Appin Crescent (main road) take right and follow that on to Halbeath Road. From Dunfermline Queen Margaret Station walk down on to Halbeath Road and turn right and follow that past the Elizabethan Public House to the ground

#### East Fife Bayview Stadium, Harbour View, Methil, KY8 3RW

#### Rail/Bus

Train to Kirkcaldy then X26 bus service from Kirkcaldy to nearby Leven Bus Station then it is a 10-minute walk to the ground or asks the driver to stop outside the ground some of them are accommodating about this.

#### Glenrothes, Warout Stadium, Warout Road Glenrothes KY7

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Glenrothes and Thornton Rail Station then walk down to the Crown Hotel and take the 17 Stagecoach bus to the ground.

### Hill of Beath Hawthorn, Kiers Park, Hawthorn Crescent, Hill of Beath

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Cowdenbeath and you can walk the one and half miles in about 20 minutes or get the 19 A from Union Street on the High Street and take it to Swinton Place on Main Street Hill of Beath then a four minute walk

#### Kelty Hearts, Central Park, Bath Street, Kelty KY4 0AG

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Queen Margret Dunfermline walk down to Bellyeoman, adjacent QM Hospital Access on Whitefield Road then take the 79A Kelty, opposite Primary School on Main Street and it's a 4 minute walk from bus stop

#### Kirkcaldy YM, Denfield Park, Den Road, Kirkcaldy KY1 2ER

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Kirkcaldy then from Stance A, take the 6 Stagecoach to Smeaton Road, adjacent Denfield Place on Hayfield Road then a 12 minute walk to the ground walking down Denfield Road to Smeaton Road then turn left into Den Road the ground is on the right at the bottom of the road or you can walk the mile from the rail station to the ground up Victoria Road then carry on into Nairn Street turn left into Factory Road then left again into Smeaton Road then left into Den Road

### Lochgelly Albert, Gardiners Park, South Street, Lochgelly

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Lochgelly then turn right and walk down Station Road then on to Bank street to Main Street then take the road to Mid Street then turn right and then left into Well Street till you get to South Street then its right the ground is on the right up a lane from South Street

### Lochore Welfare, Central Park, Main Road Crosshill

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Lochgelly then either a 19A Stagecoach bus or a 20 min walk to the ground which is just of Main Street as you enter Crosshill

### Newburgh, East Shore Park, Coach Road, Newburgh

#### Bus/Rail

You can either get a train to Perth and a bus to Newburgh or a train to Ladybank at get the 94 Stagecoach to Scotland Terrace Newburgh it's a two minute walk from this bus stop to the ground

### Oakley United, Blairwood Park, Blairwood Walk, Oakley

#### Bus/Rail

Take the train to Dunfermline Town Railway Station then walk 12 minutes to Dunfermline Bus Station take the 74 Stagecoach to Oakley the ground is just of the main road.

### Raith Rovers, Stair Park Pratt Street, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 1SA

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Kirkcaldy station is around a 15 minute walk away from the ground. Exit the station via the door at the top of the stairs on platform 2, then turn left down the hill. Go right under the railway bridge into Abbotshall Road and at the mini roundabout turn left and keep on Abbotshall Road. Within about 100 yards you will come to a main roundabout walk straight on this is still Abbotshall Road. This road (keeping the railway to your left) eventually leads into Pratt Street which it becomes after the bridge and follow the signs for Burntisland and it will lead you to the ground which is on the right beside the railway line

### Rosyth Recreation, Recreation Park, Admiralty Road, Rosyth

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Rosyth Rail then walk on to Admiralty Road turn right and walk down the road it's about a 15 minute walk the ground is just of the road just before Castle Road on your left hand side.

### St Andrews United, Recreation Park, Langlands Road, St Andrews

#### Bus/Rail

Bus from Glasgow, Dundee and Edinburgh go direct to St Andrews or you can get the train Leuchars and get the bus 99C from there to Church Street and it is a ten-minute walk to the ground at the top of the road

#### **Steelend Victoria**, Woodside Park, Mains Road, Steelend

#### Bus/Rail

Train Dunfermline Town Rail Station then 12 minute walk to Bus Station then a 74 B to Steelend the bus drops you of at the corner and its two minute walk to the ground

#### **Thornton Hibernian** Memorial Park, Park Place, Thornton

#### Bus/Rail

Train to Glenrothes and Thornton Railway Station and it's a five minute walk up Main Street

### **Tayport**, Canniepart, Shanwell Road, Tayport

Bus/Rail

You can either take a train to Cupar of Dundee from Cupar Rail the 42 bus will take you with 5 minutes of the ground, From Dundee Seagate bus Station take the 42 bus to Tayport and its a 6 minute walk from the bus top to Canniepart.

### **Other Clubs Out with Fife County**

#### Alloa Athletic, Clackmannan Road, Alloa

Bus/Rail

Train to Alloa Railway Station come out from the station on to the ring road at the Asda Petrol Station and walk down to the roundabout and walk straight on into Clackmannan Road the walk is only 400 yards.

### Bankfoot Athletic, Coronation Park Newhall Road, Bankfoot

Bus/Rail

Train to Perth although you could go to Dunkeld and Birnam and walk the 3 miles to the ground or get the 23 but it easier to get the bus from Perth Bus Station and take the 23 from there the bus stop just two minutes from the ground on Prieston Road

#### **Jeanfield Swifts, Bute Drive, Muirton, Perth**

Bus/Rail

Train to Perth, then there a number of buses that go past their new ground take the 8 from Perth Library in York Place and get off the bus at the church or you can walk it from bus or rail station if you walk up Dunkeld road passed Asda and at the next junction turn right into Crammon Terrance and walk down to the school and then turn into Bute Drive then walk up to the church on your right hand side then use the path and the ground is in front of you

#### **Kinnoull**, Tulloch Park, Tulloch Road, Perth

Bus/Rail

Walk from bus station or Rail station to Poundstretchers on Scott Street and take 14 bus to Unity Terrace on Crieff Road and walk down to Tulloch Park which is six minutes away or you can walk it down the Caledonian Road to the Long Causeway turn left then cross the road then turn right into Fues Road then left on to Crieff Road then cross the road and turn into Tulloch Road the ground is about 200 yards down the road this is about a 1 and a half mile walk about 30 minutes

### Luncarty, Brownlands Park, Mains Road, Luncarty

Bus/Rail

Train to Perth get the bus from Perth East Mill Street and take the 23 or 34A from there the bus stop just two minutes from the ground on Mains Road the ground is set between the main road and the railway line.

Scone Thistle, Robert Douglas Memorial Ground, Stormont Road, Scone

Bus /Rail

Train to Perth and walk down to opposite Bank of Scotland on South Street and take the 7 bus to New Scone, at Greystanes on Sandy Road and the ground is one minute from the bus stop

### **The Cups & League Winners**

### Fife Cup

This started as the Kirkcaldy Cup in 1885 but changed its name to the Fife Cup in 1889. Although it is the oldest Cup in the County, it was last played for in 2009.

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	Winners	Runners Up
1885/86	Kirkcaldy Albion	Kirkcaldy Union
1886/87	Raith Rovers	Kirkcaldy Albion
1887/88	Raith Rovers	Kirkcaldy Fern
1888/89	Raith Rovers	Kirkcaldy Albion
1889/90	Kirkcaldy Albion	Hearts of Beath
1890/91	Kirkcaldy Albion	Binnend Rangers
1891/92	St. Leonards	Pathhead United
1892/93	Kinghorn	Pathhead United
1893/94	Dunfermline United	Pathhead United
1894/95	Dunfermline Juniors	Dunfermline Athletic Juniors
1895/96	Methil Rovers	Leven Thistle
1896/97	Methil Rovers	Lochgelly United Juniors
1897/98	Raith Athletic	Buckhaven United
1898/99	Leven Thistle	Raith Athletic
1899/1900	Raith Athletic	Leven Thistle
1900/01	Buckhaven United	Leven Thistle
1901/02	Buckhaven United	Leven Thistle
1902/03	Vale of Wemyss	Kelty Rangers
1903/04	Kelty Rangers	Vale of Wemyss
1904/05	Dunfermline Athletic Juniors	Wemyss Violet
1905/06	Bowhill Thistle	Dunfermline Violet
1906/07	St Andrews United	Hearts of Beath
1907/08	Leslie Hearts	Buckhaven United
1908/09	Glencraig Celtic	Leslie Hearts
1909/10	Glencraig Celtic	Kelty Rangers
1910/11	Glencraig Celtic	Bowhill Juniors
1911/12	Denbeath Star	Glencraig Celtic
1912/13	Denbeath Star	Inverkeithing United
1913/14	Hearts of Beath	Inverkeithing United
1914/15	Glencraig Celtic	Windygates Rangers
1915/16	Hearts of Beath	Inverkeithing United
1916/17	Hearts of Beath	Denbeath Star
1917/18	Denbeath Star	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1918/19	No competition	
1919/20	Denbeath Star	Inverkeithing United
1920/21	Hearts of Beath	Kingseat Athletic
1921/22	Rosslyn Juniors	St Monans Swifts
1922/23	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Kelty Rangers

