# BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

# SATURDAY MINOR CUP 2022 FINAL 2023



# STRATFORD TOWN YOUTH FC U16s vs ALVECHURCH FC U16





SATURDAY 22 APRIL 2023 | KICK OFF 11AM | BCFA EXCELLENCE ARENA
ADULTS £3 | CONCESSIONS £1
OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME







### **COUNTY CUP FIXTURES 2022/23**

YOU CAN BE PART OF THE #MORETHANACUP JOURNEY BY ATTENDING OUR 14 COUNTY CUP FINALS DURING APRIL AND MAY 2023.

#### SUNDAY AMATEUR CUP

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SUNDAY 2 APRIL, 11AM** 

#### **GIRLS COUNTY CUP**

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SATURDAY 15 APRIL, 11AM** 

#### **SATURDAY MINOR CUP**

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA** SATURDAY 22 APRIL, 11AM

#### **SUNDAY VASE**

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SUNDAY 23 APRIL, 11AM** 

#### ROGER WOOD MEMORIAL CUP

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SUNDAY 30 APRIL, 11AM** 

#### **WOMEN'S COUNTY CUP**

**MOLINEUX STADIUM TUESDAY 9 MAY, 7.45PM** 

#### **MIDWEEK FLOODLIT CUP**

WALSALL FC THURSDAY 11 MAY, 7.45PM

#### **SATURDAY AMATEUR CUP**

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA** SATURDAY 13 MAY, 2PM

#### **MINOR CUP**

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SUNDAY 14 MAY, 11AM** 

#### **JOEL RICHARDS MEMORIAL CUP**

WALSALL FC **MONDAY 15 MAY, 7.45PM** 

#### **SATURDAY VASE**

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SATURDAY 20 MAY, 2PM** 

#### **VETERANS CUP**

**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SUNDAY 21 MAY, 11AM** 

#### **SUNDAY YOUTH CUP**

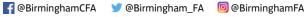
**EXCELLENCE ARENA BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FA SUNDAY 28 MAY, 11AM** 

#### **SENIOR CUP**

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# WELCOME

#### WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME YOU TO TODAY'S **COUNTY CUP FINAL**

A warm welcome to all the players, coaches, volunteers and supporters of both competing teams and also the match officials for this prestigious County Cup Final.

With 1,100 clubs with a combined total of 5,200 teams and nearly 79,000 players playing all formats of the game within our County boundary, every team that makes it to one of our 14 Cup Finals should be rightly proud of their achievements.

We have again received over 500 Cup entries across all of our competitions so the winners of this and each Final can proudly carry the mantle of County 'Champions' which also brings with it the kudos but added responsibility of playing and behaving in the manner that befits the title of Champions at their respective levels of the game for the next 12 months.

**KEVIN SHOEMAKE** 

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** 

It is also a big day for our match officials who have dedicated hours and in some cases many years 'in the middle' and on the side-lines at all levels of the game to have been selected to represent our 1,300 Birmingham County FA officials at their chosen Final which is part of their own development and reward for their own performances during the current and previous seasons.

I'd also like to take the opportunity of thanking the thousands of volunteers for all the work they do throughout the season to simply help and administer and improve their clubs and teams – more often than not unpaid and into the early hours across many evenings. Without the range of volunteers at every level of the game and at every club and league, then the game as we know it would not exist, especially at grassroots level. As part of the post-match celebrations, we will be presenting a volunteer award which each finalist has nominated as a thank you from those at each club.

I'd also like to thank my colleagues at Birmingham County FA for all the work they do and the support they offer participants in order to promote, govern and develop the game and deliver 14 fantastic Finals and create memories for those who play, coach, officiate and watch their friends, family and loved ones compete.

Enjoy the game and celebrate your achievements before and after the game whilst, at the same time, recognising and respecting the achievements of the opposition and their efforts in making the Final along with those of the match officials on their special day as well.

Play well and play fair and enjoy the memories and friendships that the fixture brings.

