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## Hearts FC swoop for FOUR Academy stars !!!



Jamie Love  
Centre  
Midfield



Ryan Coulter  
Left  
Midfield



Sean Hughes  
Front  
Striker



Leon Jones  
Right  
Defender

**H**earts, Hamilton Accies, Dunfermline, Aberdeen and St Mirren have all expressed a keen interest in the above members of the School of Excellence but convincing language, guarentees of a lengthy initial coaching spell, a FULL GUARENTEE that they will remain with Scotland Boys Club until they are eligible to sign, and an opportunity play inter-club round robin tournaments convinced the parents of these four students that Hearts was the 'club of the future'. Scout and coach **Tommy Farries** remarks '*...when Bobby Mc Donald tipped me off that he had some 'special' players coming through in the 1998 age group, I took his word for it...as I always do as Bobby has recommended quite a squad of players to us in the past. I guarenteed them a lengthy trial period. But I was invited to watch them play at the Hamilton Accies tournament (three of them) and I could not believe the standard they were at...and since then I have nagged Bobby every week to get them along. I can't wait to get them started.*' The students will be starting next Thursday with the Heart of Midlothian – Professional Academy – we wish them well. The students will still remain as our students and will train and play with us every week as normal. We will remain in full control of their activities until they are eligible to sign in two and a half years time.

### MILL UNITED FIND THEIR MATCH

Mill United were well beaten by both the School of Excellence and the Academy PLUS squads at the weekend. They tried hard but our two squads are now proving very, very difficult to beat. Lots of good football is being played, lots of good passing and an aire of confidence is flowing through the squads. This victory clinches top spot for both these squads in the Lanarkshire Soccer Sevens League, with Mill United finishing runners-up and

Moorlands Boys Club coming a close third. The players will be rewarded at the Awards Night at **Hampden Park in Glasgow on May 27<sup>th</sup>**.

<b><u>TOMORROW – SATURDAY 20<sup>th</sup> May 2006</u></b>	
<b><u>Mossend BC v The Academy</u></b>	
<b>At : Hamilton Palace (Enclosed Sevens)</b>	
<b>Kick Off : 10.00 am</b>	
<b>Please be at Hamilton Palace at <b>9.30 am</b> sharp or you will NEVER ....get parked. Remember – Rubber Moulded studs for the Astroturf. You CANNOT play with screw ins.</b>	
<i>Bobby Mc Donald</i>	<i>John Renwick</i>
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Jamie Love	Ryan Love (Capt)

## **FUND RAISING MATCH**

We are going to bring together a group of **EX-SCOTLAND BOYS CLUB** players, to play against the **PARENTS of the current Academy Squad**. Obviously we would not be able to use any of our players who have turned professional as the SFA guidelines would not permit it...but we are going to bring together some fantastic guys who are playing junior, amateur, and even some who have retired. A special trophy will be made available, medals will be presented to the winners and losers, and the game will be played either at Richmond Park or Shawfield Stadium. This will indeed be a day to remember.

We will invite the entire Academy along to watch and produce one or two guest players to surprise you. John Renwick will manage the ex-players, and we need to recruit a ‘manager’ for the ‘Parents’. To play in this fantastic match will cost everyone £20 and names are being taken NOW. **GIVE YOUR NAME TO THERESA NOW. IT IS FOR RAISING FUNDS REMEMBER....**The game will take place in late August or early September 2006.

## **FUND RAISING ‘SCOTLAND BOYS CLUB – FESTIVAL OF FOOTBALL’**

Again, as part of our Anniversary fund raising events, I would like to welcome everyone to the **Scotland Boys Club – Festival of Football**. This event which will be organised by **BRIAN ADAMS** and the football side co-ordinated by Bobby Mc Donald...will take place on the weekend of **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August** and will be held at Richmond Park – our home venue. The Saturday will host the 1999 Festival, and the Sunday will host the 1998 Festival. Further details to be announced shortly – watch this space.

