# GLENAFION ATHLETIC

vs. LARGS
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Season 2016/17

**Match Programme** 

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'In Memory of Andy Campbell'



Welcome to Loch Park, New Cumnock

"Gateway to Ayrshire "

# ANDY CAMPBELL R.I.P.







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| GLENAFTON<br>ATHLETIC | No.    | No.     | LARGS<br>THISTLE |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|------------------|
| Brian McGarrity       |        |         | Ross Lundy       |
| Scott Watson          |        |         | Sean Graham      |
| Blair Lochhead*       |        |         | lain Fisher      |
| Kyle McAusland        |        |         | Nicky Jamieson   |
| Alan Cairns           |        |         | Laurie McMaster  |
| Andrew Hunter*        |        |         | Eddie Walton     |
| Craig Menzies         |        |         | Matthew Bennett  |
| Ryan McChesney        |        |         | Jamie McDonald   |
| Chris Meikle*         |        |         | John Tennent     |
| Ally Park             |        |         | Glen Thomson     |
| David Gray            |        |         | Robert Love      |
| Ryan Borris           |        |         | James Marks      |
| Dan Orsi              |        |         | Kevin Struthers  |
| Cameron Marlow        |        |         | Gary Fleming     |
| Darren McGill         |        |         | Creag Little     |
| Connor Lynass         |        |         | Matthew Ashe     |
| Mick McCann           |        |         | Gilbride         |
| Joe Andrew            |        |         | Jay Little       |
| Chris Dallas          |        |         | Kris Littler     |
| John Carter           |        |         |                  |
| John Paul Boyle       |        |         |                  |
| MA                    | ANAGEA | MENT TE | AM               |
| Craig McEwan          | Mgr    | Mgr     | Stuart Davidson  |
| Craig Potter          | A/Mgr  | A/Mgr   | Kevin Struthers  |
| Billy Peacock         | Coach  | Coach   | Stephen Swift    |
| Michelle Innes        | Physio |         |                  |
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# GLENAFTON ATHLETIC Founded 1930

Loch Park 115 Castle New Cumnock

Manager
Craig McEwan
Assistant Manager
Craig Potter
Coach

Physiotherapist
Michelle Innes

Club President
Iain Young
Vice President
John Campbell
Secretary
John Stewart
Treasurer
Eric Wilson
Minute Secretary
Iain Burgoyne
Match Secretary
Jim Marshall

#### **Committee Members**

Davie Barr, Jim Campbell, Robert Clegg, Geoff Crolley, Gus Hart, Paul Kirkwood, Jim Marshall, Alfie Mills, Jim Murray, Dave McMaster, Robert Smyth, George Weir

**Glenafton TV**John Haddow

Match Programme & Website
Bobby Guthrie

### GLENAFTON ATHLETIC MAJOR HONOURS

Scottish Junior Cup Winners 1992-93 Runners-up 1962-63, 1991-92, 1993-94, 2013-14

Ayrshire League Champions
1982-83, 1992-93, 2001-02
Western League Champions
1934-35, 1958-59,
1961-62, 1962-63, 1963-64
Western League Champions South
1958-59, 1960-61,1961-62, 1962-63,
1963-64, 1965-66
Ayrshire League South Champions
1930-31, 1931-32
West Region Super League
1st Division Champions
2011-12

**West of Scotland Cup Winners** 2002-03, 2005-06, 2012-13 **Ayrshire Cup Winners** 1935-36, 1961-62, 1988-89, 1992-93, 2001-02 Irvine & District Cup Winners 1930-31, 1959-60, 1961-62 **Ayrshire District Cup Winners** 1979-80, 1985-86, 1993-94, 1997-98 **Avrshire League Cup Winners** 1979-80, 1999-00, 2005-2006, 2014-15 **Avrshire Consolation Cup** 1934-35, 1952-53, 1954-55 Western League Cup Winners 1934-35, 1958-59, 1962-63, 1965-66 **Vernon Trophy** 1958-59 East Ayrshire Cup 1997-98, 2002-3 **Ayrshire Super Cup** 

1997-98 1997-98 Coylton Cup 1930/31 Mauchline Cup 1930/31, 1931/32

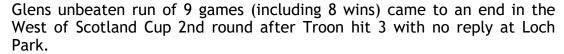


### WELCOME TO LOCH PARK

Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances it was not possible to produce a programme for the Troon game which was our first home game of the New Year. Today's programme is the first since Glenafton beat Kilwinning in the league 1-0 way back in mid December a **Joe Andrew** goal and last minute penalty save by **Brian McGarrity** secured another 3 league points. First footing away to Cumnock Juniors brought the first 3 points of the New Year with a **Darren McGill** strike settling the outcome of the Ne'erday derby. The victory extended the Glens league run to 5 wins in a row to leave them sitting in second place 5 points behind Rob Roy and with 2 games in hand.



The Scottish Junior Cup 4th round tie away to East Kilbride Thistle went ahead at the second time of asking and in difficult conditions the Glens effectively killed off the game in the first half with a memorable clutch of four goals from Chris Dallas, Cameron Marlow, Darren McGill and Joe Andrew





Back to the Scottish Junior Cup and a tricky trip in the 5th round to face Dunbar United. A very special David Gray trademark wonder free kick put the Glens 1-0 up against 10 men and although the hosts rallied for 20 minutes either side of the break the visitors controlled the remainder of the game and a spot kick from Darren McGill and perfectly placed header from Chris Dallas ensured the New Cumnock side was in the hat for the Quarter-finals where they were drawn at home to Sauchie Juniors (See Page 22 for the full draw).