	Winners	Runners Up
1923/24	East Fife Juniors	Kelty Rangers
1924/25	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Kelty Rangers
1925/26	Inverkeithing Juniors	Wellesley Juniors
1926/27	St Andrews United	Wellesley Juniors
1927/28	St Andrews United	Lochgelly Celtic
1928/29	St Andrews United	Rosslyn Juniors
1929/30	Rosslyn Juniors	Wellesley Juniors
1930/31	Wellesley Juniors	<b>Bowhill Rovers</b>
1931/32	Bowhill Rovers	Inverkeithing Juniors
1932/33	Newburgh West End	Rosslyn Juniors
1933/34	Bowhill Rovers	Inverkeithing Juniors
1934/35	Lochgelly Albert	Rosslyn Juniors
1935/36	Thornton Hibernian	Kirkford Juniors
1936/37	Bowhill Rovers	Kirkford Juniors
1937/38	Lochore Welfare	Lochgelly Albert
1938/39	Kelty Our Boys	Lochgelly Albert
1939/40	Hearts of Beath	Lochgelly Albert
1940/41	Lochgelly Albert	Lochore Welfare
1941 - 1946	no competition	
1946/47	Steelend Victoria	Bowhill Rovers
1947/48	Crossgates Primrose	Lochgelly Violet
1948/49	Rosyth Recreation	Crossgates Primrose
1949/50	Rosyth Recreation	Lochgelly Albert
1950/51	Lochore Welfare	Nairn Thistle
1951/52	Valleyfield Colliery	Thornton Hibernian
1952/53	Newburgh Juniors	Lochgelly Albert
1953/54	Lochgelly Albert	Rosyth Recreation
1954/55	Dundonald Bluebell	Lochgelly Albert
1955/56	Crossgates Primrose	Newburgh Juniors
1956/57	Lochgelly Albert	Dundonald Bluebell
1957/58	Lochgelly Albert	Crossgates Primrose
1958/59	Thornton Hibernian	St Andrews United
1959/60	St Andrews United	Thornton Hibernian
1960/61	Lochore Welfare	Thornton Hibernian
1961/62	Newburgh Juniors	Thornton Hibernian
1962/63	Blairhall Colliery Lochore Welfare	Newburgh Juniors Thornton Hibernian
1963/64 1964/65	Newburgh Juniors	Clackmannan
1964/65 1965/66	St Andrews United	Newburgh Juniors
1965/60		St Andrews United
1967/68	Newburgh Juniors Glenrothes	Lochore Welfare
1968/69	Frances Colliery	Lochore Welfare
1969/70	Newburgh Juniors	Glenrothes
1909/70	Glenrothes	Leven Juniors
1970/71	Glenrothes	Tulliallan Thistle
1971/72	Glenrothes	Newburgh Juniors
1972/73	Newburgh Juniors	Glenrothes
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	Winners	Runners Up
1974/75	Thornton Hibernian	Kirkcaldy YM
1975/76	Glenrothes	Lochgelly Albert
1976/77	Glenrothes	Dundonald Bluebell
1977/78	Lochgelly Albert	Glenrothes
1978/79	Glenrothes	Tulliallan Thistle
1979/80	Lochore Welfare	Leven Juniors
1980/81	Jubilee Athletic	Newburgh Juniors
1981/82	Leven Juniors	Jubilee Athletic
1982/83	Kelty Hearts	Oakley United
1983/84	Kelty Hearts	St Andrews United
1984/85	Kelty Hearts	Oakley United
1985/86	Glenrothes	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1986/87	Kelty Hearts	Dundonald Bluebell
1987/88	Oakley United	Glenrothes
1988/89	St Andrews United	Kirkcaldy YM
1989/90	St Andrews United	Glenrothes
1990/91	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Halbeath Juniors
1991/92	Dundonald Bluebell	Kelty Hearts
1992/93	Kelty Hearts	Newburgh Juniors
1993/94	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Rosyth Recreation
1994/95	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Dundonald Bluebell
1995/96	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1996/97	Thornton Hibernian	Rosyth Recreation
1997/98	Glenrothes	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1998/99	Thornton Hibernian	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1999/2000	Glenrothes	Kelty Hearts
2000/01	Glenrothes	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2001/02	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes
2002/03	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
2003/04	Glenrothes	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2004/05	St Andrews United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2005/06	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Dundonald Bluebell
2006/07	Oakley United	Glenrothes
2007/08	Kelty Hearts	Thornton Hibernian
2008/09	Kelty Hearts	Glenrothes

### Cowdenbeath Cup

This cup was first played for by clubs in the Cowdenbeath area but soon was played for by all clubs in Fife and was played from 1887 to 2004. Afterwards it was played for as the Kingdom Kegs Cup.

	Winners	Runners Up
1886/87	St. Leonards	Lochies
1887/88	St. Leonards	Fordell
1888/89	Kirkcaldy Albion	Pathead United
1889/90	Kirkcaldy Albion	Pathead United
1890/91	Pathead United	Lochgelly United Juniors
1891/92	Burntisland	Binnend Rangers

1892/93	Cowdenbeath Juniors	Dunfermline Juniors
1892/93 1893/94	Lochgelly United Juniors	Pathhead United
1894/95	Raith Athletic	Cowdenbeath Juniors
1094/93	Winners	
1895/96	Hearts of Beath	Runners Up Lochgelly United Juniors
1896/97	Leven Thistle	Lochgelly United Juniors
1897/98	Leven Thistle	Buckhaven United
1898/99	Leven Thistle	Vale of Forth
1899/1900	Lochgelly Rangers	Buckhaven United
1900/01	Dunfermline Our Boys	Leven Thistle
1900/01	Lochgelly Rangers	Leven Juniors
1901/02	Kelty Rangers	Lassodie
1903/04	Kelty Rangers  Kelty Rangers	Vale of Wemyss
1903/04	Clackmannan Juniors	Dunnikier Athletic
1905/06	Clackmannan Juniors	Vale of Wemyss
1906/07	Crossgates Primrose	Dunnikier Athletic
1907/08	Buckhaven United	Clackmannan Juniors
1908/09	Glencraig Celtic	Cupar Violet
1909/10	Kingseat Athletic	Kelty Rangers
1910/11	Glencraig Celtic	Kelty Rangers
1911/12	Denbeath Star	Kelty Rangers
1912/13	Inverkeithing United	Kelty Rangers
1913/14	Glencraig Celtic	Denbeath Star
1914/15	Glencraig Celtic	Kelty Rangers
1915/16	Glencraig Celtic	Crossgates Primrose
1916/17	Denbeath Star	Glencraig Celtic
1917 - 1919	No competition	C
1919/20	Dunfermline Strollers	Glencraig Celtic
1920/21	Hearts of Beath	Rosyth Recreation
1921/22	Inverkeithing Juniors	Denbeath Star
1922/23	Inverkeithing Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1923/24	Wellesley Juniors	Valleyfield Colliery
1924/25	Rosslyn Juniors	Valleyfield Colliery
1925/26	Denbeath Star	Anstruther Rovers
1926/27	Inverkeithing Juniors	Anstruther Rovers
1927/28	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Crossgates Primrose
1928/29	Crossgates Primrose	Dunnikier Colliery JFC
1929/30	Rosslyn Juniors	Newburgh West End
1930/31	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Lochhead Juniors
1931/32	Rosslyn Juniors	St Andrews United
1932/33	Blairhall Colliery	<b>Bowhill Rovers</b>
1933/34	Rosslyn Juniors	Lochgelly Albert
1934/35	Kirkford Juniors	Bowhill Rovers
1935/36	Hearts of Beath	Lochore Welfare
1936/37	Blairhall Colliery	Newburgh West End
1937/38	Blairhall Colliery	Lochgelly Albert
1938/39	Thornton Hibernian	Lochore Welfare
1939 - 1946	No competition	

