

**BERKS & BUCKS FA PRESENTS** 

READING FC V
SLOUGH TOWN FC









# WELCOME

Welcome to Bracknell Town FC, the venue for the Berks & Bucks FA Senior Cup Final this year.

On behalf of the Berks & Bucks FA I would like to extend a warm welcome to all players, officials and supporters of the two finalists, together with the match officials. I sincerely hope that your visit to Abingdon Utd and that your time with us today will be an enjoyable one.

I would like to congratulate both Reading FC & Slough Town FC on reaching today's County Final, an excellent achievement in itself which both teams can be proud of. Although only one team will lift the Cup, I look forward to both teams giving their best, and I'm confident that they will provide us with an entertaining game.

On behalf of the Berks & Bucks FA I would also like to thank Bracknell Town FC for placing their excellent ground and facilities at our disposal for today's Final. It is very much appreciated by all concerned.

If you would like to share your memories of today's Final with us on social media, please tag us or use the hashtag #BBFACountyCups. I hope that you enjoy the game!

Bill McKnight
Football Operations Committee Chairman







### PREVIOUS WINNERS

1878-79	Reading	1925-26	Chesham United	1973-74	Wycombe Wanderers	
1879-80	Swifts & Old Philberdians	1926-27	Slough	1974-75	Thatcham Town	
	(Joint holders)	1927-28	Maidenhead United		(Holders)	
1880-81	Marlow	1928-29	Chesham United	1975-76	Chesham Untied	
1881-82	Swifts	1929-30	Maidenhead United	1976-77	Slough Town	
1882-83	Marlow (Swifts)	1930-31	Maidenhead United	1977-78	Wycombe Wanderers	
	(Scratched)	1931-32	Maidenhead United	1978-79	Wycombe Wanderers	
1883-84	Windsor	1932-33	Wycombe Wanderers	1979-80	Milton Keynes City	
1884-85	Marlow	1933-34	Chesham United	1980-81	Slough Town	
1885-86	Marlow	1934-35	Wycombe Wanderers	1981-82	Hungerford Town	
1886-87	Windsor	1935-36	Slough	1982-83	Wokingham Town	
1887-88	Marlow	1936-37	Windsor & Eton	1983-84	Buckingham Town	
1888-89	Marlow	1937-38	Windsor & Eton	1984-85	Wokingham Town	
1889-90	Marlow	1938-39	Maidenhead United	1985-86	Aylesbury United	
1890-91	Windsor Phoenix	1939-40	Wycombe Wanderers	1986-87	Wycombe Wanderers	
1891-92	Reading	1940-41	Windsor & Eton	1987-88	Windsor & Eton	
1892-93	Wolverton L. & N.W.R	1941-42	No Competition	1988-89	Windsor & Eton	
1893-94	Marlow	1942-43	No Competition	1989-90	Wycombe Wanderers	
1894-95	Maidenhead	1943-44	No Competition	1990-91	Marlow	
1895-96	Maidenhead	1944-45	No Competition	1991-92	Chesham United	
1896-97	Marlow	1945-46	Maidenhead United	1992-93	Chesham United	
1897-98	Newbury	1946-47	Wycombe Wanderers	1993-94	Marlow	
1898-99	Marlow	1947-48	Chesham United	1994-95	Reading	
1899-00	Marlow	1948-49	Wycombe Wanderers	1995-96	Wokingham Town	
1900-01	Chesham Gens.	1949-50	Wycombe Wanderers	1996-97	Aylesbury United	
1901-02	Wycombe Wanderers	1950-51	Chesham United	1997-98	Maidenhead United	
1902-03	Slough	1951-52	Slough Centre	1998-99	Maidenhead United	
1903-04	Chesham Town	1952-53	Slough Centre	1999-00	Aylesbury United	
1904-05	Reading Amateurs	1953-54	Wycombe Wanderers	2000-01	Chesham United	
1905-06	Reading Amateurs	1954-55	Slough Town	2001-02	Maidenhead United	
1906-07	Maidenhead Norfolkians	1955-56	Maidenhead United	2002-03	Maidenhead United	
1907-08	Chesham Town	1956-57	Maidenhead United	2003-04	Chesham United	
1908-09	Wycombe Wanderers	1957-58	Wycombe Wanderers	2004-05	Wycombe Wanderers	
1909-10	Wycombe Wanderers	1958-59	Abingdon Town .	2005-06	Wycombe Wanderers	
1910-11	Windsor & Eton	1959-60	Wycombe Wanderers	2006-07	Milton Keynes Dons	
1911-12	Maidenhead	1960-61	Maidenhead United	2007-08	Chesham United	
1912-13	Wycombe Wanderers	1961-62	Windsor & Eton	2008-09	Windsor & Eton	
1913-14	Aylesbury United	1962-63	Maidenhead United	2009-10	Maidenhead United	
1914-15	No Competition	1963-64	Wycombe Wanderers	2010-11	Wycombe Wanderers	
1915-16	No Competition	1964-65	Chesham United	2011-12	Wycombe Wanderers	
1916-17		1965-66	Maidenhead United	2012-13	Beaconsfield (SYCOB)	
		1966-67	Chesham United	2013-14	Chesham United	
	No Competition	1967-68	Wycombe Wanderers	2014-15	Maidenhead United	
1919-20	Slough	1968-69	Wokingham Town	2015-16	Aylesbury FC	
1920-21	Wycombe Wanderers	1969-70	Maidenhead United	2016-17	Maidenhead United	
1921-22	Chesham United	1970-71	Slough Town	2017-18	Chesham United	
1922-23	Wycombe Wanderers	1971-72	Slough Town	2018-19		
1923-24	Slough	1972-73	Wycombe Wanderers			

