

When I started researching the early Falkirk FC matches I thought I was doing it to clear muddy water about the origin of the club. Of course all I did was end up muddying the water more. The problem of the 1876 or 1877 origin will never go away until John Fleming [the First Club Secretary] rises from the dead and tells us personally, somehow I think we'll be waiting a while for that one. Anyway, I just looked up some old newspapers [quite a lot actually] and this is the end-result. [Alright there was some fumbling with the old censuses etc. too]

I am not trying to claim that this is the entire record of Falkirk FC matches and players in the period up to 1891, I can't even guarantee that it's all true as I wasn't there, these are just the things about which I have found some form of contemporary documentary evidence.

People make mistakes and newspapers make mistakes: people write newspapers, so there will be mistakes herein [some of them mine]. However that is the beauty of history: it is always subject to revision, and all the time new sources of information come to light.

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There are several people without whom.... First – The staff of Falkirk & Bo'ness Public Libraries [they have put up with too much of my asking for this or that newspaper or census], Drummond Calder [a shire fan with a perspective on history that ought give vigour to all fans [too much of the research into Scottish Football is based in Rangers, Celtic, Hearts & Hibs]], Paul Doherty [who was kind enough to furnish me with the football articles of the Stirling Papers, as well as other sundry pieces without which this could not have been done] & Michael White [what can I say, outwith my own area of speciality, he is the man to ask about Falkirk FC]

Falkirk FC Matches

Guide

I have only noted the Debuts of players on their first recorded Scottish Cup Match in the matches section, as those are the only matches of the time still regarded relevant [and it cut down a lot of work for me].

Falkirk FC Matches 1877-78

Falkirk FC

v Grasshoppers, ??th March 1878, Friendly at Pate Grant's Field, Bonnybridge

Grasshoppers 7 Falkirk 0

No Match details available.

Notes– *Probably played on the 9th March 1878. This match was only alluded to in the report of the following match. I have found two differing line-ups for this match, both as viable as the other. The first from Robert Bishop [Falkirk FC Secretary 1883-1896] the other from George Richardson [Falkirk FC Secretary 1878-1883] via Thomas Mackie [FFC Committee 1890s and Editor of the Falkirk Mail].* **Bishop** – A.McEwan; J.Richardson & R.Walker; G.Richardson & R.Service; Cowan & Fleming, Thomson & Walker, Malcolm & Leishman. **Richardson** – A.McEwan; J.Walker & G.Richardson; W.Carmichael & W.Gentleman; J.Leishman & R.Service, J.Fleming & M.Cowan, T.Taylor & W.Johnston. Some articles in 'The Falkirk Mail' during the 1940s put the score as 8-1 to Grasshoppers.

v Grasshoppers, 23rd March 1878, Friendly at Campfield, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Grasshoppers 2

Falkirk– A.McEwan; T.Taylor & R.Service; J.Taylor & G.Richardson; J.Neil & W.Peddie, W.Gentleman & ?.Bennet, R.Peddie (Capt) & J.Leishman.

Grasshoppers– J.Mitchell; J.McVee & Stark; W.Anderson & A.Lapsley; T.Smith & A.Paterson, W.Foster (Capt) & J.Clark, A.Moffat & J.Mitchell.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Reported as 'Falkirk v Bonnybridge'. Whether or not Campfield was Brockville Park is a debatable issue, in Geoff Bailey's book 'Falkirk or Death', about the second Battle of Falkirk there is a reference to Campfield as being all the ground west of Hope Street, where the forces camped before the actual battle. Richard & William Peddie were brothers, from Sunderland they were the first non-Scots to play for the Club. Angus McEwan was listed as 'A.McQueen'.*

v Govanhill, 7th April 1878, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Govanhill 1

Falkirk– A.McEwan; R.Service & ?.Buchanan; G.Richardson & W.Johnston; W.Gentleman & J.Taylor, W.Peddie & J.Leishman, J.Neil & R.Peddie.

Govanhill– Unknown.
Scorer– Unknown.

Other Matches

Falkirk XI v Kelvinbank, 8th December 1877 Exhibition Match at Mayfield, Falkirk

Falkirk XI 0 Kelvinbank 5

Falkirk XI– P.C.Masterton; J.Richardson(Capt) & J.McNee; J.Thomson & J.Finlayson; J.Dunn & D.R.Watson, J.Taylor & R.McNee, J.Pringle & W.Parkinson.

Kelvinbank– D.McCall; McDonald & Robertson; Preston & Watson; W.Cumming(Capt) & W.Kerr, J.Thomson & W.Anderson, M.Currie & R.Cumming.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *This was not a Falkirk FC match, but an exhibition match, which is believed to have inspired the founding of Falkirk FC. James Richardson & John Taylor both went on to play for Falkirk.*

Falkirk FC Matches 1878-79

Falkirk FC

v King's Park, 21st September 1878, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 King's Park 0

Falkirk– W.Carmichael; R.Service & A.Walker; W.Geddes & G.Richardson; W.Peddie & W.Gentleman, J.Ferguson & J.Taylor, J.Neil & R.Peddie (Capt).

King's Park– W.Marshall; F.Suter & W.Gentles; H.Lundie & J.Shaw P.Lennie & J.Edmund, W.Murdoch & J.McDonald, P.Morrison & J.Oliphant (Capt).

Scorer– Unknown.

Note– *Falkirk also had another goal which was disputed.*

v Campsie Glen, 28th September 1878, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Campsie Glen 0

Falkirk– W.Carmichael; D.McMillan & R.Service; W.Geddes & G.Richardson; J.Neil & J.Ferguson, J.Taylor & W.Gentleman, R.Peddie (Capt) & W.Peddie.

Campsie Glen– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Debuts– W.Carmichael [Unknown], J.Ferguson [Unknown], W.Geddes [Unknown], W.Gentleman [21 years 247 days], D.McMillan [Unknown], J.Neil [23 years 337 days], R.Peddie [c21 years], W.Peddie [c23 years], G.Richardson [18 years 323 days], R.Service [21 years 185 days], J.Taylor [Unknown].

Note– *The official SFA Scoreline was 1-0, however the match report of the 'Falkirk Herald' stated 2-0, and the 'Scotsman' as '1 goal and 1 disputed goal to nothing'.*

v Strathblane, 19th October 1878, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Cuilt's Pk, Blanefield

Falkirk 0 Strathblane 2

No Match details available.

v Lenzie, 26th November 1878, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Lenzie 3

Falkirk– W.Carmichael; R.Service & A.Walker; G.Richardson & W.Gentleman; W.Peddie & R.Peddie, J.Taylor & J.Walker, J.Leishman & J.Neil.

Lenzie– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Petershill, 7th December 1878, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Petershill 0

Falkirk– W.Carmichael; G.Richardson & W.Gentleman; J.Adam & R.Service; J.Neil & T.Taylor, J.Taylor & W.Binnie, W.Peddie & R.Peddie (Capt).

Petershill– J.Blair; A.Stark & J.Klein; H.Stoddart (Capt) & A.Lauder; J.Dick & F.Klein, D.Johnston & J.Scobbie, J.McAllan & H.Webster.

v Kelvinbank, 8th March 1879, Friendly at Randyford. Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Kelvinbank 3

Falkirk– --; J.Richardson & --; J.Law & --; -- & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Kelvinbank– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note- *James Richardson was the first Falkirk player to be born outside of the United Kingdom: the son of a 'Master Mariner' the 1871 census has his place of birth listed as 'Coast of Peru, Chimbolet': there seems to be no such place, however the third port of Peru is Chimbote.*

v Govanhill, 22nd March 1879, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Govanhill 1

Falkirk – --; J.Richardson & --; J.Law & --; -- & --, -- & --, J.Neil & J.Leishman.

Govanhill– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Lenzie, 29th March 1879, Friendly at Public Park, Lenzie

Falkirk 0 Lenzie 2

Falkirk– W.Carmichael; A.Walker & J.Richardson; J.Law & R.Service; J.Neil & J.Leishman, J.Ferguson & W.Johnston, W.Peddie & J.Taylor.

Lenzie– J.Paterson; M.Broadfoot & Archers; S.Broadfoot & W.Paterson; Baird & Borland, Farquhar & Agar, Cree & McGregor.

Scorers– Farquhar, S.Broadfoot.

v Lenzie, 12th April 1879, Charity Match at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Lenzie 2

Falkirk – W.Carmichael; W.Gentleman & J.Richardson; R.Service & J.Law; W.Peddie & J.Taylor, R.Peddie & J.Ferguson, J.Leishman & J.Neil.

Lenzie– J.Paterson; M.Broadfoot & J.Archer; S.Broadfoot & J.Fairlie; W.Paterson & J.Agar, J.S.Cree & J.Cameron, F.Archer & J.McGregor.

Scorers– J.McGregor, Unknown

Note– *For the benefit of "Falkirk's Industrial Schools".*

v Bathgate, 14th June 1879, Friendly at Bathgate [High Street]

Falkirk 3 Bathgate 1

Falkirk– W.Carmichael; J.Richardson & H.Smith; J.Law & R.Service; J.Leishman & T.Hamilton, W.Johnston & G.Richardson, T.Taylor & A.Ferguson.

Bathgate– J.Wilson; Weston & Anderson; Dudgeon & Lauder; Wallace & Farquhar, W.Lumsden & Binnie, J.Lumsden & Easton.

Scorers– T.Taylor, A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton : OG

Falkirk FC 2nd XI

v King's Park 2nd XI, 28th September 1878, Friendly at King's Park, Stirling

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 King's Park 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Cuthell; L.Watson & H.Smith; F.Buchanan & W.Binnie; A.Ferguson & W.Johnston, J.Paterson & J.Fleming, T.Hamilton & T.Taylor (Capt).

King's Park 2nd XI– W.Brown; D.McKenzie & J.Leishman; G.Marshall & G.Lundie; J.Hay & J.McInnes, J.Christie & J.Elliot, D.Elliot & J.Oliphant (Capt).

Scorers– Unknown.

v Lenzie 2nd XI, 29th March 1879, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 Lenzie 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.McNair; L.Watson & H.Smith; G.Richardson & W.Gentleman; W.Binnie & T.Hamilton, J.Bennett & J.McAllum, T.Taylor & A.Ferguson.

Lenzie 2nd XI– H.A.Walker; A.M.Barretto & O.Burk; H.Chalmers & J.K.Walker; F.Archer & P.Proudfoot, F.A.Plae & W.Bremner, J.Forrester & P.Cree.

Note– *Reported as Falkirk Juniors v Lenzie Juniors.*

Falkirk FC Matches 1879-80

Falkirk FC

v Kirkintilloch Athletic, 6th September 1879, Friendly at Westermains?, Kirkintilloch

Falkirk 2 Kirkintilloch Athletic 1

Falkirk– S.Broadfoot; ?.Elliot & J.Richardson; H.Smith & W.Ferguson; J.Leishman (Capt) & T.Hamilton, R.Johnston & A.Smith, A.Ferguson & J.Neil.

Kirkintilloch Athletic– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– Alex & William Ferguson become the second pair of brothers to appear in the same Falkirk side.

v Lenzie, 20th September 1879, Friendly at Public Park, Lenzie

Falkirk 1 Lenzie 3

Falkirk– G.Richardson; H.Smith & J.Richardson; W.Ferguson & R.Service; J.Neil & J.Leishman, A.Ferguson & A.Smith, T.Hamilton & R.Johnston.

Lenzie– McKenzie; Barretto & J.Archer; J.Paterson & Dewar; McGregor & Borland, Farquhar & F.Archer, J.Cree & Fraser.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– James & George Richardson become the third pair of brothers to appear in the same Falkirk side, both had played before but not in the same match.

v Grasshoppers, 27th September 1879, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Grasshoppers 2

Falkirk– D.McNair; H.Smith & J.Richardson; W.Ferguson & R.Service; T.Hamilton & J.Neil, A.Smith & R.Johnston, A.Ferguson & J.Leishman.

Grasshoppers– J.Anderson; Forrester & J.Paterson; A.Paterson & Crombie; Mitchell & Smith, Sutherland & Moffatt, Irvine & Dobson.

Scorers– Unknown.

Crowd– c400.

Debuts– A.Ferguson [20 years 142 days], W.Ferguson [23 years 278 days], T.Hamilton [18 years 284 days], R.Johnston [Unknown], J.Leishman [c23 years], D.McNair [21 years 190 days], J.Richardson [c21 years], A.Smith [Unknown], H.Smith [c24 years].

v Kelvinbank, 4th October 1879, Friendly at Westbourne Park, Glasgow

Falkirk 0 Kelvinbank 0

Falkirk– D.McNair; -- & --; -- & --; -- & --. -- & --. -- & --.

Kelvinbank– Unknown.

v Strathblane, 11th October 1879, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Cuilt Park, Blanefield

Falkirk 0 Strathblane 1

No Match details available.

v Bathgate, 8th November 1879, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Bathgate 0

No Match details available.

v Queen's Park (Hampden XI), 20th December 1879, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Queen's Park (Hampden XI) 1

Falkirk – --; -- & --; -- & --; -- & --, A.Ferguson & A.Smith, R.Johnston & --.

Queen's Park (Hampden XI)– Unknown

Scorers– A.Ferguson, A.Smith : Unknown.

v Pollockshaws Athletic, 6th March 1880, Charity Match at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Pollockshaws Athletic 7

No Match details available.

Note– Match for the Falkirk Certified Industrial School. Amount raised - £8.00.

v Bathgate, 8th May 1880, Friendly at Bathgate [Edinburgh Rd.]

Falkirk 2 Bathgate 1

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.Richardson & J.Murphy; G.Richardson & W.Ferguson; J.Neil & T.Hamilton, J.McNair & R.Johnston, J.Leishman & A.Ferguson.

Bathgate– Wilson; Peters, Harkins, Lauder, Easton, Roberts, Dudgeon; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– David & James McNair become the fourth pair of brothers to appear in the same Falkirk side. Apart from Wilson, the Goalkeeper, the Bathgate players are in the order in which they were mentioned in the match report.

Falkirk FC 2nd XI

v Lenzie 2nd XI, 20th September 1879 Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 Lenzie 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– H.Hendry; A.Mitchell & J.Murphy; J.Mitchell & J.Fleming; W.Peddie & R.Peddie, J.McCallum & D.Fleming, ?.Binnie & ?.Taylor.

Lenzie 2nd XI– J.Lochtie; W.Gentleman & O.Buck; J.Walker & Addie; W.Cree & P.Cree, H.Walker, Forrester & McAusland.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *Lenzie played throughout with only ten men, including William Gentleman whom they 'borrowed' from Falkirk.*

v Kelvinbank 2nd XI, 4th October 1879, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Kelvinbank 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Gentleman, R.Service, ?.Binnie.

Kelvinbank 2nd XI– Hastee; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– ?.Binnie : Hastee.

v John Elder 2nd XI, 18th October 1879, Friendly at Fairfield Park, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI v John Elder 2nd XI – “Drawn”

No Match details available.

v Scottish Invincibles, 7th February 1880, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Scottish Invincibles 0

No Match details available.

v Wild XI [Camelon], 21st February 1880, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Wild XI 0

No Match details available.

v Denny 2nd XI, 6th March 1880, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 Denny 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk FC Matches 1880-81

Falkirk FC

v Campsie Athletic, 11th September 1880, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

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v Queen's Park (Hampden XI), 18th September 1880, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Queen's Park (Hampden XI) 3

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.Leishman & W.Binnie; W.Ferguson & H.Hendry; T.Hamilton (Capt) & J.Neil, ?.Gilchrist & R.Gibson, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Queen's Park (Hampden XI)– --; Holms & McDowall (Capt); Clark & --; Wylie & Martin, Anderson & Norrie, Hamilton & --.

Scorers– J.Leishman : Anderson, Wylie, Davidson.

Note– *Robert & Walter Gibson become the fifth pair of brothers to appear in the same Falkirk side.*

v Kelvinbank, 25th September 1880, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Kelvinbank 0

Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; J.Neil & T.Hamilton, -- & --, W.Gibson & A.Ferguson

Kelvinbank– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v King's Park, 2nd October 1880, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 King's Park 1

Falkirk– D.McNair; G.Richardson & H.Smith; W.Ferguson & H.Hendry; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, R.Gibson & J.Leishman, T.Hamilton & J.Neil.

King's Park– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Debuts– R.Gibson [25 years 76 days], W.Gibson [23 years 81 days], H.Hendry [23 years 247 days].

v Lenzie, 9th October 1880, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Lenzie 1

Falkirk– H.Smith; Geddes & J.Leishman; W.Ferguson & H.Hendry; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, R.Gibson & G.Richardson, T.Hamilton (Capt) & J.Neil.

Lenzie– S.Broadfoot; Barretto & J.Archer; M.Broadfoot & W.Paterson; Dewar & F.Archer (Capt), J.Smith & W.Watt, Fraser & J.K.Walker.

Scorer– Unknown.

v Dumbarton, 23rd October 1880, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Dumbarton 7

Falkirk– H.Smith; ?.Galloway & --; -- & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, -- & --, -- & --.

Dumbarton– --; Laing & Hutchison; -- & --; Lindsay & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Scorers– Unknown.

Debut– ?.Galloway [Unknown].

Note– *The official SFA Scoreline is 1-7, however the 'Falkirk Herald' report stated the score as 1-6. The Falkirk back Galloway might be a mistake, possibly the Dumbarton back, as his name never appears again in any Falkirk line-up.*

v Cathkin, 30th October 1880, Friendly at Melville Park, Pollockshields

Falkirk 4 Cathkin 1

No Match details available.

v John Elder, 6th November 1880, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 John Elder 0

Falkirk– --; -- & --; W.Ferguson & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, -- & --, -- & --.

John Elder– Unknown.

Scorer– Unknown.

v Grasshoppers, 20th November 1880, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Grasshoppers 0

Falkirk– --; G.Richardson & --; W.Ferguson & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, -- & --, J.Neil & --.

Grasshoppers– G.Ure; Lauder & --; -- & --; W.Moffat & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Reported as 'Falkirk v Bonnybridge'.*

v John Elder, 12th February 1881, Friendly at Fairfield Park, Glasgow

Falkirk 1 John Elder 3

Falkirk– Unknown.

John Elder– --; -- & --; -- & --; Connell & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Scorers– Unknown : Connell, Unknown (2).

v Cathkin, 19th March 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Cathkin 0

No Match details available.

v Grasshoppers, 26th March 1881, Friendly at Bonnybridge

Falkirk 6 Grasshoppers 1

No Match details available.

Note– *Reported as 'Falkirk v Bonnybridge'.*

v Kirkintilloch Athletic, 2nd April 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Kirkintilloch Athletic 1

No Match details available.

v Lenzie, 9th April 1881, Friendly at Public Park, Lenzie

Falkirk 2 Lenzie 0

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.Leishman & J.Murphy; W.Ferguson & H.Hendry; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, R.Gibson & A.Hendry, J.Neil & T.Hamilton (Capt).

Lenzie– S.Broadfoot; L.Barretto & J.K.Walker; W.Paterson & A.N.Other; F.Archer (Capt) & J.Archer, Dewar & Smith, Watt & Cree.

Scorers– Unknown, J.Neil.

Notes– *Henry & Archie Hendry become the sixth pair of brothers to appear in the same Falkirk side. Strangely both James Leishman & James Murphy were reported as playing in both the 1st & 2nd XIs, I'm afraid I cannot tell which is correct.*

v Grasshoppers, 23rd April 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Grasshoppers 0

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.Leishman & J.Balloch; H.Hendry & W.Ferguson; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, J.F.Horn & A.Hendry, R.Gibson & J.Neil.

Lenzie– Unknown.

Scorers– W.Gibson (2), A.Ferguson.

v Third Lanark, 14th May 1881, Charity Match at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Third Lanark 4

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.Murphy & J.Leishman; H.Hendry & ?.Currie; J.Neil & T.Hamilton, W.Ferguson & D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Third Lanark– Haddow; McLachlan & Campbell; Stewart & Kennedy; McAdam & McIntyre, Watson & Miller, Scobie & Buchanan.

Scorers– J.Neil : Unknown, McIntyre (2), McAdam.

Notes– *Reported as 'Falkirk v 3d L.R.V.', the Falkirk Half-Back Currie may have been a Third Lanark player. Charity match for the 'Young Men's Christian Institute'. Amount raised - c£5.00.*

v Northern Ramblers, 28th May 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Northern Ramblers 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Lenzie 2nd XI, 9th October 1880, Friendly at Public Park, Lenzie

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Lenzie 2nd XI 4

No Match details available.

v Cathkin 2nd XI, 30th October 1880, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Cathkin 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v John Elder 2nd XI, 6th November 1880, Friendly at Fairfield Park, Govan

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 John Elder 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Grasshoppers 2nd XI, 20th November 1880, Friendly at Bonnybridge

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Grasshoppers 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

Note– *Reported as 'Bonnybridge 2nd XI v Falkirk 2nd XI'.*

v Britannia, 4th December 1880, Friendly at Burnhouse, Bainsford

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Britannia 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Bishop.

Britannia– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *The first ever match of the team that was to become East Stirlingshire. Robert Bishop claimed to have played in this match in his memoirs. Burnhouse may have been the same peice of ground as the later Merchiston Pk, possibly before it was enclosed.*

v Heart of Midlothian (Valleyfield XI), 26th February 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Heart of Midlothian (Valleyfield XI) 2

No Match details available.

Notes– *The 'Scotsman' reported this as Falkirk v Heart of Midlothian (Valleyfield XI) and the score 5-2.*

v Cathkin 2nd XI, 19th March 1881, Friendly at Melville Park, Pollockshields

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Cathkin 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Lenzie 2nd XI, 9th April 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Lenzie 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell; J.Balloch & J.Murphy; R.Bishop & A.Mitchell; D.Laing & Gilchrist, J.Leishman & W.Sanderson, R.Service & Thomson.

Lenzie 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Strangely both James Leishman & James Murphy were reported as playing in both the 1st & 2nd XIs, I'm afraid I cannot tell which is correct.*

v Britannia, 16th April 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Britannia 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell; J.Murphy & J.Balloch; A.Mitchell & R.Bishop; D.Laing & Balloch, Gilchrist & W.Sanderson, Thomson & R.Service.

Britannia– Mitchell; McLachlan & Mitchell; Kidston & Wilson; Cockburn & Stewart, McIntosh & McLachlan, Archibald & Another.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Bainsford 2nd XI, 22nd June 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Bainsford 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

Note– *Actually listed as Falkirk Juniors v Bainsford 2nd XI, this was probably against East Stirlingshire's 2nd XI.*

Falkirk FC Matches 1881-82

Falkirk FC

v East Stirlingshire, 27th August 1881, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 East Stirlingshire 0

No Match details available.

v Rangers Swifts, 3rd September 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Rangers Swifts 0

No Match details available.

v King's Park, 10th September 1881, Scottish Cup 1st Rd, at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 King's Park 0

No Match details available.

v Grasshoppers, 8th October 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Grasshoppers 0

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.F.Horn & J.Murphy; W.Ferguson & H.Hendry; W.Gibson (Capt) & A.Ferguson, R.Gibson & ?. Gilchrist, J.Neil & J.Leishman.

Grasshoppers– Anderson; Gray (Capt) & Lauder; Ferguson & Mitchell; Forrester & Anderson, McPhie & Campbell, Moffatt & Dent.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Dunfermline, 15th October 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Dunfermline 0

Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; R.Gibson & J.Leishman, -- & --, -- & --.

Dunfermline– Unknown.

Scorers– R.Gibson, J.Leishman (2)

Note– *A team distinct from Dunfermline Athletic.*

v Milngavie Thistle, 22nd October 1881, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Milngavie

Falkirk 2 Milngavie Thistle 0

No Match details available.

v Milton of Campsie, 12th November 1881, Scottish Cup 4th Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Milton of Campsie 0

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.F.Horn & J.Murphy; W.Ferguson & H.Hendry; W.Gibson (Capt) & A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton & ?. Gilchrist, J.Neil & J.Leishman.

Milton of Campsie– Innes; McAndrew & Costello; Sullivan & McNab; Pollock (Capt) & Mulgrew, Whitecross & Murray, Duncan & Murray.

Scorers– J.Leishman, W.Gibson (2).

Debuts– J.F.Horn [24 years 77 days], J.Murphy [22 years 39 days], ?.Gilchrist [Unknown].

v Pollockshields Athletic, 19th November 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Pollockshields Athletic 0

No Match details available.

v Alexandra Athletic, 26th November 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Alexandra Athletic 0

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.Leishman & J.Murphy; ?.Gilchrist & H.Hendry; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, ?.Ward & W.Sanderson,

T.Hamilton & J.Neil.

Alexandra Athletic– McAulay; James Duncan & John Duncan; Ancott & Key; Crawford & Kyle, Miller & Gossland, Keir & --.

Scorer– J.Neil.

v Battlefield, 3rd December 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Battlefield 0

No Match details available.

v West Calder, 10th December 1881, Scottish Cup 5th Rd at West Calder

Falkirk 2 West Calder 4

No Match details available.

v Luton, 17th Dec 1881, Friendly at Nelson Park, Glasgow

Falkirk 1 Luton 0

No Match details available.

v 1st LRV, 14th January 1882, Friendly at Randyford, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 1st L.R.V. 2

No Match details available.

Note– *Possibly an error as no reason was given as to why the game was played at Randyford.*

v Battlefield, 21st January 1882, Friendly at Overdale Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 1 Battlefield 2

Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, D.Fleming & --, -- & --.

Battlefield– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Dunblane, 4th February 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Dunblane 1

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.F.Horn & J.Murphy; W.Ferguson & H.Hendry; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, R.Gibson & ?.Gilchrist, T.Hamilton & J.Neil.

Dunblane– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Alexandra Athletic, 25th February 1882, Friendly at Kennyhill Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2 Alexandra Athletic 1

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.Leishman & J.Murphy; H.Hendry & W.Ferguson; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, H.Taylor & R.Gibson, J.Neil & Gilchrist.

Alexandra Athletic– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Ferguson, J.Neil : Unknown.

v Cowlairs, 11th February 1882, Friendly at Gourlay Pk, Springburn

Falkirk 2 Cowlairs 6

Falkirk– H.Smith; J.F.Horn & J.Murphy; H.Hendry & W.Ferguson; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, R.Gibson & J.Neil, T.Hamilton & D.Fleming.

Cowlair– Prattice; Dickson & Falconer; M.Gowan & Sommerville; Russel & Hay, Cummigs & Sinclair, Henderson & McLeod.

Scorers– R.Gibson, D.Fleming : Unknown.

Note – *Walter Gibson was listed as D.Gibson.*

v Grasshoppers, 18th February 1882, Friendly at Bonnybridge

Falkirk 1 Grasshoppers 6

Falkirk– --; -- & J.Murphy; -- & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, ?.Gilchrist & --, -- & --.

Grasshoppers– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Luton, 25th February 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 6 Luton 2

Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, W.Sanderson & --. D.Fleming & --.

Luton– Unknown.

Scorers– W.Sanderson, W.Gibson, A.Ferguson, Unknown (3) : Unknown.

v Cathkin, 1st April 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 8 Cathkin 4

Falkirk– --; J.F.Horn & --; -- & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, -- & --, D.Feming & --.

Cathkin– Unknown.

Scorers– OG, W.Gibson (2), Unknown (5) : Unknown.

v 1st LRV, 8th April 1882, Friendly at Burnbank, Glasgow

Falkirk 1 1st L.R.V. 0

Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; -- & A.Ferguson, -- & --, -- & --.

1st L.R.V.– Unknown.

Scorer– A.Ferguson.

v East Stirlingshire, 20th April 1882, Friendly at Bainsford

Falkirk 6 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– --; -- & J.Leishman; -- & --; W.Gibson & A.Ferguson, R.Gibson & --, D.Fleming & --.

East Stirlingshire– --; P.Mitchell & --; -- & --; -- & --, & --, -- & --.

Scorers– Unknown (5), R.Gibson : Unknown

v Lenzie, 6th May 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Lenzie 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Dunipace, 22nd October 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI ? Dunipace ?

No Match details available.

Notes– *Reported as 'Falkirk Juniors v Dunipace'. "Resulted in a draw in favour of Falkirk."*

v Luton 2nd XI, 17th December 1881, Friendly at Bonnybridge

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Luton 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

Note– *Probably a mistake, but the only report I have states that the game was played at Bonnybridge.*

v Denny 2nd XI, 14th January 1882, Friendly at Denny

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Denny 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

Note– *Reported as 'Falkirk Juniors v Denny 2nd XI'.*

v Battlefield 2nd XI, 21st January 1881, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Battlefield 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– D.Laing.

Battlefield 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– D.Laing, Unknown.

v Cowlairs 2nd XI, 11th February 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Cowlairs 2nd XI 3

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Turnbull; J.Balloch & J.Mitchell; R.Bishop & ?.Gilchrist; G.Robb & D.Bruce, A.Hendry & W.Sanderson, D.Laing & ?.Thomson.

Cowlairs 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Kilmarnock Athletic 2nd XI, 18th February 1882, 2nd XI Cup ??th Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Kilmarnock Athletic 2nd XI 6

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Turnbull; J.Balloch & J.Mitchell; R.Bishop & R.Service; D.Bruce & ?.Thomson, W.Sanderson & A.Hendry, D.Laing & D.Fleming.

Kilmarnock Athletic 2nd XI– Ferguson; Whyte & Winning; Lochhead & Stevenson; Murray & Reid, Dreghorn & Johnstone, Sloan & Sampson.

Scorers– D.Bruce : Unknown.

v Luton 2nd XI, 25th February 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Luton 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Cathkin 2nd XI, 1st April 1882, Friendly at Melville Park, Pollockshields

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Cathkin 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Hendry, D.Laing.

Cathkin 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Hendry, D.Laing, Unknown (4).

v Bo'ness, 8th April 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Bo'ness 1

No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 15th April 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Balloch, R.Service, G.Robb.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Arthur, McKenzie.

Scorers– Robb, Service. Unknown.

v Grasshoppers 2nd XI, 22nd April 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 Grasshoppers 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– Unknown.

Grasshoppers 2nd XI– --; Mitchell & Lauder; -- & --; -- & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Scorer– Unknown.

v Grahamston Victoria, 3rd May 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 8 Grahamston Victoria 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– Unknown.