1946/47	Lochgelly Albert	Crossgates Primrose
1947/48	Lochgelly Violet	Bowhill Rovers
1948/49	Markinch Victoria Rangers	Crossgates Primrose
	Winners	Runners Up
1949/50	Rosyth Recreation	Newburgh Juniors
1950/51	Valleyfield Colliery	Crossgates Primrose
1951/52	Kelty Rangers	Valleyfield Colliery
1952/53	Lochore Welfare	Crossgates Primrose
1953/54	Lochgelly Albert	Dundonald Bluebell
1954/55	Lochgelly Albert	Blairhall Colliery
1955/56	Lochore Welfare	Dundonald Bluebell
1956/57	Blairhall Colliery	Thornton Hibernian
1957/58	St Andrews United	Crossgates Primrose
1958/59	Lochgelly Albert	Thornton Hibernian
1959/60	Thornton Hibernian	Lochgelly Albert
1960/61	Newburgh Juniors	Thornton Hibernian
1961/62	Lochore Welfare	Clackmannan
1962/63	Thornton Hibernian	St Andrews United
1963/64	Lochore Welfare	Thornton Hibernian
1964/65	Dundonald Bluebell	Clackmannan
1965/66	St Andrews United	Newburgh Juniors
1966/67	Newburgh Juniors	Oakley United
1967/68	Lochore Welfare	Valleyfield Colliery
1968/69	St Andrews United	Thornton Hibernian
1969/70	Glenrothes	Thornton Hibernian
1970/71	Oakley United	Lochore Welfare
1971/72	Glenrothes	Comrie Colliery
1972/73	Glenrothes	St Andrews United
1973/74	Glenrothes	Newburgh Juniors
1974/75	Lochore Welfare	Glenrothes
1975/76	Newburgh Juniors	St Andrews United
1976/77	Glenrothes	Thornton Hibernian
1977/78	Glenrothes	Halbeath Juniors
1978/79	Halbeath Juniors	Leven Juniors
1979/80	Leven Juniors	Glenrothes
1980/81	Jubilee Athletic	Glenrothes
1981/82	Kelty Hearts	Tullia llan Thistle
1982/83	Oakley United	Leven Juniors
1983/84	Glenrothes	Dundonald Bluebell
1984/85	Kelty Hearts	Leven Juniors
1985/86	Kelty Hearts	Thornton Hibernian
1986/87	Kelty Hearts	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1987/88	Jubilee Athletic	Kelty Hearts
1988/89	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Oakley United
1989/90	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Crossgates Primrose
1990/91	St Andrews United	Kelty Hearts
1991/92	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	St Andrews United
1992/93	Kelty Hearts	St Andrews United

1993/94	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Rosyth Recreation
1994/95	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1995/96	Oakley United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
	Winners	Runners Up
1996/97	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Thornton Hibernian
1997/98	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1998/99	Oakley United	Kelty Hearts
1999/2000	Kelty Hearts	Thornton Hibernian
2000/01	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Oakley United
2001/02	Oakley United	Glenrothes
2002/03	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Thornton Hibernian
2003/04	Oakley United	Kelty Hearts

## **Dunfermline Cup**

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	Winners	Runners Up
1892/93	Crossgates Thistle	Hearts of Beath
1893/94	Dunfermline Athletic Juniors	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1894/95	Dunfermline Juniors	Dunfermline Athletic JFC
1895/96	Kingseat	Methil Rovers
1896/97	Leven Thistle	Methil Rovers
1897/98	Leven Thistle	Dunfermline Athletic JFC
1898/99	Dunfermline Athletic Juniors	Buckhaven United
1899/1900	Buckhaven United	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1900/01	Lochgelly Rangers	Seafield Thistle
1901/02	Buckhaven United	Alva Albion Rangers
1902/03	Lassodie	Vale of Wemyss
1903/04	Kelty Rangers	Clackmannan Juniors
1904/05	Dunnikier Athletic	Sauchie Juniors
1905/06	Sauchie Juniors	Alva Albion Rangers
1906/07	Wellesley Juniors	Dunnikier Athletic
1907/08	Vale of Wemyss	Kelty Rangers
1908/09	Buckhaven United	Rosslyn Juniors
1909/10	Glencraig Celtic	Rosslyn Juniors
1910/11	Denbeath Star	Rosslyn Juniors
1911/12	Glencraig Celtic	Rosslyn Juniors
1912/13	Glencraig Celtic	Crossgates Primrose
1913/14	Hearts of Beath	Inverkeithing United
1914/15	Kelty Rangers	Montrave United
1915/16	Glencraig Celtic	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1916/17	Denbeath Star	Glencraig Celtic
1917-1919	No competition	
1919/20	Hearts of Beath	Glencraig Celtic
1920/21	Hearts of Beath	Kingseat Athletic
1921/22	Hearts of Beath	Inverkeithing United
1922/23	Kelty Rangers	Kingseat Athletic
1923/24	East Fife Juniors	Inverkeithing United
1924/25	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Kelty Rangers

1925/26	Inverkeithing Juniors	Wellesley Juniors
1926/27	St Andrews United	Wellesley Juniors
1927/28	St Andrews United	Lochgelly Celtic
1,27,20	Winners	Runners Up
1928/29	St Andrews United	Rosslyn Juniors
1929/30	Rosslyn Juniors	Wellesley Juniors
1930/31	Bowhill Rovers	Inverkeithing Juniors
1931/32	Inverkeithing Juniors	Bowhill Rovers
1932/33	Inverkeithing Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1933/34	Inverkeithing Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1934/35	Lochgelly Albert	Hearts of Beath
1935/36	Kirkford Juniors	Lochgelly Albert
1936/37	Lochgelly Albert	Bowhill Rovers
1937/38	Lochore Welfare	Lochgelly Albert
1938/39	Lochore Welfare	Lochgelly Albert
1939/40	Bowhill Rovers	Lochgelly Albert
1940/41	Bowhill Rovers	Lochgelly Albert
1941 - 47	No competition	
1947/48	Crossgates Primrose	Dundonald Bluebell
1948/49	Lochore Welfare	Comrie Colliery
1949/50	Comrie Colliery	Kinglassie Colliery
1950/51	Kelty Rangers	Dundonald Bluebell
1951/52	Thornton Hibernian	Crossgates Primrose
1952/53	Glencraig Colliery	Lochore Welfare
1953/54	Lochore Welfare	Kelty Rangers
1954/55	Lochore Welfare	Lochgelly Albert
1955/56	Lochgelly Albert	Lochore Welfare
1956/57	Lochgelly Albert	Rosyth Recreation
1957/58	Crossgates Primrose	St Andrews United
1958/59	St Andrews United	Newburgh Juniors
1959/60	Thornton Hibernian	Frances Colliery
1960/61	St Andrews United	Newburgh Juniors
1961/62	St Andrews United	Newburgh Juniors
1962/63	Lochore Welfare	Tulliallan Thistle
1963/64	St Andrews United	Clackmannan Juniors
1964/65	Comrie Colliery	St Andrews United
1965/66	Valleyfield Colliery	Lochgelly Albert
1966/67	Clackmannan Juniors	Valleyfield Colliery
1967/68	Tulliallan Thistle	Clackmannan Juniors
1968/69	Oakley United	Tulliallan Thistle
1969/70	Valleyfield Colliery	Oakley United
1970/71	Valleyfield Colliery	Oakley United
1971/72	Lochgelly Albert	Valleyfield Colliery
1972/73	Oakley United	Valleyfield Colliery
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## **Montrave Cup**

