

Suffolk Primary Cup Final

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In addition:

- The FA/County FA could impose a fine and/or suspension on the club

Welcome



Good evening ladies and gentlemen, and a warm welcome to the final of the KBB NEFF Suffolk Primary Cup here at Portman Road.

I'm delighted we're able to host six Suffolk County Cup Finals at Ipswich Town FC this season, the most ever in a single season. Whilst we may not be able to host so many finals at Portman Road every season, hopefully those who do get to perform in this stadium will be inspired to give us spectators their best performance.

Thank you to all our colleagues at Ipswich Town for their hard work, time and commitment to ensuring these finals are the showpiece culmination to another Suffolk football season.

This competition has been played since 1933-34 and the road to this year's final has been as exciting as ever. Reaching this final crowns successful seasons for the two teams. AFC Sudbury A finished second in Division Two of the Essex & Suffolk Border League, while Old Newton United Reserves have finished sixth in League A

of the Touchline SIL this season. My congratulations go out to both teams for reaching this final, and best wishes for the game.

Please remember there is a third team involved in tonight's match. Our team of officials have been appointed as a result of their performances throughout the season and deserve to be involved in this stage of the competition as much as the two playing teams.

The game is sure to be tense and competitive and could be decided by the smallest of margins. Whilst we're unlikely to all agree with every decision the officials make, please rest assured that decisions will be made with the best of intentions. Therefore I trust you as spectators, players and team officials will join the match officials in adhering to RESPECT Codes of Conduct at all times; a Spectators' Code of Conduct is included within this programme and Codes of Conduct applying to all match participants are displayed in the respective changing rooms.

If the scores are level at the end of normal time, we go straight to a penalty shoot-out. So please do save any fingernails just in case!

Football should be the best experience For All. Please cheer, congratulate and encourage as much as possible in a respectful manner for all involved. Let the game begin...

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Richard Neal
Chief Executive Officer
Suffolk Football Association

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The Suffolk FA were looking for cup sponsors and the chance to have a top brand manufacturer in NEFF willing to help support The KBB Centre's links with Suffolk FA was an opportunity not to be missed. The KBB Centre are a 5 Star MasterPartner for NEFF and we have a lot of innovative things happening with them this year, both with showroom changes and new NEFF products.

We are particularly excited about NEFF's main event of their 2019 calendar, which is the launch of NEFF's 'Home Connect' which will be available on display in our showroom in June.

We'd like to wish all the teams who have made it this far the very best of luck!

Roger Peck (left) and Patrick Peck (right), Directors of the KBB Centre



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Cup Competitions Manager



I once worked with a northern lad who supported Everton. I used to ask him the Everton result every time they lost and then on one occasion I tried to wind him up by saying 'Never mind, it's only a game'. His reply was instant. 'Aye, but it's a passionate game'. How right he was.

Tonight's final sees the culmination of hard work, skill, determination, some luck and plenty of passion, but that's just the two teams playing on the pitch. For me, I cannot organise the Suffolk FA County Cups without a team with no less passion, but no-one sees them and without them occasions like tonight would not take place.

My squad consists of the referee co-ordinators Ian Smillie, Graham Apperley, Ian Atkins, Mel Stickland and Alan Dale. Darryn Marsh, Bruce Badcock and Richard Neal are alongside myself when the tough, and not always popular, decisions have to be made, and Ruth Ward makes sure the administration for the finals is fully in control.

Then there are the County Representatives attending each semi final and final making sure the County standards are met and a special thanks to all host clubs who have so readily agreed to host County matches.

I would also like to make a special mention of David Mayes of the Thurlow Nunn League whose help is always valued throughout the rounds in identifying available venues causing the least amount of disruption for our partner leagues. Radio Suffolk has seen the coverage of our live semi-final draws on the Non-League hour of their Thursday Night Sports Social programme reach bigger audiences thanks to the enthusiasm of Graeme Mac and David Mann and, of course, our own Nick Garnham whose passion for the County Cup competitions is truly admirable.

