

Ayr United FC

Programme

Ayr United

versus

Inverness Caledonian

Thistle

Saturday 6th November, 2021.

Kick-off 3pm

Somerset Park



Chit-Chat

We all love football trivia (or if we don't we should!). By some little quirk the last two visiting goalkeepers at Somerset Park have been on loan from Middlesbrough. They were Sol Brynn (Queen of the South) and Zach Hemming (Kilmarnock). Mr Hemming made an abusive remark about Somerset Park. However we owe him an apology (sarcasm alert!) for our ground not meeting his required standards. It must have been a different Zach Hemming who played in goal for Darlington, Hartlepool United and Blyth Spartans.



Anyway enough of the sarcasm. For now! It's time to have a look at our situation. Losing 4-0 to Partick Thistle had no redeeming features other than trotting out the feeble argument that things could only get better. Or was it a feeble argument? Things actually did get better. We kicked on by beating Queen of the South then drawing at Arbroath. With hindsight the draw at Arbroath was a very good result. Dick Campbell has an Ally MacLeod-style optimism and it is reflected in results. Arbroath are part time in name only. Having day jobs has no discernible impact on their levels of fitness nor tactical awareness. In the intervening period since the Arbroath match we have had two defeats, both of which were narrow. People will tell you that you cannot blame referees but sometimes you actually can. Either the standard of refereeing is lacking or a shirt-pull in the box is an acceptable practice. This alludes to the Raith Rovers match. Any match is going to be littered with incidents that displease the fans of either club. These incidents can range anywhere between small and crucial. Typical of a small incident is a clash of legs near the touchline and the ball going out in a 50/50 situation. The question of who's throw-in it is really can be a tough call but a decision has to be made. Yet even if such decisions go against your own team the danger from conceding a throw-in can be relatively minimal depending on where the incident has happened. In contrast there are the big decisions, almost always in or about the penalty box. There is little point in complaining further. Despite a spirited fight back history will record that we lost 2-1 away to Raith Rovers.



The Kilmarnock defeat was tough to take, albeit that we had no grounds for complaint about the penalty decision. Some readers may remember matches when the tables were turned. During Ally MacLeod's second spell at the club in 1978, Walker McCall hit an 89th minute winner at Rugby Park. On 2nd January, 1985, John McNiven got the winner at home to Kilmarnock and the goal was so late that many fans were already drifting to the exits and taking backward glances at the action. Despite it being a header some media sources said that he scored with the last kick! It was a reversal of the New Year before when we went down to a goal at the death at Kilmarnock. Incidentally the crowd at Kilmarnock for the New Year derby in 1984 was a miserly 2,890 and when we returned there for the penultimate league fixture of the season it was 1,495. Yes, you have read that correctly. Kilmarnock versus Ayr United in the second tier drew an attendance of 1,495. Note the word 'attendance' rather than 'crowd'.

Despite two defeats we remain sixth in the league table. The gap between fifth-placed Partick Thistle is six points and they are here at Ayr next Saturday. Any

possibility of reaching the fourth place which would mean a play-off position? Not in the immediate future. That would mean closing a ten-point gap on Raith Rovers.

This talk of closing the gap on the clubs above raises the question of our prospects of beating Inverness Caledonian Thistle. A lot of it depends on which Inverness team pitches up at Ayr. The one that won their first five league fixtures or the one that has failed to win four of their last five!



Stephen McGinn broke protocol by trying to get Andy Murdoch's shirt before the end of the game.

Today's Visitors

It has become customary on this page to examine the turnover in personnel at the opposing club. In comparison to many clubs the turnover at Inverness has been moderate. Departures in the summer were Brad McKay to Falkirk, James Keatings to Raith Rovers, Daniel MacKay to Hibs, Nikolay Todorov to Dunfermline Athletic and Lewis Toshney to Edinburgh City. Incomers were Tom Walsh from Ayr United, Billy McKay from Ross County, Manny Duku from Raith Rovers, Reece McAlear on loan from Norwich City, Michael Gardyne from Ross County, Kirk Broadfoot from Kilmarnock and Lewis Jamieson from St.Mirren.



The most important summer development was the appointment of Billy Dodds as manager. This occurred just a matter of weeks after the end of his role as interim assistant manager. Following John Robertson's leave of absence he was assistant to Neil McCann.