Grahamston Victoria– Roberts, Liddell, Crossan.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Both William Roberts & James Liddell later played for Falkirk.*

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 13th May 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

Other Matches

Falkirk Swifts v Glen Wanderers, 15th October 1881, Friendly at Falkirk

Falkirk Swifts 6 Glen Wanderers 2

Falkirk Swifts– Smellie, Parker, Miller, Keir.

Glen Wanderers– G.Gloag, J.Tain.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Falkirk (Mayfield XI) v Burnhouse Thistle, 12th November 1881, Friendly at Bainsford

Falkirk (Mayfield XI) 2 Burnhouse Thistle 1

No Match details available.

Falkirk (Undaunted XI) v Grahamston Victoria, 25th March 1882, Friendly at Grahamston

Falkirk (Undaunted XI) 5 Grahamston Victoria 1

Falkirk (Undaunted XI)– Unknown.

Grahamston Victoria– Liddell, Hay.

Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk (Mayfield XI) v Falkirk (Undaunted XI), 26th April 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk (Mayfield XI) 0 Falkirk (Undaunted XI) 2

Falkirk (Mayfield XI)– J.Mitchell, F.Stewart.

Falkirk (Undaunted XI)– McNair, Taylor, H.Taylor, G.Robb, Henderson.

Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk (Undaunted XI) v Vale of Bonny, 29th April 1882, Friendly at Bonnybridge

Falkirk (Undaunted XI) 1 Vale of Bonny 0

Falkirk (Undaunted XI)– J.Mitchell, J.Glen,

Vale of Bonny– Unknown.

Scorer– Unknown.

Falkirk FC Matches 1882-83

Falkirk FC

v East Stirlingshire, 2nd September 1882, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 4 East Stirlingshire 0

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Murphy & J.Mitchell; J.Balloch & H.Hendry; T.Hamilton & D.Fleming, R.Gibson & A.Hendry, G.Robb & W.Gibson.

East Stirlingshire– G.Mitchell; P.Mitchell & Anderson; R.Kidston & Sharp; A.Cockburn & J.Stewart, L.McLauchlan & Taylor, P.McGregor & J.Neil.

Scorers– T.Hamilton, R.Gibson, A.Hendry, Unknown

Notes– *This was possibly the first match played at first Merchiston Pk. James Neil on the East Stirlingshire team was the player that had previously played for Falkirk.*

v Queen's Park 2nd XI, 9th September 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Queen's Park 2nd XI 1

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Leishman & J.Mitchell; H.Hendry & J.Balloch; T.Hamilton & D.Fleming, R.Gibson & W.Sanderson, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Queen's Park 2nd XI– McInnes; Holms & Wallace; Harvey & McCarra; Fraser & Miller, Watt & Sim, Godwin & Another.

Scorers– T.Hamilton, A.Ferguson, D.Fleming : Unknown.

v Dunipace, 16th September 1882, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Broomhill Pk, Dunipace

Falkirk 5 Dunipace 1

No Match details available.

v Lenzie, 7th October 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Lenzie 1

Falkirk– Unknown.

Lenzie– S.Broadfoot; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Petershill, 14th October 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Petershill 1

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Leishman & J.Mitchell; H.Hendry & J.Balloch; T.Hamilton & D.Fleming, R.Gibson & W.Sanderson, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Petershill– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Renton, 21st October 1882, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Renton 2

Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; -- & --, -- & W.Sanderson, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Renton– Unknown.

Scorers– W.Sanderson, W.Gibson : Unknown.

Crowd– 'Upwards of 400'.

Debut– W.Sanderson [21 years 136 days].

v Renton, 28th October 1882, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd Replay at Tontine Pk, Renton

Falkirk 1 Renton 4

Falkirk – A.Turnbull; J.Horn & --; -- & --; T.Hamilton & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Renton – Unknown.

Scorers – T.Hamilton : Unknown.

Debut– A.Turnbull [20 years 167 days].

v Queen's Park 2nd XI, 25th November 1882, Friendly at Hampden Pk, Glasgow.

Falkirk 0 Queen's Park 2nd XI 3

Falkirk– --; J.Horn & J.Balloch; -- & --; -- & --, R.Gibson & --, A.Ferguson & --.

Queen's Park 2nd XI– Harvey, Watt, Webster, Macfarlane, Dunlop, McInnes; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Macfarlane, Dunlop, McInnes/Macfarlane.

v Vale of Teith, ??th December 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Vale of Teith 2

No Match details available.

Note– *Referred to in the report for the return match in March.*

v East Stirlingshire, 13th January 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– --; J.Mitchell & --; -- & --; T.Hamilton & --, W.Sanderson & --, A.Ferguson & --.

East Stirlingshire– Unknown.

Scorers– T.Hamilton, A.Ferguson (2), W.Sanderson : Unknown.

v Pollockshields Athletic, 10th February 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Pollockshields Athletic 2

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Horn & J.Mitchell; H.Hendry & J.Balloch; T.Hamilton & D.Fleming, W.Ferguson & W.Sanderson, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Pollockshields Athletic– G.Roxburgh; J.Holmes & W.Arnott; W.Gunn & D.Louden; F.Shaw & W.Holmes, W.Turner & W.McAllum, M.Graham & A.Douglas.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Partick Thistle, 24th February 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 6 Partick Thistle 2

No Match details available.

Note– *Partick Thistle turned up with only six players so “substitutes had to be got on the ground.”*

v Lenzie, 3rd March 1883, Friendly at Public Park, Lenzie

Falkirk 4 Lenzie 1

No Match details available.

v Vale of Teith, 17th March 1883, Friendly at Tulloch Knowe, Doune

Falkirk 2 Vale of Teith 0

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; -- & --; H.Hendry & --; T.Hamilton & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Vale of Teith– McColl, McKelvie; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– T.Hamilton, Unknown.

v Rangers Swifts, 14th April 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Rangers Swifts 3

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Mitchell & J.Horn; J.Balloch & H.Hendry; T.Hamilton & D.Fleming, R.Gibson & A.Hendry, J.Leishman & W.Gibson.

Rangers Swifts– K.Chalmers; F.Gordon & A.Stewart; J.Cameron & A.Aitken; J.Allan & J.Campbell, H.McHardy & J.Niss, D.Smith & A.Maitland.

Scorers– J.Horn : Unknown.

Crowd– 400+.

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Bo'ness, 23rd September 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI ? Bo'ness ?

No Match details available.

Note– *The 'Falkirk Herald' stated it was Falkirk Juniors v Bo'ness and the score was 1-0 to Falkirk, the 'Bo'ness Journal' stated it was Falkirk v Bo'ness and the score was 1-0 to Bo'ness.*

v Alva, 7th October 1882, Friendly at Glebe Pk, Alva

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Alva 0

No Match details available.

v Petershill 2nd XI, 14th October 1882, Friendly at Germiston Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Petershill 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Bishop, G.Robb, ?.Wilkie, A.Hendrie.

Petershill 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Tayavalla, 18th November 1882, Friendly at Lime Wharf, Tamfourhill

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Tayavalla 0

No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 25th November 1882, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– ?.Wilkie, W.Ferguson, A.Hendry, W.Taylor.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Rae.

Scorers– W.Ferguson, A.Hendry, W.Taylor.

v Royal Albert 2nd XI, 2nd December 1882, 2nd XI Cup 1st Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 9 Royal Albert 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Hendry, D.Bruce.

Royal Albert 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Clyde 2nd XI, 27th January 1883, 2nd XI Cup 3rd Rd at Barrowfield Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Clyde 2nd XI 5

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Hamilton, A.Hendry, D.Bruce, G.Robb.

Clyde 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– D.Bruce, G.Robb, A.Hendry : OG [W.Hamilton], Unknown (4).

v Tayavalla, 3rd February 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Tayavalla 0

No Match details available.

v Grahamston, 17th February 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Grahamston 0

No Match details available.

v Partick Thistle 2nd XI, 24th February 1883, Friendly at Muirpark, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Partick Thistle 2nd XI 4

No Match details available.

v Stenhousemuir, 3rd March 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Stenhousemuir 1

No Match details available.

v Bo'ness, 10th March 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Bo'ness 1

No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 17th March 1883, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– H.Smith, D.Bruce.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– D.Bruce, Unknown (3) : Unknown.

v Larbert, 24th March 1883, Friendly at Larbert

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Larbert 0

No Match details available.

v Larbert, 12th May 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Larbert 0

No Match details available.

Other Matches

Falkirk 3rd XI v Dunipace 3rd XI, 21st April 1883, Friendly at Broomfield Pk, Dunipace

Falkirk 3rd XI 3 Dunipace 3rd XI 1

Falkirk 3rd XI– A.Turnbull.

Dunipace 3rd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk FC XI v Vale of Bannock, 26th May 1883, Friendly at Viewvale Pk, Bannockburn

Falkirk FC XI 1 Vale of Bannock 0

Falkirk FC XI– D.Bruce.

Vale of Bannock– Unknown.
Scorer– Unknown.

Falkirk FC Matches 1883-84

Falkirk FC

v East Stirlingshire, 18th August 1883, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 0
No Match details available.

v Dunblane, 25th August 1883, Friendly at Duckburn Pk, Dunblane

Falkirk 2 Dunblane 0
Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; T.Hamilton & --, -- & --, -- & W.Gibson.
Dunblane– Christie; Rest Unknown.
Scorers– T.Hamilton, W.Gibson.

v Renton, 1st September 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Renton 4
Falkirk– --; -- & --; J.Balloch & --; -- & --, A.Hendry & --, -- & W.Gibson.
Renton– Unknown.
Scorers– A.Hendry : Unknown

v Alloa Athletic, 8th September 1883, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Bayne's Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 5 Alloa Athletic 0
No Match details available.

v Partick Thistle, 15th September 1883, Friendly at Muirpark, Glasgow

Falkirk 2 Partick Thistle 8
Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Mitchell & W.Hamilton; H.Hendry & J.Balloch; T.Hamilton & D.Fleming, R.Millar & R.Gibson, W.Taylor & W.Gibson.
Partick Thistle–Gemmil; Mossman & Hendry; Beattie & Leckie; Young & Ewing, Robertson & Paterson, Beaton & Suter.
Scorers– Unknown.
Notes– *William Taylor played as 'Liddell'. Thomas & William Hamilton become the seventh pair of brothers to appear in the same Falkirk side.*

v Battlefield, 22nd September 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Battlefield 4
Falkirk– A.Turnbull; -- & --; -- & --; -- & --, -- & --, -- & --.
Battlefield– Unknown.
Scorers– Unknown.

v Stenhousemuir, 29th September 1883, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 9 Stenhousemuir 0
No Match details available.
Note– *A different team from the current Stenhousemuir club.*

v Thistle, 13th October 1883, Friendly at Dalmannoch Rd, Glasgow

Falkirk 0 Thistle 3
No Match details available.

v Rangers, 20th October 1883, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Kinning Park, Glasgow

Falkirk 2 Rangers 5
Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Mitchell; J.Balloch & H.Hendry; A.Hendry & W.Gibson, T.Hamilton & R.Gibson, A.Ferguson & W.Taylor.
Rangers– Chalmers; J.Duncan & T.Hart; C.Heggie & J.McIntyre; J.Inglis & W.Hamilton, W.McGregor & H.McHardy, W.Pringle & J.Gossland.
Scorers– W.Gibson, A.Ferguson : W.McGregor, W.Hamilton, J.Gossland, Unknown (2)
Debuts– J.Balloch [24 years 357 days], W.Hamilton [19 years 317 days], A.Hendry [23 years 289 days], J.Mitchell [Unknown], W.Taylor [Unknown].

v East Stirlingshire, 27th October 1883, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 2 East Stirlingshire 1
Falkirk--; -- & --; -- & --; -- & --, -- & --, -- & W.Gibson.
East Stirlingshire– Cockburn; Rest Unknown.
Scorers– W.Gibson, Unknown : Unknown.
Crowd– 500+.

v King's Park, 17th November 1883, Friendly at Gowanbank Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 4 King's Park 1
Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Mitchell; J.Balloch & H.Hendry; W.Taylor & A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton & L.McLauchlan, W.Gibson & J.Smellie.
King's Park– J.Angus; R.Wilson & W.Miller; J.Gow & J.McLaren; J.Montgomery & J.Laidlaw, W.Fraser & O.Robertson, J.Gray & J.Jones.
Scorers– L.McLauchlan, W.Gibson, A.Ferguson, W.Taylor : O.Robertson.
Note– *William Taylor played as "Liddell"*.

v Queen's Park 2nd XI, 1st December 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Queen's Park 2nd XI 2
No Match details available.

v Dunblane, 15th December 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Dunblane 0
No Match details available.

v King's Park, 19th January 1884, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 King's Park 0
No Match details available.
Note– *May have been played at Brockville Pk.*

v Grasshoppers, 2nd February 1884, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Grasshoppers 0
Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Balloch & W.Hamilton; R.Bishop & H.Hendry; W.Taylor & A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton & J.Leishman, J.Smellie & W.Gibson.
Grasshoppers– Morrison; Lauder & Preston; J.Taylor & Mitchell; Fee & Anderson, Foster & Cameron, Scott & A.Taylor.
Scorer– A.Ferguson.
Crowd– 1100–1200.
Note– *May have been played at Brockville Pk.*

v Tayavalla, 16th February 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Tayavalla 0
No Match details available.
Note– *The first game where it was noted to be at Brockville Pk, although the report actually stated 'Hope St'.*

v Milngavie, 23rd February 1884, Stirlingshire Cup 2nd Rd at Milngavie

Falkirk 5 Milngavie 0
No Match details available.

v Campsie, 8th March 1884, Stirlingshire Cup Semi-Final at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Campsie 1
Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; W.Taylor & --, -- & --, -- & --.
Campsie– Unknown.
Scorers– Unknown, W.Taylor : Unknown.
Crowd– 1200+.

v Renton, 22nd March 1884, Friendly at Tontine Pk, Renton

Falkirk 1 Renton 2
No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire, 29th March 1884, Stirlingshire Cup Final at Lock 16, Camelon

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 1
Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; H.Hendry & J.Balloch; W.Taylor & A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton & A.Hendry, R.Gibson & W.Gibson.
East Stirlingshire– A.Cockburn; P.Mitchell & J.Anderson; T.Williamson, A.Inches & K.McKenzie; N.McLauchlan &

L.McLauchlan, P.McGregor, W.Dunn & R.Sharp.

Scorers– W.Taylor : W.Dunn.

Crowd– c2000.

Note– *The Lock 16 Ground was Tayavalla's home pitch, and was then generally accepted to be the best in Stirlingshire.*

v East Stirlingshire, 5th April 1884, Stirlingshire Cup Final Replay at Lock 16, Camelon.

Falkirk 3 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; H.Hendry, R.Bishop & J.Balloch; W.Taylor & A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton, R.Gibson & W.Gibson.

East Stirlingshire– A.Cockburn; P.Mitchell & J.Anderson; T.Williamson, A.Inches & K.McKenzie; N.McLauchlan & L.McLauchlan, P.McGregor, W.Dunn & R.Sharp.

Scorers– W.Taylor (2), R.Gibson : R.Sharp.

Crowd– 2500–3000.

v Harp, 12th April 1884, Friendly at East Dock St, Dundee

Falkirk 3 Harp 5

Falkirk– --;-- & --; -- & --; -- & A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton & --, -- & --.

Harp– Unknown.

Scorers– T.Hamilton, Unknown (2) : Unknown.

Crowd– c2000.

v Alloa Athletic, 3rd May 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Alloa Athletic 2

No Match details available.

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Larbert, 8th September 1883, Friendly at Larbert

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Larbert 0

No Match details available.

v Partick Thistle 2nd XI, 15th September 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Partick Thistle 2nd XI 4

No Match details available.

v Airdrieonians 2nd XI, 29th September 1883, 2nd XI Cup 1st Rd at Broomfield Pk, Airdrie.

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Airdrieonians 2nd XI 11

No Match details available.

v Thistle 2nd XI, 13th October 1883, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Thistle 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Murphy.

Thistle 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Dunblane 2nd XI, 15th December 1883, Friendly at Duckburn Pk, Dunblane

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Dunblane 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v St George, 12th January 1884, at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 10 St George 0

No Match details available.

Note– *May have been played at Brockville Pk.*

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 9th February 1884, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 4

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Leishman, G.Robb, Glegg, J.Smellie.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Archibald.

Scorers– Unknown : Archibald, Unknown (3).

Note– *May have been played at Brockville Pk.*

v Tayavalla 2nd XI, 16th February 1884, Friendly at Lock 16, Camelon

Falkirk 2nd XI 8 Tayavalla 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Sanderson, J.McIntosh, G.Robb, J.Smellie.
Tayavalla 2nd XI – Unknown.
Scorers– W.Sanderson (3), J.McIntosh (3), G.Robb, J.Smellie.

v Grahamston, 22nd March 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Grahamston 0
Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Gillespie.
Grahamston– Unknown.
Scorer– A.Gillespie (2).

v Dunblane 2nd XI, 12th April 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Dunblane 2nd XI 1
No Match details available.

Other Matches

Falkirk 3rd XI v Grahamston 2nd XI, 8th September 1883, Friendly at Chrichton Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 5 Grahamston 2nd XI 2
No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v East Stirlingshire 3rd XI, 20th October 1883, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 3rd XI 0 East Stirlingshire 3rd XI 3
No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Grahamston 2nd XI, 19th January 1884, Friendly at Crichton Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 0 Grahamston 2nd XI 4
No Match details available.

Falkirk FC XI v Grangemouth, 3rd May 1884, Friendly at Public Pk, Grangemouth

Falkirk FC XI 1 Grangemouth 2
No Match details available.

Falkirk FC Matches 1884-85

Falkirk FC

v Battlefield, 30th August 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Battlefield 5
No Match details available.

v Rangers Swifts, 6th September 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Rangers Swifts 3
Falkirk– T.Baillie; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; J.Balloch & R.Bishop; W.Calder & A.Hendry, T.Hamilton & R.Gibson, J.Leishman & W.Gibson.
Rangers Swifts– Chalmers; Ritchie & Cupar; Gossman & McHardy; Brown & Pringle, Laurie & Lockart, Young & Campbell.
Scorers– W.Gibson, R.Gibson : Unknown.

v Strathblane, 13th September 1884, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

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v King's Park, 27th September 1884, Friendly at Gowanbank Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 2 King's Park 2
Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; R.Bishop & J.Balloch; W.Taylor & A.Ferguson, T.Hamilton & J.McIntosh, R.Gibson & W.Gibson.
King's Park– W.McLay; R.Wilson & W.Stokes; J.Gow & J.McLaren; B.Taylor & J.Gray (1), O.Robertson & A.Munro, W.McArthur, J.Gray (2).
Scorers– Unknown : O.Robertson, Unknown.

Note– *The report actually attributed the King's Park goal to 'Ozy' [Oswald Robertson], and a Falkirk goal to "Masher".*

v Grasshoppers, 4th October 1884, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Highladykes, Bonnybridge

Falkirk 4 Grasshoppers 1

Falkirk--; -- & --; -- & --;-- & --, T.Hamilton & J.McIntosh, J.Leishman & --.
Grasshoppers-- Morrison; Rest Unknown.
Scorers-- J.Leishman, T.Hamilton, Unknown, J.McIntosh : Unknown.
Debut-- J.McIntosh [19 years 199 days].

v Partick Thistle, 11th October 1884, Friendly at Brockville, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Partick 2

Falkirk--; -- & --; -- & --; W.Taylor & A.Ferguson,R.Gibson & --, -- & --.

Partick Thistle-- Unknown.

Scorers-- W.Taylor, Unknown (2) : Unknown.

Crowd-- c400.

Note-- *Falkirk scored a fourth goal "but had to disallow it to get the Thistle to continue the game."*

v Dunipace, 18th October 1884, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Dunipace 3

Falkirk-- A.Turnbull; -- & --; -- & --; -- & A.Ferguson, -- & --, -- & --.

Dunipace-- Thomson; Rest Unknown.

Scorers-- Unknown : Thomson, Unknown (2).

Crowd-- c400.

v Partick, 25th October 1884, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Inchview, Glasgow

Falkirk 2 Partick 4

Falkirk-- A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; J.Balloch & R.Bishop; A.Gillespie & A.Dixon, R.Gibson & J.McIntosh, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Partick-- Kerr; Wylie (Capt) & Tinto; Munro & Lyon; R.Marshall & Cameron, McLean & J.Marshall, Nicholson & Baxter.

Scorers-- Unknown : J.Marshall, Nicholson, Cameron, Baxter.

Debuts-- R.Bishop [22 years 358 days], A.Dixon [c16 years], A.Gillespie [16 years 294 days].

v Grasshoppers, 1st November 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Grasshoppers 2

Falkirk-- A.Turnbull; -- & --; R.Bishop & J.Balloch; A.Gillespie & --, -- & --, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Grasshoppers-- Unknown.

Scorers-- A.Gillespie, A.Ferguson (2) : Unknown.

Crowd-- c300.

v Alloa Athletic, 8th November 1884, Friendly at Gaberston Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 1 Alloa Athletic 2

Falkirk-- Unknown.

Alloa Athletic-- Beveridge, Cummings; Rest Unknown.

Scorers-- Unknown : Beveridge, Cummings.

v East Stirlingshire, 15th November 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk-- A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; R.Bishop, H.Hendry & J.Balloch; W.Taylor & A.Dixon, R.Gibson, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

East Stirlingshire-- A.Cockburn; P.Mitchell & J.Anderson; A.Inch & W.Johnston; J.Neil & P.McGregor, L.McLauchlan & N.McLauchlan, W.Dunn & J.Stewart..

Scorers-- A.Dixon, W.Taylor, W.Gibson : J.Neil.

Crowd-- c1800.

Note -- *Alex Turnbull played as 'A.Anderson'.*

v Thistle, 22nd November 1884, Friendly at Beechwood Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 1 Thistle 3

Falkirk-- A.Turnbull; -- & --; -- & --; -- & --, T.Hamilton & R.Gibson, -- & --.

Thistle-- Unknown.

Scorers-- T.Hamilton : Unknown.

v Stenhousemuir, 29th November 1884, Friendly at The Tryst, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 4 Stenhousemuir 1

Falkirk-- A.Turnbull; J.Murphy & W.Hamilton; W.McVey & R.Bishop; W.Taylor & A.Dixon, T.Hamilton & J.McIntosh, A.Ferguson & J.Rankine.

Stenhousemuir-- Unknown.

Scorers– J.McIntosh, T.Hamilton, Unknown (2) : Unknown.

v Tayavalla, 20th December 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Tayavalla 0

No Match details available.

v Tayavalla, 3rd January 1885, Friendly at Lock 16, Camelon

Falkirk 1 Tayavalla 1

Falkirk– --; -- & --; -- & --; -- & --, A.Ferguson & --.

Tayavalla– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Ferguson : Unknown.

v Grasshoppers, 17th January 1885, Friendly at Highladykes, Bonnybridge

Falkirk 0 Grasshoppers 4

No Match details available.

v Campsie, 24th January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Campsie 3

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Murphy & --; R.Bishop & W.Roberts; A.Gillespie & W.Taylor, J.McDonald & --, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson

Campsie– McVicars; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– J.McDonald (2), A.Gillespie, W.Taylor : Unknown.

Crowd– c1000.

v Dunipace, 31st January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Dunipace 0

No Match details available.

v Queen's Park 2nd XI, 7th February 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Queen's Park 2nd XI 2

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & --; W.Roberts & --; A.Gillespie & A.Dixon J.McDonald & D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Queen's Park 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie, Unknown (4) : Unknown.

Crowd– c500.

Note– *Falkirk started with ten men, Queen's Park scored twice inside five minutes so William Roberts went on to play.*

v King's Park, 14th February 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 King's Park 0

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; R.Bishop & W.Roberts; A.Gillespie & A.Dixon, J.McDonald & D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

King's Park– J.Angus; R.Wilson & W.Millar; J.Robertson & W.McVey; B.Taylor & O.Robertson, W.McLay & A.Munro, J.Gray (2) & W.McArthur.

Scorers– A.Gillespie, A.Dixon, J.McDonald, W.Gibson.

Note– *King's Park turned up with only ten men, so borrowed William McVey of Falkirk 2nd XI.*

v Harp, 21st February 1885, Friendly at East Dock St, Dundee

Falkirk 3 Harp 5

Falkirk– Unknown.

Harp– Watt, D'Arcy, Murphy, Murphy, Hardiman, Scullion, Murray, Lees; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Murray, Lees (2), Unknown (2) : Unknown

v Alloa Athletic, 28th February 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Alloa Athletic 1

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; -- & --; J.Balloch & --; J.McIntosh & --, -- & --, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Alloa Athletic– C.Service; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– OG, Unknown (2) : Unknown.

Note– *Alloa Athletic turned up with only ten men, so borrowed Charles Service of Falkirk 2nd XI.*

v Thistle, 7th March 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Thistle 2

No Match details available.

v Battlefield, 14th March 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Battlefield 3

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; J.Murphy & --; -- & --; A.Gillespie & --, J.McDonald & --, -- & --.

Battlefield– Watt; Cunningham & Harvie; Walker & Fraser; Robb & J.Seller, D.Stewart & J.Brown, J.Cunningham & F.Simpson.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Queen's Park 2nd XI, 21st March 1885, Friendly at Hampden Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 0 Queen's Park 2nd XI 6

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; -- & --; -- & --; A.Gillespie & --, -- & --, -- & --.

Queen's Park 2nd XI – Gillespie, McAra, Watt, Lambie, McFarlane, Miller; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Watt (2), Lambie (2), McFarlane, Miller.

Note– *Alex Turnbull played as 'Anderson', he was severely injured early in the match, and 'was of little use for the remainder of the game.'*

v East Stirlingshire, 4th April 1885, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 8

Falkirk– ?.Muir; J.Murphy & --; -- & --; A.Gillespie & A.Dixon, J.McDonald & --, -- & W.Gibson.

East Stirlingshire– R.Sharp; P.Mitchell & A.Rae; -- & --; R.Wilson & P.McGregor, L.McLauchlan & H.Brand, W.Dunn & J.Stewart.

Scorers– A.Dixon : R.Wilson (2), W.Dunn, H.Brand (2), J.Stewart, P.McGregor, Unknown.

Crowd– c1700.

v Pilgrims, 9th April 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Pilgrims 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Murphy & --; -- & --; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald & D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & --.

Pilgrims– Unknown.

Scorers– J.Love : Unknown.

Crowd– c400.

v Partick Thistle, 11th April 1885, Friendly at Muirpark, Glasgow

Falkirk 0 Partick Thistle 5

Falkirk– Unknown.

Partick Thistle– Tennant; Hendry & A.Brown; McKay & R.Brown; J.Miller & J.Marshall, J.Suter & Beaton, Robertson & Johnston.

Scorers– J.Miller, J.Marshall, Beaton, Johnston (2).

v Grahamston, 22nd April 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Grahamston 0

Falkirk– Unknown.

Grahamston– Hutton, A.Hay, A.Millar, G.Robb, P.Cochrane; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v St Andrews, 29th April 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 St Andrews 0

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; A.Hay & --; W.Roberts & R.Bishop; A.Gillespie & J.Love, D.Fleming & --, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

St Andrews– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie (3), A.Ferguson, D.Fleming.

Note – *Alex Hay, Falkirk's back was the same player as had played for Grahamston against Falkirk the previous week.*

v Camelon, 2nd May 1885, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi Final at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 1 Camelon 2

Falkirk– A.Turnbull; W.Hamilton & --, W.Roberts & --; A.Gillespie & J.Love, A.Dixon & --, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Camelon– J.Oliver, Nisbet, Russell, Wilkie, McKechnie; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie : Wilkie, Unknown.

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Battlefield 2nd XI, 30th August 1884, Friendly at Overdale Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Battlefield 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Clarkston 2nd XI, 27th September 1884, 2nd XI Cup 1st Rd at Clarkston

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Clarkston 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v Partick Thistle 2nd XI, 11th October 1884, Friendly at Muirpark, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Partick Thistle 2nd XI 5

No Match details available.

v Camelon, 25th October 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Camelon 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.McDonald, W.Roberts, T.Ward, J.Rankine.

Camelon– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Grasshoppers 2nd XI, 1st November 1884, Friendly at Highladykes, Bonnybridge

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Grasshoppers 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Carron, ?th November 1884, Friendly at ????.

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Carron 1

No Match details available.

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 8th November 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 6th December 1884, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Glegg.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Glegg, Unknown : Unknown.

v Wishaw Swifts 2nd XI, 13th December 1884, 2nd XI Cup ?th Rd, at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Wishaw Swifts 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Calder.

Wishaw Swifts 2nd XI– Morton.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Falkirk were drawn to play Heart of Midlothian 2nd XI in the next round, but I have found no record of the match being played. Falkirk latterly were in dispute with the Scottish 2nd XI Association, for reasons not given, and did not appear again in the competition until the 1891-92 season.*

v Tayavalla 2nd XI, 20th December 1884, Friendly at Lock 16, Camelon

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Tayavalla 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v St Andrews, 1st January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 St Andrews 4

No Match details available.

v Tayavalla 2nd XI, 3rd January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Tayavalla 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Stark.

Tayavalla 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark, Unknown (6).

v Carron, 10th January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Carron 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Roberts, A.Gillespie, J.McDonald.

Carron– Mitchell, Niven.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Grasshoppers 2nd XI, 17th January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 10 Grasshoppers 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Leishman, C.Service, J.McIntosh, W.Calder, G.McIntosh, J.McDonald.

Grasshoppers 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– C.Service (2), J.McIntosh (5), W.Calder (3).

Notes– *Charles Service was the nephew of Robert Service who had played for Falkirk in the earliest days, Charles never appeared for the 1st XI, John & Gilbert McIntosh were brothers.*

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 28th February 1885, Friendly at Gaberston Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 21st March 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Battlefield 2nd XI, 28th March 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Battlefield 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Partick Thistle 2nd XI, 11th April 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Partick Thistle 2nd XI 3

Falkirk 2nd XI – W.McVey.