	winners	Runners Up
1894/95	Leven Thistle	Ancient City Athletic

1895/96	Leven Thistle	Ancient City Athletic
1896/97	Leven Thistle	Strathkinness Rangers
1897/98	Leven Thistle	Markinch Athletic
1097/90	Winners	Runners Up
1898/99	Leven Thistle	Buckhaven United
1899/1900	Buckhaven United	Methil Rangers
1900/01	Vale of Wemyss	Leven Thistle
1900/01	Buckhaven United	Leven Thistle
1901/02	Vale of Weymss	Buckhaven United
1902/03	•	
1903/04	Vale of Weymss  Dunnikier Athletic	St Andrews City
1904/03	Lochgelly United	Tayport United Thornton Rovers
1905/00	Pathead	St Andrews United
1900/07	Leslie Hearts	Thornton Rovers
1908/09 1909/10	Buckhaven Buckhaven	Guardbridge United Bowhill
1909/10	Denbeath Star	
1910/11	Denbeath Star	Rosslyn Juniors
1911/12	Denbeath Star	Crossgates Primrose
1912/13	Denbeath Star	Windygates Rangers
1913/14		Kelty Rangers Montrave United
1914/13 1915/16	Windygates Rangers Montrave United	
1915/10 1916 - 1919		Windygates Rangers
1910 - 1919 1919/20	No competition Denbeath Star	Montrave United
1919/20	Denbeath Star	
1920/21	Pittenweem Hearts	Wellesley Juniors Wellesley Juniors
1921/22	Denbeath Star	St Monans Swifts
1922/23		St Monans Swifts
1923/24	Newburgh West End Anstruther Rangers	Denbeath Star
1924/25	Wellesley Juniors	Denbeath Star
1925/20	St Andrews United	Wellesley Juniors
1920/27	St Andrews United St Andrews United	•
1928/29	St Andrews United	Anstruther Rangers Rosslyn Juniors
1928/29	Denbeath Star	Rosslyn Juniors  Rosslyn Juniors
1929/30	Wellesley Rangers	Dunnikier Colliery JFC
1930/31	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	St Andrews Athletic
1931/32	Rosslyn Juniors	Denbeath Star
1932/33	Denbeath Star	Dunnikier Colliery JFC
1933/34	Denbeath Star	Balgonie Scotia
1934/33 1935/36	Denbeath Star	Wellesley Juniors
1935/30	Newburgh Juniors	St Andrews United
1930/37	Thornton Hibernian	Wemyss United
1938/39		St Andrews United
	Wellesley Juniors	St Andrews United
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1965/60	Glenrothes	St Andrews United
	Thornton Hibernian	Glenrothes
1967/68		
1968/69	Thornton Hibernian	Glenrothes

1969/70	Dundonald Bluebell	Glenrothes
1970/71	Glenrothes	Dundonald Bluebell
1971/72	Glenrothes	St Andrews United
	Winners	Runners Up
1972/73	Newburgh Juniors	Glenrothes

### Fife Shield

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	Winners	Runners Up
1895/96	Dunfermline Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1896/97	Leven Thistle	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1897/98	Dunfermline Athletic Juniors	<b>Inverkeithing Thistle</b>
1898/99	Dunfermline Athletic Juniors	Raith Athletic
1899/1900	Dunfermline Juniors	Raith Athletic
1900/01	Buckhaven United	Leven Thistle
1901/02	Buckhaven United	Leven Thistle
1902/03	Tillicoutry Rovers	Sauchie
1903/04	Alva Albion Rangers	Alloa Seafield Thistle
1904/05	Lochgelly Rangers	Alloa Seafield Thistle
1905/06	Lochgelly Rangers	Vale of Wemyss
1906/07	Sauchie	Hearts of Beath
1907/08	Alva Albion Rangers	Townhill United
1908/09	Glencraig Celtic	Sauchie
1909/10	Glencraig Celtic	Sauchie
1910/11	Kelty Rangers	Kingseat Athletic
1911/12	Glencraig Celtic	Kingseat Athletic
1912/13	Denbeath Star	Glencraig Celtic
1913/14	Leslie Hearts	Kelty Rangers
1914/15	Denbeath Star	Lochgelly Hearts
1915/16	Glencraig Celtic	Denbeath Star
1916/17	Denbeath Star	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1917-1919	No competition	
1919/20	Inverkeithing United	Glencraig Celtic
1920/21	Hearts of Beath	Kingseat Athletic
1921/22	Rosslyn Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1922/23	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Kingseat Athletic
1923/24	Inverkeithing Juniors	Kingseat Athletic
1924/25	East Fife Juniors	Newburgh West End
1925/26	Rosslyn Juniors	Cupar Juniors
1926/27	St Andrews United	Newburgh West End
1927/28	St Andrews United	Denbeath Star
1928/29	St Andrews United	Hearts of Beath
1929/30	Denbeath Star	Wellesley Juniors
1930/31	Wellesley Juniors	St Andrews United
1931/32	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Newburgh West End
1932/33	Rosslyn Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1933/34	Rosslyn Juniors	Dunnikier Colliery JFC

### **Mitchell Cup**

This was also known during the 1950's as the Fife League Cup and Fife Consolation Cup.

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	1966/67	Valleyfield Colliery	Lochore Welfare

### **Express Cup**

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	Winners	Runners Up
1958/59	St Andrews United	Newburgh Juniors
1959/60	Lochgelly Albert	St Andrews United
1960/61	Lochore Welfare	St Andrews United
1961/62	Newburgh Juniors	Lochgelly Albert
1962/63	Tulliallan Thistle	Newburgh Juniors
1963/64	Lochore Welfare	Newburgh Juniors
1964/65	Nairn Thistle	Thornton Hibernian
1965/66	Dundonald Bluebell	Blairhall Colliery
1966/67	Newburgh Juniors	Valleyfield Colliery

### Fife & Lothian Cup

The Brown Cup from East of Scotland was used from 1934 - 1940. A new trophy was used from 1968 when the competition was reborn. It is believed that the Mitchell Cup is being used.

	Winners	Runners Up	
1934/35	Kirkford Juniors	West Calder United	
1935/36	Bowhill Rovers	Dunbar United	

1936/37	Lookaalky Albant	Tranent
1930/37	Lochgelly Albert Arniston Rangers	Blairhall Colliery
1938/39	Tranent Juniors	Armadale Thistle
1939/40		Tranent Juniors
1939/40	Haddington Athletic	
1940 - 1968	Winners	Runners Up
1940 - 1968	no competition	Lochore Welfare
	Linlithgow Rose Whitburn Juniors	Bo'ness United
1969/70	Camelon Juniors	
1970/71		Glenrothes
1971/72	Glenrothes	Armadale Thistle
1972/73	Linlithgow Rose	Dalkeith Thistle
1973/74	Linlithgow Rose	Fauldhouse United
1974/75	Linlithgow Rose	Glenrothes
1975/76	Arniston Rangers	Lochgelly Albert
1976/77	Linlithgow Rose	Glenrothes
1977/78	Newtongrange Star	Glenrothes
1978/79	Linlithgow Rose	Broxburn Athletic
1979/80	Linlithgow Rose	Newtongrange Star
1980/81	Penicuik Athletic	Arniston Rangers
1981/82	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	Broxburn Athletic
1982/83	Oakley United	Fauldhouse United
1983/84	Linlithgow Rose	Fauldhouse United
1984/85	Linlithgow Rose	Newtongrange Star
1985/86	Linlithgow Rose	Newtongrange Star
1986/87	Whitburn Juniors	Oakley United
1987/88	Newtongrange Star	Kelty Hearts
1988/89	Edinburgh United	Camelon Juniors
1989/90	Newtongrange Star	Bo'ness United
1990/91	Newtongrange Star	Linlithgow Rose
1991/92	Whitburn Juniors	Livingston United
1992/93	Fauldhouse United	Bathgate Thistle
1993/94	Bo'ness United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1994/95	St Andrews United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1995/96	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Lochore Welfare
1996/97	Bo'ness United	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic
1997/98	Arniston Rangers	Haddington Athletic
1998/99	Whitburn Juniors	Bo'ness United
1999/2000	Linlithgow Rose	Stoneyburn Juniors
2000/01	Linlithgow Rose	Whitburn Juniors
2001/02	Linlithgow Rose	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2002/03	Sauchie Juniors	Glenrothes
2003/04	Sauchie Juniors	Linlithgow Rose
2004/05	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	St Andrews United
2005/06	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2006/07	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	Musselburgh Athletic
2007/08	Camelon	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2008/09	Linlithgow Rose	Thornton Hibernian
2009/10	Bathgate Thistle	Musselburgh Athletic
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2010/11	Linlithgow Rose	Bo'ness United
2011/12	Linlithgow Rose	Broxburn Athletic

### Laidlaw Shield

	Winners	Runners Up
1979/80	Halbeath Juniors	St Andrews United
1980/81	Tulliallan Thistle	St Andrews United
1981/82	Glenrothes	Lochore Welfare
1982/83	Glenrothes	Halbeath
1983/84	Halbeath	Glenrothes
1984/85	Kelty Hearts	Dundonald Bluebell
1985/86	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Dundonald Bluebell
1986/87	Kelty Hearts	Comrie Colliery
1987/88	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1988/89	St Andrews United	Halbeath Juniors
1989/90	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Leven Juniors
1990/91	Tulliallan Thistle	Glenrothes
1991/92	Dundonald Bluebell	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1992/93	Dundonald Bluebell	Rosyth Recreation