Season on season it is a reasonable expectation that Inverness will achieve a top-four finish albeit that a resurgent Dunfermline Athletic team consigned them to fifth last season. As recently as 2015 they won the Scottish Cup under the management of John Hughes. In fact Yogi also guided the club to a League Cup final (lost in a shootout) and a third-placed Premier League finish which put them into Europe. That third place in 2014/15 was achieved by an eight-point margin over fourth-placed St. Johnstone. The Europa League adventure ended in a 1-0 aggregate defeat against Romanian club Astra Giurgiu. Victory would have meant a tie against West Ham United.



This page would not normally carry much in the way of historic content because the heading is Today's Visitors. However this departure from topic is intended to highlight that Caley Thistle's glory days were so recent as to be barely historic at all. With memories of conspicuous success being so fresh it is understandable that there is a desire to get back to the Premier League. On completion of game day nine every club had played every other club once. At that stage Caley Thistle had a five-point lead. With a little less inconsistency their lead might have been even greater. Who could have foreseen their defeat away to a struggling ten-man Hamilton team? That, however, is the nature of this league.

They won their first five league fixtures, the first four of which were by a single-goal margin. Once more we have an illustration of the fine margins in this league. However it is interesting to compare their last five league fixtures with their first five. Their last five has comprised defeat at Hamilton, a home win over Morton, a draw away to Raith Rovers, a home defeat against Arbroath and a draw away to Partick Thistle. First five = five wins. Last five = one win.

Their recent form is highly indicative of vulnerability. Yet they still remain within very close sight of top place.

On This Day : 6th November

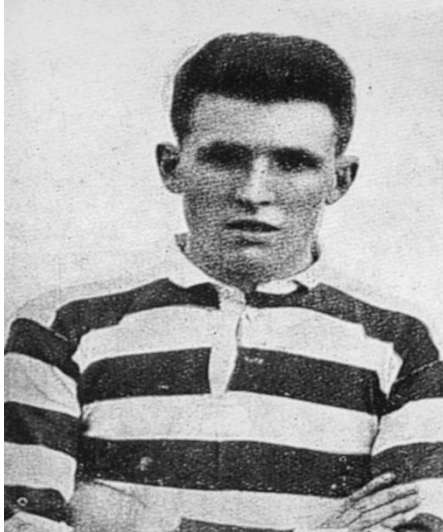
6th November 1926

Ayr United 2 Forfar Athletic 0 (League)

Team: Hepburn, Woodburn, Fleming, Kelly, Gillon, Turnbull, Walters, Blair, Tolland, Brae and Kilpatrick.

Danny Blair opened the scoring in the 38th minute. He was formerly with St. Anthony's then Celtic and had been signed just eight days earlier. He was described as "a wee yin but tricky." The clincher came in the 70th minute and it was a beauty. Danny Tolland beat two men then passed to Billy Brae whose scoring shot

was spectacularly struck. Just after that goal Smart, the Forfar centre-half, got sent off but no one seemed to have a clue as to why he was dismissed. The Ayrshire Post report explained the mystery. Well sort of!



“Inquiry afterwards elicited the information that the dismissal was the outcome of Smart refusing to obey the referee when called upon.”

In the closing minutes there was a bit of antagonism between the teams. This win took the Second Division points total to fifteen from thirteen games (at two points for a win).

Billy Brae

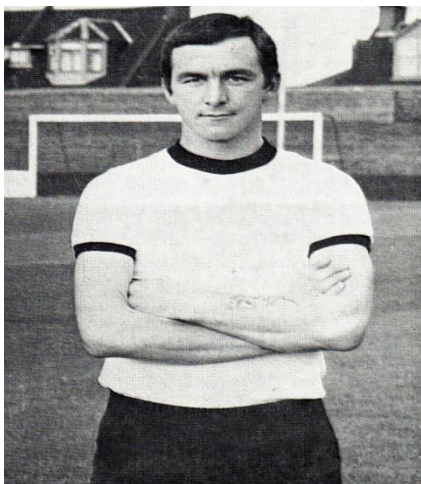
6th November 1965

Ayr United 2 Dumbarton 0 (League)

Team: Paton, Malone, Murphy, Oliphant, Monan, McAnespie, Grant, McMillan, Moore, Hawkshaw and Paterson.

Dumbarton: Crawford, Curran, Jardine, Nelson, Johnstone, Harra, McCall, Veitch, Kelly, Miller and McBeth.