Partick Thistle 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Other Matches

Falkirk FC XI v Slamannan, 11th October 1884, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk FC XI 14 Slamannan 1

No Match details available.

Falkirk (Hope XI) v Wave of Grange, 25th October 1884, Friendly at Bo'ness

Falkirk (Hope XI) ? Wave of Grange ?

No Match details available.

Note– '*Drawn*'.

Falkirk (Hope XI) v Linlithgow, 1st November 1884, Friendly at Captain's Pk, Linlithgow

Falkirk (Hope XI) 1 Linlithgow 9

No Match details available.

Falkirk (Hope XI) v Stirling Olympic, 8th November 1884, Friendly at King's Pk, Stirling

Falkirk (Hope XI) 3 Stirling Olympic 1

Falkirk (Hope XI)– J.Mitchell, W.Winchcole, J.Gloag, J.McQueen, Pellars.

Stirling Olympic– Gray, McIntosh, Ronald.

Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk 3rd XI v East Stirlingshire 3rd XI, 6th December 1884, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 4 East Stirlingshire 3rd XI 0

Falkirk 3rd XI– J.Mackay.

East Stirlingshire 3rd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– J.Mackay, Unknown (3).

Falkirk 3rd XI v Wave of Grange, 2nd January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 1 Wave of Grange

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Falkirk Harp, 5th January 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 7 Falkirk Harp 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk FC XI v Laurieston, 6th January 1885, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston.

Falkirk FC XI 3 Laurieston 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk FC XI v Ochil Rangers, 31st January 1885, Friendly at Alva

Falkirk FC XI 3 Ochil Rangers 2

Falkirk FC XI– T.Bellingham, A.Hay, J.McQueen, Watson.

Ochil Rangers– Luker.

Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk FC XI v Slamannan, 23rd May 1885, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk FC XI 6 Slamannan 1

No Match details available.

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Falkirk FC

v St Bernards, 22nd August 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 St Bernards 4

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & J.Gloag; R.Bishop & H.Hendry; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald & A.Dixon, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

St Bernards– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie, Unknown (4) : OG, Unknown (3).

v Thistle, 5th September 1885, Friendly at Beechwood Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 1 Thistle 5

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & J.Gloag; R.Bishop & H.Hendry; W.Taylor & J.Love, J.McDonald & A.Dixon, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

Thistle– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Camelon, 12th September 1885, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Camelon House, Camelon

Falkirk 3 Camelon 1

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & A.Hay; H.Hendry & R.Bishop; A.Gillespie & J.Love, A.Dixon & J.McDonald, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

Camelon– Reid; W.Burns & A.Oliver; D.Inglis, White & J.Oliver; Russel & Fraser, Wilkie, McKechnie & Allan.

Scorers– J.McDonald, A.Gillespie, A.Dixon : Unknown.

Debuts– T.Bellingham [19 years 234 days], A.Hay [21 years 161 days], J.Love [Unknown], J.McDonald [Unknown], D.McManus [Unknown].

v Pollockshaws, 19th September 1885, Friendly at Broompark, Cowglen, Glasgow

Falkirk 0 Pollockshaws 2

No Match details available.

Note– *Halfway through the second half Falkirk left the field because of 'rough play'.*

v Milton of Campsie, 26th September 1885, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at French Mill Pk, Milton of Campsie.

Falkirk 7 Milton of Campsie 1

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & A.Hay; R.Bishop & H.Hendry; W.Taylor & J.Love, A.Dixon & J.McDonald, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

Milton of Campsie– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v Alloa Athletic, 3rd October 1885, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Alloa Athletic 4

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & --; R.Bishop & H.Hendry; A.Gillespie & J.Love, A.Dixon & J.McDonald, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

Alloa Athletic– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Rangers, 10th October 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Rangers 7

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & A.Brown; R.Bishop & H.Hendry; A.Gillespie & A.C.Rule, A.Dixon & J.McDonald, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

Rangers– Chalmers, Sommerville; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie, A.C.Rule, Unknown : Unknown.

Note– *Alex Rule played as 'Callander', his mother's maiden name.*

v Barnsmuir, 17th October 1885, Stirlingshire Cup 2nd Rd at Lochmill Pk, Slamannan

Falkirk 3 Barnsmuir 0

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & J.Leishman; R.Bishop & H.Hendry; A.Gillespie & A.C.Rule, A.Dixon & J.McDonald, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

Barnsmuir– D.Doyle, C.Robertson; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Ferguson, A.Gillespie (2).

Note– *Alex Rule played as 'Callander'. Barnsmuir's Doyle was Daniel Doyle, who later gained fame with Everton, Celtic and especially with Scotland. Also playing was Chisholm Robertson later to become a celebrated Miner's Trade Union leader.*

v Yoker, 31st October 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Yoker 2

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; J.Hamilton & J.Murphy; R.Bishop & W.Roberts; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald & A.Dixon, D.McManus & A.Ferguson (Capt).

Yoker– Morrison; Haster & McBean; Halley & Reid; McLauchlan & Buchanan, Rule & Christie, Lauder & Moffat.

Scorers– A.Ferguson, J.McDonald, D.McManus, A.Gillespie (2) : Unknown.

Note– *James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v Lenzie, 7th November 1885, Benefit Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Lenzie 1

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & J.Leishman; R.Bishop & J.Balloch; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald & A.Dixon, D.McManus & A.Ferguson.

Lenzie– Broadfoot; Walker & McHaffrey; W.Law & Warren; Baird & Ferguson, Todd & A.Law, Reid & Auchterlony.

Scorers– A.Gillespie (2), J.Love (2), OG [Broadfoot] : Unknown.

Note– *Benefit 'for an old member of the Falkirk Club'.*

v Vale of Leven Wanderers, 14th November 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Vale of Leven Wanderers 4

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & J.Leishman; R.Bishop, W.Roberts & J.Balloch; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, A.Dixon & A.Ferguson.

Vale of Leven Wanderers– McCallum; R.McDairmid & J.Davies; R.McLeod & T.McLean; T.McNicholl & G.Robb, A.Robb & D.Sinclair, L.Brodie & L.Glass.

Scorers– A.Gillespie (2), J.McDonald : A.Robb, T.McNicholl, L.Brodie, L.Glass.

v King's Park, 21st November 1885, Stirlingshire Cup 3rd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 King's Park 4

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; W.Hamilton & J.Leishman; R.Bishop, W.Roberts & J.Balloch; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, D.Fleming & J.Rankine.

King's Park– Angus; Wilson, Miller, Gow, Eadie, Hay, Gray, Taylor, Thallon, Reid, Munro

Scorers– A.Gillespie (2), J.McDonald, J.Rankine : Taylor, Thallon (2), Munro

Note– *The King's Park players are in no particular order.*

v King's Park, 28th November 1885, Stirlingshire Cup 3rd Rd Replay at Gowanbank Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 1 King's Park 6

Falkirk– T.Bellingham; A.Hay & W.Hamilton; D.Fleming, R.Bishop & J.Balloch; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, A.Dixon & A.Ferguson.

King's Park– Angus; Miller & Wilson; Gow & McLaren; Gray & Taylor, Thallon & Eadie, Munro & Robertson.

Scorers– A.Ferguson : Munro, Taylor, Thallon, Eadie, Unknown (2).

v Barnsmuir, 5th November 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 8 Barnsmuir 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Hay & W.Hamilton; R.Bishop & J.Balloch; A.C.Rule & J.Love, J.McDonald & A.Dixon, A.Hendry & A.Ferguson.

Barnsmuir– C.Robertson, 'Micky'; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Dixon, A.C.Rule, J.McDonald (2), J.Love (2), A.Ferguson, Unknown : C.Robertson (2), Unknown

Note– *Alex Rule played as 'Callander'.*

v Alloa Athletic, 9th January 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Alloa Athletic 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Hay & W.Hamilton; J.Balloch, R.Bishop & W.Roberts; A.C.Rule & A.Dixon, J.McDonald, R.Gibson & A.Ferguson.

Alloa Athletic– Unknown.
Scorers– Unknown.

v Rangers Swifts, 23rd January 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk.

Falkirk 2 Rangers Swifts 5

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Hay & W.Hamilton; J.Balloch, R.Bishop & W.Roberts; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, A.Ferguson & W.Taylor.

Rangers Swifts– Unknown.

Scorers– W.Taylor, Unknown : Unknown.

v Lenzie, 20th February 1886, Friendly at Public Pk, Lenzie

Falkirk 5 Lenzie 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Hay & W.Hamilton; R.Bishop, J.Balloch & W.Roberts; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, A.Dixon & A.Ferguson.

Lenzie– W.Sellars, McAra, Brown; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie, J.Love, J.McDonald (2), A.Ferguson.

Note– *William Sellars was the Battlefield & Scotland International full-back.*

v Battlefield, 27th March 1886, Falkirk at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Battlefield 7

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Murphy & W.Hamilton; R.Bishop, J.Balloch & W.Roberts; A.Gillespie & D.Fleming II, A.Dixon, J.McDonald & A.Ferguson.

Battlefield– Mitchell; D.Cunningham & Ritchie; McAra, Alexander & Ingles; Neil & Brown, J.Cunningham, Webster & Simpson.

Scorers– A.Gillespie (2), D.Fleming II : Unknown.

Notes– *This David Fleming was different from the previous David Fleming [who outlasted him] and shall herein be referred to as D.Fleming II. James Murphy played as M.'James'.*

v Alloa Athletic, 6th March 1886, Friendly at Gaberston Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 0 Alloa Athletic 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; W.Roberts, J.Roberts & R.Bishop; J.Love & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald, A.Dixon & A.Ferguson.

Alloa Athletic– Bowie; Rennie & Sharkie; Addieson & Hepburn; Cleminson & Beveridge, Dodds & Ferguson, Hunter & Walker.

Note– *James Murphy played as M.'James'.*

v Vale of Leven Wanderers, 13th March 1886, Friendly at Alexandria

Falkirk 0 Vale of Leven Wanderers 6

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; W.Roberts, J.Balloch & Bishop; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, A.Dixon & A.Ferguson.

Vale of Leven Wanderers– Unknown

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v St Andrews, 20th March 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 6 St Andrews 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Murphy & G.Kerr; J.Balloch, W.Roberts & R.Bishop; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, A.Dixon & A.Ferguson.

St Andrews– W.Orr; P.Robertson & J.Cook; A.Seaton & J.Mason; J.Angus & J.Crabb, D.Angus & A.Glegg, D.McAdam & G.Walker.

Scorers– A.Dixon, A.Gillespie, J.Love (3), A.Ferguson : Unknown

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'. St Andrews turned up with ten men and played Alex Glegg of Falkirk 2nd XI.*

v Renfrew, 3rd April 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Renfrew 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Hay & G.Kerr; J.Balloch, W.Roberts & R.Bishop; A.Gillespie & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald, A.Dixon & A.Ferguson.

Renfrew– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Thistle, 10th 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Thistle 5

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Murphy & W.Hamilton; J.Balloch, W.McVey & W.Roberts; D.Fleming II & J.Love, D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & J.McIntosh.

Thistle– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v 1st Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers, 13th April 1886, Benefit Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 1st SRV 5

Falkirk– W.Ferguson; J.Murphy & A.Hay; J.Balloch, R.Bishop & W.McVey; J.Love & J.McDonald, D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & J.McIntosh.

1st SRV– J.Mitchell(Falkirk); Wright(East Stirlingshire) & Dougal(East Stirlingshire); J.Logan(Grahamston), J.McQueen(Comely Park) & A.Rae(East Stirlingshire); W.Dunn(East Stirlingshire) & Laurie(Camelon), Wilkie(Camelon), Reid(East Stirlingshire) & A.C.Rule(Falkirk)

Scorers– J.McDonald, J.McIntosh, Unknown : Laurie, Reid (2), Rule, Wilkie

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'. Benefit Match for the Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteer's Brass Band.*

v Laurieston, 17th April 1886, Falkirk & District Charity Cup 1st Rd at Crichton Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 7 Laurieston 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Murphy & W.Hamilton; R.Bishop, J.Balloch & W.McVey; A.Gillespie & J.Love, D.Fleming, J.McDonald & A.Ferguson.

Laurieston– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie, J.Love (3), A.Ferguson (3).

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'. Crichton Park was the ground of Grahamston FC, and was probably situated upon Bell's Meadow.*

v St Andrews, 1st May 1886, Friendly at Lorne Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2 St Andrews 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.McVey & J.Murphy; R.Bishop, J.Balloch & W.Ferguson; J.McIntosh & D.Fleming II, D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & J.McDonald.

St Andrews– Orr; Cook & French; Robertson & Seaton; Angus & D.Crabb, J.Crabb & McAdam, McEwan & Patterson.

Scorers– Fleming II (2) : Unknown.

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v Comely Park, 8th March 1886, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 4 Comely Park 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; J.Balloch, R.Bishop & W.McVey; T.Hamilton & J.Love, R.Gibson, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

Comely Park– Campbell; 'Martin' & Harley; G.McIntosh, McQueen & 'Elliot'; J.McIntosh & P.Milne, Symington & Walker.

Scorers– W.Gibson, J.Balloch, A.Ferguson, J.Love : 'Elliot'

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'. This was the first Merchiston Pk [there were two distinct grounds], and was situated about Merchiston Avenue, Bainsford.*

v East Stirlingshire, 29th May 1886, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; W.McVey, J.Balloch & R.Bishop; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, A.Ferguson & W.Gibson.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Mitchell & Rae; Inch & Johnson; Wilson & Reid, McLauchlan & Brand, Dunn & Stewart.

Scorers– McLauchlan, Unknown.

Notes– *James Murphy played as M.'James'. James Love played as 'Craig'. Victoria Pk, Camelon's ground was situated at the car park of the Mariner Centre.*

v Rangers Swifts, 3rd June 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Rangers Swifts 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.Hamilton & J.Murphy; W.Roberts, J.Balloch & W.McVey; A.Stark & J.McDonald, D.Fleming, A.Ferguson & R.Walker.

Rangers Swifts– Muir; D.Gow & A.Nicol; Cameron & McIntyre; Peacock & Campbell, Heggie, Hotson & Cochrane.

Scorers– J.McDonald, R.Walker : Hotson, Cameron, Unknown.

Note– *James Murphy played as M.'James'.*

v Thistle 2nd XI, 5th September 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Thistle 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Gillespie, A.Stark, D.Fleming.

Thistle 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Gillespie (2), A.Stark, D.Fleming.

v Comely Park, 19th September 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 8 Comely Park 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Ferguson; W.Hamilton & J.Leishman; J.McQueen & W.Roberts; A.Stark & A.C.Rule, D.Fleming & C.Marshall, R.Gibson & J.Rankine.

Comely Park– W.Taylor; J.Mitchell & Binnie; Milne, Callander & W.Gillespie; Symington & Gillespie, McIntosh, Walker & A.J.McDonald.

Scorers– A.Stark (3), A.C.Rule (2), J.McQueen, C.Marshall, Unknown : A.J.McDonald.

v Westbourne, 26th October 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Westbourne 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell; J.Gloag & J.Leishman; W.Roberts & J.McQueen; A.Stark & A.C.Rule, D.Fleming & C.Marshall, G.Robb & J.Rankine.

Westbourne– Unknown.

Scorers– C.Marshall A.Stark : Unknown.

v Black Watch, 17th October 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Black Watch 0

No Match details available.

v Battlefield 2nd XI, 24th October 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Battlefield 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Yoker 2nd XI, 31st October 1885, Friendly at Yoker

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Yoker 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell, W.McVey, A.Stark, A.C.Rule, J.Rankine.

Yoker 2nd XI– D.Smith.

Scorers– A.Stark, J.Rankine : D.Smith.

v Falkirk Harp, 21st November 1885, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Falkirk Harp 1

No Match details available.

v Third Lanark (Cathkin XI), 28th November 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Third Lanark (Cathkin XI) 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– Unknown.

Third Lanark (Cathkin XI)– Fenton, Winters, McIntyre, 'Whang'.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Barnsmuir 2nd XI, 5th December 1885, Friendly at Lochmill Pk, Slamannan,

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Barnsmuir 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Black Watch, 26th December 1885, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Black Watch 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– T.Bellingham, J.Leishman, A.C.Rule, J.McIntosh.

Black Watch– Neil, Rae, Kerr.

Scorers– A.C.Rule, Unknown.

v Comely Park, 2nd January 1886, Friendly at Comely Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Comely Park 0

No Match details available.

v Westbourne, 30th January 1886, Friendly at Mossie Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Westbourne 4

Falkirk– R.Bishop, J.McDonald.

Westbourne– Tait, McRuer, Brown, Hornsby, McKenzie, Thomson.

Scorers– Unknown : Thomson, Unknown (3).

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 6th March 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Falkirk Harp, 14th May 1886, Friendly at Cow Wynd, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Falkirk Harp 2

No Match details available.

Other Matches

Falkirk 1st XI v Falkirk 2nd XI, 19th December 1885, Practice Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1st XI 6 Falkirk 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

Falkirk Swifts v Dunipace 2nd XI, 23rd January 1886, Friendly at Broomfield Pk, Dunipace

Falkirk Swifts 1 Dunipace 2nd XI 1

Falkirk Swifts– T.Baillie; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; J.Fleming, G.Rae & T.Bellingham; A.Winscoll & H.Boatman, W.Smith, W.Murphy & J.Philips.

Dunipace 2nd XI– James Wright; W.Thomson & J.Ferguson; R.Hare & A.Nelson; A.Cooper & A.McQue, J.Adam & J.Davie, John Wright & J.McKenna.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *The first known appearance of John Drummond, aged 15 years 285 days.*

Falkirk FC XI v Vale of Bannock, 27th March 1886, Friendly at Viewvale Pk, Bannockburn

Falkirk FC XI 6 Vale of Bannock 5

Falkirk FC XI– J.Mitchell; J.Murphy & A.Hay; W.McVey & J.Leishman; J.McDonald & A.Dixon, A.C.Rule & J.McIntosh, G.McIntosh & H.Boatman.

Vale of Bannock– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *James Murphy played as M.'James'.*

Falkirk 3rd XI v 'Dancers', 26th April 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 0 'Dancers' 1

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v East Stirlingshire 3rd XI, 5th May 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 3 East Stirlingshire 3rd XI 1

No Match details available.

Falkirk FC XI v Slamannan, 5th June 1886, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk FC XI 3 Slamannan 1

No Match details available.

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v Grahamston, 14th August 1886, Friendly at Crichton Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Grahamston 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Murphy; W.Hamilton, W.McVey & J.Balloch; J.Love & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald, R.Walker & J.McIntosh.

Grahamston– McMaster; J.Liddell & D.Malcolm; A.Millar & Kadie; P.Cochrane & Moffat, J.Gardiner & Douglas, R.Cochrane & Brown.

Scorers– J.McDonald (2), R.Walker, Unknown : Unknown.

Note– *In the Grahamston team, James Liddell, Andrew Millar, Peter Cochrane & James Gardiner all went on to play for Falkirk.*

v Third Lanark, 21st August 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Third Lanark 7

Falkirk– R.Rae; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald & D.Fleming, R.Walker & J.McIntosh.

Third Lanark– J.Marshall; R.Mackie & W.Hamilton; J.Weir, C.Weir & C.Campbell; W.Thomson & T.Crawford, W.Park, D.McIntyre & J.Sinclair.

Scorers– R.Walker (2), D.Fleming II : Unknown.

Notes– *Robert Walker played as 'Williams'. Alex Brown was a different player from the Alex Brown who played for Falkirk the previous season, though both were former Partick Thistle players.*

v Vale of Bannock, 28th August 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 9 Vale of Bannock 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Murphy; W.Hamilton & J.Balloch; J.Love & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald & D.Fleming, P.Neil & R.Walker.

Vale of Bannock– Unknown.

Scorers– J.McDonald (3), J.Love (2), D.Fleming II, D.Fleming, OG, R.Walker.

Notes– *James Love played as 'Craig'. Robert Walker played as 'Williams'.*

v Rangers Swifts, 4th September 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Rangers Swifts 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; W.Hamilton & --; A.Stark & D.Fleming, J.McDonald & D.Fleming II, -- & --.

Rangers Swifts– Duncan, McFarlane, McKinney, Cochran, McHardy, Hotson; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Duncan, McKinney, Cochran, McFarlane.

v King's Park, 11th September 1886, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Gowanbank Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 3 King's Park 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch & W.Hamilton; J.Love & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald & D.Fleming, R.Walker & J.McIntosh.

King's Park– Angus; Duff & Miller; Gow & McLaren; Morrison & Taylor, Eadie & 'McDonald', Munro & Thomson.

Scorers– D.Fleming, J.McIntosh, J.Love : Taylor.

Debuts– A.Brown [Unknown], D.Fleming [c20 years], D.Fleming II [Unknown], M.Harley [20 years 126 days], R.Walker [Unknown].

Notes– *James Love played as 'Craig'. Robert Walker played as 'Williams'.*

v Camelon, 18th September 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Camelon 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; D.Fleming, J.Balloch & W.Hamilton; J.Love & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald, R.Walker & J.McIntosh.

Camelon– Palmer; Reid & W.Burns; A.Oliver, White & A.Fraser; Inglis & McKechnie, 'Gillespie', H.Fraser & J.Burns.

Scorers– J.McDonald : McKechnie, Unknown.

Notes– *James Love played as 'Craig'. Robert Walker played as 'Williams'.*

v Avondale, 25th September 1886, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at Lennoxton

Falkirk 2 Avondale 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Murphy; W.Roberts, J.Balloch & W.Hamilton; A.Gillespie & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald, A.Brown & D.Fleming.

Avondale– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Laurieston, 2nd October 1886, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 3 Laurieston 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; W.Hamilton & J.Balloch; J.Love & A.Stark, D.Fleming & D.Fleming II, J.McDonald & J.McIntosh.

Laurieston– Unknown.

Scorers– D.Fleming (2), J.McIntosh : Unknown.

Debut– A.Stark [17 years 174 days].

v Avondale, 9th October 1886, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd Replay at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 11 Avondale 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; D.Fleming, J.Balloch & W.Hamilton; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, J.McIntosh & D.Fleming II.

Avondale– Dunlop; Stirling & Kelly; McLauchlan, Quigley & Friel; Kincaid & McLauchlan, McCready, Mulraney & McKenna.

Scorers– D.Fleming II (3), J.Love, J.McDonald (3), J.McIntosh (2), A.Gillespie (2)

Notes– *Alex Gillespie played as 'Anderson'. James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v Battlefield, 16th October 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Battlefield 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; J.Balloch, D.Fleming & W.Hamilton; A.Gillespie & J.Love, J.McDonald, J.McIntosh & D.Fleming II.

Battlefield– Orr, Fraser, Neil, Walker; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– J.McDonald, A.Gillespie : Unknown

Notes– *Alex Gillespie played as 'Anderson'. James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v Queen's Park, 23rd October 1886, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Queen's Park 8

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; J.Balloch, D.Fleming & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & J.Love, J.McDonald, J.McIntosh & D.Fleming II.

Queen's Park– Gillespie; Cherrie & Smellie; Gow & Stewart; Lambie & Hamilton, Sommerville & Harrower, Jamieson & D.Allan.

Scorers– J.McIntosh, A.Stark (2) : D.Allan (2), Lambie, Harrower, OG, Sommerville (2), Hamilton

Note– *James Love played as 'Craig'.*

v Laurieston, 30th October 1886, Stirlingshire Cup 2nd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Laurieston 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; J.Balloch, D.Fleming & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & A.Gillespie, J.McDonald, J.McIntosh & D.Fleming II.

Laurieston– P.McMartin; McGregor & Copeland; Trotter, Moodie & Rankine; W.Lorne & M.Copeland, R.Sibbalds, J.Lorne & McLay.

Scorers– A.Stark, J.McDonald (2), A.Gillespie : ?.Lorne, Unknown.

Note– *Alex Gillespie played as 'Anderson'.*

v Thistle, 13th November 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Thistle 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming; A.Stark & A.Dixon, J.McDonald, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Thistle– Adam; Hume & Mackie; Brown & Sharp; McVicar & Watson, Little & McWhirter, King & Taylor.

Scorers– A.Stark, A.Dixon, J.McIntosh.

Note– *Albert Dixon was the Grangemouth Captain and former Falkirk player who was in the crowd and only played when James Love failed to turn up.*

v Falkirk Harp, 20th November 1886, Stirlingshire Cup at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 8 Falkirk Harp 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming; A.Stark & J.McDonald, T.Bellingham, A.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Falkirk Harp– J.Devlin, McArthur, W.Doughty; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– T.Bellingham, J.McDonald, D.Fleming II, J.McIntosh, Unknown (4) : J.Devlin, McArthur (2)

v King's Park, 27th November 1886, Benefit Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 King's Park 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming (Capt); A.Stark & J.McDonald, R.Walker, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

King's Park– Angus; Canning & Duff; Campbell & Bellingham; Taylor & Fraser, Eadie & Gilchrist, Thomson & Ronald.

Scorer– J.McIntosh.

Notes– *King's Park showed up with only nine men so borrowed Thomas Bellingham of Falkirk 2nd XI, and William Fraser of Falkirk 3rd XI. Match for the benefit of the Falkirk Spring Flower Show.*

v Alloa Athletic, 4th December 1886, Friendly at Gaberston Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 3 Alloa Athletic 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming (Capt); A.Stark & J.McDonald, T.Bellingham, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Alloa Athletic– Dodds, Sharkey, Miller, Hepburn, Ferguson; Rest Unknown

Scorers– T.Bellingham, J.McDonald, A.Stark : Dodds

v East Stirlingshire, 11th December 1886, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming (Capt); J.Love & A.Stark, J.McDonald, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Mitchell & Rae; Inch, Johnston & Wilson; Stewart & McLauchlan, Reid, Honeyman & Dunn.
Scorers– Dunn, McLauchlan, Reid.

v Laurieston, 25th December 1886, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 0 Laurieston 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; R.Sibbalds & M.Harley; J.Balloch & D.Fleming; J.Love & A.Stark, J.McDonald & D.Fleming II.

Laurieston– Unknown.

Scorer– Unknown.

Note– *Falkirk played throughout with nine men.*

v Bo'ness, 15th January 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Bo'ness 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming; J.McDonald & A.Stark, T.Bellingham, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Bo'ness– Grieve; Hunter & Grant; Thornton, Martin & Pow; Paterson & Campbell, Lynch, W.Grant & J.Murray.

Scorers– J.McDonald, A.Stark : Lynch (2).

v St Bernards, 22nd January 1887, Friendly at Powderhall, Edinburgh

Falkirk 1 St Bernards 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; R.Bishop, D.Fleming & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & J.McDonald, T.Bellingham, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

St Bernards– Baillie; Heathcote & Ross; Hutton, Kennedy & Sutherland; Low & Grant, Barnett, Arthur & Campbell.

Scorers– J.McIntosh : Arthur, Campbell

v Grahamston, 29th January 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 8 Grahamston 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, D.Fleming & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & J.McDonald, A.Gillespie, D.Fleming II, & J.McIntosh.

Grahamston– T.Bellingham; McMaster & J.Logan; P.Malcolm, R.Cochrane & Watson; H.Douglas & Simpson, Murray, J.Stewart & P.Cochrane.

Scorers– A.Gillespie (4), J.McDonald, D.Fleming II (2), J.McIntosh : H.Douglas

Note– *Grahamston borrowed Thomas Bellingham of Falkirk 2nd XI for this match. Harry Simpson of Grahamston [and later of East Stirlingshire] was the uncle of John Simpson [Falkirk 1905/06-1921/22], and the grandfather of R.B.(Bobby)Simpson, who played Test cricket for Australia.*

v Camelon, 5th February 1887, Stirlingshire Cup Semi-Final at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Camelon 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; J.Balloch, D.Fleming & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & J.McDonald, A.Gillespie, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Camelon– Stewart; Burns & Reid; A.Oliver, Inglis & A.Whyte; Russel & McKechnie, Wilkie, T.Whyte & H.Fraser.

Scorers– J.McDonald, Unknown : Wilkie

v Bo'ness, 19th February 1887, Friendly at Newton Pk, Bo'ness

Falkirk 2 Bo'ness 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & G.Kerr; D.Fleming, J.Balloch & R.Bishop; A.Stark & J.McDonald, D.Fleming II, A.Gillespie & 'Young'.

Bo'ness– Grieve; Hunter & Grant; Pow, Thornton & Martin; Paterson & Pow, Lynch, Drougan & Campbell.

Scorers– J.McDonald, A.Gillespie : Paterson, Drougan, Lynch

Note– *Falkirk turned up with ten men, so borrowed 'Young' whose true identity is unknown.*

v Camelon, 26th February 1887, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 1 Camelon 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; W.Hamilton, J.Balloch & D.Fleming; A.Stark & J.McDonald, A.Gillespie, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Camelon– Stewart; Burns & Reid; A.Whyte, Inglis & J.Spiers; Russel & T.Whyte, Wilkie, Brown & H.Fraser.

Scorers– J.McDonald : H.Fraser (2), Russell, Unknown

Attendance– c2000.

v East Stirlingshire, 5th March 1887, Stirlingshire Cup Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; W.Hamilton & J.Balloch & D.Fleming; A.Stark & J.McDonald, A.Gillespie, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; P.Mitchell & Wilson; Inch, Kadie & Johnston; Reid & Stewart, McLauchlan, Dunn &

Honeyman.
Scorer– Inch

v East Stirlingshire, 19th March 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; W.Hamilton, J.Balloch & R.Bishop; A.Stark & A.Gillespie, J.McDonald, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; P.Mitchell & Wilson; Inch, Kadie & Johnston; Reid & Stewart, McLauchlan, Dunn & Honeyman.

Scorers– Honeyman, McLauchlan

v Rangers Swifts, 26th March 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Rangers Swifts 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; D.Fleming (Capt), W.Hamilton & J.Balloch; T.McDonald & A.Stark, J.McDonald, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Rangers Swifts– Wallace; Young & Reckitts; Campbell, Hotson & Deans; Fisher & Meikle, McFarlane, Cochrane & Pringle.

