

BIRMINGHAM COUNTY
FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

WOMEN'S COUNTY CUP FINAL

2022

2023

WOLVES WOMEN
VS
STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN



STOURBRIDGE FC



TUESDAY 9 MAY | KICK OFF 7.45PM | MOLINEUX STADIUM

ADULTS £5 | CONCESSIONS £2

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

SENIOR CUP
WALSALL FC
FRIDAY 12 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

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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.

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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ALWAYS
WINS

WOMEN'S COUNTY CUP

MEET THE OFFICIALS



REFEREE

JULIA KINGS

Having become a referee at the age of 14 I am currently in my ninth season and enjoying it more than ever. In the past few seasons, I have been promoted across both the men's and women's game and hope to continue to progress up the refereeing ladder. As I have become more involved with the women's game, it has been great to see how quickly it is progressing and the opportunities that are becoming available for everyone involved. This season I became part of the County's Development Group, which has given me many opportunities and provided me with support throughout the season. I am honoured to be selected to officiate this Women's Cup Final and wish all the best for everyone involved.

ASSISTANT REFEREE

GUY THROWER

This is my 13th season as an official, serving both Birmingham FA and the Army FA in that time. I operate on the Midland Football League and the Women's National League at present. I had the honour of being the referee for the Women's National League Plate Final this season.

ASSISTANT REFEREE

EMMA BISSET

I have been refereeing for 4 years, working across the men's and women's leagues within the Birmingham County. It's been a busy year as I stepped up to joining more leagues to broaden my experience at a higher level, learning as assistant from the very best in the County and taking learning into my games in the middle. I worked hard on developing myself through training and education workshops and I am delighted this has resulted in my promotion to level 5, a Senior County referee. Building on last year, where I was assistant at the County Girls Cup, I am privileged to have been recognised for this prestigious Women's final.

FOURTH OFFICIAL

SIMON KAVANAGH



MANAGER'S NOTES

Dan McNamara

Good evening all,

What a fantastic occasion tonight promises to be at a fantastic venue. It's amazing to see how far the women's game has come in recent years, and this is further proof of that.

After a brilliant season full of mixed emotions for Wolves Women, tonight offers us a great opportunity to win a trophy at the Golden Palace.



It's going to be a tough encounter against a very good side who have deservedly booked their place within Tier 3 next season.

Hopefully, the fans can get behind us and we can create another great memory this evening for players, staff and everyone associated with Wolves Women.

Sing loud and proud and dare to dream.

WOMEN'S COUNTY CUP

WOLVES WOMEN THE ROAD TO THE FINAL

FIRST ROUND

WOLVES WOMEN
vs
BYE

SECOND ROUND

CHELMSLEY COLTS LADIES 0
vs
WOLVES WOMEN 19

THIRD ROUND

BOLDMERE ST MICHAELS WOMEN 1
vs
WOLVES WOMEN 3

QUARTER-FINAL

KNOWLE LADIES 0
vs
WOLVES WOMEN 5

SEMI-FINAL

WEST BROMWICH ALBION WOMEN 2
vs
WOLVES WOMEN 3



**Birmingham &
Black Country**
Wildlife Trust

**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 Country 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

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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 month's 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.

Carbon Literacy for
**Grassroots
Football**

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 [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) or [Pledgeball.org](#)

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR AWARD-WINNING SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMME [HERE](#)

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MANAGER'S NOTES

Andrew Fisher

Our first County Cup Final is a hugely prestigious achievement for us. There are so many strong clubs in the Birmingham FA region and we have faced some difficult hurdles on our run to the Final, so we are very proud to be here tonight on this stage.

It has been another long, hard season, but a successful one for us yet again. A third successive promotion means that we can look forward to coming up against teams like Wolves on a regular basis next season, and that is something that is hugely exciting for us and for women's football in the West Midlands generally.

We know we are underdogs against a strong Wolves team tonight. Macca and his squad have had another incredible season and have been so unlucky to miss out on the promotion play-off. No doubt they will want to finish the season in style, but we will be doing everything in our power to stop them.

I know that our supporters will be here in numbers tonight too. Over the last couple of seasons, our support has grown as people have joined our journey and become part of the 'Stour Family'. My thanks to each and every one of them, and I hope we can give them something to shout about at full time this evening!