In the eighth minute Alex McAnespie scored with a sublime drive from twenty-five yards. It could have been 2-0 just a minute later but the opportunity was lost due to some uncharacteristic hesitancy from Eddie Moore. However he atoned in the 35th minute when he latched onto a Sam McMillan cross to score with a header. Shortly



afterwards he put the ball into the net again only to be thwarted by an offside decision.

The Dumbarton team was managed by former Ayr United player Willie Toner. That evening's Second Division table showed that the top four clubs had the initial A. In order these clubs were Arbroath, Airdrie, Ayr United and Albion Rovers but we had two games in hand over Arbroath and a game in hand over Airdrie.

Alex McAnespie.

6th November 1971

East Fife 2 Ayr United 2 (League)

Team: Stewart, Filippi, Murphy, Fleming, Quinn, Mitchell, Doyle, Graham, Whitehead, McGregor and Stevenson; substitute – Reynolds.

East Fife: Gorman, Duncan, McQuade, Cairns, Martis, Clarke, Honeyman, Dailey, Hughes, Hamilton and Love; substitute – Bernard.



We took the lead in the fifth minute. Bobby Cairns committed a handling offence and Eric Stevenson scored with the resultant free-kick from thirty yards. In the 21st minute another free-kick from Stevenson was met by Ian Whitehead who scored with a header. The 2-0 lead was halved in the 36th minute when Doug Dailey headed home a John Love free-kick. It was levelled at 2-2 in the 59th minute when Graham Honeyman met a free-kick to score with a header at the back post. You will have noticed the common factor. All four goals featured free-kicks.

At the close of play we sat in ninth place in the eighteen-club top tier.

6th November 2010

Ayr United 1 Airdrie United 0 (League) Crowd – 1,439

Team: Crawford, Tiffoney, Smith, Malone, Campbell (Taggart 64), McCann, Trouten, McLaughlin, McKay, Roberts and Easton (Rodgers 75); unused substitutes – Reynolds, Robertson and McWilliams.

Airdrie United: Ridgers, Bain, Grant (Lovering, half-time), Forrest, Gibson, Stallard, Wallace, Devlin, Watt (Sally 64), Stevenson and Craig (Muir 61); unused substitutes – Johnston and Szpilcynski.

In the 27th minute Airdrie United's Ryan Wallace got sent off for a bad tackle on Willie Easton. It was his second red card against Ayr United to this point of the season. When the teams had played at Airdrie on 14th August he had been dismissed for a lunge on Dean Keenan. In the latter stages the ten men struggled and in the 79th minute Paul Lovering made a goal line clearance from Scott McLaughlin. Six minutes later he made a goal line clearance from Jonathan Tiffoney. In the second minute of stoppage time Andy Rodgers went very close with a header

from a Chris Smith cross. Then, in the fourth minute of stoppage time, Alan Trouten supplied the ball to Mark Roberts who set up Scott McLaughlin to ram the winner high into the net.



The 'just in time' winner.

Our All Time League Record Against Inverness Caledonian Thistle

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
At Ayr	17	5	4	8	19	34
At Inverness	18	1	8	9	15	29
Totals	35	6	12	17	34	63

Even a politician would struggle to put a positive spin on these statistics. Undaunted a bold attempt will be made. Our record, or lack of it, at Inverness is well known. Recourse to statistics is not required to know that we have had just one league victory at the Caledonian Stadium. However we have avoided defeat in precisely half of our league visits to that ground. At home we have avoided defeat in nine of the seventeen fixtures, a ratio of fractionally more than half. From this it could be interpreted that we are holding our own at Inverness and more than holding our own

at Ayr. That interpretation is, of course, proof of the old saying that there are lies, damned lies and statistics. The bottom line, shown in bold, neatly summarises the whole painful story.

Stewart Kean was the scorer of the only goal on the occasion of our one win at the Caledonian Stadium. The date was 18th January, 2003. It was an outstanding victory



considering that Inverness were the league leaders at the start of play. Falkirk ultimately won the league but, quite outrageously, were denied promotion because they did not have 10,000 seats. Our last home win in the series was as recently as 25th January, 2020, when Stephen Kelly dispossessed Charlie Trafford then ran on to slot the only goal of the match beyond Mark Ridgers. That evening we sat third in the Championship table, one point behind second-placed Inverness. Statistically the chances of losing that game were nil. Look at the date – 25th January. It is an extraordinary fact that no visiting team has ever won a league match at Somerset Park on Burns Day. This record goes all the way back to Ayr FC and the origin of league football here in 1897.