Scorers– J.McIntosh (2), D.Fleming II (3) : Unknown

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly', his mother's maiden name.*

v King's Park, 2nd April 1887, Friendly at Gowanbank Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 King's Park 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & A.Brown; D.Fleming (Capt), W.Hamilton & J.Balloch; T.McDonald & A.Stark, J.McDonald, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

King's Park– Gilchrist; Rest Unknown.

Scorer– Gilchrist.

v Falkirk Harp, 9th April 1887, Falkirk & District Charity Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 8 Falkirk Harp 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & M.Harley; J.Balloch, D.Fleming & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, D.Fleming II & J.McIntosh.

Falkirk Harp– Docherty; J.Murphy & Deary; Cullen, Kerrigan & McNeil; O'Neil & Anderson, R.Archibald, Doughty & Wemyss.

Scorers– T.McDonald (3), A.Stark, D.Fleming II, Unknown (2), W.Hamilton.

Notes– *Falkirk Harp played both James Murphy and R.Archibald of Falkirk's 2nd & 3rd Xis, and Anderson of Grahamston all of whom were ineligible, however Falkirk never protested. Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Alloa Athletic, 16th April 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Alloa Athletic 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Drummond & G.Kerr; W.Roberts, J.McIntosh & J.Balloch; R.Symington & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, D.Fleming II & G.Robb.

Alloa Athletic– Bowie; Wilson & Hepburn; Smith, Duncan & Donaldson; Cummings & Beveridge, Ferguson, 'Henderson' & Hunter.

Note – *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Campsie, 23rd April 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Campsie 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & M.Harley; W.Roberts, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming; D.Fleming II & R.Symington, G.Thallon, J.McDonald & J.McIntosh.

Campsie– Inglis; Lafferty & McFarlane; R.Bishop, Kennedy & Watson; Dempsey & Reid, Smith, Adam & Stewart.

Scorers– G.Thallon, R.Symington (2) : Smith, Unknown.

Note– Campsie turned up with ten men so 'borrowed' Robert Bishop of Falkirk 2nd XI.

v Grahamston, 28th April 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Grahamston 1

No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire, 4th May 1887, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 2 East Stirlingshire 5

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; A.Brown & M.Harley; W.Hamilton, D.Fleming & J.Balloch; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, J.McDonald & J.McIntosh.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Wilson & Mitchell; Inch, Kadie & Johnston; Reid & Stewart, L.McLauchlan, Dunn & Honeyman.

Scorers– G.Thallon, A.Stark : Honeyman, Dunn, Reid, L.McLauchlan, Unknown.

Note – *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Stenhousemuir, 7th May 1887, Benefit Match at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 2 Stenhousemuir 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; W.Hamilton & J.Drummond; G.Rae, T.Bellingham & W.Law; T.McDonald & R.Symington, J.Devlin, W.Murphy & J.McIntosh.

Stenhousemuir– Unknown.

Scorers– J.Devlin, Unknown.

Note – *John Devlin scored in his only full match for Falkirk, Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Benefit Match for the funds of Stenhousemuir FC.*

v Carron Athletic, 10th May 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Carron Athletic 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; --, -- & --; T.McDonald & A.Stark, G.Thallon, J.McDonald & --.

Carron Athletic– T.Harley, Philip, Anderson; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– J.McDonald, G.Thallon, T.McDonald, Unknown.

Notes– *This was billed as Falkirk v Carron Athletic, but only four first team regulars played. T.McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Carron Athletic was the works team of the Carron Iron Works, the players selected from other, smaller district clubs.*

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Vale of Bannock 2nd XI, 28th August 1886, Friendly at Viewvale Pk, Bannockburn

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Vale of Bannock 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; J.Drummond & G.Kerr; W.Roberts & R.Bishop; A.Stark & T.McDonald, C.Marshall & T.Bellingham, W.Murphy & A.Ferguson.

Vale of Bannock 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Gairdoch, 4th September 1886, Friendly at Dovecot Pk, Carronshore

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Gairdoch 2

No Match details available.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 18th September 1886, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Camelon 2nd XI 4

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Bishop, A.Stark, W.Murphy, J.Murphy.

Camelon 2nd XI– Scott, Russell, Crosbie, McVey, Mitchell.

Scorers– W.Murphy, Unknown (2) : Russell, Unknown (3).

v Rangers (Shield XI), 25th September 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Rangers (Shield XI) 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae, G.Kerr, R.Bishop, A.Stark, D.Fleming, W.Murphy, J.McIntosh.

Rangers (Shield XI)– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark, D.Fleming, W.Murphy : Unknown.

v Grangemouth, 9th October 1886, Friendly at Muirhead Pk, Grangemouth.

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Grangemouth 3

Falkirk 2nd XI– Unknown.

Grangemouth– A.Dixon; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Albert Dixon of Grangemouth was a former Falkirk player.*

v Blackwood Rovers, 30th October 1886, Friendly at Cambusbarron

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Blackwood Rovers 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae, J.Murphy, T.McDonald, T.Bellingham, A.Gillespie.

Blackwood Rovers– Unknown.

Scorers– T.McDonald, T.Bellingham, A.Gillespie.

v Queen's Park (Hampden XI), 6th November 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Queen's Park (Hampden XI) 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Stark, W.Murphy, T.McDonald, R.Bishop.

Queen's Park (Hampden XI)– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark (4), W.Murphy, T.McDonald, R.Bishop

v Thistle 2nd XI, 13th November 1886, Friendly at Beechwood Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 Thistle 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v Third Lanark (Cathkin XI), 27th November 1886, Friendly at Cathkin Pk, Glasgow

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Third Lanark (Cathkin XI) 0

No Match details available.

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 4th December 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 4

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; Strachan & C.Marshall; J.Gillespie & W.Murphy, R.Sibbalds & J.Donnelly, R.Symington & T.McDonald.

Alloa Athletic 2nd XI– Duff, Laing.

Scorers– R.Sibbalds, W.Murphy : Duff, Laing. Unknown (2)

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 11th December 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; J.Drummond & G.Kerr; G.Rae & W.Roberts; R.Symington & T.Bellingham, T.McDonald & J.Donnelly, J.Gillespie & W.Murphy.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Mercer; J.Mitchell & Hay; Walker, Stewart & McQueen; Rule & Wright, Thomson & Anderson.

Scorers– Unknown

Notes– *After disputing both goals, East Stirlingshire 2nd XI left the field, ten minutes having been played. East Stirlingshire played ten men throughout.*

v Grangemouth, 8th December 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Grangemouth 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; W.Roberts, T.Bellingham & R.Bishop; R.Symington & J.Donnelly, T.McDonald, J.Gillespie & W.Murphy.

Grangemouth– Ballantyne; Brown & Anderson; Johnston & Ewing; Dixon & Cox, Drysdale & Robison, McMurchie & Gardiner.

Scorers– OG [Anderson], W.Murphy : Unknown.

v Bo'ness 2nd XI, 15th January 1887, Friendly at Newton Pk, Bo'ness

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Bo'ness 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; R.Bishop, -- & W.Roberts; J.Donnelly & R.Symington, G.Rae, W.Murphy & T.McDonald.

Bo'ness 2nd XI– Snedden, Burnett.

Scorers– W.Murphy, R.Symington : Unknown

v Dunipace, 12th February 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Dunipace 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; R.Bishop, W.Roberts & T.Bellingham; R.Symington & T.McDonald, J.Gillespie, W.Murphy & R.Sibbalds.

Dunipace– Unknown.

Scorers– OG, R.Symington, R.Sibbalds (2)

v Bo'ness 2nd XI, 19th February 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Bo'ness 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; J.Murphy & J.Drummond; W.Hamilton, T.Bellingham & W.Roberts; T.McDonald & R.Symington, J.Gillespie, W.Murphy & R.Sibbalds.

Bo'ness 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– R.Sibbalds, W.Murphy : Unknown

v Camelon 2nd XI, 26th February 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Camelon 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Symington, T.McDonald, T.Bellingham, R.Bishop, Murphy; Rest Unknown

Camelon 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– OG, R.Symington, T.McDonald, T.Bellingham : Unknown

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 19th March 1887, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; T.Bellingham, W.Roberts & G.Rae; R.Symington & T.McDonald, J.Devlin, W.Murphy & R.Sibbalds.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Mercer; Wright & Mitchell; McQueen, Walker & Phillips; Rule & Miller, Rae, Stewart & Anderson.

Scorer– OG [T.Bellingham]

v Blackwood Rovers, 26th March 1887, Friendly at Cambusbarron

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Blackwood Rovers 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– Wright; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; G.Rae, T.Bellingham & W.Roberts; R.Symington & W.Sneddon, J.Devlin, W.Murphy & R.Sibbalds.

Blackwood Rovers– Borland; Young & Bell; Shaw, Bain & Faichney; Bryson & Hussey, Thomson, McPherson & Lennox.

Scorers– R.Symington, J.Devlin, R.Sibbalds

v King's Park, 2nd April 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 King's Park 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; J.Drummond & G.Kerr; G.Rae, R.Bishop & W.Roberts; R.Symington & W.Sneddon, J.Devlin, W.Murphy & R.Sibbalds.

King's Park 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– J.Devlin (2), R.Sibbalds (2)

Note– *Robert Bishop, during this match, received a severe kick on the right knee-cap which effectively ended his playing career.*

v Stenhousemuir, 9th April 1887, Friendly at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Stenhousemuir 0

No Match details available.

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 16th April 1887, Friendly at Gaberston Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Devlin, R.Sibbalds.

Alloa Athletic 2nd XI– Millar, Gillespie.

Scorers– J.Devlin, R.Sibbalds : Unknown.

v Alva Volunteers, 23rd April 1887, Friendly at Alva

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Alva Volunteers 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; J.Drummond & J.Russell; T.Bellingham, W.Law & G.Rae; T.McDonald & Wright, J.Devlin, W.Murphy & R.Sibbalds.

Alva Volunteers– Unknown.

Scorers– R.Sibbalds, Unknown : Unknown.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 11th May 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI – T.Bellingham.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Rule.

Note– *This was the replay of the earlier abandoned match.*

Other Matches

Falkirk 3rd XI v East Stirlingshire (Northern XI), 4th September 1886, Friendly at Inns Pk, Carron

Falkirk 3rd XI 2 East Stirlingshire (Northern XI) 2

No Match details available.

Note– *Inns Pk, the home of Carron FC. was near the Carron Iron Works, currently under some new-build housing.*

Falkirk 3rd XI v Falkirk Athletic, 2nd October 1886, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 10 Falkirk Athletic 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Dunipace 2nd XI, 30th October 1886, Friendly at Broomfield Pk, Dunipace

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 6 Dunipace 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Vale of Devon, 13th November 1886, Friendly at Alva.

Falkirk 3rd XI 0 Vale of Devon 1
No Match details available.

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Laurieston 2nd XI, 4th December 1886, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 1 Laurieston 2nd XI 0
No Match details available.

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Vale of Avon 2nd XI, 1st January 1887, Friendly at Linlithgow Bridge

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 6 Vale of Avon 2nd XI 1
Falkirk (Brockville XI)– J.Drummond.
Vale of Avon 2nd XI– Morrison, Downie, Aitken, McGrorie.
Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk Rovers v Grahamston XI, 6th January 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk Rovers 8 Grahamston XI 0
Falkirk Rovers– R.Rae; J.Murphy & G.Kerr; R.Bishop, T.Bellingham & W.Roberts; Robb & Watson, J.McDonald, J.Mitchell & T.McDonald.
Grahamston XI– Kadie, Law, McMaster, Silcock.
Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *A match organised by the players themselves after all the New Year fixtures had been cancelled due to the weather.*

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Marchmont 2nd XI, 22nd January 1887, Friendly at Glasgow

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 7 Marchmont 2nd XI 1
Falkirk (Brockville XI)– T.Baillie; G.Kerr & J.Russell; G.Rae, W.Law & W.Happer; A.Winchcole & W.Sneddon, R.Archibald, W.Fraser & W.Dow.
Marchmont 2nd XI– Unknown
Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk 1st XI v Falkirk 2nd XI, 2nd March 1887, Practice Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1st XI 3 Falkirk 2nd XI 2
No Match details available.

Falkirk Jubileans v Redding Athletic, 2nd April 1887, Friendly at Redding

Falkirk Jubileans 7 Redding Athletic 2
Falkirk Jubileans– H.Smith, W.Binnie, C.Marshall, W.Sanderson, T.Hamilton, W.Taylor.
Redding Athletic– Unknown.
Scorers– Unknown.
Note – *Falkirk Jubileans were the forerunners to Falkirk Ancients.*

Falkirk Jubileans v Vale of Avon, 9th April 1887, Friendly at Linlithgow Bridge

Falkirk Jubileans 0 Vale of Avon 1
Falkirk Jubileans– A.Gillespie, Fleming, C.Service.
Vale of Avon– Davie; Steele & Dalrymple; Thomson, Flint & Youngston; Erskine & Braithwaite, McHardy, Henderson & Baird.
Scorer– Baird.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Falkirk Caledonians, 13th April 1887, Friendly at Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 2 Falkirk Caledonians 1
Falkirk 3rd XI– Unknown.
Falkirk Caledonians– W.Burns.
Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk Jubileans v Vale of Bannock, 16th April 1887, Friendly at Viewvale Pk, Bannockburn

Falkirk Jubileans 2 Vale of Bannock 3
No Match details available.

Falkirk Jubileans v Falkirk Caledonians, 20th April 1887, Friendly at Falkirk

Falkirk Jubileans 4 Falkirk Caledonians 0
Falkirk Jubileans– J.McIntosh, A.Gillespie.
Falkirk Caledonians – J.McDonald, J.Mitchell.
Scorers– Unknown.
Note– *James McDonald and John Mitchell of Caledonians were the Falkirk FC players.*

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v East Stirlingshire (Northern XI), 21st April 1887, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford
Falkirk (Brockville XI) 1 East Stirlingshire (Northern XI) 3
No Match details available.

Falkirk Jubileans v Campsie Ancients, 7th May 1887, Friendly at Alum Works Pk, Lennoxtown
Falkirk Jubileans ? Campsie Ancients ?
No Match details available.
Note – *This match was played but I have yet to find a report, or any details.*

Falkirk FC XI v Grangemouth, 4th June 1887, Benefit Match at Muirhead Pk, Grangemouth
Falkirk FC XI 1 Grangemouth 3
No Match details available.
Note– *Benefit match for the funds of Grangemouth FC.*

Falkirk FC XI v Cowlairs, 16th June 1887, Benefit Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk
Falkirk FC XI 1 Cowlairs 2
Falkirk FC XI– J.Mitchell, D.Fleming.
Cowlairs– Unknown.
Scorers– Unknown.
Note– *Benefit Match for Alex 'Sandy' Ferguson the former Falkirk forward & Captain. Although billed as Falkirk v Cowlairs, this game was so far out of the season it can not be seriously regarded as a full match.*

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Falkirk FC

v Arbroath, 20th August 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk
Falkirk 0 Arbroath 8
Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Drummond & M.Harley; W.Roberts, W.Hamilton & D.Fleming; T.McDonald & A.Stark, J.McDonald, W.Sneddon & J.McIntosh.
Arbroath– Doig; Collie & Campbell; Renny, Milne & Sim; Penny & Clark, S.Buick, J.Buick & Crawford.
Scorers– Clark, Sim, Crawford, S.Buick, Unknown (4).
Note– *Thomas McDonald played at T.'Donnelly'.*

v Grahamston, 27th August 1887, Friendly at Crichton Pk, Falkirk
Falkirk 3 Grahamston 3
Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Drummond & M.Harley; T.Bellingham, D.Fleming & W.Roberts; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, A.Dixon & J.McDonald.
Grahamston– R.Rae; Liddell & McMaster; Logan, J.Cochrane & Millar; Douglas & Simpson, P.Cochrane, Anderson & Malcolm.
Scorers– G.Thallon, T.McDonald, Unknown : Anderson, Simpson, Malcolm.
Attendance– c200.
Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as T.'Donnelly'. Grahamston borrowed Robert Rae the Falkirk 2nd XI Goalkeeper.*

v Kilsyth Wanderers, 3rd September 1887, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk
Falkirk 4 Kilsyth Wanderers 1
Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.Law & J.Drummond; T.Bellingham, D.Fleming & W.Roberts; T.McDonald & A.Stark, G.Thallon, W.Gillespie & J.McDonald.
Kilsyth Wanderers– W.Laing; W.Clelland & A.Miller; W.McInnes, J.Gardner & J.Inglis; A.Rankin & W.Hamilton, P.Nash, J.Connelly & J.Docherty.
Scorers– W.Gillespie (2), J.McDonald, A.Stark : W.Hamilton.
Debuts– J.Drummond [17 years 143 days], W.Gillespie [18 years 139 days], W.Law [18 years 160 days], T.McDonald [18 years 249 days], W.Roberts [21 years 174 days], G.Thallon [24 years 223 days]
Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as T.'Donnelly'. William Gillespie was the brother of Alex, the earlier Falkirk forward.*

v Pollockshields Athletic, 10th September 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk
Falkirk 3 Pollockshields Athletic 1
Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & W.Law; T.Bellingham, W.Roberts & D.Fleming; T.McDonald & A.Stark, G.Thallon, W.Gillespie & ?.Maxwell.
Pollockshields Athletic– J.Love; B.Gray & D.Sillars; W.Laidlaw, M.Cameron & W.Muir; Watt & McGiffan, W.Turner, W.Gray & E.Showers.

Scorers– A.Stark, W.Gillespie, ?.Maxwell : W.Turner

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as T.'Donnelly'. George Thallon played as G.'Henderson'.*

v St Mirren, 17th September 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 St Mirren 7

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; W.Law & M.Harley; J.Logan, T.Bellingham & W.Roberts; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, W.Gillespie & J.McDonald.

St Mirren– Cameron; T.Branden & Maxwell; Paterson, McHardy & McBain; Lang & Johnston, Fairley, Allison & Brown.

Scorers– W.Gillespie : Fairley, Unknown (6)

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as T.'Donnelly'. George Thallon played as 'Henderson'.*

v Campsie, 24th October 1887, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Campsie 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & M.Harley; J.Logan, D.Fleming & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, W.Murphy & W.Gillespie.

Campsie– Dunlop; McFarlane & Quigley; McPherson, Watson & Lafferton; Dempsey & Shanks, McLauchlan, Stewart & Adams.

Scorers– W.Gillespie (2) : Dempsey, Unknown

Debuts– G.Kerr [18 years 356 days], J.Logan [21 years 337 days], W.Murphy [18 years 141 days].

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Campsie, 1st October 1887, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd Replay at Alum Works Pk, Lennoxton

Falkirk 2 Campsie 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; D.Fleming, J.Logan & T.Bellingham; A.Gillespie & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, A.Stark & W.Gillespie.

Campsie– Dunlop; McFarlane & Quigley; Watson, Lafferty & McPherson; Dempsey & Shanks, McLauchlan, Adams & Stewart.

Scorers– A.Gillespie, A.Stark : Dempsey (2).

Debut– J.Liddell [23 years 52 days].

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Alex and William Gillespie become the eighth pair of brothers to play in the same Falkirk side. Both teams went through to the next round.*

v Carfin Shamrock, 15th October 1887, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Carfin Shamrock 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; T.Bellingham, J.Logan & W.Law; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Fleming, J.McDonald & W.Gillespie.

Carfin Shamrock– P.Sweeney; O.Rorke & P.Mitchell; H.Clifford, J.King & B.White; P.Cullens & W.Naughton, J.Breslin, O.Connelly & M.Molloy.

Scorers– T.McDonald, W.Gillespie : W.Naughton, P.Cullens.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. William Law played as 'Scott', his mother's maiden name.*

v Carfin Shamrock, 22nd October 1887, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd Replay at Motherwell

Falkirk 0 Carfin Shamrock 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; T.Bellingham, D.Fleming & J.Logan; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sneddon, R.Bishop & J.McDonald.

Carfin Shamrock– P.Sweeney; O.Rorke & P.Mitchell; McQuade, H.Clifford & J.King; P.Cullens & W.Naughton, J.Breslin, O.Connelly & M.Molloy.

Scorers– Unknown.

Debut– W.Sneddon [18 years 252 days].

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Dunipace, 29th October 1887, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 9 Dunipace 0

Falkirk– --; M.Harley & --; --, -- &--; -- & --, --, W.Gillespie &--.

Dunipace– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Athenians, 5th November 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Athenians 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & M.Harley; J.Logan, W.Hamilton & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, ?. Jamieson & J.McDonald.

Athenians– Ings; Harvey & Welsh; Heggie, Smith & Andrews;

Scorers– Jamieson : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Armadale, 12th November 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Armadale 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Drummond & M.Harley; J.Logan, T.Bellingham & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, Jamieson & J.McDonald.

Armadale– Brown; McIntyre & Bennet; Simpson, Stewart & McDonald; Chalmers & Bouse, McKenzie, Gallacher & Brown.

Scorer– Bouse.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Vale of Bannock, 19th November 1887, Friendly at Viewvale Pk, Bannockburn

Falkirk 6 Vale of Bannock 5

No Match details available.

v Laurieston, 3rd December 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Laurieston 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Hamilton, J.Logan & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Sneddon & J.McDonald.

Laurieston– McMartin; McGregor & Copland; Trotter, Daisley & Rankine; Lorne & Fleming, Lorne, Walker & Copland.

Scorer– Fleming.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. The scorer for Laurieston was D.Fleming II, the former Falkirk player*

v Vale of Forth, 10th December 1887, Stirlingshire Cup 3rd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 10 Vale of Forth 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; Wallace, T.Bellingham & W.Law; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Vale of Forth– Unknown.

Scorers– W.Hamilton, W.Sinclair, T.Bellingham, Unknown (7).

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. The report stated only that "Sinclair, Hamilton & Bellingham were the main contributors of the Falkirk goals"*

v Queen's Park Strollers, 17th December 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Queen's Park Strollers 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; T.Bellingham, Wallace & W.Law; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Queen's Park Strollers– Eadie; Monteith & Goodall; Smith, Clelland & McTavish; Thomas & McNeil, A.Hamilton, E.Hamilton & Jamieson.

Scorers– T.Bellingham : A.Hamilton, Unknown.

v Coupar-Angus, 31st December 1887, Friendly at Coupar-Angus

Falkirk 5 Coupar-Angus 3

Falkirk– --; M.Harley & G.Kerr; W.Law, -- & --; A.Stark & T.McDonald, T.Bellingham, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Coupar-Angus– Unknown.

Scorers– J.McDonald, A.Stark (2), W.Hamilton, T.McDonald : Unknown.

v Fair City Athletic, 2nd January 1888, Friendly at Balhousie Pk, Perth

Falkirk 2 Fair City Athletic 1

Falkirk– --; M.Harley & J.Liddell; --, -- & --; -- & T.McDonald, --, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Fair City Athletic– Unknown.

Scorers– W.Hamilton, J.McDonald : Unknown.

v West Carron, 7th January 1888, Falkirk & District Charity Cup 1st Rd at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 14 West Carron 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; --, -- & --; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

West Carron– Unknown

Scorers– T.McDonald, A.Stark, J.McDonald (2), OG, W.Hamilton (2), Unknown (7).

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Hibernian, 14th January 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Hibernian 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Drummond & M.Harley; Wallace, W.Law & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Hibernian– Tobin; McKeown & Dunbar; McLaren, McGinn & Gallacher; Groves & Naughton, Smith, Kelly & Coleman.

Scorers– A.Stark, T.McDonald : Unknown

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Laurieston, 21st January 1888, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 2 Laurieston 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; T.Bellingham, W.Law & J.Logan; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Laurieston– McMartin; J.Copeland & McGregor; Rankine, Daisely & Trotter; J.Lorne & Fleming, W.Lorne, M.Copeland & Walker.

Scorers– T.McDonald (2) : J.Lorne, W.Lorne.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. The first game where it was noted that Falkirk played in their new Scarlet & White striped shirts.*

v King's Park, 28th January 1888, Friendly at Laurehill Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 1 King's Park 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; T.Bellingham, J.Marshall & W.Law; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

King's Park– Angus; W.Morrison & Duff; Gray, McKenzie & Bell; Taylor & Gilchrist, Bruce, Johnstone & Merrilees.

Scorers– W.Hamilton : Bruce, Gilchrist (2).

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Alloa Athletic, 4th February 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Alloa Athletic 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; W.Law, Wallace & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.McIntosh & W.Hamilton.

Alloa Athletic– Cowie; Rennie & Hepburn; Addison, Hunter & Smith; Dodds & Beveridge, Laing, Bain & Sharkey.

Scorers– W.Hamilton : Beveridge.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Vale of Bannock, 11th February 1888, Stirlingshire Cup Semi-Final at Viewvale Pk, Bannockburn

Falkirk 2 Vale of Bannock 1

Falkirk – J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Law, Wallace & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Vale of Bannock– Cairns; Frickleton & McFarlane; Hunter, Thomson & H.Richardson; Steinson & Kemp, Wilson, S.Richardson & Reid.

Scorers– W.Hamilton, J.McDonald : Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Vale of Bannock protested the result as Falkirk arrived late so the game was finished in darkness.*

v Camelon, 18th February 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Camelon 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell ; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Law, Wallace & T.Bellingham; W.Sneddon & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, J.McDonald & W.Hamilton.

Camelon– Stewart; W.Burns & McGuire; Inglis, Torrance & Whyte; Brown & McKechnie, Russell, J.Burns & A.Fraser.

Scorers– W.Law, W.Sneddon : Brown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Vale of Bannock, 25th February 1888, Stirlingshire Cup Semi-Final at Viewvale Pk, Bannockburn

Falkirk 2 Vale of Bannock 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Law, Wallace & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Vale of Bannock– Cairns; J.Stevenson I & Louden; H.Richardson, Forsyth & Hunter; Kemp & J.Stevenson II, Wilson, Reid & A.Richardson.

Scorers– A.Stark, W.Hamilton : OG [J.Liddell], Wilson.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

.v Vale of Bannock, 3rd March 1888, Stirlingshire Cup Semi-Final Replay at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Vale of Bannock 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Law, Wallace & T.Bellingham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Vale of Bannock– Cairns; J.Stevenson I & Louden; H.Richardson, Forsyth & Hunter; Kemp & J.Stevenson II, Wilson, Reid & A.Richardson.

Scorers– A.Stark, T.McDonald, J.McDonald, Unknown : H.Richardson.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. William Law became the first player in Stirlingshire to be sent off in a match, for 'having kicked an opponent'.*

v Rangers Swifts, 10th March 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Rangers Swifts 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; Wallace, W.Law & T.Bellingham; T.McDonald & A.Stark, W.Sinclair, T.Harley & Brewster.

Rangers Swifts– McAllister; Nicol & McDonald; McFarlane, Deans & McColl; Fraser & Baird, White, Wilson & Reid.

Scorers– A.Stark : McFarlane.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Michael and Thomas Harley become the ninth pair of brothers to play in the same Falkirk side.*

v Dumbarton Athletic, 17th March 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Dumbarton Athletic 8

Falkirk– Gray; J.Liddell & M.Harley; T.Bellingham, W.Law & Wallace; W.Sneddon & A.Stark, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

Dumbarton Athletic– Lindsay; Forsyth & Coleman; J.Henderson, Stewart & Fotheringham; W.Henderson & Latta, J.McLeod, D.McLeod & Galbraith.

Scorers– Unknown.

v East Stirlingshire, 31st March 1888, Stirlingshire Cup Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 9

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; T.Bellingham, Wallace & W.Law; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, W.Hamilton & J.McDonald.

East Stirlingshire– R.Sharp; R.Wilson & D.Doyle; A.Inch, W.Kadie & R.Johnston; J.Stewart & D.Kirkwood, L.McLauchlan, H.Simpson & W.Dunn.

Scorers– J.Stewart, W.Dunn (3), D.Doyle, L.McLauchlan (2), D.Kirkwood (2).

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Armadale, 7th April 1888, Friendly at Armadale

Falkirk 2 Armadale 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Drummond, Wallace & A.Millar; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, Brewster & P.Cochrane.

Armadale– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark, T.McDonald : Unknown.

Note – *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Andrew Millar was the brother of Robert Millar, FFC [1883-84].*

v Queen's Park Strollers, 14th April 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Queen's Park Strollers 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & M.Harley; A.Millar, W.Hamilton & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sinclair, J.Cox & J.Gardiner.

Queen's Park Stroller – Eadie; Irons & Thomas; Harvey, Smith & Tavish; Harrower & Watt, Scott, Grieve & Jamieson.

Scorers– T.McDonald, A.Stark : Unknown.

Note – *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Falkirk 'borrowed' James Cox and James Gardiner of Grangemouth.*

v Alloa Athletic, 21st April 1888, Friendly at Bellevue Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 3 Alloa Athletic 3

Falkirk– J.Michell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Drummond, G.Kerr & J.Logan; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, J.McDonald & P.Cochrane.

Alloa Athletic– Addison, Laing, Beveridge, Sharkey, Bain; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark (2), G.Thallon : Laing, Beveridge, Unknown

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Grangemouth, 25th April 1888, Benefit Match at Muirhead Pk, Grangemouth.

Falkirk 5 Grangemouth 4

Falkirk– --; M.Harley & J.Logan; A.Millar, -- & --; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, -- & P.Cochrane.

Grangemouth– A.Dixon, J.Cox, F.McMurchie, Shearer; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– G.Thallon (2), T.McDonald, A.Stark, P.Cochrane : A.Dixon (2), J.Cox, F.McMurchie.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Benefit Match for the funds of Grangemouth FC.*

v Camelon, 28th April 1888, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 1 Camelon 4

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Russell, T.Bellingham & Wallace; A.Stark & T.McDonald, W.Sneddon, J.McDonald & P.Cochrane.

Camelon– Auld; W.Burns & A.Fraser; G.Lawrie, A.Whyte & D.Inglis; Brown & McKechnie, Russell, T.Whyte & J.Burns.

Scorers– Unknown : J.Burns, Brown, Unknown (2).

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 3rd May 1888, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Logan, A.Millar & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, P.Cochrane & J.McDonald.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Wilson & Ritchie; Inch, Kadie & Johnston; Stewart & Kirkwood, McLauchlan, Dunn & Simpson.

Scorers– T.McDonald : Kirkwood, Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Stenhousemuir, 11th May 1888, Benefit Match at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 1 Stenhousemuir 2

Falkirk– A.Mallice; G.Kerr & M.Harley; J.Logan, A.Millar & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, P.Cochrane & J.McDonald.