Today we are delighted to welcome the players, management and officials of Largs Thistle back to Loch Park for their first visit since the league match of 2013/14. In that game the visitors took an early lead through Euan Lindsay only for Aarron Connolly and Cameron Marlow to strike back for the home win. We would like to offer our belated congratulations to Largs on their return to Premier Division as last season's

Super League 1st Division runners-up. An extra special welcome to the Theesel supporters who have travelled to get behind their team too.



PLEASE, ENJOY THE MATCH!



# **GLENS NEWS**

#### **SQUAD NEWS**

A belated welcome to John Carter (right) who joined the club in January from Queens Park. The striker played battalion football at Canterbury before returning to Scotland and played at Junior level with Greenock Juniors for three seasons before moving to the Spiders at the start of season 2014/15.

The Glenafton committee and management team are delighted to announce that they have negotiated 2 year deals with the following players club Captain Craig Menzies, goalkeeper Brian McGarrity, defender Kyle McAusland, midfielder Ally Park and striker Joe Andrew. This takes them through till end of season 2017/18, along with Cammy Marlow, Ryan McChesney, Darren McGill and Chris Dallas. We are still in negotiations with other players and the outcomes will be announced soon. John Stewart (Club Secretary)





#### Moaners & Groaners & Groundstaff

Everyone is sorry to here club groundsman Jim Cameron has decided to retire from looking after Loch park and he will be sorely missed.

Jim will still go down on a Tuesday for a blether with the Groaners.

We welcome any semi retired or retired people to get involved at the park they meet at Loch Park every Tuesday at 9.00 am.

Thank you, Jim!

#### Paying for the Jersey (PFTJ 2016/17)

Thank you again to all those that have signed up for PFTJ through the years. A big thank you to this season's PFTJ signing. Check out his selection on page 17 and details how you can join them. Why not sign up today?

#### **Supporters Buses**

Interested in travelling in the Glenafton Supporters Bus? Then please contact Wilma on 07880932074 to join the "Afton Army" of supporters"

#### Club Merchandise New Home/Away Strip

Orders can be placed for the team strips through John Campbell on 07882136734 or Ian Young on 07761600041. They also can be ordered through the Glenafton Facebook page or contact Davie Kerr on 07916167500

#### Supporters "200 Club"

The club are looking for new members for this season for this season and for the full details contact Iain Young on 07761600041

#### **GOLDEN GOAL**

No winner this week

#### **FASTEST GOAL**

Liz Stewart

Morecambe

2 minutes

#### **HALF-TIME DRAW**

No draw this week



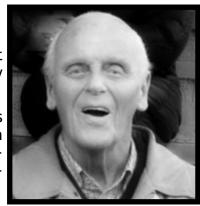
### FOND FAREWELLS

In the final week of January all at Glenafton Athletic were saddened to learn of the passing of former club President Andy Campbell and former player Sam McCulloch. The club offered their condolences to family and friends of Andy and Sam at that time and would like pay a small tribute to both men in today's programme.

#### **ANDY CAMPBELL**

Andy Campbell was born in New Cumnock in 1929 into a world that was taking a turn for the better, and not just because baby Andrew had arrived!

There was a recovery in world trade and New Cumnock Collieries enjoyed record outputs that year. Spirits were high and thoughts in the football daft mining community turned to resurrecting the Junior football team New Cumnock United that had folded the year before, following pit closures and financial woes.



In the summer of 1929 the newly formed committee quickly developed their plan of action. The team would play in the same strips, be based at at Connel Park with New Cumnock Collieries their landlords and hopefully comprise many of the players from the defunct 'U's". However there would be one major change —the club would be renamed, and it was as Glenafton Athletic they played their first competitive game in August 1930.

#### Andy Campbell was indeed a lifelong Glenafton Athletic supporter.

He played football at Junior level for Lugar Boswell Thistle and after his playing days continued to support the Glens and later served as club President. Andy was passionate about the beautiful game where a passage of sweet flowing football would bring as much pleasure as a well taken goal or a finger-tip save. One of the most honest and fair-minded observers of the game he would openly acknowledge good passing play by the Glens or their opponents in equal measure. A well loved face at Loch Park, Andy will be sorely missed.

#### SAM McCULLOCH

Sam, a New Cumnock man played for Cumnock Amateurs and had a short spell for Auchinleck Talbot before club President Alex Jess signed him for Glenafton Athletic.

The Talbot however never lost sight of the commanding centre back and he soon returned to Beechwood. Sam headed home the only goal in the Scottish Junior Cup Final of 1991 to cement his place in Talbot history. He went on to serve the club with great vigour and commitment that rightly elevated him to legendary status at the club and admired throughout the Junior community.





# **Match Reports**

#### Glenafton Athletic 1 (1) Kilwinning Rangers (0)

McBoookie.com Super Premier Division: Match 10

Saturday 17th December 2016 | Loch Park, New Cumnock





Glenafton closed the year with another gritty performance to secure a 1-0 win over Kilwinning and three more points to maintain their 2nd place position in the Premier Division fours points behind Rob Roy with a game in hand.

The visitors enjoyed the early pressure forcing a number of corner kicks that more often and not were won consistently by the aerial power of the Glens defence. Midway through the half and a Buffs free kick from just outside the box looked goal bound only for keeper Brian McGarrity to pull off a great save and push the ball round the post for another corner that came to nothing.

The home side's best chance up until to that time had fell to **Joe Andrew** after his close range shot from was blocked in a crowded box. On 25 minutes the striker found himself in the same position when a free kick was floated into the box and Ryan McChesney outjumped the centre back to head the ball down and there was Joe on the edge of the six yard box to lash the ball past keeper Adam Strain.