Our Guardian Angel

On 24th April, 2010, Terry Butcher brought his Inverness team to Ayr and they had nothing to play for having already won the league. In contrast our relegation battle ensured that we had everything to play for. The result was appalling. It was a 7-0 home defeat. It is a club record home defeat although it is shared with Ayr United 0 Dundee United 7 on 24th September, 1966. Your writer has the dubious boast of having been at both of these matches. Football being football Inverness lost 1-0 at Ayr on their next visit. That was a League Cup tie on 24th August, 2011.

The biggest Ayr win in the league series is 3-0 on 24th November, 2001. Our team was: Nelson, McEwan, Sharp (McLaughlin 86), Robertson, Hughes, Craig, Teale, McGinlay, Crabbe (Grady 83), Wilson and Sheerin (Lovering 75). The visiting team was: Calder, Tokely, McBain, Mann, McCaffrey, Teasdale (Bavidge 71), Duncan, Wyness, Ritchie, Bagan (Christie 60) and Robson. Our scorers were Paul Sheerin (11), Scott Crabbe (55) and Gary Teale (67). This was on a Saturday and on the immediate Wednesday Inverness revisited Somerset Park for a League Cup quarter-final tie. The outcome was another home win (5-1).

In relative terms Inverness Caledonian Thistle is a new club. This much is reflected in the modest number of league meetings at thirty-five. We have no scope to wallow in the nostalgic deeds of the far distant past.



Ryan Stevenson (left) and Willie Easton (right) in action during a 0-0 draw at Inverness on 15th August, 2009.

Memories Are Made Of This



13th January, 2001. Lee Sharp powering through at home to Inverness CT. In a 1-1 draw the scorers were Pat McGinlay (4) and Dennis Wyness (22).

Special Titles

Professor Bert Whittington

Bert Whittington is the only Ayr United player to have acquired the title of professor. At the age of eighteen he joined the club as a centre-forward from Lochend. That was in July 1964. He was then a student at Glasgow University and he went on to achieve a first class honours BSc in electrical engineering and a PhD. He worked as a research officer and eventually became a lecturer at Edinburgh University. In 1994 he was promoted to personal chair in electrical power engineering. As Professor Whittington he had a glowing professional career. His football career did not stand comparison despite him scoring in the first minute of his Ayr United debut. That was in a 2-1 home win over Dumbarton in a League Cup tie on 15th August, 1964. Ally MacLeod was the team captain. In 1964/65 Whittington made two League Cup appearances and twelve in the league. In addition to his debut goal he scored just one more. He died in a road accident at the age of fifty-six.



15th August, 1964. Team group photo taken prior to Bert Whittington's debut.

Rear left to right: Dicky Grant, Ally MacLeod (captain), John Murphy, Alastair Paton, Eddie Monan and Drew Nelson.

Front: Left to right: Billy Muir, Billy Kerr, Bert Whittington, Sam McMillan and Arthur Paterson.

Sir Alex Ferguson

Now we come to the only former Ayr United player to obtain a knighthood. After being released by Falkirk, Alex Ferguson signed for Ayr United on Monday, 3rd September, 1973. In his one season at Ayr he made eighteen starting appearances (plus eight substitute listings) in the league, four starting appearances in the Scottish Cup and two starting appearances in the Texaco Cup. He numbered ten goals, nine of which were in the league and one in the Scottish Cup. On his release at the end of the season he went into management with East Stirling with subsequent moves to St. Mirren, Aberdeen then Manchester United where he succeeded in winning thirty-eight trophies. In the Queen's Birthday Honours list in 1999 it was made known that he was to become Sir Alex Ferguson. The only other Manchester United manager to be given a knighthood has been Matt Busby. On 14th February, 1945, Busby got released as a player by Liverpool. On the same day it was announced that he had accepted the managerial post at Ayr United. The Ayr board issued a quick denial.

