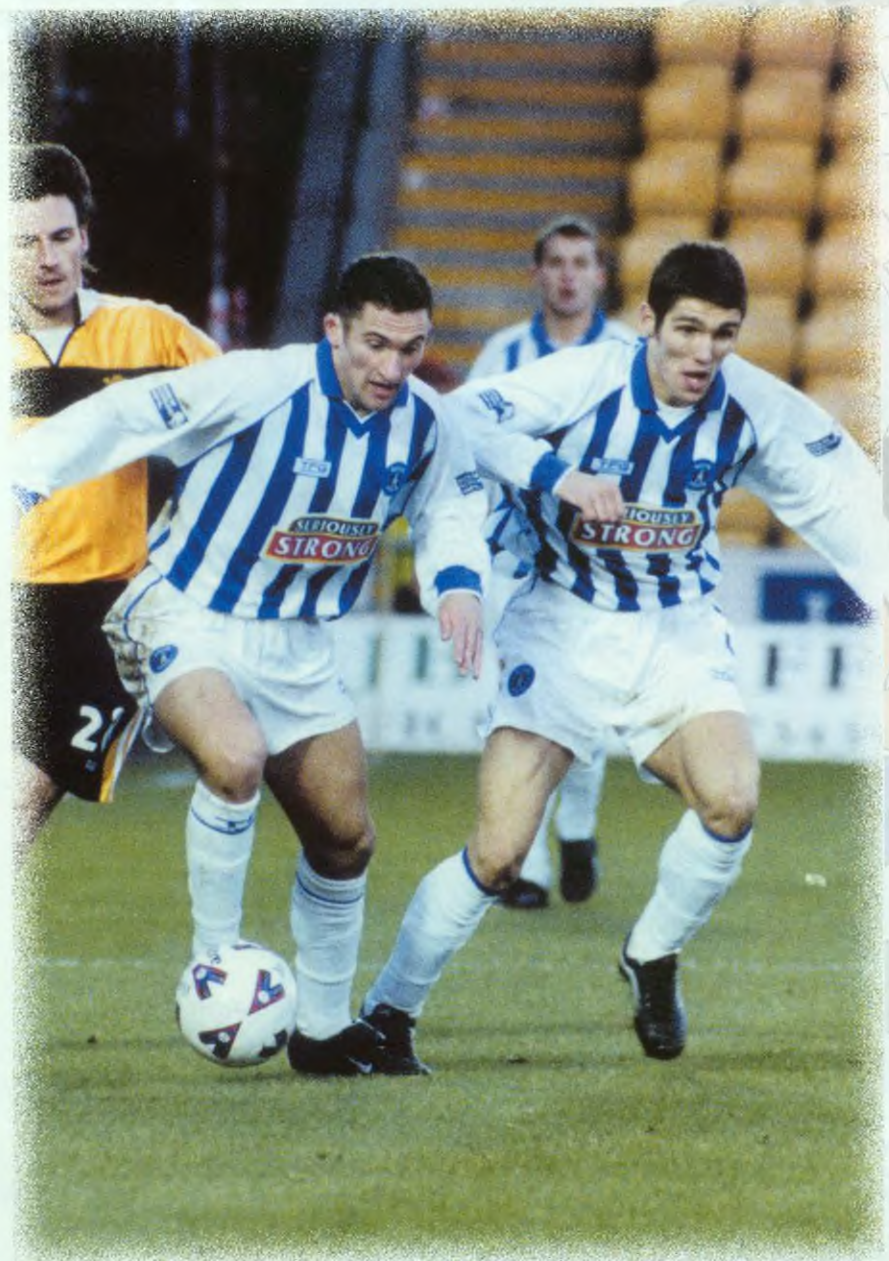


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Bobby Williamson

Last Saturday's ninety minutes against Airdrie in the Scottish Cup proved to be a thoroughly professional performance by the players.

Our build-up to the game hadn't been ideal, what with the postponement of the Rangers game and the difficulty in finding suitable training areas during the freeze, but the players put all that behind them.

There had been a lot of hype about Airdrie in the media but after the opening few minutes we took a firm hold of

the game. We hit Airdrie hard, and kept them on the back foot, and to go in at half-time with a three goal lead was better than our expectations.

It was another good team performance, just like Almondvale, and our younger players have rightly had a lot of the spotlight.

As I keep reminding them, however, there's a balance to be struck, and the likes of Kevin McGowne and Freddy Dindeleux deserve the plaudits as well for the way they kept the Airdrie attack in check. The main thing was to go through to the next



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round, and we got the home draw we were looking for.

There's a fair bit of league action before the 4th Round tie against Celtic, though, and we'll be concentrating on that.

We start those league fixtures this afternoon with the visit of Celtic. Both our SPL matches against them this season have finished 1-0 in their favour, but we came close to taking something from both games. This will be a good test of character for us. Our concentration will have to be 100% - any slip-ups will be punished.

The up-and-coming matches against the Old Firm will be great experience for our younger players. As a player I always felt the bigger the match, the better, so let's get on with it!



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A magnificent effort

After the unfortunate chain of events which wiped out the Killie v Rangers match here on Wednesday 2nd January, it was important that we didn't lose two home matches in a row when Airdrie were the visitors three days later. Thanks to some herculean efforts by the ground staff the Scottish Cup tie went ahead as scheduled. The Board and management of KFC would like to go on record and thank Mark Gallacher and the ground staff (who literally worked all through Friday night / Saturday morning to prepare the pitch) and all the other volunteers who helped out at various stages. Thanks for all your hard work, lads!



Rangers on the 30th

The Rangers match has been re-arranged for **Wednesday 30th January**. It will be shown live on BBC Scotland, with an 8.05pm kick off. Tickets for the first date remain valid for the re-arranged fixture and season tickets will be valid. (Season ticket holders are reminded that they should bring their books, and not just individual vouchers).

Foreign XI

The signing of Newcastle-born Tommy Johnson means that we could now, in theory at least, field a team of "non-Scots" in Kilmarnock's colours:

Stewart (born England), Pizzo (France), Dindeleux (France), Sanjuan (Spain), Hessey (England), Calderon (Spain), Cocard (France), Vareille (France), Johnson (England), Ngonge (Belgium), Merdy (France).

Promising

In these days of numerous foreign imports into the Scottish game it was interesting to note that ten of the Killie starting line-up at Livingston were Scots, with Freddy Dindeleux the "odd man out". Further, nine of the sixteen KFC players on duty at Almondvale head come through our youth ranks, a promising total, and there are more to come!



Freddy Dindeleux - "odd man out"

Stevie signs on
18 year old Stephen Murray, who has done so well since coming in to the first team at the beginning of December, has signed a new 3 year contract.



Everygame

Copies of "Everygame", the new KFC history by David Ross, are still on sale in Killie Connections priced at £18.95.

The 'J' men

18 year old Emilio **Jaconelli** became the 28th player to play a competitive match for the first team when he made his debut as a substitute in the 1-0 win at Livingston recently. He was followed by a 29th, when ex-Notts County, Derby County, Aston Villa, Celtic, Everton and Sheffield Wednesday striker Tommy **Johnson** came on as a substitute in last Saturday's Scottish Cup tie against Airdrie.

Six Appeal

Nice to see some old Killie "warhorses" on the pitch at half-time last season, from the 70's and 80's - step forward Stuart McLean, Paul Clarke, Jackie McGillivray, Ian Bryson, Blair Millar and '97 Cup hero Dylan Kerr. Don't forget to pick up your tickets for today's half-time draw, there's cash prizes (1 x £500 and 5 x £100) to be won for only £1.



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