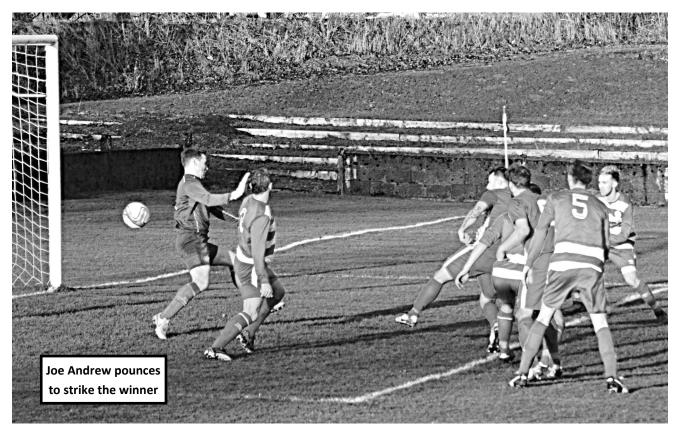
The home side took heart and Ryan Borris's corner kick saw Strain punch the ball from under his bar and McChesney's effort to bury the loose ball blocked; his second attempt was foiled by a crunching well-timed tackle from Ricky Hanvey that had home appeals for a penalty waved away. The Buffs appeal for a hand ball by Craig Menzies in the Glens box suffered the same fate soon after. H/T Glens 1 Buffs 0

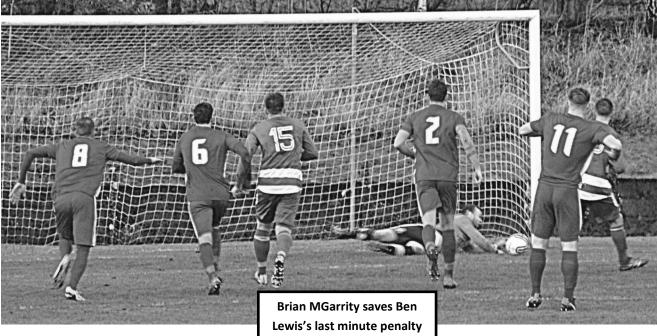
Play in the second half ebbed and flowed from end to end with half chances coming and going. Midway through the half McGarrity pulled of another stuffing save to tip a powerful angled shot from Kenny Hogg over the bar. Both sides used up their quota of substitutes and Buffs were doing most of the pressing in the closing stages with former Glenafton midfielder Findlay Frye the driving force as they tried to salvage a point. They came close to getting caught out with a couple of Glens breaks upfield both of which saw Chris Dallas set up Mick McCann but Strain was his equal on both occasions.

The keeper almost paid the price for running far out of his box to punt a long ball upfield only for David Gray to gather it and from deep in his own half come within a whisker of finding the empty net. With the game now in time added-on the Buffs won a free kick 25 yards from goal and Carlo Monti's strike hit the raised arm of Darren McGill to earn the visitors a spot-kick. Up stepped Ben Lewis (who had scored from the spot in the corresponding fixture at Abbey Park) however Brian McGarrity (who had saved a penalty at Troon last week) dived down low to his left to push the ball away and the loose ball mopped up by Menzies just before the referee blew for full time . F/T Glens 1 Buffs 0

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**Kilwinning Rangers:** 1. Adam Strain 2. Joe Coleman 3. Sam McCloskey 4. Ryan Clark (14. Isaac Kerr) 5. Tommy Maitland 6. Findlay Frye 7. Dean Agnew (15. Ian Cashmore) 8. Liam McGuinness 9. Kenny Hogg 10. Ben Lewis 11. Ricky Hanvey (16. Carlo Monti) Subs Not Used 12. Barry Fleeting 17. Calvin Kemp.







Ryan McChesney keeps an eye on Kenny Hogg



Three more points!

#### **Cumnock Juniors 0 (0) Glenafton Athletic 1 (1)**

McBoookie.com Super Premier Division: Match 11

Saturday 7th January 2017 | Townhead Park, Cumnock





Glenafton Athletic were saddened to learn soon before kick-off that striker Mick McCann's father had passed away. A minute's silence was observed as a mark of respect for Mr McCann.

The hosts came close to opening scoring after some neat interplay at the corner of the box ending with Scott Anson whipping the ball into the goalmouth where Sean McKenzie flick goalbound only for keeper Brian McGarrity to get down low and push the ball round the post for a corner-kick. The visitors responded through a long-range shot from Ryan Borris that whizzed past the post. Back came Cumnock through a quick break down the right ended and the ball clipped to McKenzie to fire from 18 yards out only for McGarrity to deny the on-loan Ayr United striker again.

A Glens attack down the right was broken down and the 'Nock defenders began to knock the ball about in short passes before a long ball was played across park only for the alert **Darren McGill** (bottom left) to intercept, skip past the intended recipient before finding his footing and as other defenders closed in drilled a low powerful shot from 18 yards into the corner of the net before the keeper at full stretch. Cumnock came within a whisker of drawing level after Anson's floated free-kick into the box as headed against the box. At the other end Joe Andrew warmed the keeper's hands with a shot from 20 yards and soon after Alan Cairns repeated the feat. Back up the park and McGarrity finger-tipped a vicious shot over the bar. H/T Cumnock 0 Glens 1

The home side were first to threaten after the break but again McGarrity came out on top with a fantastic save with a well-engineered shot from Callum McRobbie. His counterpart Darren Johnstone equalled that save as he leapt to push Ryan McChesney's goal bound header over the bar. McGarrity replied with another agile save from a close range angled shot from Anson. A flick on by McKenzie was gathered by McRobbie and he looked certain to equalise as he burst into the box only for Cairns (bottom right) to execute a goal saving tackle of the highest order.