My own football career never reached great heights. I played in a Primary Cup Semi-Final but didn't make the final squad but one of my team-mates looked back at his time in local football when our club celebrated an anniversary and wrote the most sincere and heart warming sentiments about this wonderful game that we play in our most beautiful County. He wrote: "Without the enthusiasm of the people that run our club, it is unlikely that we would be here tonight. From a personal point of view I would have missed out on some of the happiest and proudest moments of my life, moments that I have shared with people that have become my closest friends. Who said football was only a game? It's far more important than that."

Adrian Moye
County Cup Competitions Manager
Suffolk FA

Competition History

The Suffolk Primary Cup began in the 1933-34 season, playing for six seasons before the outbreak of WW2. No team dominated during this time although both Newton Green and Eastern Counties III reached the final twice and won once. Notably the last winners before the war were Whitton United who have since won the Senior Cup and played in a Premier Cup Final.

It has been a cup where few clubs can claim to have dominated it. Only Bildeston Rangers have won the cup more than twice, having won it four times but still took 17 seasons to achieve this.

Two wins in a row is also rare. The current holders Bures United have achieved this, beating AFC Yourshirts in both their finals. This is only the second time this has happened the previous being when Lakenheath Reserves won the cup in both 1991-92 and 1992-93 seasons.

The biggest win is by 6-0 which has been achieved by both Priory Heath Youth Club and Kesgrave Bell.

The most goals, excluding penalty shoot-outs, is 10 which occurred in 2001 when Martlesham Athletic 98 beat Albion Mills 6-4.

The last final to go to extra time is also the most recent final to go to penalties. That was in 2014 when Adhara beat Witnesham Wasps 5-4 on penalties after a 4-4 extra time draw.

Route to the Final

First round: Walsham-le-Willows B 1 AFC Sudbury 8, Old Newton United Reserves – bye.

Second round: Old Newton United Reserves 4 Mendlesham Reserves 1, AFC Sudbury A 8 Elmswell 1.

Third round: Ransomes Sports Reserves 1 AFC Sudbury A 6, Tattingstone United 1 Old Newton United Reserves 3.

Fourth round: Whitton United A 0 AFC Sudbury A 4, St Edmunds 1965 3 Old Newton United Reserves 3 – Old Newton United Reserves won 4-3 on pens.

Quarter-Finals: Woolverstone United Reserves 0 Old Newton United Reserves 5, FC Whitehorse 0 AFC Sudbury A 4.

Semi-Finals: Thurston 0 Old Newton United Reserves 3, Bedricks Worth 0 AFC Sudbury A 2.



Bures United celebrate after last season's 2-0 victory over AFC YourShirts in the Suffolk Primary Cup Final at Portman Road



Previous Finals

1933-34 Stoke Comrades 4 - 1 St Clements United
1934-35 Priory Works, Eastern Counties III
1935-36 Eastern Counties III 4 - 3 Newton Green
1936-37 Newton Green 3 - 1 Lovewell Road OB
1937-38 Bury St Andrews 3 - 2 Reydon
1938-39 Whitton United 2 - 1 Crists Cable
1946-47 Rattlesden 2 - 1 Rickinghall
1947-48 Stanton 5 - 1 Somerleyton
1948-49 Wortham 6 - 2 Great Blakenham
1949-50 Eriswell 4 - 3 Brandon
1950-51 Exning Reserves 2 - 0 Old Newton
1951-52 Woolpit
1952-53 Wickham Market
1953-54 Lowestoft Electrical Apparatus 3 - 1 Barrow
1954-55 Benhall St Mary's 4 - 3 Orford
1955-56 Christchurch 5 - 1 Rattlesden
1956-57 Beaconsfield 5 - 3 Wetheringsett
1957-58 Elmswell 6 - 2 Nicholians
1958-59 Priory Heath YC 6 - 0 Rougham Wanderers
1959-60 Richards Ironworks 4 - 0 Rushmere Athletic
1960-61 Fornham & Hengrave 1 - 0 Finningham United
1961-62 Fornham St Martin 3 - 2 Bramford Road OB
1962-63 Bildeston Rangers 2 - 1 Wetheringsett
1963-64 Ixworth 4 - 2 Thurston
1964-65 Bildeston Rangers 6 - 1 Raydon & Shelley
1965-66 Barrow 2 - 1 Fonnereau Athletic
1966-67 Westgate Brewery 3 - 2 Bradfield St George
1967-68 Woodbridge Athletic 3 - 1 Foxhall Works
1968-69 St Edmunds RCYC 2 - 2 Nicholians
1969-70 Lake Lothing 4 - 3 Mildenhall Reserves
1970-71 Tattingstone United 3 - 2 Carlton Colville
1971-72 Haughley Youth 2 - 1 Copdock
1972-73 Murrayside 5 - 3 Wickham Market
1973-74 Springfield 1 - 0 Centa
1974-75 Wickham Market 2 - 1 Carlton Colville Reserves
1975-76 Caribbean 3 - 2 Carlton Colville Reserves
1976-77 Bildeston Rangers 5 - 1 Ipswich Exiles (after 2-2 draw)
1977-78 South Suffolk Old Boys 3 - 2 Stoke United
1978-79 Bildeston Rangers 3 - 0 Ipswich Exiles
1979-80 Waveney Wanderers 2 - 0 Cavendish
1980-81 Covenanters 3 - 1 Halesworth Town Reserves
1981-82 Halesworth Town Reserves 1 - 0 Wortham
1982-83 Waveney Wanderers 4 - 2 Bramford United
1983-84 Smock 2 - 1 Needham Market A
1984-85 Cavendish 3 - 2 East Bergholt (aet)
1985-86 Hundon 3 - 0 Stonham Aspal Reserves