Kevin Shoemake CEO - Birmingham County FA



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# **MEET THE OFFICIALS**



#### REFEREE

#### **KAT PRITCHARD**

I qualified as a referee in November of 2021 after playing football for a number of years. I decided to take the opportunity to see if from the referee point of view and have since been promoted in both the men's and women's game. At university I wrote my dissertation on football, this included referees. I saw the challenges associated with the women's game. I want to have a positive impact on the game. I thoroughly enjoy the highs and lows of refereeing and push myself to be the best I can be and perform to a higher standard. I am a member of the County's Referee Development Group, and this has opened a lot of doors, and provided me with so many opportunities including today's final.

#### **ASSISTANT REFEREE**

#### **NEIL LOVE**

I am relatively new to refereeing but decided when I finished playing that I would take the course to become a referee as a thank you to all the people who had given up their time over the years to allow me to enjoy football. Without these people I would never have had as much fun and I hope in some small way I can allow others to be able to enjoy our beautiful game as much as I have. I was always a 100% commitment type of player and I like to bring this same enthusiasm to my reffing, which I hope shows the players the effort and professionalism that I give to my games. This opportunity to be in the final is massive for me and I hope the teams and officials enjoy the day and make it the best possible.

#### **ASSISTANT REFEREE**

**MATUS HURSKA** 

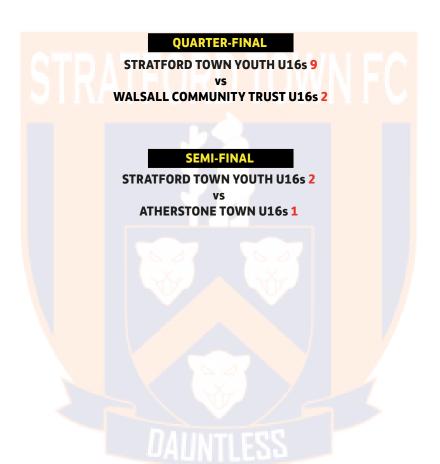
#### **FOURTH OFFICIAL**

#### FLORIN CONDRUS

I was born in Romania and now live in Coventry. I have been a referee for almost two years. The leagues I referee in are the MJPL League, Alliance League Coventry, the Nuneaton Sunday League and the Leicestershire Women League. SATURDAY MINOR CUP

## **STRATFORD TOWN YOUTH FC U16s**

#### THE ROAD TO THE FINAL







CHARITY PARTNER 2022/23

Birmingham County Football Association and their Save Today, Play Tomorrow programme is pleased to share that they have partnered with Birmingham and Black County Wildlife Trust as their Charity of the Year for the 22/23 season.

The vision for the Trust is for A Wilder Birmingham and Black Country with more green and wild spaces where nature thrives, and where everyone has an equal opportunity to access nature in their daily lives.

The Trust are working towards three goals that they aim to reach by 2030 which are;

- 1. To see 30% of Birmingham & Black Country's landscape managed for the benefit of wildlife
- 2. To have at least 1 in 4 people in Birmingham & Black Country taking action for nature
- 3. To aim for 500 hectares (or the equivalent of 700 football pitches) to be improved to provide nature-based solutions to the ecological & climate crisis

It is hoped through this brand-new partnership BCFA member clubs and their supporters can play a part helping to raise the Trust's profile and encourage and adopt regular fundraising through a series of planned activities from wildlife gardening, citizen science, volunteering, campaigning, events, and training courses at one of the Trust's six nature reserves or two environmental education centres.

Football can play a vital part in protecting our planet by reconnecting and helping the recovery of nature. Grassroots football is predominantly an outdoor sport played on green spaces and it has a unique opportunity to support the Trust's on-going work.