With minutes remaining Cumnock appeared to be have been rewarded for their efforts when Paul Burns headed home a free kick from close range only for his celebrations to be cut short after the assistant linesman flagged for an infringement. F/T Cumnock 0 Glens 1





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#### East Kilbride Thistle 0 (0) Glenafton Athletic 4 (4)

ETHX Scottish Junior Cup 4th round

Saturday 28th January 2017 | The Showpark, East Kilbride







Glenafton travelled to face East Kilbride Thistle in the Scottish Junior Cup 4th round. Leading Thistle's line was former Glens striker Aaron Connolly and a member of Scottish Junior Cup final side of three years ago. However, it was former Thistle striker that grabbed the early headlines **Chris Dallas** giving the Glens the lead on 2 minutes after he got the jump on a defender to guide a low driven corner kick from Ryan Borris into the net from close range. Glens continued to press and a couple of good chances in difficult conditions went a-begging. Midway through the half keeper David Miller, making his debut, pulled off a fine save after Darren McGill curled his free kick from 20 yards round the Jags wall.

Luck deserted the hosts on 27 minutes when a free kick floated into the box and headed back out was met by Barry Devine to lash a low drive that thundered off

headed back out was met by Barry Devine to lash a low drive that thundered off the base of the post the shock wave ridding the goal net of its host of raindrops - but they would return! Glenafton responded with a special goal both in terms of build-up play and in finishing. Borris deep in his half launched the ball upfield where Joe Andrew headed it down into the path of Dallas who quickly supplied Kyle McAusland on the overlap wide on the right. Although his cross from the dead-ball line was headed clear at the near post the ball was killed on his chest by Cameron Marlow on the 18 yard line, flicked over his head with his left foot and after doing an about turn killed the ball again on his left thigh before swivelling and lashing a left foot vollar beyond the reach of the keeper and into the corner of the next. Glens two up on 28 minutes. ley beyond the reach of the keeper and into the corner of the net. Glens two up on 28 minutes.

Three minutes later it was 3-0 following a superbly struck free-kick by **Darren McGill** sending the ball well wide of the left hand-side of the ball before curling violently into the right had corner of the net giving the keeper no chance of getting a hand to it. On 35 minutes the Glens extended their lead with another cracking goal. McAusland deep in his own half fired a long ball up the middle of the park where **Joe Andrew** sandwiched between two defenders trapped the ball and turned one defender and before the other could close him down cracked an unstoppable shot from 18 yards out that threaten to uproot the net from its hooks. H/T East Kilbride 0 Glens 4

Credit to Thistle they continued to plug away at the Showpark. Miller made a splendid one-handed save from Dallas and although the Glens recovered the ball and presented the striker with a second bite at the cherry he was flagged offside as he slipped the ball into net. At the other end a Ross Gillan header tested keeper Brian McGarrity before Aaron Connolly's free kick from distance whizzed over the bar. Thistle were reduced to 10 men on 68 minutes after Ryan Carnwath earned a second yellow card and yet they continued to give a good assemble of themselves and fashion same descent half change card and yet they continued to give a good account of themselves and fashion some decent half chances. Glens too created some good chances Marlow was deemed offside when he headed home a McAusland from close range and the same player got on the end of David Gray's ball into the box only for the header to go inches over the bar. Gray then rifled a free kick just wide of the post. F/T East Kilbride 0 Glens 4

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East Kilbride Thistle: 1. Miller 2. Sloan 3. Brown 4. Boyle 5. Gillan 6. Devine 7. Gibson (12. Faulds) 8. Carnwath 9. Connolly 10. McFadden 11. McLaughlin. Subs Unused: 14. Edgar. 15. McCluskey.











A game of cracking goals and thanks to John Haddow of Glenafton TV all were caught on film despite the atrocious conditions.

Cammy's 'worldy' made on to Soccer AM and enjoyed some 64,000 views

#### Glenafton Athletic 0 (0) Troon 3 (2)

NCH West of Scotland Cup 2nd Round

Saturday 11th February 2017 | Loch Park, New Cumnock





Glenafton's fantastic unbeaten run of 10 games (9 wins and 1 draw) came to an abrupt end as did their run in the West of Scotland Cup after Troon's convincing 3-0 win at Loch Park.

Ryan Nisbet gave the visitors the lead on 18 minutes and 5 minutes later a long-range effort from hitman Adam Forsyth doubled their lead. Troon extended their lead after the break with Scott Chatham completing the scoring on 77 minutes.

**Glenafton Athletic:** 1.Brian McGarrity 2 Dan Orsi 3 Alan Cairns 4 Craig Menzies 5 Ryan McChesney 6 Cammy Marlow 7 Ryan Borris 8 Ally Park 9 Chris Dallas 10 Joe Andrew 11 Darren McGill Subs 12 Mick McCann 14 David Gray 15 Jon Carter 16 Conor Lynass GK Scott Watson

**Troon:** 1 Ally Semple 2 Ross Barbour 3 Dean Keenan 4 Ross McCrea 5 Chris McKnight 6 Scott Chatham 7 Gareth Armstrong 8 Colin Spence 9 Adam Forsyth 10 Ryan Nisbet 11 Dale Moore 12 Mark Curragh 14 Jordan Muir 15 Morgan Brown 16 Marty Fraser

#### **Dunbar United 0 (0) Glenafton Athletic 3 (1)**

ETHX Scottish Junior Cup 5th Round

Saturday 18th February 2017 | New Countess Park, Dunbar







With Kyle McAusland on holiday and Ally Park down with the flu the Glens made a number changes to the side that defeated East Kilbride Thistle in the 4th round. Dan Orsi came in for McAusland at right back while David Gray and Conor Lynnas replaced Park and Darren McGill. Up front Mick McCann came in for Chris Dallas to partner Joe Andrew.