1986-87 Thomas Eldred 3 - 0 Whitton United
1987-88 Kesgrave Bell 6 - 0 Whatfield
1988-89 East Anglian Customs 2 - 1 Whitton A
1989-90 Cue Plas 4 - 3 Fisons
1990-91 Tacket Street BBOB 2 - 1 Sudbury Athletic Reserves
1991-92 Lakenheath Reserves 5 - 2 Saracens
1992-93 Lakenheath Reserves 2 - 0 Wanderers Social
1993-94 Ixworth 3 - 2 Tacket Street BBOB
1994-95 Murray Rangers 3 - 1 Tuddenham Rovers (after 0-0 draw)
1995-96 Rushmere Athletic 3 - 1 Eye Games Centre
1996-97 Orwell Athletic 3 - 1 Stowupland
1997-98 Bucklesham 4 - 0 Kitchener United
1998-99 Bacton United 3 - 2 Salvation Army (after 1-1 draw)
1999-00 Saracens 2 - 1 Somersham
2000-01 Martlesham Athletic 98 6 - 4 Albion Mills (aet)
2001-02 AFC Hoxne 3 - 1 Dennington United (aet)
2002-03 Bury Town 95 Reserves 2 - 0 Claydon
2003-04 Coplestonians Reserves 2 - 1 Peasenhall United
2004-05 Needham Market 'A' 1 - 1 Somersham (4-3 on pens)
2005-06 Newmarket White Lion 3 - 1 Bildeston Rangers
2006-07 Stowmarket Stag 2 - 0 Priors Inn
2007-08 Bungay Town Reserves 4 - 2 Old Newton United Reserves
2008-09 Redgrave Rangers 1 - 0 Salvation Army
2009-10 Somersham 3 - 2 Glemsford
2010-11 Benhall St Mary 2 - 1 Great Blakenham
2011-12 Cedars Park 2 - 1 AFC Crowley
2012-13 Red Lodge 3 - 1 Cedars Park
2013-14 Adhara 4 - 4 Witnesham Wasps (aet, 5-4 on pens)
2014-15 Barham Athletic 2 - 1 Bures United
2015-16 Stage Event Security 2 - 0 Tacket Street Boys' Brigade Old Boys
2016-17 Bures United 2 - 1 AFC Yourshirts
2017-18 Bures United 2 - 0 AFC Yourshirts

AFC Sudbury

Harry Critchley – Left back. Harry works tirelessly for the team and has set up a number of key goals this season. A big character within the group and dressing room DJ. Harry played his Youth football with Stanway Rovers.

Ellis Girling – Right back. Hadleigh-based right back who is rarely beaten in one-on-one situations. Works tirelessly throughout the game and has chipped in with a number of goals. Last season he was a Suffolk Under-16 Cup winner with Walsham-le-Willows.