## Fife Drybrough Cup

	Winners	Runners Up
1973/74	Lochgelly Albert	Jubilee Athletic
1974/75	Glenrothes	Lochore Welfare
1975/76	Lochgelly Albert	Francis Colliery
1976/77	Oakley United	Clackmannan Juniors
1977/78	Thornton Hibernian	Halbeath Juniors
1978/79	Glenrothes	Oakley United
1979/80	Halbeath Juniors	Clackmannan Juniors
1980/81	Oakley United	Leven Juniors
1981/82	Kelty Hearts	Lochore Welfare
1982/83	Oakley United	Glenrothes
1983/84	Glenrothes	Halbeath Juniors
1984/85	Glenrothes	Jubilee Athletic
1985/86	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Halbeath Juniors

## Fife & Tayside Cup

	Winners	Runners Up
1995/96	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Dundonald Bluebell
1996/97	Dundee St. Josephs	Tayport
1997/98	Kelty Hearts	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1998/99	Tayport	St Andrews United
1999/2000	Tayport	Bankfoot Athletic
2000/01	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Carnoustie Panmure
2001/02	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes

2002/03	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Lochee United
2003/04	Lochee United	Carnoustie Panmure
2004/05	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Tayport
2005/06	Lochee United	Tayport
	Winners	Runners Up
2006/07	Arbroath Sporting Club	<b>Ballingry Rovers</b>
2007/08	Lochee United	Forfar West End
2008/09	Tayport	Glenrothes**
2009/10	Blairgowrie	Forfar West End
(**Glenrothes won the cup but were stripped of it for fielding ineligible player)		

### **Tennent Caledonian Cup**

	Winners	Runners Up
1973/74	Lochgelly Albert	Glenrothes
1974/75	Glenrothes	Leven Juniors
1975/76	Glenrothes	Newburgh Juniors
1976/77	Newburgh Juniors	Lochgelly Albert
1977/78	Halbeath Juniors	Oakley United

### **East Coast Windows Cup**

	Winners	Runners Up
1987/88	St Andrews United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1988/89	St Andrews United	<b>Crossgates Primrose</b>
1989/90	St Andrews United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1990/91	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	St Andrews United

### WT Menswear Cup

	Winners	Runners Up
1993/94	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Rosyth Recreation
1994/95	Glenrothes	Lochgelly Albert

### Whitbread Cup

The cup was first played for as the WT Menswear Cup but after two seasons it became the Whitbread Cup and then the Stella Artois Cup and then known as the Kingdom Kegs Cup or by the nickname of 'the booze cup'.

	Winners	Runners Up
1996/97	Glenrothes	Kelty Hearts
1997/98	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Oakley United
1998/99	Glenrothes	Kelty Hearts
1999/2000	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes

### Stella Artois

	Winners	Runners Up
2000/01	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Oakley United
2001/02	Glenrothes	Hill of Beath Hawthorn

2002/03	Lochore Welfare	Kelty Hearts
2003/04	Glenrothes	Kelty Hearts

### The Kingdom Kegs Cup

This was previously the Cowdenbeath Cup.

	Winners	Runners Up
2004/05	Oakley United	Lochore Welfare
2005/06	St Andrews United	Oakley United
2006/07	Oakley United	Ballingry Rovers
2007/08	Glenrothes	St Andrews United

### Fife League Cup

Fife was the last county in Scotland to have a League Cup formed with the old Cowdenbeath Cup now used as the League Cup. There had been a League Cup in the 1950's but this came to nothing.

	Winners	Runners Up
2004/05	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kirkcaldy YM
2005/06	Oakley United	Kelty Hearts
2006/07	Kelty Hearts	Glenrothes
2007/08	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes
2008/09	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes
2009/10	Glenrothes	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2010/11	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes
2011/12	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Dundonald Bluebell

### **Martin White Cup**

The clubs in the East of Fife known as the Howe of Fife played for this trophy.

	Winners	Runners Up
1895/96	Ancient City Athletic	Cupar Athletic
1896/97	Ancient City Athletic	Cupar Athletic
1897/98	Ancient City Athletic	St Andrews Athletic XI
1898/99	Ancient City Athletic	Guardbridge Whitecross
1899/1900	Wormit Athletic	Ancient City Athletic
1900/01	Crail Union	Cupar Athletic
1901/02	Ancient City Athletic	Cupar Athletic
1902/03	Cellardyke Bluejacket	St Andrews City



Cellardyke winning side 1903

	Winners	Runners Up
1903/04	Ancient City Athletic	Cupar
1904/05	Tayport United	St Andrews City
1905/06	St Andrews City	Stratheden
1906/07	St Andrews City	Ladybank Violet
1907/08	St Andrews City	Cupar Violet
1908/09	Cupar Violet	Vale of Eden
1909/10	Guardbridge United	St Monans Swifts
1910/11	St Monans Swifts	Guardbridge United
1911/12	Cupar Athletic	Guardbridge United
1912/13	Guardbridge United	St Andrews United
1913/14	Guardbridge United	St Andrews United
1914/15	Guardbridge United	St Andrews United
1915-19	No competition	
1920/21	St Andrews United	Pittenweem Hearts
1921/22	St Andrews United	Pittenweem Hearts
1922/23	Pittenweem Hearts	Cupar
1923/24	Cupar	Pittenweem Hearts
1924/25	St Andrews United	Cupar
1925/26	St Andrews United	East Fife Juniors
1926/27	St Andrews United	St Andrews Athletic
1927/28	St Andrews United	St Andrews Athletic
1928-35	No Competition	
1935/36	St Andrews United	St Andrews Athletic
1936/37	St Andrews United	St Andrews Athletic
1937/38	St Andrews United	St Andrews Athletic
1938/39	St Andrews United	St Andrews Athletic

## **Armitage Cup**

	Winners	Runners Up
1902/03	Tayport	Kettle United
1903/04	Leslie Hearts	Markinch Albion
1904/05	Newburgh Athletic	Kettle United
1905/06	Tayport United	Newburgh Athletic
1906/07	Markinch Albion	Newburgh Athletic
1907/08	Newburgh Athletic	Kettle United
1908/09	Markinch Albion	Leslie Hearts
1909/10	Markinch Albion	Leslie Hearts
1910/11	Leslie Hearts	Tayport
1911/12	Leslie Hearts	Tayport

### Wilkinson Cup

	Winners	Runners Up
1900/01	Lochgelly Rangers	Leven United
1901/02	Lochgelly Rangers	Lassodie
1902/03	Kelty Rangers	Alva Albion Rangers
1903/04	Clackmannan	Lochgelly Rangers

### Nairn Cup

	Winners	Runners Up
1900/01	Raith Athletic	Buckhaven United
1901/02	Raith Athletic	Buckhaven United
1902/03	Leven Thistle	Buckhaven United

## **East Neuk League**

	Champions	Runners Up
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1908/09	Leslie Hearts	Buckhaven United
1909/10	Buckhaven Celtic	Leslie Hearts
1910/11	Leslie Hearts	Tayport
1911/12	Leslie Hearts	Tayport
1912/13	Leslie Hearts	St Monans Swifts
1913/14	Leslie Hearts	Denbeath Star
1914/15	Leslie Hearts	Colinsburgh United
	Champions	Runners Up
1915/16	Colinsburgh United	Denbeath Star
1916-18	No Competition	
1918-19	Ellie Thistle	St Monan's Swifts
1919-20	St Monan's Swifts	Crail Union
1920/21	St Monan's Swifts	Ellie Thistle
1921/22	Ellie Thistle	St Andrews United
1922/23	Crail Union	Pittenweem Hearts
1923/24	Crail Union	Pittenweem Hearts

### **Howe of Fife League**

Champions Runners Up

1892/93	South Fife	Cupar Athletic
1893/94	Cupar Athletic	Crail Union
1894/95	Crail Union	Vale of Wemyss
1895/96	Crail Union	Ancient City Athletic
1896/97	Leven Thistle	Crail Union
1897/98	Tayport Juniors	Tayport Albion
1898/99	Crail Union	Anstruther Rangers
1899/1900	Crail Union	Guardbridge Juniors
1900/01	Tayport Juniors	Wormit Juniors
1901/02	Tayport Juniors	Tayport Albion
1902/03	Kettle United	St Andrews Athletic
1903/04	Tayport Albion	Cupar Rovers
1904/05	Ladybank Violet	Bellevue Juniors
1905/06	Cupar Violet	Freuchie Rovers
1906/07	Leslie Hearts	Anstruther
1907/08	Leslie Hearts	Anstruther
1908/09	Kettle United	Ladybank Violet
1909/10	Vale of Eden	St Andrews Violet
	Champions	Runners Up
1910/11	Kettle United	Markinch Albion
1911/12	Anstruther Rangers	St Andrews City
1912/13	St Andrews City	Tayside Albion