Johnny Hubbard MBE

Johnny Hubbard was aged thirty-one when he signed for Ayr United in the summer of 1962. He had just been released by Bury after a three-year stint prior to which he had a decade at Rangers. Johnny was a flying winger who carried a reputation of



being the penalty king. In his two seasons at Ayr he made fifty-one league appearances, three in the Scottish Cup and eleven in the League Cup. His goal count was eight which comprised five in the league and three in the League Cup. He was a key player in our shock Scottish Cup win at Aberdeen on 15th February, 1964. Hubby was an all round sportsman who was devoted to helping sport develop in Ayr and Prestwick. Football, tennis and cricket – he was good at it all. For services to sport he became a Member of the British Empire in 1998. At the age of eighty-seven he passed away on 21st June, 2018.

Johnny Hubbard in his new surrounds in the summer of 1962.

Our All Time Scottish Cup Record Against Albion Rovers

Albion Rovers will be visiting us on Scottish Cup duty this month. This will be the fourth Scottish Cup meeting between the clubs and we have been favoured with home draws every time.

26th January, 1924 – 1st round – Ayr United 3 Albion Rovers 1.

Team: Nisbet, Woodburn, McCloy, Hogg, McLeod, Murphy, Kilpatrick, Anderson, Cunningham, McKenzie and Smith.

Albion Rovers: Britton, Penman, McColgan, Geddes, Cameron, Sharp, McComish, McQuade, Mackie, Brant and Kirk.

Owing to a train strike the crowd was curtailed to about 6,000. This was in contrast to the then ground record of 16,271 for the 1-0 win over Kilmarnock in the next round. A Jock Smith corner-kick got fisted out in the direction of Harry 'Peerie' Cunningham whose shot crashed into the net via the underside of the bar. Cunningham



proceeded to make it 2-0 when he was on the end of a Tommy Kilpatrick cross whereupon he turned quickly to his left then whipped the ball into the net. George Nisbet failed to make a clean connection when attempting to punch the ball clear. This was capitalised on by Mackie (Sunday Mail) or Brant (Ayrshire Post) to trim it back to 2-1. The two-goal margin was quickly restored. Murdoch McKenzie was downed by right-back Penman. McKenzie took the resultant free-kick himself and, from thirty-yards, found the net with a low shot.

Harry 'Peerie' Cunningham.

26th January, 1983 – 3rd round – Ayr United 1 Albion Rovers 2. Crowd 1,372.

Team: MacKay, Shanks, Connor, Morris, McAllister, Fleeting, Frye, McNally, Larnach, Ahern and Christie; substitutes – Henry and McNaughton

Albion Rovers: Balavage, Allan, Grant, Leishman, Burgess, Collins, Dow, Gray, Evans, Livingstone and Conn; substitutes – Gibson and McQueen.

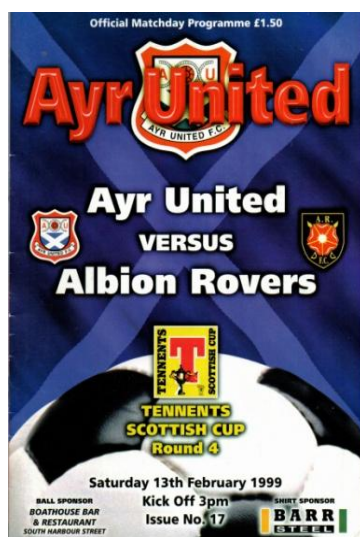
This was a triumph for visiting manager Martin Ferguson, brother of the more illustrious Alex. The home team's performance got savaged by the media and the fans on account of a lack of fight. In the first half it took a succession of fine saves

from Scott MacKay to keep Albion Rovers at bay. In the 69th minute Alex Livingstone rattled home a 25-yarder after a corner had been headed out. Four minutes later MacKay blocked a Willie Leishman free-kick but Livingstone pounced again to score from the loose ball. Mike Larnach narrowed the deficit in the 81st minute but it was not enough. The final whistle was met by a chorus of justifiable booing. Jim Robb summed it up in the Ayr Advertiser. *“Thousands of fans have already had enough. Many more will follow them away from the terracing unless something is done quickly.”*

13th February, 1999 – 4th round – Ayr United 1 Albion Rovers 0. Crowd 3,229.

Team: Castilla, Robertson, Winnie, Millen, Traynor (Reynolds 62), Craig, Hurst, Davies, Walker (Ferguson 71), Teale and Lyons; unused substitute – Nelson.

Albion Rovers: McLean, Duncan, McGowan, McStay, Hamilton (Sturrock 56), McLees, Greenock, Melvin, Murphy (Shaw 81), Lorimer and Donaldson; unused substitute – McQuade.