Glenafton kicked off and before any real chance had been created Dunbar were reduced to 10 men on 3 minutes after Darren Gillion received his marching orders for a raising a knee into the ace of Ryan Borris. Five minutes later the visitors came close to taking the lead after Conor Lynnas weaved his way into the box before drilling a low shot that only just sneaked past the far post. On 15 minutes Glens won a free kick so far from goal that Dunbar opted not to set up a defensive wall. With a clear line of sight David Gray could hardly avoid the temptation to blast the ball on its way like a low

flying goal-seeking missile to explode into the back of the net beyond the valiant effort of the keeper to disarm it.

Three minutes later the New Cumnock side almost doubled their lead when Ryan McChesney's downward header from a corner-kick was gathered deep inside the six yard box by Borris and with his back to goal his back-heeler hit the base of the post.

Midway through the half the referee pulled up with an injury and after a 12 minute delay he was replaced by one of the assistant referee's running the line who in turn was replaced by a member of Dunbar's committee.

Glenafton earned a couple of corner kicks which were duly cleared and Borris's shot from a distance whizzed past the post. Gradually however the 10 men began to assert themselves and looked lively down both flanks with Dean Ballantyne's play catching the eye. A lung bursting down the left ended with a low angled shot that was held well by keeper Brain McGarrity at his near post on the half hour mark. Two minutes later another break through the middle by Ballantyne ended with him opting to pick out Sam Young's run into the box with a glorious pass and although he initially gave Alan Cairns the slip the defender recovered to get a great block on the striker's shot which sent the ball sailing over the bar.

The Seasiders continued to push and after the resulting corner kick was only partially cleared the ball was whipped back into the box from wide on the right where it fell for Darren Handling only for his shot from 18 yards to be tipped away by McGarrity . Although the loose ball was fired home by Ballantyne the stand-in referee deemed it was from an offside position.

On 37 minutes Glenafton suffered a set-back when centre-back Ryan McChesney suffered a hamstring injury and brought on striker Chris Dallas with fellow striker Mick McCann now partnering Craig Menzies in the centre of defence. In the closing minutes of the half keeper John Johnstone did well to get down low to hold on to angled shot from Dallas.

#### H/T Dunbar 0 Glens 1

The half began with play running from end to end and half chances coming and going. Young's wicked cross from tight on the right had McGarrity leaping to finger-tip over the bar at the back post. His counterpart Johnstone then safely held Cameron Marlow's shot from 20 yards out, as Dallas waited to pounce on any rebound. Dunbar then enjoyed a sustained period of possession without however engineering a clear shot at goal and Menzies and McCann were winning the aerial battles in the Glens box.

On 65 minutes Young finally managed to shake off the visitors' defence only to sky his shot at goal well over the bar and to rub sea-salt in their wounds the next Glens attack ended with Scott Gibson bringing Joe Andrew down in the box and the referee pointing to the spot. Up stepped substitute **Darren McGill** to blast the ball into the roof of the net and double Glenafton's lead on 67 minutes.

The Seasiders rallied briefly before the wind was taken from their sails on 76 minutes as Glens added a third. MGill picked out Cairns on the overlap down the left who in turn threaded a superb ball into the box for substitute John Carter to hold off a defender before feeding Marlow to clip the ball to the far corner of the six-yard box where **Chris Dallas** leapt to loop a perfectly measured header over the keeper and into the net. Glens controlled the closing passages of play to see the game out against the 10 men had given their all.

#### F/T Dunbar 0 Glens 3

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**Dunbar United:** 1. John Johnstone 2.Keith Tait 3. Steven Tait 4. Chris Gordon 5. Scott Gibson 6. Chris Moffqt 7. Darren Gillon 8. Chris King 9. Sam Young 10.Dean Ballantye 11. Darren Handling. **Subs used**: 12. Scott Devlin 14. Chris Grant 16. Steven Kean **Not used** 15. Kevin Smith 17.Liam McCathie



"That'll be us in the Quarters then! "



Above: Conor Lynass on the move. Below: John Carter breaks free with David Gray in support





## SEASON STATS 2016/17 League Table

|     | McBookie. Com West of Scotland League |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |  |
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|     | Super League Premier Division         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |  |
| Pos | TEAM                                  | PL | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | GD  | Pts |  |
| 1   | Kirkintilloch Rob Roy                 | 13 | 10 | 1 | 2  | 29 | 15 | 14  | 31  |  |
| 2   | Glenafton Athletic                    | 11 | 8  | 2 | 1  | 18 | 9  | 6   | 26  |  |
| 3   | Cumnock Juniors                       | 19 | 7  | 4 | 8  | 29 | 29 | 0   | 25  |  |
| 4   | Arthurlie                             | 17 | 8  | 1 | 8  | 31 | 37 | -6  | 25  |  |
| 5   | Pollok                                | 16 | 7  | 3 | 6  | 35 | 22 | 13  | 24  |  |
| 6   | Beith Juniors                         | 12 | 6  | 5 | 1  | 23 | 14 | 9   | 23  |  |
| 7   | Auchinleck Talbot                     | 11 | 7  | 1 | 3  | 18 | 8  | 10  | 22  |  |
| 8   | Kilbirnie Ladeside                    | 18 | 5  | 6 | 7  | 27 | 30 | -3  | 21  |  |
| 9   | Hurlford United                       | 16 | 4  | 7 | 5  | 27 | 30 | -3  | 19  |  |
| 10  | Troon                                 | 17 | 5  | 1 | 11 | 24 | 36 | -12 | 16  |  |
| 11  | Largs Thistle                         | 18 | 5  | 0 | 13 | 23 | 42 | -19 | 15  |  |
| 12  | Kilwinning Rangers                    | 14 | 3  | 1 | 10 | 15 | 27 | -12 | 10  |  |