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**Wycombe Wanderers** 

# READING FC ACADEMY



Reading FC were founded in 1871, and were the inaugural winners of the Berks & Bucks Senior Cup all the way back in 1879, defeating Marlow on the day. Reading's entries into the competition have been infrequent over time, with this season marking the club's first inclusion in the competition since 2002.

The route for Reading's Under-23s into the final this year has seen them overcome Bracknell Town, Flackwell Heath and a penalty shootout victory over Maidenhead United in the semi-finals. Scott Marshall's side have performed well in all their competitions this season, having earned themselves 3rd place in the Premier League 2, Division 2, alongside a run to the semi-finals of the Premier League International Cup, eventually going out to their Bayern Munich counterparts in the last four.

Several of Reading's youngsters have impressed to the extent that they have landed themselves involvement with the first team this season. Michael Olise, Ryan East, Josh Barrett and England U19 international, Danny Loader have all made the step up to Championship football at times this season, with Reading's Academy ranks producing its 50th debutant during the 2018-19 campaign.

The young Royals will be hoping to sign off their season in style by earning themselves some silverware this afternoon in Bracknell, to cap off a fine campaign on all fronts from their point of view.

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## **MATCHDAY SQUAD**

#### Myles Roberts Goalkeeper

Started the Semi-Final of this competition but was unfortunate to be sent off after just 15 minutes for a late tackle on the edge of the box. Still eligible to play U18 football but has stepped up for eight U23 appearances this season.

#### Coniah Boyce-Clarke Goalkeeper

Made his U23 debut aged just 15, now 16 and a hot prospect.
Came off the bench after Roberts was sent off in the Berks & Bucks Senior Cup Semi-Final, made a crucial save in the penalty shootout.

#### Andre Burley Defender

A versatile defender who can operate at centre-back or fullback, has played 17 times for the U23s so far this season.

#### Tom Holmes Defender

A first-team debutant for the Royals, who made his first and only senior appearance to date at the age of 17 back in March 2018. Has been sidelined for long spells with injury, but has returned to the U23 fold.

#### Akin Odimayo Defender

U18 captain last season, has since made the step up to U23 football with relative ease. A commanding centre-back, he has played 23 times for Reading's U23s this season.