We will of course need volunteers, ideas for fund raising, and will be holding a meeting fairly soon to discuss the event. Interested parties should volunteer your names to Theresa, she will inform me, and I will co-ordinate the

meeting. So please volunteer your names to Theresa. Each age group will have **EIGHT TEAMS** ....two sections of four. The competition will be **NON COMPETITIVE and will be played on a round-robin basis.**

## **SCOTLAND KIT**

I am hearing from parents of 'new students' that it is virtually impossible to get the Home Shorts and Home Socks because of the changeover of the strips.

For that purpose, I will allow new students to **wear PLAIN WHITE SHORTS and PLAIN NAVY** socks so that they can participate in matches.

The home tops are readily available and so are the Black/Red jackets.

**DO NOT buy Tracksuits or Bags** or training kits as we are negotiating a deal at the moment with a manufacturer. Tricia Love, Jean Thomson and myself are hoping to get that deal finalised in the next fortnight.

Can everyone go to **DEE SPORTS in DUNDYVAN ROAD**, Coatbridge to get the strips numbered and all the embroidering done.

This is our recommended supplier of this type of work and you will get a fantastic job at a fabulous price. Clarification of the entire kit / SFA situation will be made clear after the presentation dance.

## **1998 Improvers / 1999 Squad – Latest Scores**

1998 Improvers Scores to Date					1999 Scores to Date					
Game 1	1998 Improvers	6	v	3	1999 Squad					
Game 2	Symington BC	1	v	5	1998 Improvers	1998 Improvers	6	v	3	1999 Squad
Game 3	East Kilbride	0	v	8	1998 Improvers	Carluke BC	1	v	6	1999 Squad
Game 4	1998 Improvers	9	v	2	Clyde Valley	1999 Squad	6	v	2	Stonehouse
Game 5	1998 Improvers	5	v	2	Stonehouse	1999 Squad	1	v	4	Partick Thistle
Game 6	1998 Improvers	1		9	Partick Thistle	Clyde Valley	0	v	4	1999 Squad
						1999 Squad	9	v	1	East Kilbride

The **1998 Improvers Squad** (who were doing so well) ....had their bubble well and truly 'burst' on Thursday night when they faced a very well drilled Partick Thistle side.

The Thistle team were outstanding and pointed out to us that our squad have a lot of work to do.

You will find that we will be drifting in some 'new players' into this squad over the next couple of weeks to strengthen them as we cannot be absorbing another convincing defeat like that again.

We cannot continue to keep using **Academy PLUS** players or indeed **School of Excellence** players...it is not fair on the existing 1998 Improvers ...or the students we are throwing in.

The players who will make way for these new players will be moved into the 1998 Improvers 'B' squad for next season. However they will still be utilised in 'easier' games that will be coming up over the next few weeks on a Thursday.

Ian Downs and Robert Gormley will be talking to all these student's parents individually over the next fortnight and explaining what the position is and be giving an assessment of each individual in question.

I am absolutely delighted and astonished by the progress of the **1999 Squad** – they performed another fantastic feat on Thursday and retain their current form. Well done ...these kids are still playing teams a year above themselves.

Please keep encouraging and supporting them.....they deserve the applause.

**Alistair Whyte will be meeting with his 'B' Squad players' parents over the next two weeks to discuss their needs and future and will be issuing reports on how they are doing. I will be assisting him with this task.**

## What's going on at the Academy

### MAY EVENTS

Their have been a few changes to this table since last week so please check >>>>

i.e next Friday's Training is at Richmond Park .... NOT Hamilton Palace.

Day	Date	What's on	Where	For who ?	
Friday	19 May	Training	Hamilton Palace	S of E	Academy PLUS
Saturday	20 May	Game v Mossend BC	Hamilton Palace	S of E	Academy PLUS
Sunday	21 May	Training	Hamilton Palace	1998 Improvers	1999, 2000 Groups, and ALL new players
Thursday	25 May	League Game 1999 v 1998 Improvers	RICHMOND PARK	1999 Squad	1998 Improvers
Friday	26 May	Training	RICHMOND PARK (not Hamilton Palace)	S of E	Academy PLUS
Saturday	27 May	Game v Wishaw	At Wishaw	S of E	Academy PLUS
Saturday	27 May	AWARDS CEREMONY	HAMPDEN PARK	ENTIRE ACADEMY	
Sunday	28 May	Training CANCELLED	Hamilton Palace	1998 Improvers	1999, 2000 Groups, and ALL new players
Sunday	28 May	ROSSVALE Tournament	Bishopbriggs	S of E	Academy PLUS