After beating Kilmarnock 3-0 in the previous round it was confidently expected that our opponents from the fourth tier would be easily beaten. The expectation was totally different from the reality. Andy Walker and Glynn Hurst showed no signs of their customary sharpness. Chances were made and chances were squandered while Graham Duncan, Jock McStay and Neil McGowan conspired to make life hard by defending heroically. In the 71st minute Gordon Dalziel sent on Ian Ferguson for Andy Walker. Six minutes later Ferguson linked with Gary Teale to allow the latter to carve his way to the byeline before applying a scoring shot from a very tight angle. In the remaining minutes Albion Rovers fought back. David Lorimer went especially close with a shot that narrowly cleared the bar.

Random Facts

- On 7th December, 2002, the attendance at the Ayr United versus Inverness Caledonian Thistle match was 1,663. Our next home match, also in the league, was against Arbroath three weeks later. On that day there was just one turnstile click of a difference at 1,664.
- In consecutive home games Eddie Malone scored a 60th minute goal at the Somerset Road end and in each of those games the opposition had a goal disallowed in stoppage time. These games were Ayr United 2 Falkirk 2 on 20th August, 2011, (league) and Ayr United 1 Inverness Caledonian Thistle 0 on 24th August, 2011, (League Cup).



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Eddie Malone's goal against Inverness.

- The most goals scored by an Ayr United player in a calendar year is 53 by Jimmy Smith in 1928 (51 League and 2 Scottish Cup). The closest contender is 52 by Peter Price in 1958 (40 League, 1 Scottish Cup and 11 League Cup).

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November 2021						
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Ayr United have never won a game played on 19th November (14 defeats, 4 draws). Let's hope that our match at Dunfermline goes ahead as scheduled in a fortnight rather than being rescheduled to the Friday!

Thankfully it's not a Saturday.

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Ayr United's highest winning margin in top tier football is 6-0. It has occurred twice. Third Lanark at home on 25th March, 1916, and Dundee at home on 8th April, 1933.

Tommy Robertson (The Patna Flyer) scored four in the 6-0 rout of Dundee.

The Oldest Debutant

When we were drawn to play a third round Scottish Cup tie at Inverness on 7th January, 2006, it prompted memories of our cup visit there on 27th January, 2001. That 2001 visit remains the only competitive match in which an Ayr United team has lost after achieving a three-goal lead. Horror of Horrors! 3-0 up at half-time only to lose 4-3! In 2006 the outcome was more satisfactory. We went 1-0 down to a Rory McAllister goal in the 52nd minute but straight from the re-centre an attack was launched which culminated in Gareth Wardlaw equalising.



Gareth Wardlaw's goal. By the time the ball had hit the net he was jumping in amongst the fans.

The replay took place on the Monday evening of 16th January. It was broadcast on Sky thereby making it the first Ayr United home match to be shown live in its entirety. In the 36th minute Dennis Wyness went down (rather easily!) when Mark McGeown dived at his feet. Penalty – oh no!. Red card for McGeown – double oh no! Craig Dargo, currently an Ayr United Youth Academy coach, scored from the spot and we eventually went down 2-0 through a 76th minute goal from Wyness.

Let us now pick up on the topic mentioned in the headline. Jerome Varelle was sacrificed to allow our substitute goalkeeper to go on following the dismissal. The deputy goalkeeper was Eric Phillips who was making his senior debut (excepting reserve football) at the age of 36 years and 17 days. Talk about being thrown in at the deep end. Live on Sky and his first job was to face a penalty

Quiz Time (answers on the last page)