### Teddy Howe Defender

The pacey rightback is often found overlapping on the right to try and put crosses in. Scored the equaliser against Maidenhead in the semi-final back in March.

#### Ramarni Medford-Smith Defender

One of the most-capped players for the U23s this season. 24 appearances to date, a constant menace on the left-hand side with pace and good crossing ability.

#### Gabriel Osho Defender

Under-23 captain, spent time on loan at Aldershot Town earlier in the season, before making his first-team debut back in December. Has scored four times from centreback this season.

#### Ethan Coleman Midfielder

A central midfielder who is coming to the end of his first season at U23 level, who likes to dictate possession from the middle of the park.

#### Jordan Holsgrove Midfielder

A Scotland U21 international,
Holsgrove is the son of former Reading player
Paul, and returned from a long injury absence a couple of months ago.

#### Tyler Frost Midfielder

A fast wide-man who has contributed plenty of goals and assists for the U23s this season, scoring seven times and acting as a key attacking outlet on the right wing or behind the striker.

#### Conor Lawless Midfielder

A first-year scholar who has made a lot of progress this season, even travelling with the first team for an away game at Wigan. A central midfielder with good passing range.

#### Oliver Pendlebury Midfielder

A first-year Under-18 scholar who has added strings to his bow by making the step up to U23 football fairly regularly this season.
Operates in central midfield.

#### Adam Liddle Striker

A young striker who is full of running, working hard as he leads the line. Hasn't had the most fruitful season in front of goal, but is one of the hardest-working players on the pitch.

#### Ben House

Striker

Has scored 12 times for the U23s this season in 21 appearances, one of the main goal threats for the young Royals in 2018-19 and is improving all the time.





### **READING FC ACADEMY**

# ROUTE TO THE FINAL

**FIRST ROUND** 

V

**BYE** 

SECOND ROUND
v Bracknell Town

0-2

QUARTER FINAL v Flackwell Heath

1-2

SEMI FINAL v Maidenhead United

1-1@FT 3-4 Pens

Coniah Boyce-Clarke
Andre Burley
Tom Holmes
Akin Odimayo
Teddy Howe
Ramarni Medford-Smith
Gabriel Osho
Ethan Coleman
Jordan Holsgrove
Tyler Frost

**Myles Roberts** 

Referee:

**Assistant Referee:** 

**Conor Lawless** 

Adam Liddle

Ben House

**Oliver Pendlebury** 

**Assistant Referee:** 

Fourth Official:

### **SLOUGHTOWN FC**



**Jack Turner** 

Sean Fraser

**Guy Hollis** 

Josh Jackman

**Mark Nisbet** 

**Nathan Smart** 

**George Wells** 

Sam Togwell

Simon Dunn

**Warren Harris** 

**Louie Soares** 

**Matt Lench** 

**Chris Flood** 

**Manny Williams** 

**Ben Harris** 

# ROUTE TO THE FINAL

**FIRST ROUND** 

v BYE

SECOND ROUND
Chalfont St Peter v

6-3

QUARTER FINAL Hungerford Town v

1-2

SEMI FINAL Marlow FC v Awarded

Jason Richardson
Steve Williams
Stephen Parkinson
Sunny Gill

### HISTORY OF THE CUP

The first Berks & Bucks FA Senior Cup competition dates back to 1878-79 season when Reading FC met Marlow FC in the Final held at Reading Cricket Ground.

Having seen off Wallingford 1-0 in the first round, Reading, still an amateur club at the time, went on to beat Maidenhead by "three to love" in the second before beating Marlow 1-0 in the Final.

The Reading Chronicle of March 27th 1879 reported on the first ever Berks & Bucks FA Senior Cup, then known as the 'Challenge Cup', as follows:



The Reading FC team that beat Marlow FC in 1879 to become the first ever winners of the Berks & Bucks FA Senior Cup.