Stenhousemuir– R.Reid, P.Hutton, Binnie; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Benefit Match for the funds of Stenhousemuir FC.*

v King's Park, 15th May 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 King's Park 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Drummond, A.Millar & J.Logan; A.Stark & T.McDonald, H.Reid, J.McDonald & J.Honeyman.

King's Park– Angus; Young & Duff; Canning, Gray & Thomson; Gilchrist & Bruce, Ferguson, Johnston & Merrilees.

Scorers– A.Stark (2), J.Drummond, Unknown (2) : Unknown

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Falkirk 'borrowed' Harry Reid [Stenhousemuir] & John Honeyman [Gairdoch].*

v Laurieston, 22nd May 1888, Benefit Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Laurieston 1

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Logan, A.Millar & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Ferguson, J.Honeyman & J.Gardiner.

Laurieston– McMartin; Copland & McGregor; Daisley, Trotter & Rankine; J.Lorne & Fleming, W.Lorne, W.Bell & Eadie.

Scorers– J.Gardiner (2), D.Ferguson : W.Lorne.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Benefit Match for the funds of Laurieston FC. Falkirk 'borrowed' John Mercer [East Stirlingshire], Dan Ferguson [King's Park], John Honeyman [Gairdoch] & James Gardiner [Grangemouth].*

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Alloa United, 3rd September 1887, Friendly at Gaberston Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Alloa United 2

No Match details available.

v Gairdoch, 17th September 1887, Friendly at Gairdoch Pk, Gairdoch

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Gairdoch 2

Falkirk 2nd XI –J.Drummond.

Gairdoch– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 1st October 1887, Friendly at Bellevue Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Alva, 22nd October 1887, Friendly at Alva

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Alva 1

No Match details available.

v Armadale 2nd XI, 12th November 1887, Friendly at Armadale.

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Armadale 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– G.Kerr, J.Marshall.

Armadale 2nd XI– Love.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Queen's Park (Hampden XI), 19th November 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk.

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Queen's Park (Hampden XI) 5

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell.

Queen's Park (Hampden XI)– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Redding Athletic, 26th November 1887, Friendly at Broomfield Pk, Redding

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Redding Athletic 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Sibbalds.

Redding Athletic– Mason, T.Leslie.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Laurieston 2nd XI, 3rd December 1887, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Laurieston 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Vale of Forth, 17th December 1887, Friendly at Stirling

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Vale of Forth 2

No Match details available.

v Stenhousemuir, 14th January 1888, Friendly at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Stenhousemuir 3

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Murphy, J.Logan.

Stenhousemuir– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Middlefield, 28th January 1888, Friendly at Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Middlefield 1

No Match details available.

v Erin Rovers, 4th February 1888, Friendly at Blinkbonny, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Erin Rovers 0

No Match details available.

v Armadale 2nd XI, 11th February 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Armadale 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 18th February 1888, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Camelon 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI – J.Drummond, R.Archibald, A.Millar.

Camelon 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Redding Athletic, 25th February 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Redding Athletic 1

No Match details available.

v Gairdoch, 17th March 1888, Friendly at Gairdoch Pk, Carronshore

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Gairdoch 4

Falkirk 2nd XI – A.Mallice, A.Logan, R.Archibald.

Gairdoch– Reid.

Scorers– R.Archibald : Reid (2), Unknown (2).

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 24th March 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 13 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v Dunipace, 7th April 1888, Friendly at Broomfield Pk, Dunipace

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Dunipace 0

No Match details available.

v Middlefield, 21st April 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Middlefield 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae.

Middlefield– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 28th April 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Camelon 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

Other Matches

Falkirk Ancients v Grahamston, 22nd October 1887, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk Ancients 2 Grahamston 0

Falkirk Ancients– A.Mallice; A.Hay & W.Hamilton; J.Balloch, H.Hendry & W.Ferguson; J.McIntosh & T.Hamilton, W.Sinclair, J.Rankine & C.Marshall.

Grahamston– R.Rae; G.Kerr & W.Law; Wright, Millar & J.Cochrane; P.Cochrane & Stewart, W.Nimmo, Malcolm & Anderson.

Scorers– Sinclair (2).

Notes– *Grahamston played Robert Rae, George Kerr and William Law of Falkirk 2nd XI. William Sinclair played for the Ancients although he had never appeared for any previous Falkirk side.*

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Vale of Avon 2nd XI, 12th November 1887, Friendly at Linlithgow Bridge

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 3 Vale of Avon 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Airth Castle Rangers, 26th November 1887, Friendly at Airth

Falkirk 3rd XI 1 Airth Castle Rangers 2

Falkirk 3rd XI– Unknown.

Airth Castle Rangers– Crawford.

Scorers– Unknown.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Laurieston 3rd XI, 10th December 1887, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 3rd XI 1 Laurieston 3rd XI 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk 1st XI v Falkirk 2nd XI, 24th December 1887, Practice Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1st XI 2 Falkirk 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

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Falkirk FC

v Dumbarton Athletic, 11th August 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Dumbarton Athletic 8

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Drummond, W.Johnston & T.Graham; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Thallon, J.Cox & J.Honeyman.

Dumbarton Athletic– McLeod; Watson & Colman; McDonald, Hartley & Fotheringham; Latta & Henderson, Campbell, Galbraith & McKinnon.

Scorers– OG : Latta (3), Galbraith (2), Unknown (5).

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Strathmore, 18th August 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Strathmore 0

Falkirk– J.Mercer; R.Reid & J.Liddell; W.Johnston, J.Drummond & T.Graham; T.McDonald & A.Stark, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Strathmore– Peebles; Simpson & Mason; Laburn, McLaren & Stiven; Munro & Anderson, Dockson, Finister & McHardy.

Scorers– T.Harley, A.Stark, Unknown (2).

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Robert Reid was the brother of Harry Reid who had played in a match the previous season.*

v Dunipace, 1st September 1888, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Dunipace 0

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Russell, J.Drummond & W.Johnston; T.McDonald & A.Stark, G.Thallon, T.Harley & J.Cox.

Dunipace– S.Meikle; James Wright & J.Wilson; G.Allan, J.Stewart & J.Davie; T.Adam & H.Williamson, J.Adam, J.Neil & John Wright.

Scorers– G.Thallon, A.Stark, T.Harley, W.Johnston, Unknown.

Debuts– J.Cox [Unknown], T.Harley [17 years 338 days], W.Johnston [Unknown], J.Mercer [c20 years], J.Russell [c21 years].

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Alloa Athletic, 8th September 1888, Friendly at Bellevue Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 3 Alloa Athletic 1

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Russell, W.Johnston & J.Drummond; T.McDonald & A.Stark, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Alloa Athletic– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Campsie, 15th September 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Campsie 1

Falkirk– --; -- & --; J.McIntosh, -- & --; -- & A.Stark, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Campsie– Dempsey; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– J.Cox, T.Harley, Unknown (2) : Unknown.

v Gairdoch, 22nd September 1888, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 8 Gairdoch 3

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Johnston, J.Drummond & J.McIntosh; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Gairdoch– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Leith Harp, 29th September 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Leith Harp 2

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Johnston, J.Drummond & J.McIntosh; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Leith Harp– W.Nimmo, D.Dow, G.Kerr; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– T.Harley : W.Nimmo, Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Leith Athletic turned up with only eight men so 'borrowed' three Falkirk 2nd XI players.*

v Camelon, 6th October 1888, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 2 Camelon 3

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.McIntosh, W.Johnston & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, T.Harley & J.Cox.

Camelon– Mitchell; A.Fraser & Burns; Torrance, Ramsay & Law; Brown & McKechnie, H.Fraser, Inglis & Brown.

Scorers– J.Cox (2) : Inglis (2), H.Fraser.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. For Camelon, John Michell and William Law were the Falkirk players who were then in dispute with Falkirk FC, both later rejoined Falkirk.*

v Campsie, 13th October 1888, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Campsie 2

Falkirk– J.Mercer; M.Harley & J.Liddell; J.McIntosh, J.Drummond & W.Johnston; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Campsie– McLennan; McFarlane & John Quigley; McLauchlan, Kennedy & James Quigley; Dempsey & Kean, McVicar, Stewart & Shanks.

Scorers– A.Stark (2) : McVicar, Unknown.

Note – *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Campsie, 20th October 1888, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd Replay at Alum Works Pk, Lennoxton

Falkirk 2 Campsie 2

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Drummond & J.Liddell; W.Hamilton, W.Johnston & J.Logan; T.McDonald & A.Gillespie, Paterson, J.Cox & A.Stark.

Campsie– McLennan; McFarlane & John Quigley; McLauchlan, Kennedy & James Quigley; Dempsey & Kean, McVicar, Stewart & Shanks.

Scorers– A.Gillespie (2) : Shanks, Unknown.

Debut– ?.Paterson [Unknown]

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Alex Gillespie played as 'Anderson'. John Logan played as 'Grassom', his mother's maiden name.. Both teams went through.*

v Campsie, 27th October 1888, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at Alum Works Pk, Lennoxton

Falkirk 1 Campsie 9

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Drummond & J.Liddell; W.Hamilton, W.Johnston & J.McIntosh; T.McDonald & A.Stark, W.Nimmo, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Campsie– McLennan; McFarlane & John Quigley; Watson, Kennedy & James Quigley; Dempsey & Kean, McVicar, Stewart & Shanks.

Scorers– Unknown : Kean (4), McVicar, Unknown (4)

Note – *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Queen of the South Wanderers, 3rd November 1888, Scottish Cup 4th Rd at Cresswell Pk, Dumfries

Falkirk 2 Queen of the South Wanderers 10

Falkirk– J.Mercer; G.Kerr & D.Malcolm; J.Logan, W.Roberts & J.Russell; A.Gillespie & A.Stark, ?.Paterson, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Queen of the South Wanderers– Calderhead, Irving; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– T.Harley, ?.Paterson : Unknown.

Debut– D.Malcolm [18 years 41 days].

Note– *Alex Gillespie played as 'Anderson'.*

v King's Park, 10th November 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 King's Park 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Liddell; J.Drummond, W.Johnston & J.McIntosh; A.Stark & T.McDonald, ?. Paterson, J.Cox & T.Harley.

King's Park– McLaren; Wilson & Mackin; Gray, Thomson & Munro; Gilchrist & Bruce, Ferguson, McInnes & Johnston.

Scorers– McInnes, Johnston.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 24th November 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 0

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.McIntosh, W.Johnston & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, T.Harley & J.Cox.

East Stirlingshire– Dougal; Wilson & Ritchie; Gardner, Kadie & Jones; Stewart & Kirkwood, McLauchlan, Dunn & Simpson.

Scorer– J.McDonald.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Humphrey Jones for East Stirlingshire was the Welsh International Half-Back, who also held the position of gamesmaster at Blair Lodge School in Polmont.*

v Linthouse, 1st December 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Linthouse 2

Falkirk– J.Mercer; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Law, J.Drummond & J.McIntosh; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, D.Malcolm & T.Harley

Linthouse– G.Kerr; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– J.Drummond, A.Stark : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Linthouse turned up with ten men so 'borrowed' George Kerr of Falkirk 2nd XI.*

v Laurieston, 15th December 1888, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 3 Laurieston 2

Falkirk– Unknown.

Laurieston– Daisley; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Grangemouth, 22nd December 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Grangemouth 3

Falkirk– J.Mercer; D.Malcolm & J.Liddell; J.Logan, J.Russell & W.Roberts; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Drummond & T.Harley.

Grangemouth– W.Johnston, T.Graham, A.Dixon, J.Cox; Rest Unknown

Scorers– Unknown.

v Clydesdale Harriers, 5th January 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Clydesdale Harriers 3

Falkirk– J.Mercer; M.Harley & D.Malcolm; J.Cochrane, J.Russell & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, ? Paterson & T.Harley.

Clydesdale Harriers– John Mitchell; R.Wilson & James Mitchell; J.Logan, W.Hamilton & W.Law; J.Gillespie & Cowan, W.Gillespie, G.Thallon & A.Rule.

Scorers– Unknown : J.Gillespie, Unknown (2)

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly', Joshua Cochrane was the brother of Peter who had played for Falkirk the previous season. Clydesdale Harriers were the Falkirk section of the running club, and included fully eight Falkirk players or ex-players in their ranks. John and William Gillespie were brothers of Alex, the Falkirk forward.*

v Slamannan, 12th January 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 11 Slamannan 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Liddell; J.Drummond, J.Logan & J.Russell; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, W.Murphy & T.Harley.

Slamannan– M.Brown; W.Bennie & Nisbet; Hammil, J.Brown & Findlay; A.McGregor & Hutchison, J.Bennie, A.McGregor & Morton.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Falkirk started the game without Mitchell, Logan deputising in goal.*

v Queen's Park Strollers, 19th January 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Queen's Park Strollers 2

Falkirk– J.Gillespie; M.Harley & J.Liddell; J.Russell, J.Logan & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, T.Harley & W.Murphy.

Queen's Park Strollers– Eadie; Smellie & T.Reid; McAra, A.Hamilton & Cruden; R.Paterson & M.Grieve, J.Hamilton, Forsyth & Eccles.

Scorers– A.Stark, Unknown : Eccles, Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. James Russell had his leg badly broken in this match, he did not appear again in the 1st XI until 1892-93. John Gillespie was the brother of Alex and William Gillespie.*

v Gairdoch, 26th January 1889, Falkirk & District Charity Cup 1st Rd at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 2 Gairdoch 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Liddell; W.Johnston, J.Logan & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, T.Harley & J.Cox.

Gairdoch– Hunter, Laing, Burnett, Honeyman; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– T.Harley (2) : Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. The Gairdoch players left the field about fifteen minutes from the end in dispute of the second Falkirk goal, Falkirk were awarded the win.*

v Stenhousemuir, 2nd February 1889, Friendly at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 3 Stenhousemuir 2

No Match details available.

v Grangemouth, 9th February 1889, Friendly at Caledonian Pk, Grangemouth

Falkirk 3 Grangemouth 1

No Match details available.

v Alloa Athletic, 23rd February 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Alloa Athletic 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Logan, W.Johnston & W.Hamilton; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Alloa Athletic– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v King's Park, 2nd March 1889, Friendly at Laurehill Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 4 King's Park 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Logan, W.Johnston & W.Law; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

King's Park– McLaren; Wilson & Duff; Mackin, Thomson & Munro; Johnston & Bruce, Ferguson, McInnes & Merrilees.

Scorers– A.Stark, Unknown (3) : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Camelon, 9th March 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Camelon 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Liddell; J.Logan, W.Johnston & J.Gillespie; T.McDonald & A.Stark, J.McDonald, T.Harley & J.Cox.

Camelon– Stewart; Burns & Inglis; Risk & J.Whyte; Scott & A.Fraser, Russell, H.Fraser & T.Whyte.

Scorers– A.Stark, T.McDonald, J.Gillespie (2), J.McDonald.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Camelon played throughout with ten men.*

v Bo'ness, 16th March 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Bo'ness 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & J.Liddell; J.Gillespie, W.Johnston & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, W.Murphy & J.Cox.

Bo'ness– Lynch; Grant & Hunter; Gardner, Burnett & Pow; Burden & Baillie, Campbell, W.Grant & G.Grant.

Scorers– G.Grant, Burden.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. This was the last match in which Falkirk played in Scarlet and White striped shirts.*

v East Stirlingshire, 30th March 1889, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Gillespie, W.Johnston & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, T.Harley & J.Cox.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Wilson & Ritchie; Inch, Kadie & Stewart; Kirkwood & Simpson, McLauchlan, Dunn & Reid.

Scorers– A.Stark : OG [J.Liddell]

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Methlan Park, 6th April 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Methlan Park 1

No Match details available.

v Whitefield, 13th April 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 7 Whitefield 0

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; M.Harley & J.Liddell; W.Johnston, J.Gillespie & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Whitefield– Unknown.

Scorers– J.Cox (2), Unknown (5).

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Linthouse, 20th April 1889, Friendly at Langlands Pk, Govan, Glasgow

Falkirk 1 Linthouse 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Gillespie, J.Drummond & W.Johnston; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & W.Murphy.

Linthouse– McFarlane; Gold & Bryson; B.Lang, Mirk & Rodgers; Palmer & McIntosh, Bowie, Barker & Smith.

Scorers– W.Murphy : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Falkirk District XI, 23rd April 1889, Benefit Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Falkirk District XI 2

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Gillespie, J.Drummond & W.Johnston; A.Stark & T.McDonald,

J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

Falkirk District XI– P.McMartin (Laurieston); J.Laing (Gairdoch) & A.Ritchie (East Stirlingshire); D.Inglis (Camelon), A.Inch (East Stirlingshire) & P.Daisley (Laurieston); D.Kirkwood (East Stirlingshire) & D.Fleming (Laurieston), L.McLauchlan, (East Stirlingshire), T.Whyte (Camelon) & J.Gardiner (Grangemouth).

Scorers– A.Stark : T.Whyte, J.Gardner

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Benefit Match for James Russell, the Falkirk player who had his leg broken in a match earlier in the season.*

v Gairdoch, 27th April 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Gairdoch 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & M.Harley; J.Gillespie, J.Cochrane & J.Drummond; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & W.Murphy.

Gairdoch– Hunter; Laing & Burnett; McVey, Mitchell & Watson; Brown & Blackadder, Honeyman, Rae & Mitchell.

Scorers– T.McDonald (2), W.Murphy, J.McDonald : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v 1st RRV, 4th May 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 1st RRV 3

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; -- & --; --, W.Johnston & --; -- & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, -- & T.Harley.

1st RRV– Unknown.

Scorers– T.McDonald, J.McDonald (2) : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 15th May 1889, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Johnston, J.Drummond & J.McIntosh; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.Gillespie, J.Cox & T.Harley.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Wilson & Ritchie; Inch, Kadie & Reid; Simpson & Kirkwood, McLauchlan, Dunn & Gardiner.

Scorers– J.Cox : Kirkwood.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 18th May 1889, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final Replay at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 5

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & M.Harley; W.Johnston, J.Drummond & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Cox & T.Harley.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Wilson & Ritchie; Inch, Jones & Reid; Simpson & Kirkwood, McLauchlan, Dunn & Gardiner.

Scorers– Dunn, Kirkwood, Gardiner, Unknown (2)

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Laurieston; 23rd May 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 7 Laurieston 1

No Match details available.

v Gairdoch, 5th June 1889, Friendly at Gairdoch Pk, Carronshore

Falkirk 2 Gairdoch 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; G.Kerr & M.Harley; W.Law, J.Cochrane & W.Roberts; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, T.Harley & D.Ross.

Gairdoch– Hunter; Laing & Burnett; Watson, Mitchell & Brown; Kemp & Wotherspoon, McNaughton, Honeyman & Rae.

Scorers– J.McDonald, T.McDonald : Wotherspoon, Rae.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 8th September 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.McIntosh.

Alloa Athletic 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Campsie 2nd XI, 15th September 1888, Friendly at Alum Works Pk, Lennoxton.

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Campsie 2nd XI 3
No Match details available.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 6th October 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Camelon 2nd XI 1
No Match details available.

v Queen's Park (Hampden XI), 27th October 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Queen's Park (Hampden XI) 4
No Match details available.

v Grahamston, 3rd November 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 16 Grahamston 0
No Match details available.

v King's Park 2nd XI, 10th November 1888, Friendly at Laurelhill Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 King's Park 2nd XI 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Roberts.

King's Park 2nd XI– Millar; Russell & Burns; McQueen, Gunn & Ferguson; Christie & Allan, Morrison, Hussey & Ronald.

Scorers– Unknown : OG [W.Roberts], Unknown.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 24th November 1888, Friendly at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI – J.Mitchell, Rankine.

East Stirlingshire 2nd XI– Philip, Johnston.

Scorers– Rankine, Unknown (5) : Johnston, Unknown.

Rumford Rovers, 8th December 1888, Friendly at Wallacelea Pk, Rumford

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Rumford Rovers 1

No Match details available.

v Laurieston 2nd XI, 15th December 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Laurieston 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Cochrane.

Laurieston 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Bridge of Allan, 22nd December 1888, Friendly at Coneyhill Pk, Bridge of Allan

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Bridge of Allan 3

No Match details available.

v Rangers (Ibrox XI), 29th December 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 0 Rangers (Ibrox XI) 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell; G.Kerr & D.Malcolm; W.Law, W.Roberts & J.Cochrane; W.Nimmo & W.Sneddon, D.Daye, W.Murphy & D.Rae.

Rangers (Ibrox XI)– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Jamestown Strollers, 2nd January 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 14 Jamestown Strollers 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Stark, T.McDonald, J.McDonald.

Jamestown Strollers– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Dunblane 2nd XI, 19th January 1889, Friendly at Duckburn Pk, Dunblane

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Dunblane 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Edinburgh University 2nd XI, 16th February 1889, Friendly at Edinburgh

Falkirk 2nd XI ? Edinburgh University 2nd XI ?

No Match details available.

Note– *The match report had no scoreline.*

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 23rd February 1889, Friendly at Bellevue Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 2nd XI 12 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v King's Park 2nd XI, 2nd March 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 11 King's Park 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae; G.Kerr & D.Malcolm; W.Roberts, J.Cochrane & J.Gillespie; D.Rae & W.Sneddon, W.Nimmo, W.Murphy & D.Ross.

King's Park 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 9th March 1889, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Camelon 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v East Stirlingshire 2nd XI, 30th March 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 East Stirlingshire 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

Other Matches

Falkirk FC XI v Slamannan, 11th August 1888, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk FC XI 6 Slamannan 4

No Match details available.

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Southfield, 13th October 1888, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 1 Southfield 4

No Match details available.

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Our Boys, 27th October 1888, Friendly at King's Park, Stirling

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 5 Our Boys 2

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Redding Athletic, 8th December 1888, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI ? Redding Athletic ?

No Match details available.

Note– *The match report had no scoreline.*

Falkirk FC XI v Callendar Rob Roy, 8th December 1888, Friendly at Callendar

Falkirk FC XI ? Callendar Rob Roy ?

No Match details available.

Note– *The match report had no scoreline.*

Falkirk 3rd XI v Grangemouth 2nd XI, 22nd December 1888, Friendly at Caledonian Pk, Grangemouth

Falkirk 3rd XI 2 Grangemouth 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Elder Park 2nd XI, 1st January 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 7 Elder Park 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Stenhousemuir 2nd XI, 26th January 1889, Friendly at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 3rd XI 3 Stenhousemuir 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

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v Stenhousemuir, 14th August 1889, Friendly at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 6 Stenhousemuir 2

No Match details available.

v Rangers, 17th August 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 Rangers 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; W.Law, J.Cochrane & D.Malcolm; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, J.Gillespie & ?.Mackie.

Rangers– McKenzie; Ferguson & Hendry; Marshall, McIntyre & Muir; Wylie & Miller, Berry, Henderson & Wilkie.

Scorer– A.Stark.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v St Johnstone, 24th August 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 St Johnstone 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & D.Malcolm; W.Law, J.Cochrane & W.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, ?. Mackie & J.Gillespie.

St Johnstone– McKay; Elliott & Morris; Porter, Winter & Thom; Eadie & Smith, Fleming, Mead & McFarlane.

Scorers– Unknown : Fleming (2).

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. John and William Gillespie become the tenth pair of brothers to play in the same Falkirk side. St Johnstone turned up with only ten men and 'borrowed' David Fleming from Falkirk.*

v Campsie, 31st August 1889, Friendly at Alum Works Pk, Lennoxton

Falkirk 9 Campsie 5

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; W.Gillespie, J.Gillespie J.Cochrane; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & ?.Mackie.

Campsie– Watson; Melville & McFarlane; Freil, Kennedy & Hendry; Kean & Pattison, Busby, Shanks & Smith.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. "...Mackie and Ross scoring six or seven of the goals".*

v Grahamston, 5th September 1889, Friendly at Crichton Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 8 Grahamston 0

Falkirk– Unknown.

Grahamston– Logan, McMaster; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Tillicoultry, 7th September 1889, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 11 Tillicoultry 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; W.Gillespie, J.Cochrane & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, Mackie & D.Ross.

Tillicoultry– McGregor; Smith & Smart; Johnson, Henderson & Shaw; Small & Blake, Harrier, Alexander & McGregor.

Scorers– A.Stark, Unknown (10) : Unknown.

Debuts– J.Cochrane [20 years 235 days], J.Gillespie [18 years 296 days], ?.Mackie [Unknown], R.Rae [21 years 329 days], D.Ross [18 years 128 days].

Note – *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Camelon, 14th September 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Camelon 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; Q.McFarlane & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, W.Gillespie & J.Cochrane; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, Mackie & D.Ross.

Camelon– Russell; Burns & Webster; R.Cowan, Ramsay & Inglis; Scott & Brown, Wilkie, T.White & H.Fraser.

Scorer– Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Falkirk 'borrowed' Quinton McFarlane of Campsie.*

v St Bernards, 21st September 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk,

Falkirk 0 St Bernards 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; Q.McFarlane, A.Kennedy & J.Cochrane; A.Stark & T.McDonald, G.Barr, Mackie & McFarlane.

St Bernards– McIntosh; Methven & Foyer; Ross, Hutton & Waterson; Petrie & Foyer II, Gloag, Love & Hall.

Scorer– Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Love for St Bernards was James Love the former Falkirk player.*

v King's Park, 28th September 1889, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 King's Park 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & G.Barr.

King's Park– Cairns; Wilson & Duff; Mackin, Thomson & Munro; Noble & McInnes, Ferguson, Merrilees & Gray.
Scorers– A.Stark, D.Daye, Unknown (3) : Unknown.
Debut– A.Kennedy [25 years 241 days], Alex McGregor [21 years 335 days].
Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'*.

v Summerton Athletic, 5th October 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Summerton Athletic 1

Falkirk– 'Cullen'; J.Drummond & J.Liddell; J.Gillespie, A.McGregor & A.Kennedy; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Summerton Athletic– Fraser; Carmichael & Thomson; Bryson, Melville & R.Smith; T.Smith & Munro, Morgan, Martin & Hamilton.

Scorers– D.Daye, D.Ross (2), A.Stark, T.McDonald : T.Smith.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. The identity of 'Cullen' is unknown. Summerton Athletic turned up with ten men so 'borrowed' William Hamilton of Falkirk 2nd XI.*

v Alloa Athletic, 12th October 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Alloa Athletic 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Drummond & G.Kerr; W.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Alloa Athletic – Bowie, Aitken; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark (2), G.Barr, A.Kennedy.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'*.

v East Stirlingshire, 19th October 1889, Scottish Cup 3rd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 6

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Gillespie & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Ritchie & M.Harley; Hammond, Inch & Jones; Reid & Simpson, T.Dunn, T.Harley & W.Dunn.

Scorers– G.Barr : Reid (2), T.Harley, T.Dunn, W.Dunn (2).

Debuts– G.Barr [Unknown], D.Daye [Unknown], A.McGregor [21 years 356 days].

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Alex and John Gillespie become the eleventh pair of brothers to play in the same Falkirk side. In the East Stirlingshire team Michael & Thomas Harley were the brothers who had played for Falkirk the previous season. Henry Hammond of East Stirlingshire was the former England International Half-Back.*

v East Stirlingshire, 26th October 1889, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 5 East Stirlingshire 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Ritchie & M.Harley; Kadie, Inch & Jones; Reid & Simpson, T.Dunn, T.Harley & W.Dunn.

Scorers– G.Barr (3), D.Ross, Unknown : T.Dunn, Reid.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'*.

v St Bernards, 2nd November 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 St Bernards 3

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & W.Gillespie; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, Mackie & D.Ross.

St Bernards– McIntosh; Guild & Foyer; Bennet, Hutton & Waterston; Bishop & J.Foyer, Hall, Love & Lamb.

Scorers– D.Daye (2), D.Ross, A.Stark : OG [J.Liddell], Bishop, Love.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'*.

v Bo'ness, 9th November 1889, Friendly at Newton Pk, Bo'ness

Falkirk 2 Bo'ness 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Bo'ness– Lynch; Grant & Campbell; Cowie, Thornton & Gardner; Martin & C.Grant, W.Grant, Baillie & Burden.

Scorers– G.Barr, Unknown : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'*.

v Laurieston, 16th November 1889, Stirlingshire Cup 2nd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 6 Laurieston 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; J.McDonald & A.Stark, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Laurieston– McMartin; Dearie & McGregor; Daisley, Steele & Fernie; Fleming & Lorne, Myles, T.Rankine & P.Rankine.

Scorers– A.Stark, A.McGregor, D.Daye, J.McDonald, Unknown (2) : Daisley

v 1st RRV, 23rd November 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 12 1st RRV 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & J.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & G.Barr.

1st RRV– Jamieson; Campbell & Fordie; Altmont, Robertson & 'Williamson'; Gordon & Jones, Campbell, Symington & Devlin.

Scorers– D.Daye, A.Stark, G.Barr, J.McDonald, Unknown (8).

v King's Park, 30th November 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 King's Park 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Gillespie & J.Drummond; W.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & J.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & G.Barr.

King's Park– Gilchrist; Wilson & Duff; Mackin, Thomson & Munro; Noble & McInnes, Ferguson, Gray & Merrilees.

Scorer– A.Stark.

v Stenhousemuir, 7th December 1889, Stirlingshire Cup 3rd Rd at Goschen Pk, Stenhousemuir

Falkirk 11 Stenhousemuir 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Drummond & J.Liddell; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & J.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Stenhousemuir– R.Reid; McNaughton & Scott; G.Russell, N.Binnie & Parker; Aitken & Clarkston, H.Reid, Yorkston & Thom.

Scorers– A.Stark (4), D.Daye, D.Ross, Unknown (5).

v Uddingston, 14th December 1889, Friendly at Meadowbank Pk, Uddingston

Falkirk 3 Uddingston 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; G.Kerr & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & J.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Uddingston– Dolan, Somerville, McDowall; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown : Somerville, McDowall.

v Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, 21st December 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 7 Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders 4

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Drummond & J.Liddell; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders– Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark (3), D.Daye, D.Ross (2), G.Barr : Unknown

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Battlefield, 4th January 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Battlefield 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, W.Gillespie & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, J.McDonald & ?.Mackie.