1. Who is this player?



2. Can you name all three goalkeepers who played in the Ayr United first team last season?

3. Can you name the player who moved from Ayr United to MK Dons in July 2020?

4. Can you identify this Frenchman?



5. Can you name the former Ayr United loanee who is currently playing for Forest Green Rovers?

6. Can you name the former Ayr United player who is currently the manager of Annan Athletic?

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AT A GLANCE 2021/22

Name	Previous Club	Date of signing	21/22		Ayr career	
			Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Tomi Adeloye	Barnet	01-07-21	16	7	16	7
Jonathan Afolabi	Celtic	Loan	1(9)	1	1(9)	1
Charlie Albinson	Warrington Town	08-07-21	9	0	9	0
Jack Baird	St.Mirren	04-09-20	16	1	50	2
Steven Bradley	Hibs	Loan	5(2)	1	5(2)	1
Joe Chalmers	Ross County	15-09-20	7(3)	0	35(6)	1
Finn Ecrepont	Youth Academy	29-05-18	0(2)	0	0(4)	0
Markus Fjortoft	Morton	27-05-21	10(3)	0	10(3)	0
Michael Hewitt	Rangers	01-05-19	5	0	7(6)	0
Jordan Houston	Rangers	23-01-20	10	0	50(8)	0
James Maxwell	Rangers	Loan	8(3)	1	8(3)	1
Aidan McAdams	Morton	21-06-21	7	0	7	0
Nick McAllister	St.Mirren	27-05-21	6(1)	0	6(1)	0
Sean McGinty	Morton	27-05-21	10(1)	0	10(1)	0
Mark McKenzie	Youth Academy	01-07-19	7(4)	1	16(33)	3
Michael Miller	Raith Rovers	06-08-20	1(3)	0	22(9)	3
Michael Moffat	Dunfermline Athletic	23-05-17	1(7)	0	274(45)	101
Aaron Muirhead	Falkirk	24-01-19	13(1)	1	77(6)	6
Andy Murdoch	Morton	12-07-18	15	1	90(4)	4
Daire O'Connor	Cliftonville	28-07-21	4(2)	0	4(2)	0
Patrick Reading	Stevenage Borough	21-07-20	15	0	39	1
Cameron Salkeld	Morton	25-05-21	10(6)	2	10(6)	2
Paul Smith	Youth Academy	03-07-19	0(1)	0	0(4)	0

Up to and including match played on 30th October, 2021. Includes League, Scottish Cup, League Cup, Challenge Cup and play-offs. Brackets indicate player going on as a substitute but excludes substitute listings where the player has remained unused.

Ayr United FC Results 2021/22. Home Games and Scorers In Bold.

10-July Albion Rovers 0-0 Lge Cup 150 McAdams
Muirhead Baird McGinty Houston Salkeld Miller Murdoch Reading McKenzie Adeloye Hewitt
Ecrepont Jeanes Smith Shootout lost 4-2

13-July Edinburgh City 3-0 Lge Cup 500 Albinson
Muirhead Baird McGinty Houston Salkeld Hewitt **MURDOCH** Reading McKenzie
ADELOYE2 Ecrepont Jeanes Miller Bilham Smith McAdams

20-July Hamilton Accies 1-0 Lge Cup 801 Albinson
Houston Baird McGinty Reading **SALKELD** Murdoch Muirhead Hewitt McKenzie Adelaye
Miller Chalmers Fjortoft Ecrepont Bilham Jeanes Smith McAdams

24-July Falkirk (3-0) Lge Cup **Forfeited in our favour**

02-Aug Kilmarnock 0-2 League 3,692 Albinson
Houston Baird McGinty Reading Salkeld Murdoch Muirhead Hewitt McKenzie Adelaye
Moffat O'Connor Maxwell Chalmers Fjortoft Afolabi McAdams

07-Aug Arbroath 2-2 League 1,244 Albinson
Fjortoft Baird McGinty Houston Salkeld Murdoch Maxwell Reading O'Connor **ADELOYE**
Muirhead McAllister Chalmers Hewitt **McKENZIE** Afolabi McAdams

14-Aug Dundee United 1-1 aet Lge Cup 2,196 McAdams
Houston Baird Fjortoft Reading Hewitt Murdoch Muirhead Maxwell McKenzie **ADELOYE**
McGinty Miller O'Connor Salkeld McAllister Chalmers Smith Afolabi Albinson Shootout 3-4

21-Aug Inverness CT 0-1 League 2,032 Albinson
Houston Hewitt Fjortoft Baird McGinty Muirhead Murdoch Chalmers McKenzie Adelaye
Moffat Miller (Michael) O'Connor Salkeld Afolabi Ecrepont Miller (Mateusz)

07-Sep Raith Rovers 0-2 League 1,204 McAdams
Houston Baird Fjortoft Reading McAllister Muirhead Chalmers Maxwell McKenzie Adelaye
McGinty Moffat O'Connor Salkeld Bradley Afolabi Albinson

