

SCOTTISH AMATEUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

**THE
GRAHAM HARKNESS
MEMORIAL TROPHY
2016**

**SCOTTISH AMATEUR F.A.
V
LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE**

**LESSER HAMPDEN, GLASGOW
SATURDAY, 9TH APRIL 2016
KICK OFF 3PM**



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SAFA SELECT



Back Row: Stuart Wilson, Gary Currie, Niall McClure, Andrew McGown, Tyler Fulton, Paul McAulay, Stephen Greenlees, Paul McCracken, Tony Jaconelli, Kenny McLellan

Front Row: Craig Connell, Scott Methven, Wayne Meikle, Sean Heaver, Kevin Fotheringham, David Swan



Office Bearers 2015/2016



Hon. President : Charles R Gallacher

Hon. Vice President : Stuart Urquhart

Hon. Treasurer : George Dingwall

National Secretary : Thomas McKeown

A Word From The President

On behalf of the Scottish Amateur Football Association I am delighted to extend a very warm welcome to the Officials, Players and Background staff of the Leinster Senior League to Lesser Hampden as we renew our friendly rivalry in our annual representative fixture.

Today's fixture will commemorate the lasting memory of our Past President Graham Harkness who was a much respected figure in Scottish Football with a commitment to the amateur game spanning over 30 years.

It is important to recognise the excellent work done throughout the season by David Ramage and the International Committee and Bruce McNaught, our team manager, and his backroom staff in bringing all aspects of this fixture together. They are to be complimented on their sterling efforts.

I hope that the players and backroom staff of both teams perform to the best of their abilities and enjoy the experience with the better team on the day coming out on top.

As we meet old friends and forge new friendships I hope that our friends from Leinster enjoy their stay in Scotland and return home with fond memories of their visit.

**MR CHARLES R. GALLACHER
PRESIDENT
SCOTTISH AMATEUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**



A Word From The International Chairman

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to the Leinster Senior Football League travelling party for the 17th meeting between the sides since 1998/99 when the annual challenge match between the Associations began.

The Alan R McKay Trophy was replaced by the Graham Harkness Memorial Trophy for 2013/14 and I am proud to say that the Scottish Amateur FA Select side has won the Trophy for the last 2 seasons, although these games are always close run and our 2 successes on penalties were preceded by our opponents winning the 2 previous games on penalties.

Manager Bruce McNaught, assistant Colin MacLeod and the backroom staff have spent a great deal of time scouring the country for players and have done a tremendous job in recruiting fresh faces to form a strong squad and I am sure they will be well prepared for the challenge today.

This is the start of a busy time for the Scottish Amateur FA Select side. We have a trip to Northern Ireland to face the Northern Amateur Football League in May followed later that month by a visit to Lithuania to face Sweden, Estonia and the host country in the Preliminary Round of the 10th UEFA Regions Cup 2016/17. If we are successful then we travel to Malta in October to face France, Ukraine and the host country in the Intermediate Round.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the members of the International Committee for their invaluable contribution and support to me as Chairman of the Committee. I would also like to thank Thomas McKeown, the National Secretary, and the staff of Stephen and Mary at the office for all the hard work that goes into organising this weekend and indeed throughout the year.



**MR DAVID J RAMAGE
INTERNATIONAL CHAIRMAN
SCOTTISH AMATEUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**



The International Committee



**Chairman: David J Ramage
Ian Sommerville
George Dingwall
Thomas McKeown**



A Word From The Leinster Chairman

I am looking forward to a great game in my first International Match as Chairman of the Leinster Senior League.

It is always a pleasure to meet up with old friends and some new ones. Gary and Martin have put together a strong squad and we hope to bring home the Graham Harkness Trophy to Ireland for the first time.

My thanks to the committee of the SAFA for organising this event and also to my own LSL committee for their help in the preparations for the game.

Congratulations to the four officials selected for today's game, I really hope they enjoy the occasion.

I know the game will be competitive but played in the right spirits. It is an honour for any player to represent their league or association and I really hope all the players enjoy the game.

Our aim is to win the match and the sing song and we have some dark horses on and off the pitch.

Good luck.

Go raibh maith agaibh go leir.



Mr David Moran
Chairman
Leinster Senior Football League





SAFA SELECT PLAYERS

David McEwan: Goalkeeper (Larkhall Thistle AFC) Age: 34

Extensive senior experience with Hamilton Accies, Alloa Athletic, Livingston and Dumbarton. A formidable, commanding and vocal presence in the penalty box. Excellent shot stopper and great organiser.