Sam Girling – Centre Midfield. Comfortable in any of the midfield positions. Sam has put in extra work to improve his set play delivery which saw him score the second goal in the semi-final from 25 yards. Previously with Colchester United Academy.

Jake Horlock – Striker. He has scored five goals in six Suffolk cup appearances. Jake has earned the tag super sub throughout this competition with all his goals coming from the bench. Jake is a natural finisher. Won the Eastern Junior Alliance league with Chelmsford City last season.

Josh Hughes – Left Back. A player who progressed to the academy from last year's under 16 team. He is comfortable in a number of playing positions including in goal. He is a competitive player who loves a tackle and possibly scored the team's goal of the season versus Harwich Rangers.

Rauf Kabangu – Striker. Rauf is an exciting forward player who will get people off their seats with some silky skills. Rauf does extra work daily to improve finishing off both feet and has now added goals to his performances.

Fred King – Striker. Fred has already scored for the first team with two goals in a dramatic comeback win in the Suffolk derby against Felixstowe & Walton United. The A team's leading goalscorer this season, Fred won back-to-back Essex county cups with Maldon & Tiptree.

Reece Langridge – Centre Back. A proper defender who enjoys putting his body on the line and keeping clean sheets. A great character around the academy and a player who has improved throughout the competition. Last season he was a Suffolk Under-16 Cup winner with Walsham-le-Willows.

Ethan Mayhew – Centre Midfield. A talented midfield player with an eye for goal. He has 15 league goals in 18 appearances. Another player who thrives in the big games and leads by his actions. Last season he was a Suffolk Under-16 Cup winner with Walsham-le-Willows.

Ethan Mills – Right Back. Millsy is possibly the quickest player to ever come through the academy. Ethan is comfortable in a number of positions and played centre forward in the fourth round. He joined the academy from the club's under-16 group.

Lewis O'Malley – Centre Back / Centre Midfield. The A team skipper. A young man with leadership skills above his years. A whole-hearted player who will leave everything on the pitch. Another who won the Suffolk Under-16 Cup with Walsham-le-Willows last year.



AFC Sudbury

Joe Osborn – Centre Midfield. Joe is another dead-ball specialist and will be hoping for any free-kicks within 30 yards of goal tonight. Captained Maldon & Tiptree to back-to-back Essex County FA cup success over the past two seasons.

Jack Renwick – Striker. One of the most laid back individuals in the academy. Jack is comfortable anywhere in midfield or up front. He has four goals in six games in this season's Primary Cup. Represented Essex FA and Essex Schools' FA last season.

Miles Sargent – Wide Right. Miles is a pacey wide player who has played through the middle at times this season. Miles can ghost past players with the ball and has an eye for goal. Won last season's Eastern Junior Alliance with Chelmsford City.

Josh Tysoe – Centre Midfield. A technically excellent midfielder who is always looking to get on the ball and has unlocked a number of defences this season. Another player who won the Suffolk Under-16 Cup last season with Walsham-le-Willows.

Matt Wooldridge – Centre Back. Matt has been Mr Consistent for the A team this season. A player who is always calm on the pitch and steps up on big occasions. Spent his Youth football career with Ipswich Town Academy.

Sam Wright – Goalkeeper. Sam progressed to the academy from the club's under-16 team and has progressed well throughout the season and has become the No.1 keeper. Probably the quickest goalkeeper in Suffolk football, Sam has pulled on the yellow outfield shirt at times this season.



AFC Sudbury A. Back row (left to right): Jack Renwick, Jake Horlock, Reece Langridge, Fred King, Lewis O'Malley, Sam Wright, Josh Hughes, Ethan Mayhew. Front row: Josh Tysoe, Ethan Mills, Matt Wooldridge, Jamie Souza (Assistant Manager), Craig Power (Manager), Harry Critchley, Ellis Girling, Joe Osborn. Missing from the photograph: Sam Girling, Rauf Kabangu, Miles Sargent.

The Teams

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Penalties

If the match is still level after full-time, the winner shall be determined by penalty kicks.