"Neither side gained a point, it was decided to play for another half-hour. A few minutes from time, Morgan, from a magnificent corner-kick, created a scrimmage near the goal, which resulted in Reading, amid loud cheering, obtaining a goal."

The last time today's teams, Reading FC and Slough Town FC, met in the Final of the competition was in the 1994-95 season. Reading's Jimmy Quinn scored an extra-time penalty (109th minute) to make it 1-0 in the Final which was held at Wycombe Wanderers.

The strike ended Reading's 103 year wait for glory in the competition.



Slough Town, who were confirmed as then runners-up in the Diadora Premier Division, have won this competition ten times, with their last success coming nearly 40 years ago in the 1980-81 season.

Photo/Paper Credit: David Downes, Reading FC Historian

Reading FC's 1994-95 winning Senior Cup side: Back Row: Quinn, Murphy, Hartenberger, Jones, Thorp, Sheppard,

Turner (Physio), Parkinson, Grant (Kitman), Gooding (Manager) Front Row: Barkus, Stowell, Carey, Hopkins, Lambert, Jones, Kerr

# *SLOUGH TOWN*



The origins of the club date back to the 1870's as The Slows, Slough Rangers, Slough Athletic, Slough FC and Slough United. Changing to the current name, Slough Town FC appearing in 1947. Slough became "The Rebels" when Slough United led the move to create the Corinthian League.

The club has had various homes around the town including The Dolphin (also home of "The Swifts"), Belfast Ave, and Wexham Park, before beginning a nomadic existence playing at Windsor and Beaconsfield SYCOB for 8 years. That is now firmly in the past as in 2016 STFC moved into the new Arbour Park Community Stadium, built by Slough Borough Council as part of its leisure strategy for the town.

High points over the years include reaching the semi-final of the Amateur Cup in 1971 and the Final in 1973; twice promoted to the Conference during the 90's; FA Trophy semi-finals in 1977 and 1998; FA Cup wins against Millwall and Walsall; and more recently the epic FA Cup runs under Bakes and Unders.

Some famous names to have progressed through Slough Town in recent years include Dave Kemp, Brian McDermott, Eric Young, Lloyd Owusu and most recently Gareth McCleary.

The current management team joined the Rebels in 2013 and led them to promotion in their first season. Four years later and the promotion party was on again, Slough beating King's Lynn to gain promotion to the National League South in 2018. The Rebels finished in 11th place, just 3 points off a play-off place.

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### **MATCHDAY SQUAD**

#### Jack Turner Goalkeeper

Highly regarded keeper who joined from Staines Town in June 2017. Started his career with Staines Town before moving to AFC Wimbledon where he made seven appearances. Moved back to Staines firmly establishing himself in the first team. Made 148 appearances for Staines before moving to the Rebels.

#### Sean Fraser Defender

Versatile player who joined the club in August 2012 from Banbury United. Has proven himself in midfield and defensive positions and captained the club in the 2016/17 season from right back. Has now appeared for the Rebels over 270 times.

#### Guy Hollis Defender

Moved from Godalming in June 2013 with the managers and established himself at the heart of the Rebels defence ever since. Previously played for Ashford Town and Carshalton. Made his 200th appearance for the club in the promotion winning play off final at Kings Lynn in May 2018.

#### Josh Jackman Defender

Joined the club from March Town in the summer of 2016. Highly rated full back who is also comfortable in midfield and has put in a number of commanding performances on the right hand side of the pitch and will go past 50 appearances for Slough during the 2018/19 season.

#### Mark Nisbet Defender

Commanding centre back who made the short move from Maidenhead to join the Rebels in the summer of 2016 having made over 300 appearances for the Magpies in a ten year association with the club and close to a century of appearances with Slough.

#### Nathan Smart Defender

Joined up with the Rebels early in the 2016/17 season, initially as cover for injuries, but has excelled in both full back and centre back positions. Pacey defender who has become an integral part of the squad and has chipped in with two goals.