11-Sep Dunfermline Athletic 3-1 League 1,553 Albinson
McAllister Baird McGinty Maxwell **SALKELD** Murdoch O'Connor Reading Bradley
ADELOYE2 Moffat Chalmers McKenzie Fjortoft Ecrepont McAdams

18-Sep Hamilton Accies 2-0 League 1,365 Albinson
Houston Baird McGinty Reading Murdoch Muirhead Chalmers **BRADLEY ADELOYE**
O'Connor Moffat Salkeld Maxwell McKenzie Fjortoft Ecrepont McAdams

25-Sep Morton 0-0 League 1,638 Albinson Fjortoft
McGinty Baird Reading Salkeld Murdoch Muirhead O'Connor Bradley Adelaye Moffat
Maxwell McAllister Chalmers Hewitt McKenzie McAdams

02-Oct Partick Thistle 0-4 League 2,667 Albinson Fjortoft
Baird McGinty Reading McAllister Murdoch Muirhead Chalmers Moffat Adelaye Salkeld
Maxwell Afolabi Ecrepont McAdams

16-Oct Queen of the South 2-1 League 1,663 McAdams
McAllister Fjortoft Baird Reading Salkeld **MUIRHEAD** Murdoch **MAXWELL** Adelaye Afolabi
Moffat Bradley Chalmers Ecrepont Albinson

23-Oct Arbroath 1-1 League 1,415 McAdams
Muirhead Fjortoft Baird Reading Salkeld Chalmers Murdoch Maxwell Adelaye Bradley Moffat
McAllister McKenzie **AFOLABI** Ecrepont Albinson

26-Oct Kilmarnock 0-1 League 6,052 McAdams
Muirhead Baird Fjortoft Reading McAllister Murdoch Chalmers Maxwell Adelaye Bradley
Houston Moffat Salkeld McKenzie Afolabi Ecrepont Albinson

30-Oct Raith Rovers 1-2 League 1,602 McAdams
Houston **BAIRD** Fjortoft Reading McAllister Murdoch Chalmers Maxwell Adelaye Salkeld
Moffat O'Connor McKenzie Afolabi Ecrepont Albinson

Ayr United FC Forthcoming Fixtures

13-Nov	Partick Thistle	League
20-Nov	Dunfermline Athletic	League
27-Nov	Albion Rovers	Scottish Cup
04-Dec	Morton	League
10-Dec	Hamilton Accies	League
18-Dec	Queen of the South	League
26-Dec	Raith Rovers	League
29-Dec	Partick Thistle	League
02-Jan	Kilmarnock	League
08-Jan	Arbroath	League
15-Jan	Morton	League
29-Jan	Hamilton Accies	League
05-Feb	Dunfermline Athletic	League
19-Feb	Inverness CT	League
26-Feb	Queen of the South	League
05-Mar	Raith Rovers	League
12-Mar	Kilmarnock	League
19-Mar	Arbroath	League
26-Mar	Morton	League
02-Apr	Hamilton Accies	League

Ayr United squad



21 Charlie Albinson
1 Aidan McAdams
9 Tomi Adeloje
24 Jonathan Afolabi
30 Jack Baird
16 Steven Bradley
18 Joe Chalmers
25 Finn Ecrepont
23 Markus Fjortoft
20 Michael Hewitt
2 Jordan Houston
14 James Maxwell
17 Nick McAllister
5 Sean McGinty
22 Mark McKenzie
7 Michael Moffat
4 Aaron Muirhead
6 Andy Murdoch
10 Daire O'Connor
3 Patrick Reading
11 Cameron Salkeld
31 Paul Smith

Inverness squad



1 Mark Ridgers
21 Cameron Mackay
18 Scott Allardice
15 Kirk Broadfoot
5 Robbie Deas
6 Danny Devine
10 Aaron Doran
2 Wallace Duffy
19 Manny Duku
7 Michael Gardyne
3 Cameron Harper
16 Lewis Jamieson
12 Roddy MacGregor
23 Reece McAlear
17 Anthony McDonald
9 Billy Mckay
11 Shane Sutherland
14 Tom Walsh
4 Sean Welsh

Referee: Steven McLean : Assistant: Alastair Mather : Assistant: Craig Macrae.



Quiz Answers

1. Colin Hume.
2. Viljami Sinisalo, Peter Urminsky and Peter Morrison.
3. Daniel Harvie.
4. Franck Rolling.
5. Nicky Cadden.
6. Peter Murphy.

That's all Folks!

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