AFC Sudbury A

Red Shirts, Red Shorts,
Red Socks

Old Newton United Reserves

Yellow Shirts, Blue
Shorts, Yellow Socks

Referee

Regan Bradshaw

Assistant Referees

Colin Ablitt
Trevor Standing

Fourth Official

Terry Scott



AFC Sudbury

Harry Critchley
Ellis Girling
Sam Girling
Jake Horlock
Josh Hughes
Rauf Kabangu
Fred King
Reece Langridge
Ethan Mayhew
Ethan Mills
Lewis O'Malley
Joe Osborn
Jack Renwick
Miles Sargent
Josh Tysoe
Matt Wooldridge
Sam Wright

Manager: Craig Power

Assistant Manager: Jamie Souza

Coaches: Gavin Peters & Callum Harrison

Goalkeeping Coach: Louis Hrebeniak

Physiotherapist: Mike Ford



Old Newton United

Matt Ager
Adam Barton
Adam Burch
Ben English
John Hutton
Miles Keys
Harry Knight
Gary Newland
Aston Parris
Ian Rice
Sam Reynolds
Charlie Shave
Mitch Standing
Ahkeim-O'Brian Stone
Ant Stowe
Mark Theobald

Manager: Nibby Whomes

Assistant Manager: Paul Thorndyke



Match Officials

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The referee for tonight's Suffolk Primary Cup Final is 41-year-old Regan Bradshaw. He qualified after playing for many years but with his team not always being allocated a referee, decided to take up the whistle. He regularly officiates on the Suffolk & Ipswich League and officiated in last season's semi-final of this competition.

Assisting Regan is Colin Ablitt, who also referees on the Suffolk & Ipswich League, as well as the Ipswich Sunday Football League and Suffolk Youth Football League.

On the opposite line is Trevor Standing, who wanted to give back to the game after finishing playing. You might recognise Trevor who appeared on The BBC's One Show when they recreated a stunt from the Italian Job using his classic car!

The fourth official is Terry Scott who, after qualifying in 1989, received his Long Service Award to refereeing at last year's Suffolk FA Grassroots Awards evening.



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Old Newton United

Matt Ager – Left Back. Matt was in and out of the team last year but has grabbed his opportunity this season, which has seen him become the regular left back. Matt has become more confident with every game.

Adam Barton – Striker. Best friend to the gaffer and a man who turned his back on Haughley United over 350 games ago. Normally pops up with important goals in big games.

Adam Burch – Goalkeeper. He has had a great season between the sticks. Adam is a good shot stopper and clubman. His long kicking will be a real threat in the final.

Ben English – Striker. A talented footballer who joined from Mendlesham at the start of last season. A real handful on his day. Sometimes gets frustrated by his legs not doing what his head is thinking.

John Hutton – Centre Midfield. Absolute pitbull on the pitch and the team hard man. Loves to break up play and wears his heart on his sleeve. Plagued by injuries throughout the season but a real asset when fit.

Miles Keys – Centre Midfield. Played a key role in last year's league-winning team. A knee injury has held him back this year but he is still capable of some magic if given any time on the ball.

Harry Knight – Centre Midfield. Harry is one of the most talented players at the club and loves a Cruyff turn. He likes to get the ball down and play football.

Gary Newland – Centre Back. Hard-tackling defender who joined from Mendlesham this year in search of some silverwear. He reads the game extremely well and has a wand of a left foot.

Aston Parris – Centre Midfield. Another key member of last year's league-winning squad and one of this season's captains. Nobody will try harder than this man who always gives 100 per cent. Loves to make late runs into the box from midfield.

Ian Rice – Right Back. This season's most-improved reserve player who can play anywhere in defence. A speedy defender who likes getting forward at every chance.

Sam Reynolds – Striker. One of the youngest players in the team. He has quickly progressed up into the reserves after starting the season with the Third team. A talented footballer who has a good touch.

Charlie Shave – Centre Back. Charlie is Mr Old Newton. He captained the team to the league title last year and will be wearing the amber and blue in his third cup final at Portman Road. He is approaching 500 games for the club.