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|     | AR   | AT  | BJ    | CJ  | GA  | HU  | KL  | KR  | KRR  | LT  | РО         | TR  |
| AR  |      | 0-4 |       | 3-1 |     | 4-5 | 4-3 |     | 0-2  | 4-2 | 1-6        | 3-0 |
| AT  | 1-0  |     | 1-1   | 3-0 |     | 2-0 | 0-1 |     |      | 2-1 |            |     |
| BJ  | 2-0  |     |       | 2-0 |     |     | 2-2 |     |      |     | 2-2        | 3-1 |
| CJ  | 1-2  |     | 2-2   |     |     | 1-1 | 3-1 | 4-1 | 2-4  | 4-0 | 3-1        | 2-0 |
| GA  |      |     |       |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |            |     |
| HU  | 0-1  |     | 2-2   |     |     |     | 0-0 | 2-0 | 1-1  | 0-2 |            | 4-4 |
| KL  | 1-1  |     |       | 0-0 |     | 2-2 |     | 1-2 | 0-2  | 5-0 | 3-1        | 2-1 |
| KR  | 1-2  | 0-1 | 3-1   |     |     |     | 1-3 |     | 1-2  | 0-1 |            |     |
| KRR |      |     | 0-2   | 1-0 |     | 4-2 |     | 5-1 |      | 3-2 | 3-2        |     |
| LT  | 4-3  |     | 0-1   | 0-1 |     | 0-1 | 4-1 | 1-3 | 1-2  |     | 1-4        | 2-1 |
| РО  | 2-0  | 2-0 |       | 4-0 |     | 2-2 | 1-1 |     |      | 4-1 |            | 3-1 |
| TR  | 2-3  | 0-3 |       | 4-2 |     | 2-3 | 3-1 | 2-1 | 1-0  | 3-1 | 1-0        |     |



### SEASON STATS 2016/17 Results & Fixtures

| Date      | Comp  | H/A | Opponent                             | F-A | Scorers                                 |
|-----------|-------|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|---|
| 16Jul     | Fr    | Н   | Darvel                               | 5-0 |   |
| 20 Jul    | Fr    | Α   | Annbank United                       | 3-4 | McCann 2, Dallas                        |
| 23 Jul    | JMT   | Н   | Vale of Clyde                        | 3-0 | Dallas, Gray, McGill                    |
| 23 Jul    | JMT   | Н   | Bonnyrigg Rose                       | 0-5 |   |
| 30 Jul    | Fr    | Α   | Tayport                              | 4-1 | Dallas 2, Andrew, Marlow                |
| 06 Aug    | ALCs  | Α   | Kello Rovers                         | 3-1 | McGill, Marlow, McCann                  |
| 10 Aug    | ALCs  | Н   | Auchinleck Talbot                    | 1-1 | Dallas                                  |
| 13 Aug    | ALCs  | Н   | Muirkirk Juniors                     | 6-1 | Gray 2, Marlow, Orsi, Lynass, McAusland |
| 17 Aug    | ALCs  | Н   | Cumnock Juniors                      | 0-2 |   |
| 20 Aug    | ALCs  | Α   | Lugar Boswell Thistle                | 5-0 | Marlow 2, Orsi, Dallas, Lynass          |
| 27 Aug    | LGE01 | Н   | Pollok                               | 1-0 | Park                                    |
| 03 Sep    | LGE02 | A   | Kilwinning Rangers                   | 1-1 | Marlow                                  |
| 10 Sep    | LGE04 | A   | Kilbirnie Ladeside Auchinleck Talbot | 3-0 | Gray, Park, Dalls                       |
| 17 Sep    | LGE04 | H   |                                      | 3-1 | Lynass, Andrew 2                        |
| 24 Sep    | SCO1  | A   | Broxburn Athletic                    | 3-3 | Gray, Andrew, McAusland                 |
| 01 novOct |       | Н   | Broxburn Athletic                    | 3-1 | Gray, McCann, Marlow                    |
| 08 Oct    | LGE05 | Н   | Beith Juniors                        | 1-3 | Dallas                                  |
| 15 Oct    | WoS1  | Н   | Carluke Rovers                       | 3-2 | Dallas 2, McCann                        |
| 22 Oct    | SCO2  | Н   | Livingston United                    | 8-1 | Dallas 3, Gray 2, McGill McChesney 2    |
| 29 Oct    | LGE06 | Н   | Cumnock Juniors                      | 1-1 | Gray                                    |
| 05 Nov    | LGE07 | Α   | Hurlford United                      | 3-2 | McCann 2, Orsi                          |
| 12 Nov    | LGE08 | Α   | Pollok                               | 2-1 | Borris, McCann                          |
| 03 Dec    | SCO3  | Α   | Dundee Violet                        | 2-0 | McCann, McGill                          |
| 10 Dec    | LGE09 | Α   | Troon                                | 1-0 | Marlow                                  |
| 17 Dec    | LGE10 | Н   | Kilwinning Rangers                   | 1-0 | Andrew                                  |
| 07 Jan    | LGE11 | Α   | Cumnock Juniors                      | 1-0 | McGill                                  |
| 28 Jan    | SCO4  | Α   | East Kilbride Thistle                | 4-0 | Dallas, Marlow, McGill, Andrew          |
| 11 Feb    | WoS2  | Н   | Troon                                | 0-3 |   |
| 18 Feb    | SCO5  | Α   | Dunbar United                        | 3-0 | Gray, McGill, Dallas                    |
| 04 MAr    | LGE12 | Н   | Largs Thistle                        |     |   |
| 11 Mar    | LGE13 | Н   | Kilbirnie Ladeside                   |     |   |
| 18 Mar    | SCOqf | Н   | Sauchie Juniors                      |     |   |