**NOTE : TRAINING IS CANCELLED ON SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2006  
(THE DAY AFTER THE DANCE)**

**Because of this – weekly subscriptions for the 1998 Improvers and the 1999 Squads will be collected by Theresa on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May at Richmond Park at the League Game.**

**If you do not pay you cannot play.**

## 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony at Hampden Park

### CAN EVERYONE PLEASE, PLEASE PAY FOR YOUR TICKETS BY THIS WEEKEND

And of course **all the new players that have just joined** ....they are ALL welcome and will be given an Award ....so please get your tickets NOW !!!

Theresa will have tickets available over this weekend. If these players are wanting to see what is in store for them in the future in this Academy ...they should snap up some tickets and come along...they will receive a prize on stage..

I need signed balls, signed footballers jerseys, large 'auctionable' prizes, unique prizes like we got last year....The auction last year was our biggest earner...it went fantastically well. Keep 'em coming please !!!

#### **Arrangements :**

- I will be at Hampden for 12.30 pm. **ALL VOLUNTEERS** – please come along anytime after that for as long or as short a time as you can manage. We need hundreds of helpers. It is in the **NEVIS SUITE**.
- Doors open at 7.00 pm. **NO ADMITTANCE** without a ticket – it is a security company that collect tickets and they will not let you in without one. No paying on the night ...get your tickets paid up front.
- ALL Students in Scotland Strip and Tracksuit. New students can only wear what Scotland stuff you have.
- ALL coaches in **TRACKSUITS**. If you are not in a Tracksuit...I cannot use you...this is a working night guys !!!
- We will all have a meeting (coaches and volunteers on the Saturday afternoon). I will expect **ALL** coaches to spend some of the afternoon to help set up. **Also coaches** – I need you there (and volunteers if possible) for 6.45 pm sharp.
- **I have HARDLY any prizes folks ....if you have not brought along something for the raffle or the auction...please, please, please, bring something on the night. Or it will be a shambles.**

#### LOTTERY ROLLOVER

Sara Thomson ....No.8 is this week's £41 rollover winner.....well done.

#### TOTE

It has been proposed that a 'Tote' will be introduced to replace the Lottery after the presentation dance. Full details will be announced in a future newsletter.

#### BOX

I am indebted to Paul Hughes for making me a box (details later ...Ha! Ha!)

**AND AFTER THE DANCE IS OVER .....IN FACT THE VERY NEXT MORNING**

**ROSSVALE TOURNAMENT**

**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2006**

**ROSSVALE TOURNAMENT**

**Round Robin Competition**

**NO ONE (EXCEPT LIAM BOWIE) HAS INDICATED THAT THEY ARE NOT GOING TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS TOURNAMENT.**

**THEREFORE THE FOLLOWING SQUADS HAVE BEEN NAMED.**

**Please be at Huntershill Playing Fields, Crowhill Road, Bishopbriggs for 8.45 am for a warm up and a 9.30 am first game kick off.**

**The LAST GAME will finish at 3.00 pm – then there is the presentation – so it is an ALL DAY TOURNAMENT**

**It is nice to know that none of you will be drinking at the Awards night chaps and chapesses.**

**Oh! And remember to keep those students strips nice and clean for the next morning.**

**Jonathan Downs has been drafted in to replace Liam Bowie.**

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Full Details of Tournament .....