Mitch Standing – Centre Midfield. Another player who has progressed into the reserves from the Third team. He never stops running and will break up play and join in when the team are going forward.



Old Newton United

Ahkeim-O'Brian Stone – Striker. Stoney is a pacey forward who loves to play on the shoulder of the last defender, and will cause panic in any defence.

Ant Stowe – Right Back. The youngest member of the squad. Last appeared at Portman Road over 10 years ago as the first team's mascot in the Junior Cup Final. In the squad on merit and has improved in every game he has played for Old Newton.

Mark Theobald – Centre Midfield. Theo is a hard-tackling midfielder who will cover every blade of grass. He is an experienced footballer who has played for many local teams and has already played in a handful of finals at Portman Road.



Old Newton United Reserves. Back row (left to right): Paul Thorndyke (Assistant Manager), Gary Newland, Ahkeim-O'Brian Stone, Adam Burch, Charlie Shave, Matt Ager, Mark Theobald, Ben English, Nibby Whomes (Manager). Front row: Aston Parris, Miles Keys, Ant Stowe, Ian Rice, John Hutton, Adam Barton.

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The Football Association has re-launched its adult male retention-focused funding scheme to support men's 11-a-side community football teams in Suffolk.

The newly-titled Stay in the Game scheme will offer existing clubs the opportunity to apply for grants of £750 to help cover the various associated costs of running a football team.

Last year, under the name Retain the Game, the scheme helped to support the retention of 2,336 adult male teams across the country, supporting an estimated 55,000 community footballers.

Clubs who benefited from the grants last year were able to use the funding for match-day and training facility hire, first-aid training and new equipment, whilst also subsidising match-day fees for members of their respective squads.

This year, the grants will once again be available to adult male teams in the under-18 to Under-21 category, open-age adult sides and veterans' teams.

Grassroots clubs that meet the following criteria will be eligible to apply:

- Clubs that operate with two or more adult male teams – Under-18s, Under-19s, Under-21s, Under-23s, open age and vets.
- Clubs that hold the FA's Charter Standard Award (Adult, Youth, Development or Community).

- Adult clubs that commit to becoming FA Adult Charter Standard within season 2019/20.

- Clubs that have the support of their County Football Association.

Please note that clubs who benefited from successful Retain the Game applications last season will not be eligible to apply to this funding window of Stay in the Game.

Jodie Allard, Football Development Manager at Suffolk FA, added: "Managing finances can be a challenge for adult clubs and so we are really pleased to see the return of this new look funding scheme this season.

"The Stay in the Game scheme is a great incentive for clubs to recognise and reward those with more than one adult team and support them to continue providing opportunities for local people to enjoy the game here in Suffolk.

"We would encourage any adult clubs who fall within the eligibility criteria to take advantage of this opportunity to secure additional financial support."

The application window for Stay in the Game is now open and closes at 5pm on Thursday, June 6th 2019.

Clubs seeking more information on the programme should either contact Jodie Allard at Suffolk FA via Jodie.Allard@Suffolkfa.com or visit the Football Foundation website.



Super Sunday Cup Finals

Three former Ipswich Town stars were in the Whitton United side that won the Suffolk Veterans' Cup for the first time.

Kieron Dyer, who scored his side's first goal, Titus Bramble and Carlos Edwards all played in their 4-1 victory over holders Woodbridge Town in the final which was one of four to be staged on Super Sunday at Bloomfields, home of Needham Market FC, and attended by more than 400 spectators.

A mixture of good goalkeeping and some profligate finishing meant Whitton were kept at bay until the 65th minute when Dyer bundled home.

However, just when it looked as though Whitton would win the cup for the first time – they were runners-up in this competition in 2012 – Adam Glencastle equalised after 84 minutes for the Woodpeckers.

That was the first of four goals in a frantic seven-minute finale, with Whitton then scoring three more unanswered goals. Gavin Crane put them back in front after 87 minutes, before Ronaldo Wright struck twice to wrap up victory.

The final was the second to be played on the main pitch, after Gym United had deservedly won the Suffolk Sunday Cup earlier in the day.

They defeated fellow Bury & District Sunday League side Tostock Pirates 1-0 thanks to Mex Melanson's sweetly-struck volley from outside the penalty area over Steve Fenner after 58 minutes.