### SEASON STATS 2016/17 Appearances & Goals

| (         |           | LEAGUI | E |   | CUPS | CUPS |   |    | TOTAL |    |
|-----------|-----------|--------|---|---|------|------|---|----|-------|----|
| Player    |           | Α      | S | G | Α    | S    | G | Α  | S     | G  |
| Andrew    | Joe       | 9      | 0 | 3 | 10   | 2    | 2 | 19 | 2     | 5  |
| Boyle     | John Paul | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0    | 0    | 0 | 0  | 0     | 0  |
| Borris    | Ryan      | 6      | 3 | 1 | 7    | 2    | 0 | 13 | 5     | 1  |
| Cairns    | Alan      | 4      | 0 | 0 | 9    | 0    | 0 | 13 | 0     | 0  |
| Carter    | John      | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0    | 3    | 0 | 0  | 3     | 0  |
| Dallas    | Chris     | 6      | 4 | 2 | 9    | 3    | 8 | 15 | 7     | 10 |
| Gray      | David     | 6      | 3 | 2 | 9    | 4    | 7 | 15 | 7     | 9  |
| Hunter    | Andrew    | 0      | 0 | 0 | 3    | 3    | 0 | 3  | 3     | 0  |
| Lochhead  | Blair     | 0      | 0 | 0 | 3    | 0    | 0 | 3  | 0     | 0  |
| Lynass    | Conor     | 5      | 4 | 1 | 5    | 0    | 2 | 10 | 4     | 3  |
| McAnespie | Kieran    | 0      | 2 | 0 | 1    | 2    | 0 | 1  | 4     | 0  |
| McAusland | Kyle      | 9      | 0 | 0 | 9    | 1    | 2 | 18 | 1     | 2  |
| McCann    | Mick      | 5      | 2 | 3 | 6    | 6    | 4 | 11 | 8     | 7  |
| McChesney | Ryan      | 11     | 0 | 0 | 12   | 0    | 2 | 23 | 0     | 2  |
| McGarrity | Brian     | 11     | 0 | 0 | 10   | 0    | 0 | 21 | 0     | 0  |
| McGill    | Darren    | 5      | 1 | 1 | 7    | 3    | 5 | 12 | 4     | 6  |
| Marlow    | Cameron   | 10     | 0 | 2 | 12   | 1    | 6 | 22 | 1     | 8  |
| Meikle    | Chris     | 5      | 2 | 0 | 6    | 1    | 0 | 11 | 3     | 0  |
| Menzies   | Craig     | 11     | 0 | 0 | 9    | 0    | 0 | 20 | 0     | 0  |
| Orsi      | Daniel    | 7      | 4 | 1 | 9    | 2    | 2 | 16 | 6     | 3  |
| Park      | Ally      | 11     | 0 | 2 | 7    | 1    | 0 | 18 | 1     | 2  |
| Watson    | Scott     | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0    | 0    | 0 | 0  | 0     | 0  |
| Trialist  |           | 0      | 0 | 0 | 0    | 0    | 0 | 0  | 0     | 0  |



# Welcome to LARGS THISTLE

#### **SEASON 2015/16**

#### Super League 1st Divisions Runners-up

Following their relegation from the Premier Division in 2013/14 along with Pollok and Rob Roy (lost play-off) things looked bleak for the Barrfield side a they finished 6th from bottom in the Super 1st Division , 3 points above the relegation spots. The Theesel regrouped and came within a whisker of winning the title last season leaving Cumnock Juniors wit the target of winning their last 3 league games to deny them the title. Credit to the 'Nock they did just that and in some style—to leave Largs as runners-up on goal-difference.

#### **SEASON 2016/17**

With Kilwinning Rangers joining Largs in the top flight (after beating Shettleston in the play-off) their Ardgah Cup section now comprised four Premier Division side. Largs took a point from all three—the Buffs, Kilbirnie and Beith. However the away loss to Winton Rovers did the damage and a 3-1 win over Dalry in the last game proved to be too little to late

The Premier Division campaign began with a close encounter away to Rob Roy where goals from last season's top scorer James Marks and summer-signing Robert Love from Auchinleck had put the visitors the lead after the break. The Rabs drew level from the spot before former Cumnock midfielder Gary McMenamin hit a late winner. Seven straight league defeats followed including some more narrow ones and some not to so narrow. The duck was broken with the visit of Arthurlie in early November. Alex McWater gave the home side an early lead only for 'Lie to draw level before the break after which goals from Nicky Jamieson and Laurie McMaster gave the home side a two goal cushion. An own goal halved the deficit before Marks made it 4-2 before the visitors scored again to ensure a tense finish. Back to back wins were delivered with a 2-1 defeat over Troon, with Marks on the mark again and Kevin Struthers doubling the lead, former Glenafton player Ross Robertson hitting a last minute consolation for the visitors. In this good run of 4 wins in 6 games the scalps were taken of Hurlford, 2-0 at Blair Park with goals from Glenn Thomson and James Marks and then the Buffs with Marks hitting the only goal at Abbey Park. Three narrow defeats in a row by a single goal in each of the games against title challengers Beith, Rob Roy and Talbot-Robert Love scoring on his return to Beechwood— showed Thistle were still in the mood for the relegation battle. Last week-end Ladeside were leathered 4-1 and the gap to play-off placed Troon narrow to 1 point.