# West Fife County League Champions

	Champions	Runners Up
1893/94	Cowdenbeath Juniors	Dunfermline Athletic Jun
1894/95	Dunfermline Juniors	Pathead United
1895/96	Lassodie Juniors	Blairden Juniors
1896/97	Lassodie Juniors	Blairden Juniors
1897/98	Dunfermline Athletic Juniors	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1898/99	Raith Athletic	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1899/1900	Raith Athletic	<b>Dunfermline Juniors</b>
1900/01	Alva Albion Rangers	Lassodie Juniors
1901/02	Lochgelly Rangers	Lassodie Juniors
1902/03	Vale of Wemyss	<b>Buckhaven Juniors</b>
1903/04	Cowdenbeath Athletic	<b>Buckhaven Juniors</b>
1904/05	Raith Athletic	Dunnikier Athletic
1905/06	Dunfermline Violet	Wemyss Violet
1906/07	St Andrews Athletic	Thornton Rovers
1907/08	Buckhaven Juniors	Wemyss Violet
1908/09	Anstruther St. Patrick	Glencraig Celtic
1909/10	Kingseat Athletic	Bowhill Juniors
1910/11	Bowhill Juniors	Kelty Rangers
1911/12	Glencraig Celtic	Lassodie Juniors
1912/13	Glencraig Celtic	Kelty Rangers

### **Fife County League**

	Champions	Runners Up
1913/14	Glencraig Celtic	Kingseat Athletic
1914/15	Windygates Rovers	Glencraig Celtic
1915/16	Glencraig Celtic	Denbeath Star
1916/17	Denbeath Star	Glencraig Celtic
1917/18	Denbeath Star	Glencraig Celtic
1918/19	Glencraig Celtic	Hearts of Beath
1919/20	Inverkeithing Juniors	Glencraig Celtic
1920/21	Kingseat Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1921/22	Kingseat Juniors	Wellesley Juniors*
1922/23	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Kelty Rangers*
1923/24	East Fife Juniors	Cupar Juniors
1924/25	Newburgh West End	Dunnikier Colliery Jun*
1925/26	Anstruther Rangers	Kelty Rangers
1926/27	St Andrews United	Wellesley Juniors
1927/28	St Andrews United	Lochgelly Celtic
1928/29	St Andrews United	Wellesley Juniors
1929/30	Rosslyn Juniors	Wellesley Juniors
	Champions	Runners Up
1930/31	Bowhill Rovers	Rosslyn Juniors
1931/32	Rosslyn Juniors	Bowhill Rovers
1932/33	Rosslyn Juniors	Inverkeithing Juniors
1933/34	Inverkeithing Juniors	Bowhill Rovers
1934/35	Bowhill Rovers	Hearts of Beath
1935/36	Hearts of Beath	Bowhill Rovers
1936/37	Blairhall Colliery	Hearts of Beath
1937/38	Lochgelly Albert	Thornton Juniors*
1938/39	Lochore Welfare	Rosslyn Juniors*
1939/40	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Hearts of Beath
1942-1946	No competition	
1946/47	Lochgelly Albert	Blairhall Colliery
1947/48	Lochore Welfare	Auchtermuchty Juniors
1948/49	Lochgelly Albert	Kinglassie Colliery
1949/50	Rosyth Recreation	Lochgelly Albert
1950/51	Steelend Victoria	Nairn Thistle
1951/52	Dundonald Bluebell	St Andrews United
1952/53	Thornton Hibernian	Dundonald Bluebell
1953/54	Lochore Welfare	Glencraig Colliery
1954/55	Lochgelly Albert Lochore Welfare	Dundonald Bluebell
1955/56		Lochgelly Albert
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1957/58	Thornton Hibernian	St Andrews United  St Andrews United
1959/60	St Andrews United	
1939/60 1960/61	St Andrews United St Andrews United	Frances Colliery Blairhall Colliery
1961/62	Lochore Welfare	St Andrews United
1961/62	Lochore Welfare	Thornton Hibernian
1962/63	Lochore Welfare	St Andrews United
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1964/65	St Andrews United	Lochore Welfare
1965/66	Glenrothes	Lochore Welfare
1966/67	Glenrothes	Lochore Welfare
1967/68	Glenrothes	Newburgh Juniors

<sup>(\*</sup> This is when Fife split into two divisions East and West or A & B divisions)

### Fife County League East Division

	Champions	Runners Up
1921/22	Wellesley Juniors	Denbeath Star
1922/23	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Rosslyn Juniors
1923/24	Cupar	Denbeath Star
1924/25	Newburgh West End	Denbeath Star
1925/37	No Competition	
1937/38	Thornton Juniors	Dunnikier Colliery Jun
1938/39	Rosslyn Juniors	Thornton Hibernian

### Division One / Division A

	Champions	Runners Up
1972/73	Newburgh Juniors	Glenrothes
1973-78	No Competition	
1978/79	Oakley United	Glenrothes
1979/80	Oakley United	Halbeath
1980-86	No Competition	
1986/87	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes
1987/88	Oakley United	St Andrews United
1988/89	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1989/90	St. Andrews United	Kelty Hearts
1990/91	Kelty Hearts	St Andrews United

### Fife County League West Division

	Champions	Runners Up
1921/22	Kingseat Juniors	Inverkeithing United
1922/23	Kelty Rangers	Inverkeithing United
	Champions	Runners Up
1924/25	Dunnikier Colliery Juniors	Inverkeithing United
1925-37	No Competition	
1937/38	Lochgelly Albert	Lochore Welfare
1938/39	Lochore Welfare	Lochgelly Albert

### Division Two /Division B

	Champions	RUNNERS UP
1972/73	Lochgelly Albert	Lochore Welfare
1978/79	Clackmannan	Lochore Welfare
1979/80	Tulliallan Thistle	Kirkcaldy YMCA
1986/87	Oakley United	Comrie Colliery

1987/88	Halbeath Juniors	Leven Juniors
1988/89	Thornton Hibernian	Dundonald Bluebell
1989/90	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Dundonald Bluebell
1990/91	Newburgh Juniors	Halbeath Juniors

### Fife Regional League

The Regi	onar League	
	Champions	Runners up
1968/69	Thornton Hibernian	Lochore Welfare
1969/70	Glenrothes	Newburgh Juniors
1970/71	Glenrothes	Oakley United
1971/72	Oakley United	Lochore Welfare
1972/73	Newburgh Juniors	Lochgelly Albert*
1973/74	Lochgelly Albert	Glenrothes
1974/75	Glenrothes	Newburgh Juniors
1975/76	Glenrothes	Comrie Colliery
1976/77	Newburgh Juniors	Glenrothes
1977/78	Glenrothes	Newburgh
	Champions	Runners Up
1978/79	Oakley United	Clackmannan*
1979/80	Oakley United	Tulliallan Thistle*
1980/81	Halbeath Juniors	Kelty Hearts
1981/82	Leven Juniors	Lochore Welfare
1982/83	Dundonald Bluebell	Kelty Hearts
1983/84	Glenrothes	Dundonald Bluebell
1984/85	Glenrothes	Clackmannan Juniors
1985/86	Oakley United	Glenrothes*
1986/87	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Oakley United*
1987/88	Oakley United	Halbeath Juniors*
1988/89	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Thornton Hibernian
1989/90	St Andrews United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1990/91	Kelty Hearts	Newburgh Juniors
1991/92	Kelty Hearts	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1992/93	Kelty Hearts	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1993/94	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Oakley United
1994/95	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1995/96	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1996/97	Kelty Hearts	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1997/98	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
1998/99	Kelty Hearts	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
1999/2000	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Kelty Hearts
2000/01	Oakley United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2001/02	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Glenrothes
(* Play-off Ed	ast and West or Division One and Two)	

### East Region Superleague

	Champions	Runners Up
2002/03	Tayport	Hill of Beath Hawthorn

2003/04	Linlithgow Rose	Tayport
2004/05	Lochee United	Tayport
2005/06	Tayport	Bathgate Thistle
2006/07	Linlithgow Rose	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic
2007/08	Lochee United	Whitburn
2008/09	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	Camelon
2009/10	Bo'ness United	Linlithgow Rose
2010/11	Bo'ness United	Hill of Beath Hawthorn
2011/12	Bonnyrigg Rose Athletic	Hill of Beath Hawthorn