Stuart Wilson: Goalkeeper (Gartcosh United AFC) Age: 25

An assured keeper, exceptionally comfortable on the ball and happy to operate as a sweeper well beyond the confines of his area. Great reflexes and shot stopper.

Michael Brown: Defender/Midfield (Colville Park AFC) Age 32

'Mr Dependable'. Usually plays in one of the full back positions, but equally comfortable anywhere along the backline or in midfield. Experienced internationalist, pacy and loves to surge forward. A natural leader.

Robbie Peebles: Defender/Midfield (Colville Park AFC) Age 26

Experienced internationalist. An attacking full back, equally comfortable in midfield role. Strong in the tackle and another who likes to support the attack. This season a prolific scorer with his club.

Steven Greenlees: Central Defender (Greenock High School FP) Age 26

Bedrock of the Scotland backline. Calm and composed on the ball. Strong aerial presence both in defence and attack. Reads the game well and tackles strongly.

Andrew McGown: Defender (Bannockburn AFC) Age 26

Left-sided player, comfortable in the heart of the defence or at full back. Strong tackling and composed under pressure. Another who can spray passes from deep positions. Commanding in the air and threat at set pieces.

Tony Jaconnelli: Central Defender (Craigshill Thistle AFC) Age 32

First season with the Select. Vastly experienced and assured defender. Strong and pacy player, composed under pressure. Seeks every opportunity to build from the back.

Scott Methven: Full Back (Leven United) Age 21

Scott broke into the international side this season and has impressed in the left back position. Cultured left foot. Calm under pressure. Strong in the tackle and surges forward at every opportunity.



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Gary Currie: Midfield (Bannockburn AFC) Age 24

Midfield. Now an established member of the Select. Highly skilful and pacy. Comfortable in centre or in wide position. Excellent scoring record with late runs into box.

Kenny McLellan: Midfield (Bannockburn AFC) Age 33

Centre Midfield. Composed and assured under pressure. Strong in the tackle and can spray passes from deep positions. Anchors the midfield area and links play effectively. Calmness personified.

Paul McCracken: Midfield (Craigshill Thistle AFC) Age 27

Another in his first season with the Select. Commanding midfield presence. Strong tackler and dominant in the air. Seeks every opportunity to support the attack. A real threat at set pieces.

Niall McClure: Midfield (Doune Castle AFC) Age 26

An experienced internationalist. Midfield powerhouse and real box-to-box player. Links defence and attack effectively with surging runs and astute passing. Strong in the air and offers a real threat at set pieces.

Craig Connell: Midfield (KSC Wolves AFC) Age 25

Craig broke into the international squad this season and has impressed with his vision and passing ability. A cool head under pressure and a threat at set pieces. Calm finisher.

Sean Heaver: Forward (Doune Castle AFC) Age 23

In his second season with the Select. Lightning quick and comfortable on either flank. Loves to attack at pace. Skilful dribbler with a powerful shot. A constant threat to defences and prolific scorer with his club.



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Paul McAulay: Forward (Colville Park AFC) Age 28

Experienced internationalist. Offers real goal threat. Loves to drift in from a wide area. Skilful dribbler whose close control often creates openings for those around him. Confident finisher with great energy.

David Swan: Forward (Craigshill Thistle AFC) Age 23

A diminutive powerhouse and natural finisher. Comfortable operating on the flank or through the middle. A permanent threat for any defence. Electric pace. Dribbling and finishing skills second to none.

David McKay: Forward (Colville Park AFC) Age 31

Vastly experienced internationalist and a constant thorn in the flesh of any defence at any level. One of the amateur game's most deadly finishers. Lightning quick in the box. A real penalty box predator.

Kevin Fotheringham: Forward (Colville Park AFC) Age 27

Another experienced internationalist. Recently returned to the amateur game after enjoying period in the senior game with Queen's Park. An elusive and potent striker with uncanny ability to drift away from defenders. Composed and confident finisher. Major threat at set pieces.

Tyler Fulton: Defender/Midfield (Eastfield AFC) Age 20

Recent addition to the Select squad. A versatile defender, comfortable in defence or further forward. Pacy and composed. Reads the game well and good in the tackle.

Daniel Gibson: Midfield (Goldenhill AFC) Age 22

Recent Latest addition to the Select Squad. Enjoying a fine season with his club. Strong-running striker and calm finisher. Has impressed with tireless running and fine link-up play. A penalty box threat.