#### George Wells Defender

Left sided full back who joined the club from Kingstonian in the summer of 2017. Made 101 appearances for the K's, chipping in with two goals. Continued his goal scoring trend from defence with four goals for Slough in his opening season with the club.

#### Sam Togwell Defender

33 year old defender or midfielder who has represented a number of teams in professional football including Crystal Palace and more prominently for Scunthorpe United, for who he won promotions out of the League One playoffs. Has also experienced promotions with Chesterfield and Barnet. Joined Slough in the summer of 2018.

#### Simon Dunn Midfielder

Signed from Basingstoke in the summer of 2016. Play-making midfielder who made over 50 appearances in his first season with the club. Came through the Academy at Basingstoke and also represented England Universities. Was awarded Managers Player, Players Player and Supporters Trust Player in the 2016/17 season.

#### Warren Harris Midfielder

Right sided winger who is also comfortable playing upfront who followed the managers to the club in the summer of 2013. Now closing in on 200 appearances for the club and previously represented Ashford Town, Staines Town and Godalming.

#### Louie Soares Midfielder

A Barbadian footballer who signed from Hungerford in the summer of 2018. Was awarded both the Supporters' Player of the Year award and the Players' Player of the Year award for his performances in the 2017/18 season. He has previously played for Basingstoke, Reading and Bristol Rovers amongst others.

#### Matt Lench Midfielder

Re-joined the Rebels in January 2019 following short spell at Wealdstone. Matt is a highly sought after midfielder who initially joined the Rebels from Hitchin in the summer of 2017. Can play in a number of attacking positions and hit 16 goals in the 2016/17 campaign for Hitchin.

#### Chris Flood Striker

Joined the club from Gosport Borough in December 2016. Has an excellent goal scoring ratio for the Rebels since signing with a more than a goal every two games. Previously played for QPR, Basingstoke, Eastleigh, Dorchester and Crawley.

#### Manny Williams Striker

Initially joined on loan from Hungerford Town before making a permanent move for the start of the 2017/18 season. Comfortable in midfield or upfront. Hit 30 goals in a season for Maidenhead United and has also played for Notts County, Millwall, Yeading and Basingstoke.

#### Ben Harris Striker

Centre forward who joined Slough Town in December 2017 from Ascot United. Ben had been playing at Ascot to get his match fitness up after returning from playing in New Zealand for the previous two seasons, where he played for Team Wellington and Miramar Rangers in their top league, the New Zealand Football Championship. Prior to that, Ben was a big part of the Hampton & Richmond Borough team under Alan Dowson. Ben is a local lad, having been born in Slough and now lives in Windsor, where he started his football career as a 17-year-old.

#### Neil Baker Joint Manager

Joined Slough along with joint manager Jon Underwood in May 2013 following a successful spell with Godalming. Enjoyed a playing career with Wycombe, Farnborough, Aldershot and Bracknell amongst others. Has overseen two promotions during his time at Slough.

#### Jon Underwood Joint Manager

Moved with Baker to the Rebels in May 2013, also from Godalming. Represented Farnborough, Aylesbury United, Staines and Bracknell in his playing days and has previously managed at Sandhurst Town prior to moving to Godalming. Has overseen two promotions during his time at Slough.

#### Trent Phillips GK Coach

Joined the club in the summer of 2013 as goalkeeping coach having previously held a similar role at Staines Town, where he was also reserve team manager. Represented Staines and Egham as a player.

#### Lee Togwell Player/Coach

Signed for Slough in the summer of 2016 from Beaconsfield SYCOB where he was club captain. Can play at right back and centre back, but predominantly deployed in central midfield. Accepted a role on the clubs coaching staff in summer 2017.