## East Region Premier Division

	Champions	Runners Up
2006/07	Glenrothes	Kelty Hearts
2007/08	Bo'ness United	Forfar West End
2008/09	Musselburgh Athletic	Newtongrange Star
2009/10	Tayport	Forfar West End
2010/11	St. Andrews United	Carnoustie Panmure
2011/12	Sauchie	Broxburn Athletic

## Fife Region

	Winners	Runners Up
2002/03	Kelty Hearts	Thornton Hibernian
2003/04	Thornton Hibernian	St Andrews United
2004/05	Hill of Beath Hawthorn	Rosyth Recreation
2005/06	Oakley United	St Andrews United

### **Central Division**

	Champions	Runners Up
2006/07	Dundonald Bluebell	Kirkcaldy YMCA
2007/08	Ballingry Rovers	St Andrews United
2008/09	St Andrews United	Rosyth
2009/10	Thornton Hibernian	Oakley United
2010/11	Oakley United	Dundonald Bluebell
2011/12	Jeanfield Swifts	Dundonald Bluebell

### West Fife League

	1893/94	1894/95	1895/96	1896/97	1897/98	1898/99	1899/1900	1900/01
Alva Albion Rangers								X
Ancient City Athletic					X			
Anstruther Rangers								
Blairadam JFC	X	X	X	X	X			
Buckhaven United					X			X
Cowdenbeath JFC	X	X	X			X		

Cowdenbeath Athletic								
Cupar Athletic					X			
Donibristle Heatherbell						X	X	
Dunfermline JFC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Dunfermline Athletic JFC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Hearts of Beath	X	X	X	X		X		
Kirkcaldy Albion					X	X		
Lassodie JFC	X	X	X	X		X		X
Leven Thistle								X
Lochgelly Rangers	X	X	X	X			X	X
Methil Rovers	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Markinch JFC					X	X		
Newton XI		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Pathead United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Raith Athletic					X	X	X	X

	1901/02	1902/03	1903/04	1904/05	1905/06
Anstruther Rangers			X		
Bowhill			X	X	X
Buckhaven United	X	X	X	X	X
Cowdenbeath JFC			X	X	X
Cowdenbeath Athletic			X	X	X
Glencraig Celtic	X	X	X		
Kelty Rangers		X	X	X	X
Lassodie JFC	X	X			
Leven Thistle	X	X			
Lochgelly Rangers	X	X	X	X	X
Raith Athletic	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Rovers		X	X	X	X
Vale of Weymss	X	X	X	X	
Wellesley					X
Wemyss Violet		X			X

	1907/08	1908/09	1909/10	1910/11	1911/12	1912/13
Bowhill	WF	WF	WF	WF	WF	WF
Buckhaven United	WF					
Crossgates Primrose				WF	WF	WF
Glencraig Celtic	WF	WF	WF	WF	WF	WF
Kelty Rangers			WF	WF	WF	WF
Kingseat Athletic			WF	WF		

Lassodie JFC	WF	WF	WF	WF	WF	
Leslie Hearts						
Lochgelly JFC	WF	WF	WF	WF	WF	
Lumphinnans Swifts				WF		WF
Townhill			WF			
Wemyss Violet	WF	WF	WF			

## Howe of Fife League

	1893/94	1894/95	1895/96	1896/97	1897/98	1898/99	1899/1900	1900/01
Ancient City Athletic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Anstruther Rangers	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Auchtermuchty Bellevue								X
Crail Union	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Cupar Athletic	X	X	X					
Guardbridge	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ladybank Violet								X
Leven Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Tayport								X
Tayside Albion								X
Vale of Wemyss	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Wormit								X

	1901/02	1902/03	1903/04	1904/05	1905/06	1906/07	1907/08
Ancient City Athletic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Anstruther Rangers							X
Auchtermuchty Bellevue	X	X	X	X			
Cupar Rovers			X	X	X	X	X
Cupar Violet				X	X	X	X
Kennoway Rovers			X				
Ladybank Violet	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Leven Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tayport	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tayside Albion	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Rovers						X	X
Windygates United			X				

	1908/09	1909/10	1910/11	1911/12
Ancient City Athletic	X	X	X	X
Anstruther Rangers	X	X	X	X
Cupar	X	X		
Cupar Rovers	X	X	X	
Freuchie Rovers	X	X	X	X
Kettle United	X	X	X	X
Ladybank Violet	X	X	X	X
Leslie Hearts	X			
Markinch Albion	X	X	X	X
St Andrews Violet	X	X	X	X
St Monans Swifts	X			
Tayport	X	X	X	X
Tayside Albion	X	X		
Thornton Rovers	X	X		
Vale of Eden		X	X	X

## East Neuk League

	1908/09	1909/10	1910/11	1911/12	1912/13	1913/14	1915/16
Balgonie Scotia							
Buckhaven Celtic							
Buckhaven United							
Colinsburgh United							

Denbeath Star				
Ellie Thistle				
Guardbridge United				
Leslie Hearts				
Rosslyn				
St Monans Swifts				
Tayport				
Thornton Rovers				

	1918/19	1919/20	1920/21	1921/22	1922/23	1923/24
Anstruther						
Comrades						
Colinsburgh United						
Crail Union						
Ellie Thistle						
Pittenweem Hearts						
St Andrews United						
St Monans Swifts						

### Fife Junior League/Fife Regional League

	1913/14	1914/15	1915/16	1916/17	1917/18	1918/19	1919/20	1920/21
Bowhill	F	F	F				F	F
Bungalow Celtic						F	F	F
Broomhall							F	F
Crossgates Primrose	F							
Denbeath Star	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Dunfermline Federation						F	F	F
Dunfermline Strollers			F	F	F			
Glencraig Celtic	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Hearts of Beath	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Inverkeithing United	F	F	F	F		F	F	F
Kelty Rangers		F				F	F	F

Kingseat Athletic	F			F	F	F
Leslie Hearts		F				
Lochgelly Hearts	F	F				
Lochore & Crosshill United					F	F
Lumphinnans Swifts	F					
Montrave United	F					
RAF Donibristle				F	F	
Rosyth Recreation					F	F
Rosyth Reserve Fleet				F		
Windygates Rangers	F	F				

	1921/22	1922/23	1923/24	1924/25	1925/26	1926/27	1927/28
Anstruther Comrades/Rangers		EDF	EDF	EDF	F	F	F
Bowhill	WDF	WDF	WDF				
Broomhall	WDF	WDF	WDF				
Colinsburgh United		EDF	EDF				
Cupar JFC		EDF	EDF	EDF	F		
Crossgates Primrose							
Denbeath Star	EDF	EDF	EDF	EDF	F	F	F
Dunfermline Federation	WDF						
Dunnikier Colliery	EDF	EDF	EDF	EDF	F	F	F
East Fife JFC	EDF	EDF	EDF	EDF			
Elie Thistle		EDF	EDF				
Glencraig Celtic	WDF	WDF	WDF	WDF			
Hearts of Beath	WDF	WDF	WDF				
Inverkeithing United	WDF	WDF	WDF	WDF	F	F	
Kelty Rangers	WDF	WDF	WDF	WDF	F	F	F
Kingseat Athletic	WDF	WDF	WDF				
Leslie Hearts	EDF						
Lochore & Crosshill United	WDF						
Leuchars					F		
Michael Colliery	EDF						
Newburgh West End/JFC				EDF	F	F	F
Pittenweem Hearts		EDF	EDF				
Rosyth Recreation	WDF	WDF	WDF	WDF	F		

Roslyn	WDF	EDF	WDF	WDF	F	F	F
St Andrews Athletic					F	F	F
St Andrews United		EDF	EDF	EDF	F	F	F
St Monans		EDF	EDF	EDF			
Thornton Rangers							F
Wellesley	EDF	EDF	EDF	EDF	F	F	F

	1928/29	1929/30	1930/31	1931/32	1932/33	1933/34
Bay view JFC	1,720,723	1,22,730	1930/31	1731732	F	1755751
Blairhall JFC/Colliery					F	F
Bowhill			F	F	F	F
Crossgates Primrose	F	F	F	F	F	F
Denbeath Star	F	F	F	F	F	F
Dunfermline Federation						
Dunnikier Colliery	F	F	F	F	F	F
Hearts of Beath	F	F	F	F	F	F
Inverkeithing United		F	F	F	F	F
Kelty Rangers	F					
Lochend JFC	F	F	F			
Loch gelly Albert						F
Lochgelly Celtic	F					
Lochore & Crosshill United	F	F	F	F	F	F
Newburgh West End/JFC	F	F	F	F	F	F
Roslyn	F	F	F	F	F	F
St Andrews Athletic	F	F	F	F	F	F
St Andrews United	F	F	F	F	F	F
St Lenoards		F				
Thornton Rangers	F	F				
Wellesley	F	F	F	F	F	F