Battlefield– W.Callander; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– T.McDonald, J.McDonald.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Battlefield turned up with only ten men so 'borrowed' William Callander of Falkirk 2nd XI.*

v Laurieston, 11th January 1890, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 6 Laurieston 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, W.Callander & A.McGregor; A.Stark & J.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Rae & T.McDonald.

Laurieston– McMartin; Dearie & McGregor; Fernie, Daisley & Steele; W.Lorne & J.Lorne, T.Rankine, P.Rankine & W.Myles.

Scorers– A.Stark (2), D.Rae, T.McDonald, Unknown : T.Rankine, J.Lorne

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Dunblane, 18th January 1890, Friendly at Duckburn Pk, Dunblane

Falkirk 4 Dunblane 4

No Match details available.

v Laurieston, 25th January 1890, Falkirk Cottage Hospitals Shield Semi-Final at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 0 Laurieston 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & G.Barr.

Laurieston– McMartin; Dearie & Moodie; Fernie, Daisley & Steele; W.Rankine & W.Lorne, T.Rankine, Myles & P.Rankine.

Scorers– Fernie, OG [J.Drummond],

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. The match was abandoned after 30 minutes due to a gale.*

v Uddingston, 1st February 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Uddingston 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, D.Ross & G.Barr.

Uddingston– Brown; Downs & Slight; Hill, Collins & Thomson; Fraser & Inglis, Somerville, Elliott & Colville.

Scorers– A.Stark, T.McDonald, G.Barr : Unknown

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v King's Park, 8th February 1890, Stirlingshire Cup Semi-Final at Laurelhill Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 6 King's Park 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & G.Barr.

King's Park– Gilchrist; Wilson & Duff; Mackin, Thomson & Munro; Ferguson & McInnes, Noble, Gray & Merrilees.

Scorers– D.Daye, Unknown (5) : Merrilees, Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Laurieston, 22nd February 1890, Falkirk Cottage Hospitals Shield Semi-Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 4 Laurieston 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; -- & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, -- & --; A.Stark & T.McDonald, --, -- & G.Barr.

Laurieston– McMartin, Fernie, Moodie, D.McGregor; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– G.Barr (3), Unknown : D.McGregor.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Gairdoch, 8th March 1890, Stirlingshire Cup Final at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 9 Gairdoch 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Gairdoch– Hunter; Watson & Burnett; Brown, Mitchell & Smith; Allan & Blackadder, Kemp, Rae & Wotherspoon.

Scorers– D.Daye (5), G.Barr, D.Ross (3).

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Camelon, 15th March 1890, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 8 Camelon 4

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Camelon– Brannan; McGregor & Risk; Ramsay, Inglis & A.Whyte; Brown & Scott, Wilkie, H.Fraser & T.White.

Scorers– A.Kennedy, D.Daye (2), D.Ross, G.Barr (4) : Brown, Scott (2), T.Whyte

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v St Bernards, 22nd March 1890, Friendly at Logie Green, Edinburgh

Falkirk 3 St Bernards 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

St Bernards– Scoales, Shand, Nicol, Bishop, Potter, Hall, Hill; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– D.Daye, J.Gillespie, OG [Potter] : Nicol (2)

v St Johnstone, 29th March 1890, Friendly at Recreation Ground, Perth

Falkirk 5 St Johnstone 3

Falkirk– Unknown.

St Johnstone– Tulloch; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Bo'ness, 5th April 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Bo'ness 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, A.Kennedy & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, J.McDonald & D.Ross.

Bo'ness– R.Grant; Hunter & J.Campbell; Mair, Thornton & Cowie; Pow & Lynch, W.Campbell, Gardiner & W.Grant.

Scorers– J.McDonald, D.Daye : Unknown.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 12th April 1890, Falkirk Cottage Hospitals Shield Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

East Stirlingshire– None.

Scorer– D.Daye.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. East Stirlingshire refused to turn up due to fixture congestion, Falkirk kicked off, scored and claimed the tie. However East Stirlingshire protested that there were no linesmen, and the game was ordered to be replayed.*

v Dunblane, 12th April 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 9 Dunblane 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Dunblane – Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Because of the above fiasco this match kicked off at 4:30.*

v Camelon, 19th April 1890, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final at Merchiston Pk, Bainsford

Falkirk 1 Camelon 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Camelon– Brannan; Risk & Inglis; A.Whyte, Ramsay & Cowan; Brown & Fraser, Webster, Gorrie & T.Whyte.

Scorers– D.Daye.

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 3rd May 1890, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 1 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Ritchie & M.Harley; Inch, Dunn & Jones; T.Harley & Howden, McLauchlan, Hastings & Johnstone.

Scorers– Unknown : McLauchlan

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 10th May 1890, Falkirk Cottage Hospitals Shield Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 2 East Stirlingshire 4

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, J.McDonald & D.Ross.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Ritchie & M.Harley; Inch, Dunn & Jones; T.Harley & Howden, McLauchlan, Hastings & Johnstone.

Scorers– A.Stark, T.McDonald : Inch, Johnston, Howden (2)

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v East Stirlingshire, 15th May 1890, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Final Replay at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 4 East Stirlingshire 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, A.Kennedy & J.Gillespie; J.McIntosh & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & A.Stark.

East Stirlingshire– Sharp; Ritchie & M.Harley; Inch, Dunn & Jones; T.Harley & Howden, McLauchlan, Hastings & Johnstone.

Scorers– D.Daye, G.Barr, OG [Sharp], Unknown : Unknown

Note– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'.*

v Clyde Crusaders, 26th May 1890, Benefit Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 7 Clyde Crusaders 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Gillespie & J.McIntosh; J.McDonald & T.McDonald,

D.Daye, G.Barr & A.Stark.

Clyde Crusaders– McNair; Pollock & Maxwell; Stewart, Lithgow & McLauchlan; Gillespie & Neaves, McLung, McLure & Stevenson.

Scorers– T.McDonald (2), A.Stark, D.Daye (2), J.McDonald, OG : Gillespie, Unknown

Notes– *Thomas McDonald played as 'Donnelly'. Benefit Match for the Bonnybridge Brass Band.*

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Camelon 2nd XI, 14th September 1889, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Camelon 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 28th September 1889, Friendly at Bellevue Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Champfleurie 2nd XI, 2nd November 1889, Friendly at Kingscavil

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Champfleurie 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Bo'ness 2nd XI, 9th November 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Bo'ness 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v King's Park 2nd XI, 30th November 1889, Friendly at Laurehill Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 King's Park 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Third Lanark (Cathkin XI), 28th December 1889, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Third Lanark (Cathkin XI) 3

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell; T.McFarlane & J.Drummond; ?.Scott, W.Callander & A.Fraser; J.McDonald & D.Rae, J.Donnelly, W.Murphy & ?.Mackie.

Third Lanark (Cathkin XI)– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Laurieston 2nd XI, 11th January 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 9 Laurieston 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Dunblane 2nd XI, 18th January 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI L Dunblane 2nd XI W

Falkirk 2nd XI– Unknown.

Dunblane 2nd XI– J.Drummond; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *No score was reported. Dunblane 2nd XI turned up with nine men so 'borrowed' John Drummond of Falkirk.*

v Champfleurie 2nd XI, 1st March 1890, Friendly at Kingscavil

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Champfleurie 2nd XI 3

Falkirk 2nd XI– J.Mitchell, W.Callander, W.Nimmo.

Champfleurie 2nd XI– Edgar, Cairns, Grant.

Scorers– W.Callander, Unkown : Grant, Unknown (2).

v Rangers (Ibrox XI), 8th March 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Rangers (Ibrox XI) 4

No Match details available.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 15th March 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 Camelon 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Queen's Park (Victoria XI), 29th March 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Queen's Park (Victoria XI) 2

No Match details available.

v Albion Rovers 2nd XI, 19th April 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Albion Rovers 2nd XI 1

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Murphy; Rest Unknown.

Albion Rovers 2nd XI– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

Note– *William Murphy had his collarbone broken in a tackle during the match.*

Other Matches

Falkirk (Brockville XI) v Vale of Avon, 26th October 1889, Friendly at Linlithgow Bridge

Falkirk (Brockville XI) 7 Vale of Avon 2

No Match details available.

Falkirk 3rd XI v Grasshoppers 2nd XI, 14th December 1889, Friendly at Milnquarter, Bonnybridge.

Falkirk 3rd XI 6 Grasshoppers 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

Falkirk XI v Slamannan, 28th December 1889, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk XI 10 Slamannan 0

No Match details available.

Falkirk XI v Southfield Rangers, 26th April 1890, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk XI 2 Southfield Rangers 4

No Match details available.

Falkirk XI v Slamannan, 7th June 1890, Friendly at Slamannan

Falkirk XI ? Slamannan ?

No Match details available.

Note– *“Falkirk FC drove up to Slamannan on Saturday, and engaged in a match.”*

Falkirk FC Matches 1890-91

Falkirk FC

v Third Lanark, 16th August 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Third Lanark 6

Falkirk– --; J.Drummond & J.Gillespie; --, -- & --; A.Stark & --, H.Reid, -- & D.Daye.

Third Lanark– Lapsley, Johnston, Burke, Macfarlane, Lockhead; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– H.Reid, D.Daye : Lapsley, Johnston, Burke, Unknown (3)

v Gairdoch, 19th August 1890, Friendly at Gairdoch Pk, Carronshore

Falkirk 5 Gairdoch 1

Falkirk– M.Brannan; J.Drummond & J Pray; J.Gillespie, J.Callander & A.McGregor; H.Reid & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & A.Stark.

Gairdoch– J.Mercer; Watson & Wilson; Smith, P.Rae & Kemp; Allan & McNaughton, Blackadder, T.Rae & Wotherspoon.

Scorers– T.McDonald (2), A.Stark, G.Barr, A.Stark/G.Barr : Unknown

v Queen's Park, 23rd August 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Queen's Park 10

Falkirk– M.Brannan; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.McIntosh & J.Gillespie; H.Reid & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & A.Stark.

Queen's Park– Burnett; McFarlane & Smellie; Muir-Glen, Cruden & Robertson; Waddell & Berry, Paul, Eccles & French.

Scorers– D.Daye (2), H.Reid, T.McDonald, Unknown : Paul, Waddell, Unknown (8)

v Laurieston, 30th August 1890, Friendly at Zetland Pk, Laurieston

Falkirk 3 Laurieston 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & T.McFarlane; A.McGregor, W.Callander & J.Gillespie; R.Fearn & T.McDonald, D.Daye, A.Stark & G.Barr.

Laurieston– McMartin; Dearie & Moodie; Fernie, Daisley & Steel; Sime & T.Rankine, W.Lorn, Myles & P.Rankine.

Scorers– T.McDonald, D.Daye, OG : Daisley, P.Rankine

v Vale of Bannock, 6th September 1890, Scottish Cup 1st Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk WO Vale of Bannock scr

v Slamannan Rovers, 6th September 1890, Friendly at Castlehaugh Pk, Slamannan

Falkirk 2 Slamannan Rovers 1

No Match details available.

v Linthouse, 13th September 1890, Friendly at Langlands Pk, Govan, Glasgow

Falkirk 3 Linthouse 7

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; D.Rae & J.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & A.Stark.

Linthouse– Burns; Arnott & Pollock; Rodgers, Smith & Lang; McIntosh & McGlashan, Bowie, Barker & Thorburn.

Scorers– Unknown

v St.Johnstone, 20th September 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 St.Johnstone 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; J.Gardner & J.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & A.Stark.

St.Johnstone– Tulloch; Robertson & Rogers; Watson, Winton & Thom; Smith & G.Burnfield, D.Burnfield, Stewart & McFarlane.

Scorers– D.Daye (2), J.Gardner : Unknown.

v Leith Athletic, 27th September 1890, Scottish Cup 2nd Rd at Bank Pk, Leith

Falkirk 2 Leith Athletic 7

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; D.Ross & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & A.Stark.

Leith Athletic– Burnside; J.McCartney & W.Anderson; A.Tait, J.Henderson & G.McQueen; H.McQueen & R.Laing, J.Dewar, R.Clements & J.McLeod.

Scorers– Unknown : J.Dewar (3), R.Clements (2), H.McQueen, Unknown.

Debut– J.Pray [18 years 197 days].

v King's Park, 4th October 1890, Friendly at Forthbank Pk, Stirling

Falkirk 2 King's Park 5

Falkirk– A.Mallice; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & W.Law; A.Stark & G.Barr, D.Daye, J.McDonald & D.Ross.

King's Park– Thomson; Mirk & Duff; Munro, W.Thomson & Fulton; Marshall & Thomson, Ferguson, McInnes & Gray.

Scorers– Unknown (2) ; Marshall (2), Ferguson, Unknown (2).

Note– *William Law played as 'Scott'*.

v Albion Rovers, 11th October 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 9 Albion Rovers 2

Falkirk– A.Mallice; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; W.Gillespie & J.McDonald, D.Daye, A.Stark & D.Ross.

Albion Rovers– Fleming; Traquhair & Martin; Galloway, Scott & Galbraith; Bryson & Marshall, Barr, Thomson & C.Marshall.

Scorers– J.McDonald (3), D.Daye (3), A.Stark, A.McGregor, D.Ross : Marshall, Unknown.

v Kirkaldy Wanderers, 18th October 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 9 Kirkaldy Wanderers 1

Falkirk– A.Mallice; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; W.Gillespie & J.McDonald, D.Daye, Stark & Barr.

Kirkaldy Wanderers– Gourlay; Millar & McKenzie; Miller, Milne & Duffon; McDunnach & Johnston, Myles, Walker & Hughes.

Scorers– G.Barr, J.Gillespie, Unknown (7) : McDunnach.

v Royal Albert, 25th October 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Royal Albert 1

Falkirk– J.Mitchell; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.Fraser, J.Pray & A.McGregor; J.McDonald & T.McDonald, D.Daye, A.Stark & D.Ross.

Royal Albert– Catterson; J.Clelland & Tait; R.Clelland, Rundell & Frame; Faulds & Watson, Douglas, Stewart & Steele.

Scorers– A.Stark (2), J.Drummond, J.McDonald : Unknown

v Campsie, 1st November 1890, Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd at Alum Works Pk, Lennoxtown

Falkirk 4 Campsie 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Gillespie; A.McGregor, J.Pray & A.Fraser; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & G.Barr.

Campsie– Eadie; McFarlane & McLachlan; Watson, McCue & Friel; Pattison & Kain, Latta, Shanks & Smith.

Scorers– A.Stark (2), Unknown (2) : Smith, McCue.

v Dunblane, 8th November 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Dunblane 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Dunblane– McGregor; Penny & Honeyman; McKenzie, Warren & Cameron; Taylor & Weir, Lamb, Grant & McIntosh.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Dalry, 15th November 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 9 Dalry 0

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, J.Pray & A.McGregor; T.McDonald & A.Stark, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Dalry– Bird; Fischer & McInnes; Reynolds, Neilson & Boyle; Little & Leishman, Carswell, Easton & McGregor.

Scorers– G.Barr, Unknown (8).

v Gairdoch, 22nd November 1890, Stirlingshire Cup 2nd Rd at Gairdoch Pk, Carronshore

Falkirk 1 Gairdoch 0

Falkirk– G.Barr; Rest Unknown.

Gairdoch– Unknown.

Scorers– G.Barr.

Note– *Falkirk left the field of play some time during the second half due to the incessant rain, described in the 'Falkirk Herald' as mutually postponed.*

v Gairdoch, 29th November 1890, Stirlingshire Cup 2nd Rd at Gairdoch Pk, Carronshore.

Falkirk 7 Gairdoch 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.Fraser, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; J.McIntosh & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, A.Stark & D.Ross.

Gairdoch– Hunter; Watson & Wilson; Smith, Rae & McNaughton; Allan & Brown, Rae, Honeyman & Wotherspoon.

Scorers– A.Stark, D.Ross, J.McIntosh (2), T.McDonald (2), Unknown : Unknown.

v Grangemouth, 6th December 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 6 Grangemouth 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Grangemouth– Patrick; A.Graham, Johnston, Shaw, Dixon, Wright ; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark, G.Barr, Unknown (4) : Unknown.

v King's Park, 13th December 1890, Stirlingshire Cup 3rd Rd at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 1 King's Park 5

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; J.Gillespie, J.Pray & A.Fraser; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

King's Park– Jas.Thomson; Mirk & Duff; Fulton, W.Thomson & Munro; Marshall & J.Thomson, Ferguson, Gray & McInnes.

Scorers– G.Barr : Gray, Ferguson, Unknown (3).

Note– *"Falkirk started the game with nine men...The first absentee to turn up was Gillespie. After waiting some time on McGregor, Fraser went on to the field in his place."*

v Dunblane, 20th December 1890, Friendly at Duckburn Pk, Dunblane

Falkirk 3 Dunblane 4

No Match details available.

v Battlefield, 10th January 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Battlefield 3

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.Fraser, J.Pray & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.Tennant, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Battlefield– McLachlan; Reid & Allan; Ritchie, Love & Angus; Woodrow & Anderson, Hector, Stark & Walker.
Scorers– G.Barr, A.Stark (2), J.Tennant : Stark, Woodrow.

v Camelon, 17th January 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Camelon 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Pray & Drummond; A.Fraser, J.Gillespie & A.McGregor; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Camelon– Goodwin; Burns & Risk; Ramsay,, Inglis & Cowan; Fraser & Whyte, Masson, Gorrie & Burns.

Scorers– D.Daye (2), D.Ross, G.Barr : Fraser, Gorrie

v Gairdoch, 24th January 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 5 Gairdoch 2

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Drummond & J.Liddell; J.Pray, A.McGregor & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & ?.Dennison, T.McDonald, G.Barr & D.Dow.

Gairdoch– A.Rae; D.Watson & P.Wilson; McNaughton, Rae & Smith; Allan & Blackadder, Rae, Honeyman & Wotherspoon.

Scorers– T.McDonald, A.Stark, D.Dow, Unknown (2) : Unknown.

v Camelon, 7th February 1891, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 6 Camelon 2

Falkirk– --; -- & --; --, -- & --; A.Stark & T.McDonald, --, G.Barr & D.Ross.

Camelon– Goodwin, Ramsay, Inglis, Whyte, Fraser, Cowan; Rest Unknown

Scorers– A.Stark, D.Ross, T.McDonald (2), Unknown (2) : Fraser,

v Royal Albert, 14th February 1891, Friendly at Raploch Pk, Larkhall

Falkirk 1 Royal Albert 5

No Match details available.

v Dykebar, 21st February 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3 Dykebar 6

Falkirk– --; -- & --; --, -- & --; A.Stark & --, D.Daye, G.Barr & --.

Dykebar– Langmuir, 'Steel', Gibson; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark, G.Barr, D.Daye : Langmuir, 'Steel', Gibson (2), Unknown.

v Laurieston, 28th February 1891, Falkirk Cottage Hospital Shield Semi-Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 7 Laurieston 1

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, D.Daye, D.Ross & G.Barr.

Laurieston– McMartin; Syme & MacGregor; Rankine, Daisley & Steele; Myles & M.Myles, 'Swan', Bremner & P.Rankine.

Scorers– D.Daye, G.Barr, D.Ross (2), J.Drummond, OG [MacGregor], A.Stark : M.Myles.

v Albion Rovers, 7th March 1891, Friendly at Whifflet, Coatbridge

Falkirk 4 Albion Rovers 3

Falkirk– Unknown.

Albion Rovers– Baird; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown : Baird, Unknown (2).

v Linthouse, 14th March 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Linthouse 5

Falkirk– R.Rae; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; --, -- & --; A.Stark, -- & --; -- & --, D.Daye, -- & G.Barr.

Linthouse– Morrison, McIntosh, Lang, Steele, Rogers, Palmer; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– McIntosh, Steele, Palmer, Unknown (2).

v East Stirlingshire, 21st March 1891, Falkirk Cottage Hospitals Shield Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 3 East Stirlingshire 5

Falkirk– --; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGegor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, --, - & D.Ross.

East Stirlingshire– J.Mercer; M.Harley, Inch, Howden, Reid, Hastings, Dunn, Johnston, Carty, Alexander, Unknown.

Scorers– G.Barr, D.Daye, Unknown : Johnston, Reid (2), Unknown (2).

Note– *The ES Line-Up was not given, these ten players were named in the match report. 'ES were minus Ritchie whose place was taken by Harley.'*

v Camelon, 4th April 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 Camelon 0

Falkirk– P.Wright; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.Fraser, J.Pray & W.Law; E.Roberts & McDonald, G.Barr, A.Stark & D.Ross.

Camelon– Goodwin; Cox & Brown; Drummond, Inglis & McGregor; Wilson & Risk, Webster, Whyte & Fraser.

Scorers– D.Ross, G.Barr.

Note– *William Law played as 'Scott'*.

v King's Park, 11th April 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2 King's Park 1

Falkirk– P.Wright; J.Stark & --; --, J.Pray & --; E.Roberts & --, --, A.Stark & D.Ross.

King's Park– Thomson, Gray; Rest Unknown.

Scorers– A.Stark, E.Roberts : Gray

v St Johnstone, 18th April 1891, Friendly at Recreation Grounds, Perth

Falkirk 2 St Johnstone 5

Falkirk– --; -- & --; --, -- & --; A.Stark & --, P.Waddell, -- & D.Ross.

St Johnstone– Unknown

Scorers– P.Waddell (2) : Unknown.

v Laurieston, 25th April 1891, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final at Brockville Pk, Falkirk.

Falkirk 8 Laurieston 0

Falkirk– P.Wright; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.Fraser, G.Watson & J.Pray; E.Roberts & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, D.Ross & G.Barr.

Laurieston– Morris; McGregor & Rankine; Steele, Daisley & Fernie; Sim & W.Miles, M.Miles, P.Rankine & Fleming.

Scorers– G.Barr, T.McDonald (2), E.Roberts, D.Ross (3), Unknown.

v Grangemouth, 28th April 1891, Friendly at Muirhead Pk, Grangemouth.

Falkirk 5 Grangemouth 1

No Match details available.

Note– *Benefit Match for the funds of Grangemouth FC.*

v East Stirlingshire, 2nd May 1891, Falkirk & District Charity Cup Final at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 0 East Stirlingshire 2

Falkirk– P.Wright; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.McGregor, J.Pray & J.Gillespie; A.Stark & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, D.Ross & G.Barr.

East Stirlingshire– Mercer; Ritchie & Dunn; Inch, Kadie & Hastings; Reid & Howden, Alexander, Johnston & Carrry.

Scorers– Reid, Johnston.

v Falkirk District XI, 12th May 1891, Benefit at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 4 Falkirk District XI 4

Falkirk– P.Wright; J.Liddell & J.Drummond; A.Fraser, J.Pray & T.Smith; E.Roberts & T.McDonald, J.McDonald, A.Stark & D.Ross.

Falkirk District XI– McMartin(Laurieston); Hutton(Stenhousemuir) & Ritchie(East Stirlingshire); Steele(Laurieston), Inglis(Camelon) & Inch(East Stirlingshire); Aitken(Stenhousemuir) & Howden(East Stirlingshire), Alexander(East Stirlingshire), Carty(East Stirlingshire) & Wotherspoon(Gairdoch).

Scorers– D.Ross (2), J.McDonald, Unknown : Aitken, Inglis, Carty, Unknown.

Note– *Benefit Match for 'a widow of an old Falkirk Committee Member'.*

v Celtic Reserves, 2nd June 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 0 Celtic Reserves 1

No Match details available.

Falkirk 2nd XI

v Rumford Rovers, 20th September 1890, Friendly at Wallacelea Pk, Rumford

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Rumford Rovers 3

No Match details available.

v King's Park 2nd XI, 4th October 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 3 King's Park 2nd XI 0

Falkirk 2nd XI– A.Turnbull; J.Russell & T.McFarlane; W.Fraser, W.Callander & G.Watson; A.McDonald & R.Fearns, D.Rae, J.Tennant & E.Roberts.

King's Park 2nd XI– McNeil; McKinnon & King; Gilvear, Allan & Campbell; H.Scotland & W.Scotland, McLaughlin,

Abercrombie & Miller.

Scorers– R.Fearns, Unknown (2).

Note– *The Falkirk goalkeeper here was Alex Turnbull, a regular 1st XI keeper between 1882 and 1885, who was back visiting from Canada at the time.*

v 2nd Albion Rovers, 11th October 1890, Friendly at Whifflet, Coatbridge

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Albion Rovers 2nd XI 2

No Match details available.

v Third Lanark (Cathkin XI), 1st November 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Third Lanark (Cathkin XI) 2

Falkirk 2nd XI– W.Callander; Rest Unknown.

Third Lanark (Cathkin XI)– Unknown.

Scorers– Unknown.

v Dunblane 2nd XI, 15th November 1890, Friendly at Duckburn Pk, Dunblane

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Dunblane 2nd XI 4

No Match details available.

v Tillicoultry, 29th November 1890, Friendly at Ochilview Pk, Tillicoultry

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Tillicoultry 6

No Match details available.

v Grangemouth 2nd XI, 6th December 1890, Friendly at Muirhead Pk, Grangemouth

Falkirk 2nd XI 7 Grangemouth 2nd XI 0

No Match details available.

v Dunblane 2nd XI, 20th December 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Dunblane 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Slamannan Rovers, 17th January 1891, Friendly at Castlehaugh Pk, Slamannan

Falkirk 2nd XI W Slamannan Rovers L

No Match details available.

Note– *'... last Saturday 2nd Falkirk defeated the [Stirlingshire] Junior Cupholders, Slamannan Rovers'*

v Gairdoch 2nd XI, 24th January 1891, Friendly at Gairdoch Pk, Carronshore

Falkirk 2nd XI 1 Gairdoch 2nd XI 5

No Match details available.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 7th February 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 4 Camelon 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Carron Rangers, 28th February 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 21 Carron Rangers 0

No Match details available.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 7th March 1891, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Camelon 2nd XI 3

No Match details available.

v Alloa Athletic 2nd XI, 28th March 1891, Friendly at Bellevue Pk, Alloa

Falkirk 2nd XI 5 Alloa Athletic 2nd XI 1

No Match details available.

v Vale of Grange, 1st April 1891, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 2nd XI 6 Vale of Grange 0

No Match details available.

v Camelon 2nd XI, 4th April 1891, Friendly at Victoria Pk, Camelon.

Falkirk 2nd XI 2 Camelon 2nd XI 4

Falkirk 2nd XI– R.Rae, R.Fearns, D.Dow, D.Daye.

Camelon 2nd XI– H.Murdoch, J.Whyte, A.Murdoch.
Scorers– R.Fearns, D.Dow : H.Murdoch (2), A.Murdoch (2).

Other Matches

Falkirk 3rd XI v Camelon 3rd XI, 29th November 1890, Friendly at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk 3rd XI 2 Camelon 3rd XI 1
No Match details available.

Falkirk FC XI v Leith Athletic FC XI, 23rd May 1891, Exhibition Match at Brockville Pk, Falkirk

Falkirk FC XI 2 Leith Athletic FC XI 0
No Match details available.

Notes– *Although it was the respective 1st XIs playing in this match, it cannot be regarded as an official match as it was billed as an Exhibition Match, part of Falkirk FC's Spring Sports Day.*

Falkirk FC Players

Guide

The Debut given here is for the first match they were noted, regardless of level, ie mostly friendlies.

For the club honours I have only included those players which played in the relevant finals, as those were the only players given medals [and some of the line-ups for the early rounds are unknown].

Birth details are generally given not by town or village, but by parish as that was how it was recorded then.

In the career clubs part, I have tried to keep them in some sort of chronological order but this was not always possible, so is not completely reliable. Clubs in italics were Junior Clubs. For rather obvious reasons, I have omitted the fact that they played for Falkirk FC.

Few photographs of the team and the players exist from this period, and some that do exist do not indicate who the players are. I have tended toward the best available pictures of the players whilst they were Falkirk players [eg I used a grainy picture of a 16 year old John Drummond, when there are much better photographs of him with Rangers & Scotland]. I Apologise for the quality of some of the photos, but I had little to work with.....

John Adam

Debut - Saturday December 7th 1878, v Petershill(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79
Position(s) - Half-back.

Thomas Baillie

b 13th April 1862, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 6th 1884, v Rangers Swifts(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85
Position(s) - Goal.

James Balloch

b 28th October 1858, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 23rd 1881, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1880/81-1887/88
Position(s) - Back, Half-back.
Club Honours – **Stirlingshire Cup W** 1883/84 RU 1886/87, **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Rangers, Benefit at Falkirk, 30th May 1885.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Linlithgowshire, Benefit at Falkirk, 12th June 1886.



George Barr

d 26th January, 1920, Glasgow

Debut - Saturday September 21st 1889, v St Bernards(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1889/90-1891/92
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1889/90.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup W** 1889/90. RU 1891/92, **Falkirk Charity Cup W** 1889/90. RU 1890/91, 1890/91.



Thomas Bellingham

b 21th January 1866, Culmore, Co.Antrim, Ireland
d 20th February 1935, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday August 22nd 1885, v St Bernards(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86-1887/88
Position(s) - Goal, Half-back, Forward.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1887/88.
Other Club(s) - *Falkirk Rangers*, Falkirk Wanderers.
Played for Kings Park v Falkirk, Benefit Match at Falkirk, 27th November 1886.
Played for Grahamston v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 29th January 1887.
Played for Grahamston Strollers v Grange Athletic, Friendly at Bo'ness, 14th May 1887.
Played for Falkirk Swifts v Stenhousemuir, Friendly at Stenhousemuir, 19th August 1887.
Though born in Ireland it would seem he was raised in Falkirk, as his younger sisters were all born in Falkirk.

J??? Bennet

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/'78
Position(s) - Forward.

William Binnie b 3rd January 1860, Milton, Glasgow

Debut - Saturday December 7th 1878, v Petershill(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79-1880/81
Position(s) - Back, Forward.

Robert Bishop b 2nd November 1861, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 21st September 1943, Larbert, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday February 2nd 1884, v Grasshoppers(H) Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd.

Season(s) - 1883/84-1887/88

Position(s) - Half-back.

Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1885/86.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84 RU 1886/87 **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86.