By connecting our clubs & their members to nearby nature over the coming months, we hope will also bring about long-term health & wellbeing benefits reducing anxiety, stress and improving heart health for individuals coupled with the opportunity to raise money for a worthy cause. BCFA have agreed to donate some of the proceeds from ticket sales from all 14 of this seasons County Cup Finals to the Birmingham & Black Country Wildlife Trust

You can text your support with a donation using the below method:

BCFA Text Giving: Text STPT + donation amount to 70085 e.g. STPT 5 to 70085 to donate £5

DONATE HERE



BECOME A
MEMBER TODAY



# SAVE TODAY, PLAY TOMORROW

Birmingham County Football Association is committed to pioneering the way in which football minimises the impact of its activities on the environment.

More information on our commitment to creating a sustainable game is available below, along with helpful resources and documents that clubs, leagues and participants can use to help make a significant, positive contribution to the environment. Find out more by clicking here.



Carbon Neutral County Cup Finals. We are working with our carbon reporting & accounting partners Planet Mark, and the venue owners to ensure all 14 of this season's County Cup Finals will be carbon neutral events. Data will be collected on travel, food & beverage, energy & water consumption, and waste to plan and measure the overall emissions generated. These will be independently assessed and verified to meet robust PAS2060 standards and gold standard or VCS offsets will be procured for the finals to be Carbon Neutral events, as we look at more long-term solutions to reduce the impacts.



100% Renewable Energy Tariff. Birmingham County FA was proud to announce a new partnership with energy and sustainability consultant, Utility-Works. The partnership signals a commitment to helping football clubs of all shapes and sizes at the heart of their local communities, during the energy crisis and in the long-term transition to cheaper cleaner renewable energy. Find out more here.

Carbon Literacy for Grassroots Football Training Course. This one-day course gives attendees a months' worth of knowledge and awareness of the carbon costs and impacts of everyday activities and the ability and motivation to reduce emissions, on an individual, community, and organisational basis. Furthermore, learners will gain an understanding of the interdependencies between football and climate change, to allow them to take the necessary steps to reduce the impact the game is having on the environment. Click here for more.



Be A Super Supporter and Liftshare. Our first of its kind lift sharing scheme in grassroots football is going from strength to strength. To date users have saved over 27,000 miles in football journeys, that equates to 6.1 tonnes of harmful emissions not entering the atmosphere and £7829 not spent on fuel! Liftshare are the UK's largest car sharing organisation & this partnership provides you the opportunity to join the 750,000 likeminded people across the country to reduce their emissions footprint and save money. You can register to join our community here.



Stack-Cup. Birmingham County FA are pleased to announce a partnership with Stack-Cup to offer clubs the opportunity to introduce reusable, washable cups as part of their Save Today, Play Tomorrow programme. To find out more, contact James Roles at Stack-Cup on james.roles@ stack-cup.com or visit our website here.

Planet Mark Certified. Planet Mark Certified. We're proud to announce that for the second year we've achieved the Plan-et Mark Business Certification. This is an incredible achievement involving the entire business which has seen a 30% reduction in co2 emissions in the last 12 months. In this crucial #DecadeofAction, measuring our own carbon footprint has been a critical step in reducing our impact on the planet and society and through the findings and recommendations from the report we are on the right track to meet our Net Zero ambitions by 2030. View our full Planet Mark Year 2 Report here.



Football Rebooted. We are proud to say that within network we now have over 50 grassroots clubs of all sizes acting as Football Rebooted collection & distribution centres for their community. Through this partnership we are seeing literally hundreds of pre-worn boots being donated each season for use back on the pitch and out of landfill. Many of the clubs have linked with schools or local charities to provide footwear to those most in need, making this as much a social project as much as an environmental one.

On behalf of Birmingham County FA and our partners at Football Rebooted, many thanks to all those clubs involved that offer their continued support. If you would like your club to be part of the Football Rebooted scheme, then please get in contact.

Pledgeball Pledge of Sustainability. This season over 130 clubs with almost 1000 teams, and 12000 registered players have signed up to the Birmingham County FA Sustainability Pledge in partnership with Pledgeball engaging their members to pledge to select alternative lifestyle choices across 6 key areas, Travel, Food, Waste, Water, Energy & Community Engagement. By recording their behaviour changes throughout the season via the digital Pledgeball app the clubs have been competing each month to finish top of the league to receive £500 towards their running costs for this season.