In a final of few clear-cut chances it was Gym United, the 2014 and 2015 winners, who had the lion's share of them against Tostock Pirates, who won the trophy in 2016.

The other two finals, both played on the 3G pitch, were rather more one-side affairs.

Scott Sloots helped himself to five goals – the other was an own goal – as Lavenham made up for the disappointment of losing in the final two years ago by beating fellow Sudbury, Haverhill & District Sunday League side Haverhill & Hove Albion 6-0.

That was followed by the Suffolk Sunday Shield Final which saw Lowestoft-based Fusilier defeat Holbrook Swan of the Ipswich Sunday Football League 5-0.

Harley Thompson led the way with a hat-trick and there were also goals for Sam Lish and Ryan Davies.



Former Ipswich Town stars, left to right, Kieron Dyer, Carlos Edwards and Titus Bramble with the Suffolk Veterans' Cup after Whitton United's 4-1 victory over Woodbridge Town in the final at Needham Market FC.



Super Sunday Cup Finals



Super Sunday winners (from top to bottom) Bury St Edmunds-based Gym United celebrate after their 1-0 victory over Tostock Pirates in the Suffolk Sunday Cup Final.



Lowestoft side Fusilier after their 5-0 win against Holbrook Swan in the Suffolk Sunday Shield Final.



Lavenham after their 6-0 success versus Haverhill & Hove Albion in the Suffolk Sunday Trophy Final.

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KBB Grassroots Festival 2019



SUFFOLK FA have pulled off a coup with England legend Kelly Smith agreeing to attend this year's KBB Suffolk FA Grassroots Festival.

Smith, England's all-time leading scorer with 46 goals, is to visit the two-day festival at Whitton United FC on Saturday, May 18th. The festival will continue on the Sunday.

The former striker, who was England's first professional female footballer, won 117 caps in an illustrious career and played in six major tournaments, including representing Great Britain at the 2012 London Olympics.

Smith, who won five FA Cups, scoring six times in those five finals, said: "I'm really looking forward to visiting the KBB Suffolk FA Grassroots Festival.

"Grassroots football and tournaments like these are so important to the development of the players and the future prosperity of the game, so I am pleased to be able to attend."

Suffolk FA Mini Soccer & Youth Football Development Officer James Morley, who is co-organising the festival, said: "We are really pleased to have Kelly Smith attending this year's KBB Grassroots Festival.

"Our festival will be themed around the FIFA Women's World Cup which is taking place in France and to have Kelly in attendance provides a great opportunity for all the young girls to meet someone who has played and achieved everything at the highest level.

"This season is tracking to be the biggest festival we have ever organised, with more teams being able to attend than ever before and new festivals including walking football and disability football.

"Having Kelly in attendance as well is going to help us create the biggest and best festival by far. We now can't wait until May for the festival to be here."

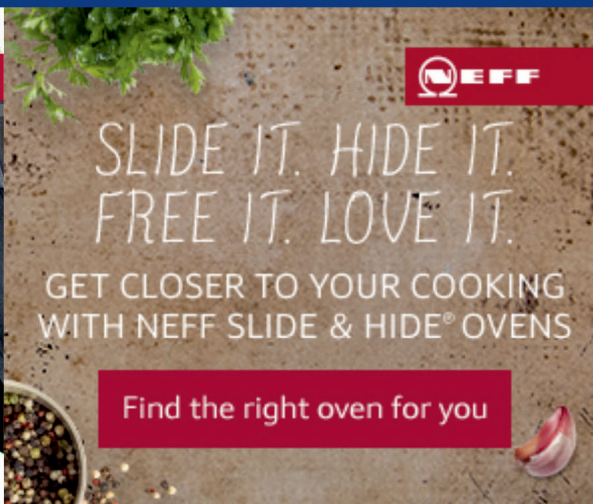
Roger Peck, a director of festival sponsors KBB, said: "Kelly Smith's presence at this year's festival is testament to the hard work and dedication that has gone into the festival over the years.

"The fact that the popularity and the exposure that the festival gets is now encouraging big names like Kelly to get involved makes us very proud."

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