Played for Falkirk District XI v Cowlares, Benefit at Falkirk, 3rd May 1886.

Played for Campsie v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 23rd April 1887.

His playing career was ended prematurely from a severe kick on the knee-cap in a 2nd XI match against King's Park, in April 1887. He went on to be a renowned umpire [Referee].



Michael Brannan b 25th June 1867, Whitburn, West Lothian

Debut - Saturday August 16th 1890, v Third Lanark(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1890/91

Position(s) - Goal.

Other Club(s) - Slamannan, Camelon, Airdrieonians.

???? Brewster

Debut - Saturday March 10th 1888, v Rangers Swifts(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1887/88

Position(s) - Forward.

Sydney Broadfoot b 24th January 1857, Leith, Midlothian

Debut - Saturday September 6th 1879, v Kirkintilloch Athletic(A) Friendly

Season(s) - 1879/80

Position(s) - Goalkeeper.

Other Club(s) - Lenzie.

Alexander Brown

Debut - Saturday October 10th 1885, v Rangers(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1885/86

Position(s) - Back.

Other Club(s) - Partick Thistle, Comely Park, Clydebank.

Alexander Brown

Debut - Saturday August 21st 1886, v Third Lanark(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1886/87
Position(s) - Back, Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Forfarshire 1886/87.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87.
Other Club(s) - Partick Thistle.

The *Falkirk Herald* stated specifically that this was a different player from the player of the same name that played the previous season.

F??? Buchanan

Debut - Saturday April 6th 1878, v Govanhill(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/78
Position(s) - Back.

W??? Calder

Debut - Saturday September 6th 1884, v Rangers Swifts(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Comely Park.

William Callander b 23rd March 1871, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday January 11th 1890, v Laurieston(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1889/90-1891/92
Position(s) - Half-back.
Played for Battlefield v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 4th January 1890.

William Carmichael

Debut - Saturday September 22nd 1878, v King's Park(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79
Position(s) - Goal.

Joshua Cochrane b 15th January 1869, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday January 5th 1889, v Clydesdale Harriers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1888/89-1889/90
Position(s) - Half-back.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.
Emigrated to the USA in December 1889.
Brother of Peter Cochrane.

Peter Cochrane b 21st July 1866, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 7th 1888, v Armadale(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.
Emigrated to the USA on 18th July 1888.
Brother of Joshua Cochrane.

James Cox

Debut - Saturday April 14th 1888, v Queen's Park Strollers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88-1888/89
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston, Grangemouth.

'Cullen'

Debut - Saturday October 5th 1889, v Summertown Athletic(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1889/90
Position(s) - Goal.

???? Currie

Debut - Saturday May 14th 1881, v Third Lanark(H) Charity Match
Season(s) - 1880/81
Position(s) - Half-back.

Daniel Daye

d 21st October 1945, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday August 31st 1889, v Campsie(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1889/90-1892/93
Position(s) - Forward.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** RU 1889/90, 1890/91.
Other Club(s) - *Falkirk Excelsior*:
Played for Laurieston v Kilsyth Wanderers, Friendly at Kilsyth, 17th September 1892.
Scored five goals against Gairdoch in the Stirlingshire Cup Final 1889-90.
Noted variant spellings – Day, Daze

???? Denisson

Debut - Saturday January 24th 1891, v Gairdoch(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91
Position(s) - Forward.

John Devlin

b c1871, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 8th April 1898, Atbara, Sudan

Debut - Saturday May 7th 1887, v Stenhousemuir(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1886/87
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Clubs – *Falkirk Rangers*, Falkirk Harp, Black Watch, Erin Rovers, *Falkirk Excelsior*.
The first former Falkirk player to fall in combat.



Albert Dixon

b c1868, Ireland

Debut - Saturday November 15th 1884, v East Stirlingshire(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85-1887/88
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston, Grangemouth.
Noted variant spelling - Dickson.

D??? Dow

Debut - Saturday January 24th 1891, v Gairdoch(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91
Position(s) - Forward.
Scored on his only known appearance.
Played for Leith Athletic v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 29th September 1888.
Alex Ferguson's nephew and lodger, was David Dow and would fit perfectly, but this is mere speculation on my part.

John Drummond

b 13th April 1870, Alva, Stirlingshire
d 23rd January 1935, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 16th 1887, v Alloa Athletic(H) Friendly
Season(s) – 1886/87-1892/93, 1904/05-1906/07
Position(s) - Back, Half-back.
Representative Honours - **Scotland** v Ireland 1891/92. **Stirlingshire** v Linlithgowshire 1888/89, v Fife 1890/91, v Forfarshire 1890/91, 1891/92.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90. RU 1891/92, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90, 1891/92. RU 1890/91, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92. RU 1889/90, 1890/91
Other Club(s) - Rangers, Port Glasgow Athletic, Camelton, Grangemouth.



Selected for the 1891/92 International Trials.
 Played 100+ matches for Falkirk FC.
 Played for Zingari v Falkirk Excelsior, Friendly at Falkirk, 28th April 1887.
 Played for Falkirk Caledonians v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 5th May 1887.
 Played for Redding Athletic v Vale of Avon, Friendly at Redding, 8th June 1887.
 Played for Redding Athletic v Kilsyth Wanderers, Friendly at Kilsyth, 10th September 1887.
 Played for Falkirk District XI v Ibroxians, Benefit at Falkirk, 11th June 1889.
 Played for Dunblane 2nd XI v Falkirk 2nd XI, Friendly at Falkirk, 18th January 1890.
 Played for King's Park v Hurlford, Friendly at Stirling, 1st January 1891.
 Scorer Falkirk's first recorded penalty goal, v Glasgow Wanderers(H) September 12 1891, Scottish Federation.
 Cousin of George Drummond. [Falkirk FC 1899/00-1901/02]
 On a slightly more shrouded note, I get the feeling that he may have committed suicide, as his obituary in the *Falkirk Mail* tellingly stated that he was found alone in his bedroom with "severe wounds to his throat".

???? Elliott

Debut - Saturday September 6th 1879, v Kirkintilloch Athletic(A) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1879/80
 Position(s) - Back.

Robert Fearn b c1871, Polmont, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday August 30th 1890, v Laurieston(A) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1890/91, 1892/93-1895/96
 Position(s) - Half-back, Forward.
 Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1894/95.
 Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1894/95, 1895/96, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1893/94. RU 1894/95, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1892/93, 1893/94. RU 1895/96.
 Other Club(s) - *Burnhouse*.
 Played 150+ matches for Falkirk FC.
 Played for Stenhousemuir v Bo'ness, Friendly at Stenhousemuir, 26th August 1893.
 Noted variant spellings - Fearn, Fernes, Ferns.

Alexander Ferguson b 8th May 1859, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
 d 1st December 1892, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday June 14th 1879, v Bathgate(A) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1878/79-1885/86
 Position(s) - Forward.
 Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Lanarkshire 1883/84.
 Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84, **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86.
 Played for Falkirk District XI v Rangers, Benefit at Falkirk, 30th May 1885.
 After retiring he became the groundsman at Brockville for several years.
 Brother of William Ferguson.



It was stated that in 1890 he emigrated to Colorado due to his poor health, however he must have returned quickly. After his football career he was employed as groundsman by Falkirk FC at Brockville Pk. One of the first Falkirk FC players to have been awarded a benefit match [v Cowlares 16th June 1887].

Daniel Ferguson b Renfrewshire
 d 14th September 1935, Ferguslie, Renfrewshire

Debut - Tuesday May 22nd 1888, v Laurieston(H) Benefit Match
 Season(s) - 1887/88, 1892/93
 Position(s) - Forward.
 Other Club(s) - King's Park, Rangers.
 Latterly the Provost of Renfrew [1918-1924].

James Ferguson

Debut - Saturday September 22nd 1878, v King's Park(H) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1878/79
 Position(s) - Forward.

William Ferguson b 23rd December 1855, Falkirk, Stirlingshire



Debut - Saturday September 6th 1879, v Kirkintilloch Athletic(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1879/80-1882/83, 1885/86
Position(s) - Goal, Half-back, Forward.
Brother of Alex Ferguson.

David Fleming b c1866, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday May 14th 1881, v Third Lanark(H) Charity Match
Season(s) - 1880/81-1887/88
Position(s) - Half-back, Forward.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87.
Other Club(s) - *Falkirk Rangers*, Falkirk Wanderers .
Played for St Johnstone v Falkirk [scoring twice], Friendly at Falkirk, 24th August 1889.



David Fleming

Debut - Saturday February 27th 1886, v Battlefield(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86-1886/87
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1886/87.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87.
Other Club(s) - Laurieston.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Linlithgowshire, Benefit at Falkirk, 12th June 1886.

Alexander Fraser b 12th June 1873, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday October 25th 1890, v Royal Albert(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91-1891/92
Position(s) - Half-back.

???? Galloway

Debut - Saturday October 23rd 1880, v Dumbarton(H) Scottish Cup 3rd Rd
Season(s) - 1880/81
Position(s) - Back.
Probably a Dumbarton player, misprinted as a Falkirk player.

James Gardiner

Debut - Saturday April 14th 1888, v Queen's Park Strollers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston, Grangemouth, East Stirlingshire.

James Gardner b c1866
d 21st January 1908, Glasgow

Debut - Saturday September 20th 1890, v St Johnstone(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Denny

W??? Geddes

Debut - Saturday September 22nd 1878, v King's Park(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79, 1880/81
Position(s) - Half-back, Back.

William Gentleman b 24th January 1857, Avonbridge, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1877/78-1878/79

Position(s) - Back, Half-back, Forward.

Emigrated to Chicago, USA c1881.

In a meeting of "Bairns" in Chicago in 1902, he claimed that it was his 10/- that first started Falkirk FC.

Robert Gibson

b 18th July 1855, Eastwood, Renfrewshire

d 16th April 1892, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 18th 1880, v Queen's Park(Hampden XI)(H) Friendly.

Season(s) - 1880/81-1885/86

Position(s) - Forward.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84.

Played for East Stirlingshire v Vale of Teith, Friendly at Bainsford, 10th March 1883.

Played for Alloa Athletic XI v Queen's Park, Friendly at Alloa, 28th April 1883.

Brother of Walter Gibson.



Walter Gibson

b 13th July 1857, Eastwood, Renfrewshire

Debut - Saturday September 18th 1880, v Queen's Park(Hampden XI)(H) Friendly.

Season(s) - 1880/81-1885/86

Position(s) - Forward.

Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Lanarkshire 1883/84.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84, **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86.

Played for East Stirlingshire v King's Park, Friendly at Bainsford, 24th November 1883.

Brother of Robert Gibson.



???? Gilchrist

Debut - Saturday September 18th 1880, v Queen's Park(Hampden XI)(H) Friendly.

Season(s) - 1880/81-1881/82

Position(s) - Half-back, Forward

Alexander 'Ballangeich' Gillespie

b 5th January 1868, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

d 17th March 1945, Rosyth, Fife

Debut - Saturday October 25th 1884, v Partick(A) Scottish Cup 3rd Rd.

Season(s) - 1884/85-1889/90, 1891/92

Position(s) - Forward.

Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1885/86.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87.

Played for Falkirk District XI v Rangers, Benefit at Falkirk, 30th May 1885.

Played for East Stirlingshire v Port Glasgow Athletic, Friendly at Port Glasgow, 6th November 1886.

Played for Falkirk Caledonians v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 5th May 1887.

Played for Falkirk Caledonians v Vale of Grange, Friendly at Grangemouth, 29th October 1887.

Pseudonym- 'Anderson'.

Brother of John, William, David [FFC 1895/96-1896/97] and Robert Gillespie [FFC 1898/99].

His nickname came from a popular & successful greyhound of the time. Alex was successful in the hundred yard dash, which was popular in the Sports Meetings which were very popular of the time.

John Gillespie

b 15th November 1870, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

d 4th September 1933, Edinburgh

Debut - Saturday January 19th 1889, v Queen's Park Strollers(H) Friendly.

Season(s) - 1888/89-1891/92

Position(s) - Goal, Half-back, Forward.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889-90, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889-90. RU 1890-91,

Falkirk Hospital Shield RU 1889-90, 1890-91.

Other Club(s) - Comely Park, Falkirk Caledonians, Queen's Park, Camelon, Falkirk Amateurs.

Pseudonym- J.'Anderson'.

Played for Clydesdale Harriers v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 5th January 1889.

Brother of Alex, William, David [FFC 1895/96-1896/97] and Robert Gillespie [FFC 1898/99].

Portrait from The *Falkirk Mail* January 1900, just before he left for South Africa to serve in the Boer War.



William Gillespie

b 17th April 1869, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 3rd 1887, v Kilsyth Wanderers (H) Scottish Cup 1st Rd.
Season(s) - 1887/88, 1889/90-1890/91
Position(s) - Half-back, Forward.
Other Club(s) - Comely Park.
Played for Clydesdale Harriers v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 5th January 1889.
Brother of John, Alex, David [FFC 1895/96-1896/97] and Robert Gillespie [FFC 1898/99].

John Gloag b 8th November 1865, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday August 22nd 1885, v St Bernards(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86
Position(s) - Back.
Other Club(s) - *Falkirk Rangers*, Grahamston.

Thomas Graham

Debut - Saturday August 11th 1888, v Dumbarton Athletic(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1888/89
Position(s) - Half-back.
Other Club(s) - Grangemouth, East Stirlingshire.
Brother of Andrew Graham [Falkirk FC 1892/93].

???? Gray

Debut - Saturday March 17th 1888, v Dumbarton Athletic(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Goal.
Other Club(s) – Camelon, Dunpace.

Thomas Hamilton b 17th December 1860, Maybole, Ayrshire

Debut - Saturday June 14th 1879, v Bathgate(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79-1885/86
Position(s) - Forward.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84.
Brother of William Hamilton.



William Hamilton b 7th December 1864, Maybole Ayrshire

Debut - Saturday September 15th 1883, v Partick Thistle(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1883/84-1888/89
Position(s) - Back, Half-back, Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Forfarshire 1886/87.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84. RU 1886/87, 1887/88. **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885-86
Played for Falkirk District XI v Rangers, Benefit at Falkirk, 30th May 1885.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Partick Thistle, Benefit at Falkirk, 22nd May 1886.
Played for Clydesdale Harriers v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 5th January 1889.
Played for Summertown Athletic v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 5th October 1889.
Brother of Thomas Hamilton.



Michael Harley b 8th May 1866, Larbert, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday June 5th 1886, v Slamannan(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86-1888/89
Position(s) - Back.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Forfarshire 1886/87, v Fife 1887/88.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87, 1887/88.
Other Club(s) - Carron, East Stirlingshire.
Played for Carron Rangers v Bainsford North End, Friendly at Bainsford, 6th November 1886

Played for Zingari v Falkirk Excelsior, Friendly at Falkirk, 28th April 1887.
Played for Foundry Office v Other Offices, Friendly at Carron, 31st March 1887.
Played for East Stirlingshire 2nd XI v Gairdoch, Friendly at Bainsford, 3rd September 1887
Played for Falkirk District XI v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Bainsford, 17th April 1888.
Brother of Thomas Harley.

Thomas Harley b 29th September 1870, Larbert, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday March 10th 1888, v Rangers Swifts(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88-1888/89
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Gairdoch, East Stirlingshire, Carron Athletic.
Played for Falkirk Swifts v Stenhousemuir, Friendly at Stenhousemuir, 19th August 1887.
Brother of Michael Harley.

Alexander Hay b 4th April 1864, Carronshore, Stirlingshire

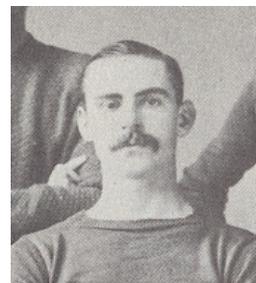
Debut - Wednesday April 29th 1885, v St Andrew's(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85-1885/86
Position(s) - Back.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.

Archibald Hendry b 4th January 1960, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 9th 1881, v Lenzie(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1880/81, 1882/83-1885/86
Position(s) - Forward.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** - W 1883/84.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.
Brother of Henry Hendry.
Noted variant spelling - Hendrie

Henry 'Shuffler' Hendry b 29th January 1857, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 18th 1880, v Queen's Park(Hampden XI) (H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1880/81-1885/86
Positions- Goal, Back, Half-back.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84.
Brother of Archie Hendry.
Noted variant spelling - Hendrie.



John Honeyman b 24th January 1866, Larbert, Stirlingshire
d 13th June 1943, Larbert, Stirlingshire

Debut - Tuesday May 15th 1888, v King's Park(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88-1888/89
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Carron, Gairdoch, East Stirlingshire.

John Horn b 27th August 1857, Govan, Lanarkshire
d 3rd July 1938

Debut - Saturday April 23rd 1881, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1880/81-1882/83
Positions- Back, Forward.
Played for Foundry Office v Other Offices, Friendly at Carron, 31st March 1887.
Better known locally for being the secretary of Falkirk Cricket Club.
Note(s) - Emigrated to the Pittsburgh, USA in 1887.
Noted variant spelling - Horne.

???? Jamieson

Debut - Saturday November 5th 1887, v Athenians(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Forward.

Other Club(s) - Leith Athletic.

R??? Johnston

Debut - Saturday September 6th 1879, v Kirkintilloch Athletic(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1879/80

Position(s) - Forward.

William Johnston

Debut - Saturday April 6th 1878, v Govanhill(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1877/78-1879/80

Position(s) - Half-back, Forward.

In early 1886 owned a restaurant in either Alexandria or Dumbarton.

William Johnston

Debut - Saturday August 11th 1888, v Dumbarton Athletic(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1888/89

Position(s) - Half-back.

Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Linlithgowshire 1888/89.

Other Club(s) - Grangemouth.

Alexander Kennedy

b 31st January 1864, Lennoxton, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 21st 1889, v St Bernards(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1889/90, 1892/93

Position(s) - Half-Back, Forward.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889-90, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** RU 1889-90.

Other Club(s) - Campsie, Cowlares, Newcastle West-End.

George Kerr

b 1st November 1868, Kilbarchan, Renfrewshire

Debut - Saturday March 20th 1886, v St Andrews(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1885/86-1889/90

Position(s) - Back.

Other Club(s) - *Falkirk Blue Bell*, Black Watch, Grahamston Corinthians.

Played for Grahamston Strollers v Grange Athletic, Friendly at Bo'ness, 14th May 1887.

Played for Foundry Office v Other Offices, Friendly at Carron, 31st March 1887.

Played for Grahamston v Falkirk Ancients, Friendly at Falkirk, 22nd October 1887.

Played for Leith Athletic v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 29th September 1888.

Played for Linthouse v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 1st December 1888.



John Law

Debut - Saturday March 8th 1879, v Kelvinbank(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1878/79

Position(s) - Half-back.

William Law

b 27th March 1869, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday May 7th 1887, v Stenhousemuir(A) Friendly

Season(s) - 1886/87-1891/92

Position(s) - Half-back.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1887/88.

Other Club(s) - Transvaal Rangers [SA].

The first Falkirk player to be sent off in a match, for kicking an opponent v Vale of Bannock on Saturday March 3rd 1888 [Stirlingshire Cup Semi-Final].

Played for Falkirk Swifts v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 18th May 1887.

Played for Grahamston v Falkirk Ancients, Friendly at Falkirk, 22nd October 1887.

Played for Grahamston v King's Park, Friendly at Falkirk, 29th October 1887.

Played for Clydesdale Harriers v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 5th January 1889.



Emigrated to South Africa in October 1892.
Pseudonym 'Scott'.

James Leishman

b c1856.
d 7th November 1935, Camelon, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878 v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/78-1885/86
Positions - Back, Forward.
Other Club(s) - East Stirlingshire, Camelon.
Scorer of Falkirk FC's first recorded hat-trick, v Bonnybridge Grasshoppers (A) Scottish Cup 2nd Rd, Saturday October 1st 1881.



James Liddell

b 10th August 1864, Larbert, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday October 1st 1887, v Campsie(A) Scottish Cup 2nd Rd Replay
Season(s) - 1887/88-1891/92
Position(s) - Back.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Linlithgowshire 1887/88, v Forfarshire 1888/89, v Fife 1889/90.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90 RU 1887/88, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90 RU 1890/91, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** RU 1889/90, 1890/91.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.
Played 100+ games for Falkirk FC.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Glasgow Corinthians, Benefit Match at Camelon, 17th May 1890.
Noted variant spelling - Liddle.

John Logan

b 21st November 1865, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 17th 1887, v St Mirren(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88-1888/89
Position(s) - Half-back.
Played for Falkirk District XI v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Bainsford, 17th April 1888.
Played for Clydesdale Harriers v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 5th January 1889.
Pseudonym - "Grassom"

James Love

Debut - Thursday April 9th 1885, v Pilgrims(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85-1886/87
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Renfrewshire 1885/86.
Club Honours - **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86
Other Club(s) - St Andrews, Battlefield, St Bernards.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Rangers, Benefit at Falkirk, 30th May 1885.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Cowlares, Benefit at Falkirk, 3rd May 1886.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Partick Thistle, Benefit at Falkirk, 22nd May 1886.
Played for Grangemouth v Vale of Bannock, Friendly at Bannockburn, 6th November 1886.
Pseudonym- J.'Craig'.

???? Mackie

Debut - Saturday March 9th 1889, v Camelon(H) Friendly.
Season(s) - 1888/89-1889/90
Position(s) - Half-back, Forward.

David Malcolm

b 23rd September 1870, Bathgate, Linlithgowshire

Debut - Saturday November 3rd 1888, v Queen of the South Wanderers(A) Scottish Cup 4th Rd
Season(s) - 1888/89-1889/90
Position(s) - Back.
Other Club(s) - East Stirlingshire.

Alexander Mallice

b c1860, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 22nd October 1936, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Friday May 11th 1888, v Stenhousemuir(A) Benefit Match
Season(s) - 1887/88, 1890/91
Position(s) - Goal.
Other Club(s) – *Burnhouse*, Falkirk Caledonians.
Played for Redding Athletic v Kilsyth Wanderers, Friendly at Kilsyth, 10th September 1887.
Noted variant spelling - Mellis.

Colin Marshall

Debut - Saturday January 28th 1888, v King's Park(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Half-back.

???? Maxwell

Debut - Saturday September 10th 1887, v Pollockshaws Athletic(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - *Carrington*.
Scored in his only known match.

John Mercer b Nov/Dec 1868

Debut - Tuesday May 22nd 1888, v Laurieston(H) Benefit Match
Season(s) - 1887/88-1888/89
Position(s) - Goal.
Other Club(s) - East Stirlingshire, Gairdoch.
Noted variant spelling - Messer

Andrew Millar b 7th February 1864, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 7th 1888, v Armadale(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Half-back.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.
Probably emigrated to Australia in late 1888.
Brother of Robert Millar.
Noted variant spelling - Miller.

Robert Millar b 8th September 1860, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 15th 1883, v Partick Thistle(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1883/84
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.
Brother of Andrew Millar.
Noted variant spelling - Miller

John 'Pitcher' Mitchell

Debut - Saturday September 2nd 1882, v East Stirlingshire(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1882/83-1890/91, 1892/93
Position(s) - Goal, Back.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1886/87, 1887/88.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87, 1887/88, **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86.
Played 100+ matches for Falkirk FC.
Played for Alloa Athletic XI v Queen's Park, Friendly at Alloa, 28th April 1883.
Played for 1st Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers v Falkirk, Benefit at Falkirk, 13th April 1886.
Played for 1st Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Bainsford, 27th April 1886.
Played for 1st Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers v Laurieston, Benefit at Laurieston, 4th May 1886.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Partick Thistle, Benefit at Falkirk, 22nd May 1886.

Played for Falkirk District XI v St Mirren, Friendly at Camelon, 12th June 1886.
Played for Falkirk Caledonians v Falkirk Jubileans, Friendly at Falkirk, 20th April 1887.
Played for Clydesdale Harriers v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 5th January 1889.
Lived in the Boag in later life. Was Landlord of the Crown, Lint Riggs. at some point.

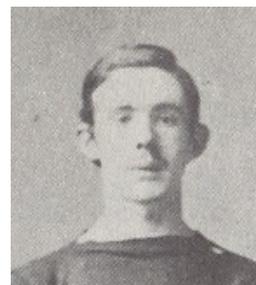
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Debut - Saturday April 4th 1885, v East Stirlingshire(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85
Position(s) - Goal.
Conceded eight goals in his only known match.

James 'Pat' Murphy

b 4th October 1859, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 28th May 1942, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday May 8th 1880, v Bathgate(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1879/80-1886/87
Position(s) - Back.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84 **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston Corinthians.
Played for Tayavalla v Dunblane, Friendly at Dunblane, 6th October 1883.
Played for Grahamston v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Grahamston, 27th May 1885.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Linlithgowshire, Benefit at Falkirk, 12th June 1886.
Played for Falkirk Harp v Falkirk, Charity Cup 1st Rd at Falkirk, 9th April 1887.
Pseudonym- 'M.James'.



William Murphy

b 5th June 1869, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday May 7th 1887, v Stenhousemuir(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1886/87-1888/89
Position(s) - Forward.
Played for Falkirk Swifts v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 18th May 1887.
Played for Redding Athletic v Kilsyth Wanderers, Friendly at Kilsyth, 10th September 1887.
He had his collar-bone broken in a 2nd XI Friendly v Albion Rovers 2nd XI at Brockville Pk, on the 19th April 1890, effectively ending his senior career.



James 'Sodger' McDonald

Debut - Saturday January 24th 1885, v Campsie(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85-1893/94, 1895/96
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1885/86, v Forfarshire 1886/87, v Renfrewshire 1886/87.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87, 1887/88, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90. RU 1890/91, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** RU 1889/90, 1890/91.
Other Club(s) - *Falkirk Rangers*, Grahamston.
Played 150+ matches for Falkirk FC.
Played for Falkirk District XI v St Mirren, Friendly at Camelon, 12th June 1886.
Played for Grahamston 2nd XI v Camelon 2nd XI, Friendly at Falkirk, 18th December 1886.
Played for Falkirk Caledonians v Falkirk Jubileans, Friendly at Falkirk, 20th April 1887.
Played for Falkirk Caledonians v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 5th May 1887.
Played for Grahamston Strollers v Grange Athletic, Friendly at Bo'ness, 14th May 1887.
Played for Redding Athletic v Falkirk Swifts, Friendly at Redding, 18th May 1887.
Played for Arbroath Wanderers v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 16th April 1894.

Thomas McDonald

b 28th December 1868, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 28th December 1943, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday March 26th 1887, v Rangers Swifts(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1886/87-1892/93, 1895/96-1896/97
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1887/88, 1889/90, 1890/91, v Linlithgowshire 1887/88, v Forfarshire 1889/90.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90, 1895/96. RU 1887/88, 1891/92, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90, 1891/92. RU 1890/91, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92. RU 1889/90, 1895/96.



Other Club(s) - Black Watch, East Stirlingshire, Slamannan Rovers, Camelon.
Played 150+ matches for Falkirk FC.
Played for Falkirk Swifts v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 18th May 1887.
Played for Falkirk Swifts v Carron Athletic, Friendly at Carron, 8th June 1887.
Played for Falkirk District XI v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Bainsford, 17th April 1888.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Glasgow Corinthians, Benefit at Camelon, 17th May 1890.
Pseudonym- Thomas 'Donnelly'

Angus McEwan b 29th October 1856, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/78
Position(s) - Goalkeeper
Noted variant spelling - McQueen.

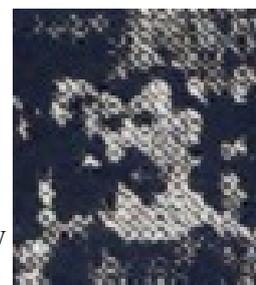
Quinton McFarlane b 9th July 1867, Lennoxton, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 14th 1889, v Camelon(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1889/90
Position(s) - Back.
Other Club(s) - Campsie, Vale of Endrick.
Portrait from an article in the Scottish Umpire in April 1887.



Thomas McFarlane b 17th October 1871, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 9th January 1940, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday August 30th 1890, v Laurieston(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91-1897/98, 1900/01
Position(s) - Back.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Forfarshire 1892/93, 1897/98, v Fife 1892/93, 1893/94.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1894/95, 1895/96. RU 1897/98, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1891/92, 1893/94. RU 1894/95, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92, 1892/93, 1893/94. RU 1895/96.
Other Club(s) - Camelon.
Played 200+ matches for Falkirk FC.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Grangemouth, Benefit at Grangemouth, 28th April 1892.
Played for Camelon v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Bainsford, 30th May 1892.
Played for Camelon v East Stirlingshire, Friendly at Camelon, 14th January 1893.
Played for Stirlingshire XI v Grangemouth, Benefit at Bainsford, 9th May 1893.



???? McFarlane

Debut - Saturday September 21st 1889, v St Bernards(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1889/90
Position(s) - Forward.

Alexander McGregor b 28th October 1867, Hutchesontown, Glasgow

Debut - Saturday September 28th 1889, v King's Park(H) Scottish Cup 2nd Rd
Season(s) - 1889/90-1894/95
Position(s) - Half-back
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90. RU 1891/92, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90, 1891/92. RU 1890/91, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92. RU 1889/90, 1890/91.
Other Club(s) - Slamannan Rovers.

John McIntosh b 19th March 1865, Larbert, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 27th 1884, v King's Park(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85-1892/93
Position(s) - Half-back, Forward
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1886/87.

Played for Falkirk District XI v Partick Thistle, Benefit at Falkirk, 22nd May 1886.
Played for Falkirk Swifts v Carron Athletic, Friendly at Carron, 8th June 1887.
Brother of Gilbert McIntosh [Falkirk FC 2nd XI]

Laurence McLauchlan b 12th August 1862, Stane, Lanarkshire
d 26th December 1912, Edinburgh

Debut - Saturday November 17th 1883, v King's Park(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1883/84
Position(s) - Forward
Scored in his only match.
Other Club(s) - East Stirlingshire, King's Park, Shotts.
Photograph from the East Stirlingshire team line-up, Stirlingshire Cup Final 1884.



D??? McManus

Debut - Saturday August 22nd 1885, v St Bernards(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston, Grangemouth.
Noted variant spellings - McMannice, McManis.

