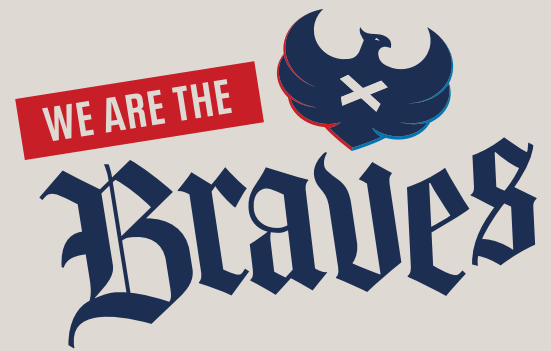


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**My “post-Scotland” visits always leave me with the same feelings expressed in the old Tony Bennett song *I Left My Heart in San Francisco*. No other place in the world can compare to the place where your heart truly resides—and mine is forever in Scotland.**

**Laurie and Jim St Germain**

I’ve wandered the depth and breadth of this magnificent country, and I’ve finally discovered that the true beat of my heart lives in Glasgow. The city itself is magnificent in its own way: the people who make you feel instantly at home, the music echoing down every close, the history written into the architecture, and even the comforting soft rain and grey skies.

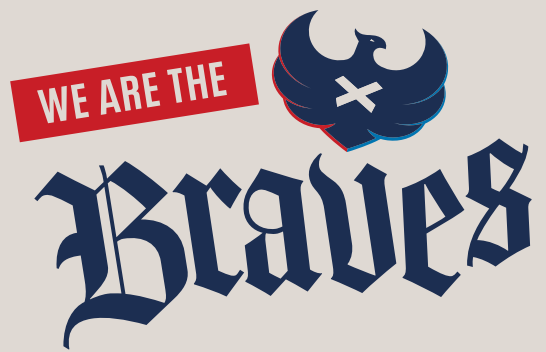
But the deepest draw for me is the privilege of being part of the Caledonian Braves!

The Caledonian Braves FC is a semi-professional club founded in 2011 and based at Alliance Park in Motherwell. My small part in this story didn’t begin until a couple of years ago, when I came across a Wefunder campaign inviting people from around the world to support the team by becoming owners—and I immediately said yes.

Over the following year, I joined the owners’ community platforms, followed the club more closely, and proudly purchased merchandise, and, much like the Grinch hearing the song of the Whos, my heart grew and grew. So when the idea of an owners’ gathering around the Braves’ last home game began to take shape, I enthusiastically threw my support behind it. That idea became Owners Weekend, held in April 2025.

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It was a tremendous success—bringing owners together, creating real bonds between owners and players, and ultimately inspiring the development of Owners Weekend 2, affectionately known as OW2.

We were not able to attend OW1, but nothing could have kept us from OW2. And what a weekend it was! I was so excited to finally meet the people I had followed and chatted with for so long, as well as the player whose home jersey I sponsored for the 25/26 season. And watching a game in person—what a dream come true that was in itself!

So many of the 80 people in attendance had taken the time to travel all over Scotland while they were there for OW2. Seeing their photos and hearing their stories brought back so many memories of our own travels and adventures over the years.

The itinerary for the official part of OW2 concluded with dinner along with an awards presentation as well as updates from Chris and emotional goodbyes to our GM as well as our first team manager, Ricky Waddell. The most memorable part of the evening for us was having dinner with our sponsored player and learning about him and his family. Such a deeply meaningful experience overall.

And I'd like to add a shout out to all of the owners who instigated and participated in the "extracurricular activities" which may or may not have involved the development of a signature alcoholic drink and the participation of a rather stoic Duke. Thank you for the hangover and the laughs. You are all the best sort of people and I can't wait to be with you online and again at OW3 2027!