Largs made a quick exit from the Scottish Junior Cup going down 1-0 at Barrfield against Blantyre Vics in the 1st round. A late Glenn Thomson goal was enough to see off Wishaw in the West of Scotland Cup 1st round to set up the third meeting of the season with Beith. Nicky Jamieson scored for Largs in the 1-1 draw before Thistle triumphed 5-4 in the penalty shoot-out ..... and the Mighty were fallen!

| Ardagh Sectional Cup                |                |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Opposition                          | F-A            |  |  |  |  |
| Kilwinning Rangers                  | H 2-2          |  |  |  |  |
| Ardrossan Winton R.                 | A 1-3          |  |  |  |  |
| Kilbirnie Ladeside                  | A 1-1          |  |  |  |  |
| Beith Juniors                       | A 2-2          |  |  |  |  |
| Dalry Thistle                       | H 3-1          |  |  |  |  |
| Premier Division                    | n              |  |  |  |  |
| Kirkintilloch RR                    | A 2-3          |  |  |  |  |
| Hurlford United                     | H 0-1          |  |  |  |  |
| Cumnock Juniors                     | A 0-4          |  |  |  |  |
| Kilwinning Rangers                  | H 1-3          |  |  |  |  |
| Arthurlie                           | A 3-4          |  |  |  |  |
| Troon                               | A 1-3          |  |  |  |  |
| Kilbirnie Ladeside                  | A 0-5          |  |  |  |  |
| Pollok                              | H 1-4          |  |  |  |  |
| Arthurlie                           | H 4-3          |  |  |  |  |
| Troon                               | H 2-1          |  |  |  |  |
| Cumnock Juniors                     | H 0-1          |  |  |  |  |
| Hurlford United                     | A 2-0          |  |  |  |  |
| Pollok                              | A 1-4          |  |  |  |  |
| Kilwinning Rangers                  | A 1-0          |  |  |  |  |
| Beith Juniors                       | H 0-1          |  |  |  |  |
| Kirkintilloch Rob Roy               | H 1-2          |  |  |  |  |
| Auchinleck Talbot                   | A 1-2          |  |  |  |  |
| Kilbirnie Ladeside                  | H 4-1          |  |  |  |  |
| West of Scotland Cup                |                |  |  |  |  |
| Wishaw 1R                           | H 1-0          |  |  |  |  |
|                                     | 11.4.4         |  |  |  |  |
| Details to 1 25                     | H 1-1          |  |  |  |  |
| Beith Juniors 2R                    | H 1-1<br>5-4 р |  |  |  |  |
| Beith Juniors 2R  Scottish Junior C | 5-4 p          |  |  |  |  |

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|                             | Chris Meikle    |
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| Gavin Young                 | Daniel Orsi     |
|                             | Darren McGill   |
| John Whiteford              | David Gray      |
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|                             | John Carter     |
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|                             | Scott Watson    |



# SEASON STATS 2016/17 Forthcoming Fixtures

| McBOOKIE SUPER PREMIER DIVISION SATURDAY 4th MARCH 2017 |                |                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Arthurlie   | V              | Beith Juniors              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Glenafton Athletic                                      | V              | Largs Thistle              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hurlford United   | ٧              | Pollok                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kilbirnie Ladeside                                      | ٧              | Auchinleck Talbot          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kilwinning Rangers                                      | ٧              | Troon                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| McBOOKIE SUPER PR                                       | REMIER DIVISIO | N SATURDAY 11th MARCH 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Auchinleck Talbot                                       | ٧              | Pollok                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beith Juniors   | V              | Kilwinning Rangers         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Glenafton Athletic                                      | ٧              | Kilbirnie Ladeside         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hurlford United   | ٧              | Cumnock Juniors            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kirkintilloch Rob Roy                                   | V              | Arthurlie                  |  |  |  |  |  |



The Scottish Junior Cup 5th round ties saw all three remaining Ayrshire sides progress to the Quarter-finals. Glenafton eventually overcame a stubborn Dunbar United at New Countess Park to win 3-0 while Auchinleck Talbot proved too strong for Luncarty and ran out 4-0 winners at Beechwood. Catching the eye was Kilwinning's fine 2-1 win away to fancied Kelty. It was a mixed bag for the other West Region teams with Rob Roy continuing their excellent form and come out on top in a 4—3 at thriller at Penicuik. However Petershill suffered a home 2-0 defeat at the hands of the Senior cup cracks Bonnyrigg Rose while Renfrew lost 4-2 at home to Sauchie. The all West Central 2nd Division tie between Gartcairn and Carluke finshed all square at 2-2 with Gartcairn winning 3-2 in the replay. The weather was the winner in the Maryhill v Linlithgow two week-ends running and hopefully there will be a winner this week-end.

| ETHX SCOTTISH JUNIOR CUP QUARTER-FINALS SAT 18th MARCH 2017 |  |   |                       |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|---|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| AUCHINLECK TALBOT   |  | ٧ | KILWINNING RANGERS    |  |  |  |  |
| BONNYRIGG ROSE ATHLETIC                                     |  | ٧ | KIRKINTILLOCH ROB ROY |  |  |  |  |
| GLENAFTON ATHLETIC  |  | ٧ | SAUCHIE JUNIORS       |  |  |  |  |
| MARYHILL or LINLITHGOW ROSE                                 |  | ٧ | GARTCAIRN             |  |  |  |  |



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