D??? McMillan

Debut - Saturday September 29th 1878, v Campsie Glen(H) Scottish Cup 1st Rd
Season(s) - 1878/79
Position(s) - Back

David McNair b 21st March 1858, Torphichen, Linlithgowshire

Debut - Saturday September 27th 1879, v Grasshoppers(H) Scottish Cup 1st Rd.
Season(s) - 1879/80-1880/81
Position(s) - Goal
Brother of James McNair.

James McNair b 4th July 1862, Torphichen, Linlithgowshire

Debut - Saturday May 8th 1880, v Bathgate(H) Friendly.
Season(s) - 1879/80
Position(s) - Forward
Brother of David McNair.

William McVey b 15th October 1861, Grangemouth, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday November 29th 1884, v Stenhousemuir(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85-1886/87
Position(s) - Back, Half-back.
Club Honours - **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1885/86.
Played for King's Park v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 14th February 1885.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Partick Thistle, Benefit at Falkirk, 22nd May 1886.

James Neil b 26th October 1854, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire
d 21st October 1888, Carron, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/78-1881/82
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - East Stirlingshire.
As far as I'm aware the first Falkirk player to pass on.

P??? Neill

Debut - Saturday August 28th 1886 v Vale of Bannock(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1886/87
Position(s) - Forward.

Other Club(s) - Black Watch.

W??? Nimmo

Debut - Saturday October 27th 1888, v Campsie(A) Stirlingshire Cup 1st Rd
Season(s) - 1888/89
Position(s) - Forward.
Played for Grahamston v Falkirk Ancients, Friendly at Falkirk, 22nd October 1887.
Played for Leith Athletic v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 29th September 1888.

???? Patterson

Debut - Saturday October 20th 1888, v Campsie(A) Scottish Cup 3rd Rd Replay
Season(s) - 1888/89
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Hearts, East Stirlingshire.

Richard Peddie

b c1857, Sunderland, Durham

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/78-1878/79
Position(s) - Forward.
Brother of William Peddie.
Had previously played Rugby for Grangemouth FC.
In June 1882 was one of the founders of Zetland FC, the first Association Football club from Grangemouth.

William Peddie

b c1855, Sunderland, Durham

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/78-1878/79
Position(s) - Forward.
Brother of Richard Peddie.
Had previously played Rugby for Grangemouth FC.

John Pray

b 17th March 1872, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 1948

Debut - Saturday September 13th 1890, v Linthouse(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91-1893/94
Position(s) - Back, Half-back, Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1893/94.
Club Honours - **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1891/92, 1893/94. RU 1890/91, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92, 1892/93, 1893/94. RU 1890/91.
Other Club(s) - Rangers, Bury.
Played 100+ matches for Falkirk FC.
Played for East Stirlingshire v Gairdoch, Friendly at Carronshore 5th August 1891.
Played for Grangemouth v Glasgow Wanderers, Friendly at Grangemouth, 4th April 1892.
Plated for East Stirlingshire v Airdrieonians, Scottish Alliance at Airdrie, 9th April 1892.
Played for Grangemouth v Falkirk District XI, Benefit at Grangemouth, 28th April 1892.
Played for Port Glasgow Athletic v East Stirlingshire, Friendly at Bainsford, 5th January 1893.
Played for Camelon v Laurieston, Friendly at Laurieston, 11th February 1893.
Played for Stirlingshire XI v Grangemouth, Benefit at Bainsford, 9th May 1893.
An article in the *Falkirk Mail* during WWII stated John had emigrated to the USA at some point.
Most contemporary match reports and modern books spell his name Prey, however his name is clearly Pray on his birth record and the 1881 & 1891 censuses.
Photograph from a Bury team line-up.



David Rae

Debut - Saturday January 11th 1890, v Laurieston(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1889/90-1891/92
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Laurieston.

George Rae

b c1866, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday May 7th 1887, v Stenhousemuir(A) Friendly

Season(s) - 1886/87

Position(s) - Half-back.

Played for Redding Athletic v Kilsyth Wanderers, Friendly at Kilsyth, 10th September 1887.

It would seem he was adopted making it very difficult to verify his birth details.

**Robert Rae**b 12th September 1867, Bothkennar, StirlingshireDebut - Saturday August 21st 1886, v Third Lanark(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1886/87-1890/91

Position(s) - Goal.

Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** RU 1889/90, 1890/91.

Other Club(s) - East Stirlingshire.

Played for Grahamston v Stenhousemuir, Friendly at Stenhousemuir, 26th March 1887.Played for Grahamston v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 27th August 1887.Played for Grahamston v Falkirk Ancients, Friendly at Falkirk, 22nd October 1887.**James Rankine**b 30th December 1859, Falkirk, StirlingshireDebut - Saturday November 29th 1884, v Stenhousemuir(A) Friendly

Season(s) - 1884/85-1885/86

Position(s) - Forward.

Henry 'Harry' Reidb 4th March 1870, Larbert, StirlingshireDebut - Tuesday May 15th 1888, v King's Park(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1887/88, 1890/91

Position(s) - Forward.

Other Club(s) - Stenhousemuir, East Stirlingshire, King's Park, Rangers.

Brother of Robert Reid.

Robert Reidb 30th August 1864, Larbert, StirlingshireDebut - Saturday August 18th 1888, v Strathmore(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1888/89

Position(s) - Back.

Career Club(s) - Camelon, Stenhousemuir

Brother of Harry Reid.

George Richardsonb 9th November 1859, Falkirk, StirlingshireDebut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1877/78-1880/81

Positions- Goal, Back, Half-back, Forward.

Brother of James Richardson.

James Richardson

b c1858, Chimbote, Peru

d 1st October 1927, Falkirk, StirlingshireDebut - Saturday March 8th 1879, v Kelvinbank(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1878/79-1880/81

Position(s) - Back.

Other Club(s) - Kelvinbank.

Brother of George Richardson.

George Robbb 28th October 1861, Cumbernauld, Dunbartonshire

Debut - Saturday September 2nd 1882, v East Stirlingshire(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1882/83-1886/87
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.

Edward Roberts b 8th April 1871, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 4th 1891, v Camelon(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91-1892/93
Position(s) - Half-back, Forward.

William 'Spoff' Roberts b 26th March 1866, Queensferry, West Lothian
d 23rd May 1942, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday January 24th 1885, v Campsie(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1884/85-1888/89
Position(s) - Half-back, Forward.

David Ross b 2nd May 1871, Coldingham, Berwickshire

Debut - Saturday June 5th 1889, v Gairdoch(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1888/89-1893/94
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Forfarshire 1893/94.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90, **Falkirk Charity Cup** RU 1890/91, 1891/92, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92, 1892/93. RU 1889/90, 1890/91.
Other Club(s) - *Falkirk Excelsior*.
Played 100+ matches for Falkirk FC.

Alexander Rule b 13th March 1866, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d 24th October 1903, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday October 10th 1885, v Rangers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston.
Played for 1st Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers v Falkirk, Benefit at Falkirk, 13th April 1886.
Played for 1st Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Bainsford, 27th April 1886.
Played for 1st Stirlingshire Rifle Volunteers v Laurieston, Benefit at Laurieston, 4th May 1886.
Pseudonym - "Callander"

James 'Jeff' Russell b c1867
d 8th July 1926, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 28th 1888, v Camelon(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88-1888/89, 1892/93-1896/97
Position(s) - Back, Half-back.
Club Honours - **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1892/93.
Other Club(s) - Camelon.
The hiatus in his career was caused by a badly broken leg in a friendly v Queen's Park.

William Sanderson b 8th June 1861, Polmont, Stirlingshire

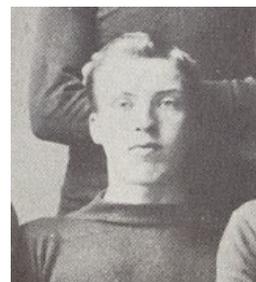
Debut - Saturday November 26th 1881, v Alexandra Athletic(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1880/81-1883/84
Position(s) - Forward.

Robert Service b 27th March 1857, Closeburn, Dumfriesshire

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1877/78-1879/80
Position(s) - Back, Half-back, Forward.

Robert Sibbald b 13th December 1866, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday December 25th 1886, v Laurieston(A) Friendly



Season(s) - 1886/87
Position(s) - Forward, Half-back.
Other Club(s) - Laurieston.
Played for Laurieston 2nd XI v Gairdoch 2nd XI, Friendly at Carronshore, 30th April 1887.
Played for Falkirk Swifts v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 18th May 1887.
Played for Laurieston XI v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 4th June 1887.
Noted variant spelling - Sibbles.

William Sinclair

Debut - Saturday November 5th 1887, v Athenians(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Fife 1887/88.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1887/88.
Other Club(s) - Dumbarton Athletic, Northern.

John Smellie b 8th March 1863, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday November 17th 1883, v King's Park(A) Friendly.
Season(s) - 1883/'84
Position(s) - Forward.

A?? Smith

Debut - Saturday September 6th 1879, v Kirkintilloch Athletic(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1879/80
Position(s) - Forward.

Henry 'English Harry' Smith b c1855, Farnham, Surrey
d 27th August 1928, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday June 14th 1879, v Bathgate (A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79-1882/83
Positions- Goal, Back, Half-back.
Also played cricket for East Stirlingshire, Falkirk & Stenhousemuir CC before and after his football career.



Thomas Smith b 31st October 1872, Carronshore, Stirlingshire
d 16th February 1895, Carronshore, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday April 25th 1891, v Laurieston(H) Falkirk Charity Cup Semi-Final
Season(s) - 1890/91-1892/93
Position(s) - Half-back.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** RU 1891/92, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1891/92, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891-92.
Other Club(s) - Gairdoch.

William Sneddon b 12th February 1869, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday August 20th 1887, v Arbroath(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Forward.
Played for Redding Athletic v Kilsyth Wanderers, Friendly at Kilsyth, 10th September 1887.

Alexander 'Buttons' Stark b 11th April 1869, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
d c1935, New Zealand

Debut - Thursday June 3rd 1886, v Rangers Swifts(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86-1894/95
Position(s) - Forward.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Forfarshire 1886/87, 1887/88, 1888/89, 1889/90, 1890/91, 1891/92, 1892/93, v Renfrewshire 1886/87, v Linlithgowshire 1887/88, 1888/89, v Fife 1890/91, 1891/92, 1893/94.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1889/90, 1894/95, RU 1886/87, 1887/88, 1891/92, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1889/90, 1891/92, 1893/94, RU 1890/91, 1894/95, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92, 1892/93, 1893/94, RU 1889/90, 1890/91.

Other Club(s) - Queen's Park, Canterbury [NZ].
 Selected for the 1889/90 International Trials.
 Played 250+ matches for Falkirk FC.
 Played for Falkirk Swifts v Redding Athletic, Friendly at Redding, 18th May 1887.
 Played for Falkirk Swifts v Carron Athletic, Friendly at Carron, 8th June 1887.
 Played for Falkirk District XI v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Bainsford, 17th April 1888.
 Played for Falkirk District XI v Ibroxonians, Benefit at Falkirk, 11th June 1889.
 Played for King's Park v Corinthians, Friendly at Stirling, 31st December 1889.
 Played for Falkirk District XI v Glasgow Corinthians, Benefit at Camelon, 17th May 1890.
 Played for King's Park v Hurlford, Friendly at Stirling, 1st January 1891.
 Played for King's Park v London Casuals, Friendly at Stirling, 2nd January 1891.
 Played for King's Park v Dumbarton, Friendly at Stirling, 3rd January 1891.
 Played for Falkirk District XI v Grangemouth, Benefit at Grangemouth, 28th April 1892.
 Played for Laurieston v Camelon, Friendly at Laurieston, 11th February 1893.
 Played for Stirlingshire XI v Grangemouth, Benefit at Bainsford, 9th May 1893.
 Emigrated to New Zealand in July 1895.
 Vice President of the New Zealand FA in 1905/06.
 Played in New Zealand's first International [subsequently rated unofficial] v New South Wales in 1904.
 It would seem he signed professional terms with Bolton Wanderers, but it seems never played for them, thus not invalidating his amateur status in Scotland.

Robert Symington

Debut - Saturday April 16th 1887, v Alloa Athletic(H) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1886/87
 Position(s) - Forward.
 Other Club(s) - Comely Park, Grahamston.
 Played for Falkirk Swifts v Carron Athletic, Friendly at Carron, 8th June 1887.
 Played for Foundry Office v Other Offices, Friendly at Carron, 31st March 1887.



H??? Taylor

Debut - Saturday January 28th 1882, v Alexandra Athletic (A) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1881/82
 Position(s) - Forward.

John Taylor

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1877/78-1878/79
 Positions- Half-back, Forward.

Thomas Taylor

Debut - Saturday March 23rd 1878, v Grasshoppers(H) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1877/78-1878/79
 Position(s) - Back, Forward.

William Taylor

Debut - Saturday September 15th 1883, v Partick Thistle(A) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1883/84-1885/86
 Position(s) - Forward, Half-back.
 Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84.
 Pseudonym- W.'Liddle'.



James 'Midgy' Tennant

b c1872, Falkirk, Stirlingshire
 d 25th September 1926, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday January 10th 1891, v Battlefield(H) Friendly
 Season(s) - 1890/91-1897/98
 Position(s) - Forward.
 Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Forfarshire 1894/95.
 Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1894/95, 1895/96. RU 1891/92, 1897/98, **Falkirk Charity Cup** W 1891/92,

1893/94. RU 1894/95, **Falkirk Hospital Shield** W 1891/92, 1892/93, 1893/94. RU 1895/96.
Career Club(s) - *Burnhouse, Falkirk Athletic, Camelon.*
Played 200+ matches for Falkirk FC.
Noted variant spelling - Tennent.

George Thallon

b 23rd January 1863, Stirling, Stirlingshire
d 17th June 1894.

Debut - Saturday April 16th 1887, v Alloa Athletic(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1886/87-1888/89
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - King's Park, East Stirlingshire.
Pseudonym- G.'Henderson'.
Noted variant spelling - Challon.
Photograph from a King's Park line-up.



Alexander Turnbull

b 14th May 1862, St Ninians, Stirlingshire

Debut - Saturday September 2nd 1882, v East Stirlingshire(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1881/82-1884/85
Position(s) - Goal.
Representative Honours - **Stirlingshire** v Lanarkshire 1883/84.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** W 1883/84.
Played for Falkirk District XI v Rangers, Benefit at Falkirk, 30th May 1885.
Played for Grahamston v East Stirlingshire, Benefit at Grahamston, 27th May 1885.
Pseudonym - A.'Anderson'
Emigrated to Canada c1885-86.
Brother of James [FFC 1903/04] & Thomas Turnbull [FFC 1893/94-1897/98].



???? Waddell

Debut - Saturday April 18th 1891, v St Johnstone(A) Friendly
Season(s) - 1890/91-1891/92
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Grahamston Corinthians, Stenhousemuir, Grangemouth.

A??? Walker

Debut - Saturday September 22nd 1878, v King's Park(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79
Position(s) - Back.

James Walker

Debut - Saturday November 29th 1878 v Lenzie(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1878/79
Position(s) - Forward.

Robert Walker

Debut - Thursday June 3rd 1886, v Rangers Swifts(H) Friendly
Season(s) - 1885/86-1886/87
Position(s) - Forward.
Other Club(s) - Alloa Athletic.
Played for Falkirk District XI v St Mirren, Friendly at Camelon, 12th June 1886.
Played for Grangemouth v Vale of Bannock, Friendly at Bannockburn, 6th November 1886.
Pseudonym - 'Williams'.

???? Wallace

Debut - Saturday December 10th 1887, v Vale of Forth(H) Stirlingshire Cup 3rd Rd
Season(s) - 1887/88
Position(s) - Half-back.
Club Honours - **Stirlingshire Cup** - RU 1887/88.

Other Club(s) - Morton.

???? Ward

Debut - Saturday November 26th 1881, v Alexandra Athletic(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1881/82

Position(s) - Forward.

George Watson

Debut - Saturday April 25th 1891, v Laurieston (H) Falkirk & District Charity Cup Semi-Final

Season(s) - 1890/91-1895/96

Position(s) - Back, Half-back.

Played for Burnhouse v Falkirk Central, Benefit at Falkirk, 21st May 1890.

Peter Wright

Debut - Saturday April 4th 1891 v Camelon(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1890/91-1891/92

Position(s) - Goal.

Club Honours - **Falkirk Charity Cup** - RU 1890/91.

Career Club(s) - *Falkirk Central*, Camelon, Grasshoppers, Grangemouth.

'Young'

Debut - Saturday February 19th 1887, v Bo'ness(H) Friendly

Season(s) - 1886/87

Position(s) - Forward.

Extra

These players were named as having played in the first match v Grasshoppers, but never appeared again in a Falkirk line up, since I can't really accept both matches as true, I have excluded them from the main body of players, but still felt they merited inclusion in some form.

M??? Cowan

Season(s) - 1877/78

Position(s) - Forward.

John Fleming

b 9th October 1858, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Season(s) - 1877/78

Position(s) - Forward.

Charles Malcolm

b 5th September 1856, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Season(s) - 1877/78

Position(s) - Forward.

These players played for the 2nd XI but never played for Falkirk FC 1st XI however were 'borrowed' by the opposition to play against Falkirk when they were men short.

R??? Archibald

Position(s) - Forward.

Played for Falkirk Harp v Falkirk, Falkirk Charity Cup 1st Rd at Falkirk, 9th April 1887.

William Fraser

Position(s) - Forward.

Played for Kings Park v Falkirk, Benefit Match at Falkirk, 27th November 1886.

Alexander Glegg

b 21st September 1866, Falkirk, Stirlingshire

Position(s) - Forward.

Other Club(s) - Grahamston.

Played for St Andrews v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 28th March 1886.

Emigrated to Australia in 1887.

Charles Service

b 25th March 1863, Closeburn, Dumfriesshire

Position(s) - Forward.

Played for Alloa Athletic v Falkirk, Friendly at Falkirk, 28th February 1885.

Nephew of Robert Service

Falkirk FC's Grounds

Falkirk played at three [possibly four] different grounds from 1877 to 1891. The first, 'Campfield' was most likely either on or very near the ground that would later become Brockville Park, but there is no evidence either way.

Campfield

There are two areas that have been known as Campfield within Falkirk, both relatively close to the centre of town. The least common refers to the area where the Government forces camped before the Second Battle of Falkirk [1746], which was the land to the west of Hope Street. As Falkirk was built up in this area by 1877, the only available flat land here was the site of Brockville Park. The other Campfield is the supposed site of the First Battle of Falkirk [1298], which is within the part of Falkirk known as Grahamston. Close by this on the 1898 OS Map is a 'Football Ground', this is the ground that would, several years later, become East Stirlingshire's Firs Park, which in the 1880s and 1890s was used by several Junior teams. Although it is by no means impossible that this was the first ground Falkirk used, I am inclined against it for two main reasons. First there is the local legend that Falkirk FC started at Brockville, second, and more important to me, Grahamston had only recently stopped being regarded as a village in its own right, and the local press of the time still tended to differentiate, in match reports throughout the 1880s it was stated specifically that matches took place in Grahamston, not in Falkirk.

Randyford Ground

In the area now known as the Boag. There is nothing in the actual match reports to pinpoint the exact location of the Randyford Ground. What is known is that it was land leased from the Randyford Farm. The Randyford Farm [it no longer exists] was almost on the border of Falkirk and Grangemouth. Legend dictates that Falkirk shared the ground with East Stirlingshire Cricket Club, however I find this just too convenient. On looking at the grounds of Randyford, there were several fields, yet few would be large enough to host a cricket match. However most important in my mind are the reminiscences of a John Reid who grew up in Ladysmill not long after this time and who kept a diary. Within his memoirs [published in a condensed form in Calatria Vol. 17] there is a drawing of Ladysmill [Ladysmill is the area directly adjacent to the Boag, the Boag being basically undeveloped land until the post-war period] based around the turn of the century, which has very prominently a 'Football Field', upon which Woodburn Juniors played. This is in a perfect position for the Randyford Ground to have been placed. I have no evidence other than this.....

Blinkbonny Ground

Below Mayfield, a house in the Arnohill area of Falkirk's west end. This was also the location of the first known match in Falkirk some months prior to the formation of Falkirk FC. Since no-one cared to record the exact location of the ground, and very few clues can be garnered from the match reports, it is slightly tricky to place this ground exactly. Another problem is that the most relevant Ordnance Survey Maps of Falkirk were, rather unhelpfully drawn in 1864 and in 1898, so there is nothing of note on either. Thus the only serious clue is the proximity of Mayfield House. The only feature of any significance in the area is Maggie Wood's Loan, immediately to the west of Falkirk Royal Infirmary. This area is relatively flat and it would have been perfect for playing football.

Brockville Park

The first match reports state "played at 'Hope Street'", these began in February 1884 [though Falkirk may have begun playing there in January]. At the bottom of Hope Street there was a piece of ground which had been used by the people of Falkirk for games and fairs since time immemorial. In 1884 Falkirk Football Club took up a five year lease on this ground, and began to build upon it.

Miscellaneous

Falkirk FC Club Captains

In the early days Falkirk's Club Captains were appointed for the season at the Club AGM [with the exception of 1886/87 when the captain was appointed on a match-by-match basis].

1877/78 Richard Peddie	1878/79 Richard Peddie	1879/80 James Leishman
1880/81 Thomas Hamilton	1881/82 Walter Gibson	1882/83 Walter Gibson
1883/84 Walter Gibson	1884/85 Thomas Hamilton	1885/86 Alex Ferguson
1886/87 No Appointment	1887/88 Alex Stark	1888/89 James Liddell
1889/90 Thomas McDonald	1890/91 Thomas McDonald	

Note- Technically Richard Peddie was not appointed in 1877/78 as no AGM had occurred.

Youngest Players [Scottish Cup Matches Only]

Player	Age	Match
Alex Gillespie	16 Years 294 Days	v Partick (A) Scottish Cup 3 rd Rd, 25 th Oct 1884
John Drummond	17 Years 143 Days	v Kilsyth Wanderers (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 3 rd Sep 1887
Alex Stark	17 Years 174 Days	v Laurieston (A) Scottish Cup 2 nd Rd, 2 nd Oct 1886
Thomas Harley	17 Years 338 Days	v Dunipace (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 1 st Sep 1888
David Malcolm	18 Years 41 Days	v Queen of the South Wdrs (A) Scottish Cup 4 th Rd, 3 rd Nov 1888.
David Ross	18 Years 128 Days	v Tillicoultry (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 7 th Sep 1889
William Gillespie	18 Years 139 Days	v Kilsyth Wanderers (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 3 rd Sep 1887
William Murphy	18 Years 141 Days	v Campsie (H) Scottish Cup 2 nd Rd, 24 th Oct 1887
William Law	18 Years 160 Days	v Kilsyth Wanderers (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 3 rd Sep 1887
John Pray	18 Years 194 Days	v Leith Athletic (A) Scottish Cup 2 nd Rd, 27 th Sep 1890

Notes- This list should be taken with a pinch of salt. As not all of the biographical details of all the players are available and the full set of Scottish Cup line-ups is still incomplete, some of the other players may have been younger and some of these players may have played in earlier matches.

Albert Dixon was listed as being 13 years old in the 1881 Census, so would have been about 16-17 on his debut in the same match as Alex Gillespie, however he was born in Ireland making it difficult for me to verify his date of birth.

Oldest Players on Debut [Scottish Cup Matches Only]

Player	Age	Match
Alex Kennedy	25 Years 241 Days	v King's Park (H) Scottish Cup 2 nd Rd, 28 th Sep 1889
Robert Gibson	25 Years 76 Days	v King's Park (H) Scottish Cup 2 nd Rd, 2 nd Oct 1880
James Balloch	24 Years 357 Days	v Rangers (A) Scottish Cup 3 rd Rd, 20 th Oct 1883
George Thallon	24 Years 223 Days	v Kilsyth Wanderers (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 3 rd Sep 1887
John Horn	24 Years 77 Days	v Milton of Campsie (H) Scottish Cup 4 th Rd, 12 th Nov 1881
James Neil	23 Years 337 Days	v Campsie Glen (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 28 th Sep 1878
Archie Hendry	23 Years 289 Days	v Rangers (A) Scottish Cup 3 rd Rd, 20 th Oct 1883
William Ferguson	23 Years 278 Days	v Grasshoppers (H) Scottish Cup 1 st Rd, 27 th Sep 1879
Henry Hendry	23 Years 247 Days	v King's Park (H) Scottish Cup 2 nd Rd, 2 nd Oct 1880
Walter Gibson	23 Years 81 Days	v King's Park (H) Scottish Cup 2 nd Rd, 2 nd Oct 1880

Note- As above, some of the other players may have been older and some of these players may have played in earlier matches.

William Peddie and James Leishman were c23 years old on their debuts, however I have yet to verify their dates of birth.

Falkirk FC's Leading Goalscorers [to 1890/91]

Footballer	SCu	Sti	Loc	Fri	Total
Alex Stark	9	11	5	49	74
James McDonald	2	10	2	42	56
Thomas McDonald	1	3	8	27	39
Alex Gillespie	4	7	2	25	38
Daniel Daye	1	8	4	23	36
George Barr	1	6	7	17	31

Alex Ferguson	1	3	3	18	25
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Note- Clearly this is incomplete, as so many of the goals scored were either never recorded or have been lost to history. Added to this, many goals were recorded as being scored from a 'scrimmage', or 'in a rush', with no players named. SCu=Scottish Cup; Sti=Stirlingshire Cup; Loc=Local Competitions [Falkirk & District Charity Cup, Falkirk Cottage Hospitals Shield]; Fri=Friendlies, Tot=Total.

Brothers in the same Falkirk Side

The following pairs of brothers all appeared in the same Falkirk team in the period up to, and including season 1890/91.

Alex & William Ferguson	Robert & Walter Gibson	Alex & John Gillespie
Alex & William Gillespie	John & William Gillespie	Thomas & William Hamilton
Michael & Thomas Harley	Archie & Henry Hendry	David & James McNair
Richard & William Peddie	George & James Richardson	

Note- Strangely enough, although all three Gillespie brothers named above played during the 1889/90 season, not once did they all play in the same match.

The following pairs of brothers played for Falkirk FC, but never in the same team.

Joshua & Peter Cochrane	Andrew & Robert Millar	Harry & Robert Reid
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Note- Thomas & William Hamilton were also the brothers-in-law of Alex Turnbull.

Club Secretaries

Falkirk FC had no manager until William Nicol was appointed Secretary-Manager in the early Twentieth Century, however the task of running the First Eleven in those days fell to the Club Secretary [There was also a 2nd XI & 3rd XI Secretary, also appointed for a season at the Club AGM.]

1877/78 John Fleming	1878/79 George Richardson	1879/80 George Richardson
1880/81 George Richardson	1881/82 George Richardson	1882/83 George Richardson
1883/84 Robert Bishop	1884/85 Robert Bishop	1885/86 Robert Bishop
1886/87 Robert Bishop/David Moffat	1887/88 David Moffat	1888/89 Robert Bishop
1889/90 Robert Bishop	1890/91 Robert Bishop	

Notes– Robert Bishop resigned in August 1886 citing work pressures. Both Robert Bishop & George Richardson played for the 1st XI. John Fleming probably played in the first match, but definitely played for the 2nd XI.

The Club Badge

In the earliest team photo available c1880, the team are not just wearing matching shirts, but Falkirk shirts, and this is the Team Badge -



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THE FORMATION OF FALKIRK FC - RETHOUGHT

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The exact details of the formation of Falkirk Football Club have long been lost to time, though obviously someone knew once for someone had to have formed the Club. It has long been held that the club was formed in the year 1876, although earlier sources dispute this, but otherwise few details have been forthcoming, except that the club's first match was an away 7-0¹ defeat at the hands of long gone local rivals the Grasshoppers of Bonnybridge followed by a drawn match at home two weeks later.

What is known from contemporary sources and accounts is that throughout Falkirk District association football was still scarce in 1876. And though by the beginning of the season 1876/77, football was yet to come to Falkirk, some of the town had gone to football, as several Falkirk 'Bairns' were playing with Glasgow teams, most noteworthy being a James Richardson, brother of a later Falkirk club secretary, who was then playing with Kelvinbank.

No mention is made in the local press of Falkirk FC throughout 1876 and most of 1877, however toward the end of 1877 an exhibition match was arranged under the auspices of Provost Russell of Falkirk, to be played at Mayfield, just south of the town on the 8th December. The two teams were 'Falkirk' (composed of Glasgow based Bairns) and Kelvinbank. Although Kelvinbank won by five goals to nil, it was noted that it was the first time the Falkirk side had played together.

This game must surely have inspired some of the spectators present to continue the game locally. And within months reports of Falkirk FC matches do begin to appear. These factors, along with the speech made at Falkirk FC's 'Semi-Jubilee', tellingly held in 1902, seem to add up. At the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration held at Falkirk Town Hall, the club President, Mr Murdoch McIntyre, told of how, in 1877, three young men met at the Cross in Falkirk High St., and went on to the Market Inn. Over drinks the idea of forming a football club came up in conversation. The three agreed it was a grand idea, and settled to advertise to find like-minded souls.

The result was that at the Market Inn [Lint Riggs], at 7:30 on the night of Saturday the 22nd of December 1877, a 'large meeting' of young men took place. It was at this meeting that it was decided to form Falkirk Football Club. In early January 1878 more adverts appeared for willing players, and references to practice matches at the site later known as Brockville have been found, before the evidence of the two matches against 'Bonnybridge' appear. Only the report on the second match has been found, but it refers to the previous match in the text.

Sadly, the exact identity of those three originators is not known, though one of them was probably the club's first secretary - John Fleming, [158 High St. Falkirk (today part of a British Homes Store)], of the other two perhaps one was probably George Richardson [29 Grahams Rd], a brother of James, the Kelvinbank player, plus William Gentleman [Avonbridge?] who claimed in a meeting of Falkirk 'Bairns' in Chicago in 1902 that he was the person who's 10/- first created the club, but these names are mere speculation.

¹ Though an article in the Falkirk Mail during WWII, put the score as 8-0.