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Manager: Bruce McNaught

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Manager: Bruce McNaught

Assistant Manager: Colin MacLeod

Coach: Jock Brown

Kitman: Joe Walker

Physiotherapist: Ronan Murray

Leinster Senior League Squad

Stephen Conlon

Anthony Keeler

Thomas Hyland

Joseph Clancy

John Clancy

Brendan Lee

Gary Murphy

Sean Fitzgerald

Karl Forsyth

David Vickery

Luke Kelly

Darren Kavanagh

Philip McDonagh

Lennie McMillian

Gregory Moorhouse

Conor Murphy

Shane Stritch

Even Whelan



Manager: Gary Howlett

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Assistant Manager: Martin Loughran

Coaches: Paul Jones, Brian Sansom

Kitman: Christopher Loughran

Physiotherapist: Stephen Weafer



LEINSTER SL SELECT PLAYERS

Stephen Conlon: Goalkeeper (Bangor) Age 27

Vastly experienced keeper.

Anthony Keeler: Defender (Bluebell) Age 30

Centre half or left full, hugely experienced.

Thomas Hyland: Defender (Crumlin) Age 29

Superb defender and quick.

Joseph Clancy: Defender (Drumcondra) Age 32

Experienced and tough.

John Clancey: Defender (Drumcondra) Age 28

Centre half and current club captain.

Brendan Lee: Defender (Drumcondra) Age 29

No nonsense centre half.

Gary Murphy: Defender (Firhouse Clover)

Great year so far for this tough defender.

Sean FitzGerald: Midfield (Drumcondra) Age 29

Strong tackling midfielder.

Karl Forsyth: Midfield (Crumlin) Age 25

Fantastic ability on the ball.





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David Vickery: Midfield (Firhouse Clover) Age 28

Classy midfielder.

Luke Kelly: Midfield (Crumlin) Age 21

Bright young player really shining lately.

Darren Kavanagh: Midfield (Killester) Age 26

Right winger great to watch on the ball.

Philip Mc Donagh: Midfield (Drumcondra) Age 30

Midfielder with an eye for goal.

Lennie Mc Millan: Striker (Drumcondra) Age 31

Experienced striker and very quick.

Gregory Moorhouse: Striker (Crumlin) Age 21

Regions Cup winner with great habit of scoring.

Conor Murphy: Striker (Crumlin) Age 23

Striker playing really well this year.

Shane Stritch: Striker (Bluebell) Age 27

Experienced striker is a menace to defenders.

Evan Whelan: Goalkeeper [Killester United] Age 19

Young keeper and one to watch.



LEINSTER SL SELECT PLAYERS



Anthony Keeler



Brendan Lee



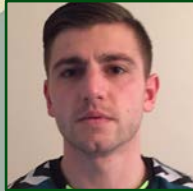
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PREVIOUS WINNERS

1999-00 Leinster Senior League (on penalties) at Camelon 0-0

2000-01 Scottish Amateur FA (on penalties) at Dublin 1 - 1

2001-02 Leinster Senior League (on penalties) at Hamilton 3-2

2002-03 Scottish Amateur FA (on penalties) at Dublin 0-0

2003-04 Scottish Amateur FA at Arlow 2-0

2004-05 Scottish Amateur FA at Arklow 2-1

2005-06 Leinster Senior League at Glasgow 2-1

2006-07 Scottish Amateur FA at Malahide 2-0

2007-08 Leinster Senior League at Irvine 2-0

2008-09 Leinster Senior League (on penalties) at Balbriggan 1-1

2009-10 Leinster Senior League at Almondvale 2-1

2010-11 Scottish Amateur FA at Dublin 2-0

2011-12 Leinster Senior League (on penalties) at Livingston 1-1

2012-13 Leinster Senior League (on penalties) at Kiltarnan



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PREVIOUS WINNERS

2014

Scottish Amateur FA v Leinster Senior League at Palmerston Park

SAFA Select 0 Leinster Senior League 0 (SAFA win 4-2 on Penalties)

2015

Leinster Senior League v Scottish Amateur FA at Leah Victoria Park

Leinster Senior League 1 SAFA Select 1 (SAFA win 5-4 on Penalties)



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Today's Match Officials

Referee: Paul Timmons (Ayrshire AFA)

Assistant: Derrick Park (Ayrshire AFA)

Assistant: Alasdair Morrison (Ayrshire AFA)

4th Official: Ian Hamilton (Ayrshire AFA)



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LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE



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Front Row: Jon Meleady, Luke Kelly, Alan McGreal, Phillip McDonagh, David Vickery.

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