To date 3,105,039kgsCO2e has been pledged to be saved this year which is the equivalent to taking 675 cars of the road.

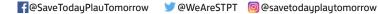
To help support your club for FREE become more sustainable both environmentally & financially just follow these 3 easy steps:

- 1. Go to https://www.pledgeball.org/events/ and scroll down to "Up Coming Events" and select Birmingham County FA
- 2. Find & select your club
- 3. Register as a supporter, select your simple pledges and see the carbon savings for the year

To find out more about Pledgeball, head to <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u> or <u>Pledgeball.org</u>

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR AWARD-WINNING SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMME HERE

THE AMBITIOUS GOAL OF LOW CARBON FOOTBALL







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## **ALVECHURCH FC U16s**

### THE ROAD TO THE FINAL

#### **QUARTER-FINAL**

**PAGET RANGERS JUNIORS U16s** 

VS

**ALVECHURCH U16s walkover** 

#### **SEMI-FINAL**

ALVECHURCH U16s 2

VS

**REDDITCH UNITED U16 0** 





# NOMINATE YOUR HEROES NOW

Coach of the Year - Female Pathway
Coach of the Year - Male Pathway
Coach of the Year - Disability Pathway
Grounds Team of the Year
Club of the Year

League of the Year

Match official of the Year

Young Volunteer of the Year

New Volunteer of the Year

The Lioness Award

Positive Football Environment Award





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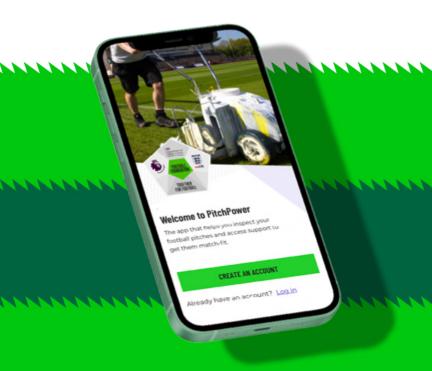
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THE GAME IS ALWAYS ON

# **MATCHDAY**

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#### STRATFORD TOWN



Zach Bishop Jacob Brown Rupert Callow Preston Checkley Tobu Clements Ollie Cook Louis Crook Matthew Dalton Henry Gibson Matthew Hitchens Noah Kesterton Luke O'Hare **Jack Pickering** Owen Rae Arran Richmond Tom Scott Leighton Shedd

#### COACHING STAFF

Billy Holden Parker - Manager Chris Gibson - Assistant Manager

First Choice Colours: Orange / White Shirts, Blue Shorts & Orange Socks

## AFC

#### **ALVECHURCH**

Myles Beyene James Bryan Finley Carson Taylor Edrop Lewis Hart

Mohammad Kawan

Harvey Lees

Jack Lewis

Flynn Little

Alfie Mahon

Oliver Marriner

Matthew Megahey

Ayuub Mirreh

Travis Moyo

Joseph Phipps

Shiv Punjani

Abdulrahman Shamiri

Harry Shenton

Sam Smith

Callum Willis

Luke Wilson

Aidan Wright

#### **COACHING STAFF**

Jason Edrop Stuart Carson Dave Lewis

First Choice Colours:
Amber Shirts, Black Shorts & Black Socks

#### TROPHY PRESENTED BY JOHN MONNES

John has been a stout supporter of the BCFA for a number of years. For over a decade John has dedicated his time to discipline and competitions. John was an integral member of the competitions committee which over saw the strategic delivery of all county cup competitions. John served as the Chairman of the competitions committee for a number of years and still supports all our County Cups to this day.

#### **MATCH OFFICIALS**

Referee: Kat Pritchard Assistant Referee: Neil Love Assistant Referee: Matus Hurska Fourth Official: Florin Condrus

#### **NEXT FINAL**

Sunday Vase BCFA Excellence Arena Sunday 23 April, 11am