**FORMAT FOR SUNDAY  
28<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2006**

**SEVEN-A-SIDE**

K.O. TIMES	PITCH 1	PITCH 2	PITCH 3
9.30-9.55	1 V 2	3 V 4	5 V 6
10.20-10.45	1 V 3	2 V 4	6 V 7
11.10-11.35	1 V 4	2 V 3	5 V 7
12.00-12.25	1 V 5	2 V 6	4 V 7
12.50-1.15	1 V 6	2 V 5	3 V 7
1.40-2.05	1 V 7	3 V 6	4 V 5
2.30-2.55	3 V 5	4 V 6	2 V 7

- 1998 –**
1. ROSSVALE MILAN
  2. ROSSVALE MADRID
  3. **SCOTLAND BC – School of Excellence**
  4. SPORTING YOKER
  5. **SCOTLAND BC – Academy PLUS**
  6. CLYDE FC
  7. DUMBARTON FC

Tournament to be non-competitive.

Referees to be drawn from volunteers.

Every participant to get a certificate

## **NEW PLAYERS**

The following **NEW PLAYERS** have joined the Academy in recent weeks and I am giving these players and their families an invitation to the Annual Awards Ceremony.

Please get tickets from Theresa who you pay 'subs' to every week..

Now only the 'longest serving' students will appear on the Dance Programme ...but EVERYONE WILL GET AN AWARD. You need to let me know if you are attending.

- Andrew Gallacher (1998 Improver)
- Scott Matthews (1998 Improver)
- Lauren Butler (1998 Improver)
- Joe Carlson (1998 Improver)
- Ewan Dickson (1998 Improver)
- Matthew Wallace (1998 Improver)
- Paul Croal (1998 Improver)
- Michael O Kane (1998 Improver)
- Josh Mc Fall (1999 Squad)
- Craig Butler (1999 Squad)
- Carter Mc Creadie (1999 Squad)
- David Hughes (2000 Squad)
- Christopher Quigley (2000 Squad)
- James Roddick (2000 Squad)
- Conor Burt (2000 Squad)
- Fraser Cocker (2000 Squad)
- Jordan Hutchison (2000 Squad)
- Pdraig Dolan (2000 Squad)
- Cameron Stewart (2000 Squad)
- Jamie Mc Cafferty (Overage)
- Robyn Dolan (Overage)

These students **MUST START PAYING THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THERESA AS FROM THIS WEEK IF THEY WISH TO CONTINUE** (I am aware some of you have been paying for quite a while now). Its £5 per week (two siblings or more its £7 per week total)