WOMEN'S COUNTY CUP

STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN

THE ROAD TO THE FINAL

FIRST ROUND

STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN

VS

BYE

SECOND ROUND

SOLIHULL MOORS FOUNDATION WOMEN 1

VS

STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN 3

THIRD ROUND

STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN 1 (3)

VS

SUTTON COLDFIELD TOWN WOMEN 1 (0)

QUARTER-FINAL

STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN 7

VS

SOLIHULL SPORTING LADIES 1

SEMI-FINAL

BURTON ALBION WOMEN 0

VS

STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN 5

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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

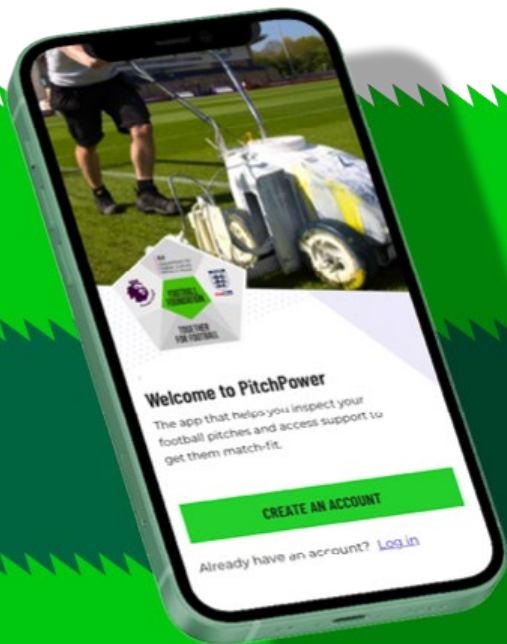
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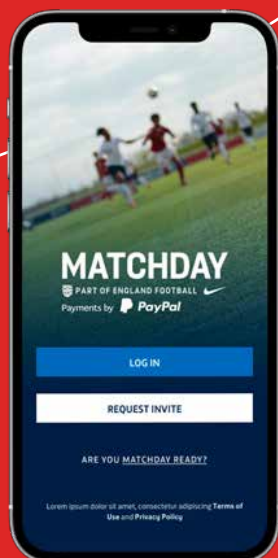




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WOLVES WOMEN



Naomi Bedeau
Darcy Cartwright
Laura Cooper
Jade Cross
Emma Cross
Kelly Darby
Helen Dermody
Amy Dicken
Ria Elsmore
Maz Gauntlett
Tammi George
Grace Gregory
Amy Hare
Summer Holmes
Amber Hughes
Katie Johnson
Beth Merrick
Ali Miller
Anna Morphet
Skye Owen
Anna Price
Beth Roberts
Josie Smith
Bec Thomas
Destiny Toussaint
Shan Turner

COACHING STAFF

Dan McNamara - 1st Team Coach
Andy Jones - 1st Team Asst
Hugh McCluskie - GK Coach
Nathan Maxfield- S & C
Paul Taylor - Physio

First Choice Colours:
Gold shirts, Black shorts and Gold socks



STOURBRIDGE FC WOMEN

Keren Allen
Jess Bate
Zoe Clarke
Niamh Deasy
Hannah Fishwick
Lyndsey Glover
Meg Hadley
Lexie Harrison
Sophie Heaselgrave
Lois Jefferies
Amber Lawrence
Sophie Levick
Ellie McGovern
Esme Moran
Angie Morley
Alex Nicklin
Amie Preston
Mil Rogers

COACHING STAFF

Andy Fisher - Manager
Mike Harris – Assistant Manager
Harry O'Neil - Coach
Dan Andrews - Coach

First Choice Colours:
Red & White Shirts, Red Shorts, Red Socks

TROPHY PRESENTED BY MONICA SHAFaq AND SANDRA HAMPTON

Monica Shafaq is an independent non-executive director at BCFA. Monica has overseen the work that BCFA has done in Equality, Diversity and Inclusion. Monica is also a life-long Wolverhampton Wanderers fan and is honoured to be co-presenting the trophy on the hallowed turf.

Sandra Hampton is the BCFA Senior Independent Director. Sandra has helped BCFA create a strong and robust governance structure. She has been the driving force behind the governance changes at BCFA. We are honoured that she will be presenting the trophy and we would like to thank her for all her time, effort and dedication to BCFA.

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Julia Kings
Assistant Referee: Guy Thrower
Assistant Referee: Emma Bisset
Fourth Official: Simon Kavanagh