	1934/35	1935/36	1936/37	1937/38	1938/39	1946/47	1947/48
Auchtermuchty Bellevue							X
Balogonie Scotia	X						
Blairhall Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bowhill Rovers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Comrie Colliery						X	X
Cupar Thistle					X		
Crossgates Primrose	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Denbeath Star	X	X	X	X	X		
Dundonald Bluebell						X	X
Dunnikier Colliery	X	X	X	X	X		
Glencraig Colliery						X	X
Hearts of Beath	X	X	X	X	X		
Inverkeithing United	X	X	X	X			
Kelty North End	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Kelty Our Boys				X	X	X	
Kelty Rangers							X
Kinglassie Colliery						X	X
Kirkford	X	X	X	X	X		
Lochgelly Albert	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochore Welfare		X	X	X	X	X	X
Lumphinnans Wanderers							X
Markinch Victoria Rangers						X	X
Nairn Thistle					X	X	X

Newburgh JFC	X	X	X	X	X		
Roslyn	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rosyth Recreation						X	X
St Andrews Athletic	X	X	X	X			
St Andrews United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Steelend Victoria						X	X
Thornton Hibernian		X	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Victoria			X	X			
Valleyfield Colliery						X	X
Wellesley Juniors	X	X					

	1948/49	1949/50	1950/51	1951/52	1952/53	1953/54	1954/55	1955/56
Alva Albion Rangers	X	X						
Auchtermuchty Bellevue	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Balogonie Scotia						P		
Blairhall Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bowhill Rovers	X	X	X					
Comrie Colliery	X	X	X	X	X			
Crossgates Primrose	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dundonald Bluebell	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Glencraig Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kelty Rangers	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Kinglassie Colliery	X	X	X	X	X			
Lochgelly Albert	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochore Welfare	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lumphinnans Wanderers	X	X	X					
Markinch Victoria Rangers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nairn Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Roslyn	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rosyth Recreation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
St Andrews United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Steelend Victoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Hibernian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Valleyfield Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

P = partial season

	1956/57	1957/58	1958/59	1959/60	1960/61	1961/62	1962/63
Blairhall Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Clackmannan						X	X
Crossgates Primrose	X	X	X	X	X		
Dundonald Bluebell	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Frances Colliery		X	X	X	X	X	X
Glencraig Colliery	X	X					
Grange mouth United				X	X	X	
Inverkeithing			X				
Lochgelly Albert	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochore Welfare	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Markinch Victoria Rangers						X	X
Nairn Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Newburgh JFC							X
Roslyn	X						
Rosyth Recreation	X						
St Andrews United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Steelend Victoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Hibernian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tulliallan Thistle							X
Valleyfield Colliery	X		X				

	1963/64	1964/65	1965/66	1966/67	1967/68	1968/69	1969/70	1970/71
Blairhall Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Castlehill Colliery							X	X
Clackmannan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Comrie Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Crossgates Primrose								
Dundonald Bluebell	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Frances Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Glenrothes		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jubilee Athletic		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kelty Rangers			X	X	X	X	X	X
Kirkcaldy YMCA							X	X
Leven JFC							X	X
Lochgelly Albert	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochore Welfare	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Markinch Victoria Rangers	X	X						
Nairn Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Newburgh JFC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Oakley United								X
St Andrews United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Hibernian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tulliallan Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Valleyfield Colliery			X	X	X	X	X	X

	1971/72	1972/73	1973/74	1974/75	1975/76	1976/77	1977/78
Castlehill Colliery	X	X	X	X			
Clackmannan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Comrie Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dundonald Bluebell	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Frances Colliery	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Glenrothes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Halbeath						X	X
Jubilee Athletic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kirkcaldy YMCA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Leven JFC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochgelly Albert	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochore Welfare	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Newburgh JFC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
North Fife							X
Oakley United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
St Andrews United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Hibernian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tulliallan Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Valleyfield Colliery	X	X					

	1978/79	1979/80	1980/81	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86
Clackmannan	A	В	X	X	X	X	X	WDF

Comrie Colliery	В	В	X	X	X	X	X	WDF
Crossgates Primrose						X	X	WDF
Dundonald Bluebell	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Frances Colliery	В							
Glenrothes	В	A	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Halbeath	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	WDF
Hill of Beath Hawthorn			X	X	X	X	X	WDF
Jubilee Athletic	A	В	X	X	X	X	X	WDF
Kelty Hearts		A	X	X	X	X	X	WDF
Kirkcaldy YMCA	В	В	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Leven JFC	В	В	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Lochgelly Albert	A	В	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Lochore Welfare	A	В	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Newburgh JFC	В	A	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
North Fife	В	A						
Oakley United	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	WDF
St Andrews United	В	A	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Thornton Hibernian	A	В	X	X	X	X	X	EDF
Tulliallan Thistle	В	В	X	X	X	X	X	WDF

	1986/87	1987/88	1989/90	1990/91	1991/92	1992/93	1993/94
Clackmannan	WDF	2	X	X	X	X	X
Comrie Colliery	WDF	2					
Crossgates Primrose	WDF	2	X	X	X	X	X
Dundonald Bluebell	EDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Glenrothes	EDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Halbeath	WDF	2	X	X	X		
Hill of Beath Hawthorn	WDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Jubilee Athletic	WDF	1	X	X			
Kelty Hearts	WDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Kirkcaldy YMCA	EDF	2			X	X	X
Leven JFC	EDF	2	X				
Lochgelly Albert	EDF	2	X	X	X	X	X
Lochore Welfare	EDF	2	X	X	X	X	X
Newburgh JFC	EDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Oakley United	WDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Rosyth Recreation					X	X	X
St Andrews United	EDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Hibernian	EDF	1	X	X	X	X	X
Tulliallan Thistle	WDF	2	X	X	X	X	X

	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/200	2000/01	2001/02
Clackmannan	X							

Crossgates Primrose	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dundonald Bluebell	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Glenrothes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hill of Beath Hawthorn	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kelty Hearts	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kirkcaldy YMCA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochgelly Albert	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lochore Welfare	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Newburgh JFC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Oakley United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rosyth Recreation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
St Andrews United	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Steelend Victoria		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thornton Hibernian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tulliallan Thistle	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

## East Region

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
Ballingry Rovers			F	F	CD
Bankfoot Athletic	TD2	TD2	TD2	TD2	CD
Crossgates Primrose	F	F	F	F	CD
Dundonald Bluebell	F	F	F	F	CD
Glenrothes	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	PD
Hill of Beath Hawthorn	ERSL	ERSL	F	ERSL	ERSL
Jeanfield Swifts	TD2	TD2	TD2	TD2	CD
Kelty Hearts	F	ERSL	F	F	PD
Kinnoull	TD2	TDO	TDO	TDO	ERSL
Kirkcaldy YM	F	F	F	F	CD
Lochgelly Albert	F	F	F	F	CD
Lochore Welfare	F	F	F	F	CD
Luncarty	TD2	TD2	TD2	TD2	CD
Newburgh	F	F	F	F	CD
Oakley United	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	F	ERSL
Rosyth	F	F	F	F	PD
St. Andrews United	F	F	F	F	PD
Scone Thistle	TD2	TDO	TDO	TDO	PD
Steelend Victoria	F	F	F	F	CD
Tayport	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL
Thornton Hibernian	F	F	ERSL	F	CD

Tulliallan Thistle	F					
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	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
Ballingry Rovers	CD	PD	PD	PD	PD
Bankfoot Athletic	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Crossgates Primrose	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Dundonald Bluebell	PD	PD	CD	CD	CD
Glenrothes	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	PD	PD
Hill of Beath Hawthorn	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	SD
Jeanfield Swifts	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Kelty Hearts	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL	ERSL
Kinnoull	PD	PD	PD	PD	CD
Kirkcaldy YM		CD	CD	CD	CD
Lochgelly Albert	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Lochore Welfare	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Luncarty	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Newburgh	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Oakley United	ERSL	PD	CD	CD	PD
Rosyth	PD	CD	CD	CD	CD
St. Andrews United	CD	CD	PD	PD	ERSL
Scone Thistle	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Steelend Victoria	CD	CD	CD	CD	CD
Tayport	ERSL	ERSL	PD	ERSL	PD
Thornton Hibernian	CD	CD	CD	PD	CD

East Region Super League	ERSL
Fife	F
Central Division	CD
Premier Division	PD
East Division Fife	EDF
West Division Fife	WDF