**FOUR PLAYERS DID NOT PAY LAST WEEK WHEN THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAYING.**



**IF ANYONE IS AWARE THAT ANY OF THESE PLAYERS HAVE 'LEFT' PLEASE ADVISE  
THERESA – AND SHE WILL ADVISE ME**

HAMILTON CAMPUS - Groupings - Training Days - Managers - 2006 (September)							
School of Excellence - FRIDAYS				1999 'A' Squad - SUNDAYS			
Bobby Mc Donald				Alistair Whyte			
	Squad No	Subs			Squad No	Subs	
1	James Semple (GK)	1b		1	Angus Carswell (GK)	1e	E Mail
2	Ross Lyon	14		2	Anthony Croal	26	
3	Aiden Gray	11	E Mail	3	Calum Glasgow	40	
4	Samuel Bullough	20	E Mail	4	Calum Whyte	5	E Mail
5	Aiden Mc Elhinney	15		5	Connor Stewart	41	E Mail
6	Gary Keenan	12		6	Jack Stewart	2	E Mail
7	Sean Hughes	17	E Mail	7	Robbie Martin	33	
8	Leon Jones	16		8	Matthew Innes	3	E Mail
9	Jamie Love	9		9	Ross Henderson	46	
10	Ryan Coulter	10		10	Josh Mc Fall	35	E Mail
11	Regan Glackin	19		11	Craig Butler	64	E Mail
Academy PLUS - FRIDAYS				1999 'B' Squad - SUNDAYS			
John Renwick				Vacancy			
1	David Thomson (GK)	1a		1	Vacancy (GK)	1f	
2	John Smith	31		2	Andrew Mc Lean	48	
3	Calum Mc Donald	8	E Mail	3	Kieran Mc Millan	45	
4	Anthony Ralston	23		4	Christopher Mc Cann	43	E Mail
5	Callum Gibson	4	E Mail	5	Darren Gough	44	E Mail
6	Ryan Love	18		6	Sonny Stewart	63	
7	Liam Burt	27	E Mail	7	Vacancy	81	
8	Liam Bowie	6	E Mail	8	Vacancy	65	
9	Ryan Kane	7		9	Carter Mc Creadie	66	
10	Bradley Reid	24	E Mail	10	Vacancy	67	
11				11			
1998 Improvers 'A' Squad - SUNDAYS				2000 'A' Squad -			
R. Gormley & I. Downs				Vacancy			
1	Vacancy (GK)	1c		1	Vacancy	1g	
2	Andrew Gallacher	42	E Mail	2	Vacancy	68	
3	Scott Matthews	61	E Mail	3	Vacancy	69	
4	Paul O Hara	36	E Mail	4	Vacancy	70	
5	Carla Boyce	53		5	Vacancy	71	
6	Scott Ballantyne	29		6	Vacancy	72	
7	Josh Mac Donald	39	E Mail	7	Vacancy	73	
8	Jonathan Downs	32	E Mail	8	Vacancy	74	
9	Christopher Sands	25		9	Vacancy	75	
10	Ryan Gormley	52		10	Vacancy	76	
11	Michael O Kane	34		11			
1998 Improvers 'B' Squad - SUNDAYS				2000 'B' Squad - SUNDAYS			
Vacancy				Jim Roddick			
1	Vacancy	1d		1	Kyle Mac Donald (GK)	1h	E Mail
2	Lee Ritchie	30	E Mail	2	Christopher Quigley	50	E Mail
3	Vacancy	55		3	David Hughes	77	
4	Lauren Butler	21	E Mail	4	James Ruddick	78	
5	Joe 'Taz' Carlson	28		5	Conor Burt	37	E Mail
6	Vacancy	60		6	Fraser Cocker	51	
7	Jack Semple	47	E Mail	7	Jordan Hutchison	58	
8	Alex Keenan	22	E Mail	8	Padraig Dolan	59	
9	Ewan Dickson	56		9	Cameron Stewart	57	
10	Matthew Wallace	62		10	Vacancy	79	
11				11			
OVERAGE - COACHING ONLY - FRIDAYS							
1	Ross Dougan	38		6	Jamie Mc Cafferty	Overage	80
2	Cameron Carswell	54	E Mail	7	Robyn Dolan	Overage	49
3				8			

4				9			
5				10			

## **PENALTY KICK COMPETITION**

What a fantastic day out we had. 95% of students turned up, had a little bit of a game, a little bit of training, a little bit of sun, a little bit of a laugh (if you watched the Adult Competition)...

It went fantastically smoothly and I thank everyone for turning up for the event.

**CAN I PLEASE HAVE ALL YOUR SPONSOR MONEY HANDED TO THERESA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PLEASE, PREFERABLY THIS WEEKEND...IT IS NEEDED TO PAY FOR ALL SORTS OF THINGS FOR THE DANCE.**

Final Results :

2000 – Winner	Cameron Stewart
2000 – Runner Up	Kyle Mac Donald
2000 – Third Place	James Ruddick
1999 – Winner	Scott Matthews
1999 – Runner Up	Calum Glasgow
1999 – Third Place	Robbie Martin
1998 – Winner	Liam Bowie
1998 – Runner Up	Leon Jones
1998 – Third Place	Bradley Reid
1998 Improver – Winner	Christopher Sands
1998 Improver – Runner Up	Jonathan Downs
1998 Improver – Third Place	Ryan Gormley
Adult – Winner	George Ralston
Adult – Runner Up	Gordon Burt
Adult – Third Place	Alistair Whyte

There are STILL several ADULTS to pay ....CAN YOU PLEASE PAY THERESA OVER THE WEEK-END

- David Gray
- John Renwick
- Gordon Burt
- Paul Smith
- Paul Coulter

The Awards will be presented at Hampden Park on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May at the Awards ceremony.

**REMEMBER – PLEASE GET YOUR SPONSOR MONEY TO THERESA FOR THIS WEEKEND – THANKS FOR THAT.**

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