# COUNTY CUP FINALS 2018/19 FIXTURES & RESULTS

#### Sunday Intermediate Cup

FC Beaconsfield Sunday v Aylesbury Flooring

WINNERS: AYLESBURY FLOORING RESULT: 3-0 @FT

#### Saturday Intermediate Cup

Buckingham Athletic Development v Long Crendon

WINNERS: LONG CRENDON RESULT: 3-0 @FT

#### **Sunday Junior Trophy**

Jolly Sportsman v Bearwood Wanderers WINNERS: BEARWOOD WANDERERS RESULT: 3-1 @FT

#### **Sunday Junior Cup**

Three Horseshoes Hazelmere v Loveman United

WINNERS: LOVEMAN UNITED RESULT: 2-1 @FT

#### **Senior Trophy**

Marlow United v Old Bradwell United WINNERS: OLD BRADWELL UNITED RESULT: o-o @FT 5-4 on penalties

#### Women's Junior Cup

Buckingham Athletic Ladies v Abingdon Town Womens WINNERS: ABINGDON TOWN WOMENS RESULT: 2-0 @FT

#### Women's Senior Cup

Chesham United LFC v Milton Keynes Dons Ladies WINNERS: MK DONS LADIES RESULT: 4-2 @FT

#### Senior Cup

Reading FC v Slough Town FC

Venue: Bracknell Town FC Date & Time: 06/05/2019 15:00

#### **Vets Cup**

MK Irish v Buckingham United

**Venue:** Buckingham Athletic FC **Date & Time:** 07/05/2019 19:30

#### Saturday Junior Cup

Maidenhead Town Reserves

Venue: Bracknell Town
Date & Time: 11/05/2019 14:00

#### Youth U16

FAB v Stony Stratford Town
WINNERS: FAB
RESULT: 1-1 @FT 5-4 on penalties

#### Youth U18

Thatcham Town v Windsor
WINNERS: THATCHAM TOWN
RESULT: 1-0 @FT

#### Youth U15

Ascot United Youth v Oxford City
WINNERS: OXFORD CITY
RESULT: 1-1 @FT 5-4 on penalties

#### Girls U18

Wycombe Wanderers U18 XI v Caversham AFC U18 Swans
WINNERS: AWAITING RESULT
RESULT: AWAITING RESULT

#### Girls U16

MK City Emeralds v Tilehurst Panthers WINNERS: AWAITING RESULT RESULT: AWAITING RESULT

#### Girls U14

Marlow FC Girls vTBC
WINNERS: AWAITING RESULT
RESULT: AWAITING RESULT

#### Youth U14

 $As cot\, United\, Youth\, v\, Widmer\, End\, Junior$ 

Venue: Bracknell Town
Date & Time: 11/05/2019 11:00

#### Youth U<sub>13</sub> Sat

Henley Lions Pinks v MK Wanderers Hawks
WINNERS: HENLEY LIONS PINKS
RESULT: 1-0 @FT

#### Youth U13 Sun

Didcot Town Youth U13 v Finchampstead U13 Royals

Venue: Flackwell Heath
Date & Time: 12/05/2019 14:30

#### Youth U12 Sat

Windsor Youth Merlins Jaquars v Bracknell Town

Venue: Flackwell Heath

Date & Time: 12/05/2019 10:30

#### Youth U12 Sun

Ascot United U12 Youth v Didcot Town Youth U12

Venue: Flackwell Heath
Date & Time: 12/05/2019 12:30

# whether you win or lose, make it a better game.

Treat your team, other players and Match Officials with respect so that everyone has a more enjoyable time, on and off the pitch.

#### **Play Your Part**

(Code of Conduct)

#### **Adult Players**

#### Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:

#### On and off the field, I will:

- · Stick to the rules and celebrate the spirit of the game
- Always show respect to everyone involved in the game
- Never engage in public criticism of the Match Officials and abide by their final decisions
- · Win or lose with dignity. Shake hands at the end of every game
- · Be aware of the potential impact of bad language on others
- Never engage in abusive language, bullying or intimidating behaviour



- I may:
- Be asked to apologise to whoever I've upset
- · Receive a formal warning
- Be required to attend a FA education course
- Be dropped, substituted or suspended from training
- Not be selected for the team.
- Be asked to leave the club and/or issued a fine



