



# Hertfordshire FA



**Charity Cup Final 2024**  
**Potters Bar Town v St Albans City**

Saturday 3rd August 2024 3:00pm  
Clarence Park, St Albans



# Welcome to Clarence Park



## Our eighteenth County Cup Final of 2024

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to Clarence Park for today's Charity Cup Final. We're proud to have our Charity competitions back again and to continue the long history of supporting worthy causes through football.

Our congratulations go to the players and management of both Potters Bar Town and St Albans City on reaching the final. We wish you the very best of luck for the match. We also want to acknowledge those involved in running both clubs, whose hard work behind the scenes gives these players the opportunity to be part of the game.

Congratulations also to the match officials on your appointment to this game, you thoroughly deserve it and we hope you are able to enjoy the occasion.

Finally we are delighted to welcome Chris Spriggins, President of Hertfordshire FA as Guest of Honour for today's final where they will meet the teams before the game and also present the medals at the end of the match.

We would also like to thank our hosts who have kindly allowed us to use their ground for this match. Our goal is to create a friendly and welcoming environment for all and therefore ask that you show your appreciation during and after the game in a positive manner.

**Graham Phillips,**  
Chair, Hertfordshire FA

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# Competition History



**This is the 114th Final of the Hertfordshire FA Charity Cup and the first to take place since 2019**

The Hertfordshire FA Charity Competitions have long been an opportunity for the football community in the county to come together to raise funds for worthy local causes and this afternoon's final continues a tradition dating back to the start of the last century.

The proceeds from matches played in these two competitions are collected and distributed to charities nominated by the competition finalists. The top eight clubs in the county (with the current exception of Watford, Stevenage and Boreham Wood) are invited to contest the Charity Cup, with the next sixteen entering the Charity Shield.

The first ever Charity Cup was played in the 1900-01 season and was won by Cheshunt, the first of six victories for the club, the most recent of which was seven years ago. Over the years however the competition has been dominated by four clubs, with St. Albans City, Barnet, Hitchin Town and Bishop's Stortford having secured 83 wins between them.

A victory for St Albans this afternoon would further extend their lead as the most successful club in this competition and take their total to 27. Potters Bar meanwhile will be looking to add their name to the trophy for a second time having previously lifted the Charity Cup in 2007 in what was their only previous appearance in the final.

*Today's match will be 45 minutes each way, with kicks from the penalty mark if necessary. Teams may use five substitutes from a list of five provided to the referee before kick off.*

## The Nominated Charities

**This year's competition is proud to be raising funds for two worthy causes nominated by the finalists**

Potters Bar have nominated Mayfair Lodge Fundraising Friends, a charity dedicated to supporting residents of a care home in the local area. Their recent fundraising efforts have gone towards the provision of a tea room and dementia garden.

St Albans have nominated Youth Talk, which provides free, confidential counselling services to people aged 13 to 25. Their goal is to provide the best possible mental health support to young people in St Albans and the surrounding areas, ensuring that every young person can talk to someone who can help with whatever is worrying them.

# Club Profile

## Potters Bar Town

The Scholars are aiming to add their name to the Charity Cup for a second time

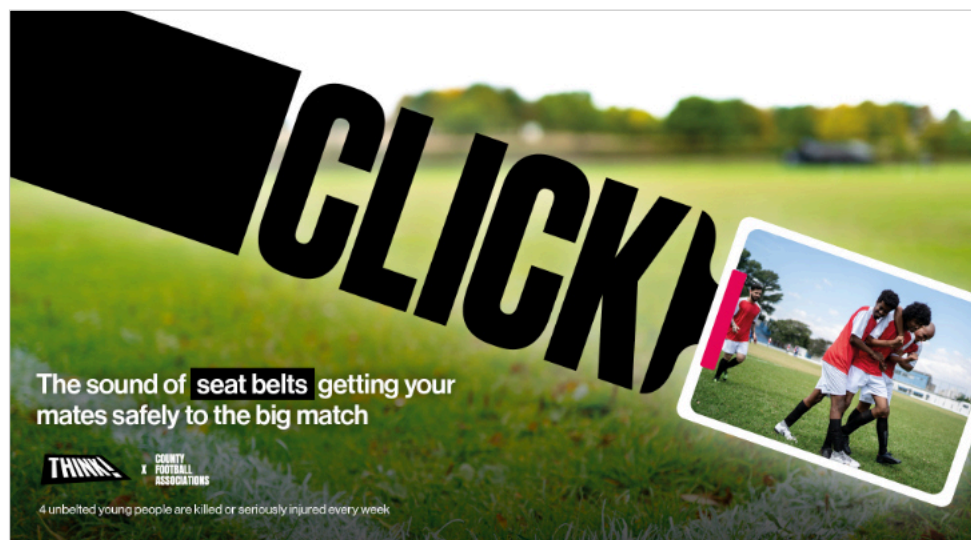


Formed in 1960 as Mount Grace Old Scholars, referring to the local school, Potters Bar Town have enjoyed a successful 64 years as a club. Nicknamed the Scholars, from their academic roots, Potters Bar Town have progressed on and off the pitch, reaching the Isthmian Premier League in Step 3, to date the best division we have ever played in.

It has been an interesting journey full of twists and turns, from using turnstiles from the old Wembley Stadium in 2007, to improving the main stand at the club following a highly successful FA Cup campaign which peaked when 2,011 fans packed into the Lantern Stadium to see Andy Lomas equalise in the 101st minute against Barnet.

Chairman Peter Waller has been at the heart of the family club since its inception, alongside wife Carole and more recently son Adam. Now under the stewardship of Max Mitchell, the Scholars are in search of their first piece of silverware in Hertfordshire since winning the Charity Cup in 2007, following their Charity Shield successes in 2003 and 2005.

In what promises to be an exciting season, as the club progresses to a 3G pitch, Potters Bar Town are entering a new era with silverware in our sights.



# League Season

**Isthmian League Premier Division** *at the end of the 2023/24 season*

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<b>AFC Hornchurch</b>	42	31	7	4	95	34	61	100
2	<b>Chatham Town</b>	42	24	7	11	87	61	26	79
3	<b>Enfield Town</b>	42	22	11	9	81	54	27	77
4	<b>Wingate &amp; Finchley</b>	42	23	7	12	78	62	16	76
5	<b>Horsham</b>	42	23	7	12	64	50	14	76
6	<b>Billericay</b>	42	23	4	15	78	52	26	73
7	<b>Hastings</b>	42	19	10	13	71	54	17	67
8	<b>Lewes</b>	42	20	7	15	68	70	-2	67
9	<b>Whitehawk</b>	42	17	14	11	63	54	9	65
10	<b>Bognor Regis</b>	42	16	14	12	78	63	15	62
11	<b>Dulwich Hamlet</b>	42	17	11	14	77	72	5	62
12	<b>Carshalton</b>	42	17	11	14	73	59	14	61
13	<b>Hashtag United</b>	42	15	14	13	82	75	7	59
14	<b>Canvey Island</b>	42	16	6	20	62	74	-12	54
15	<b>Potters Bar</b>	42	14	9	19	65	70	-5	51
16	<b>Folkestone Invicta</b>	42	13	11	18	60	71	-11	50
17	<b>Cray Wanderers</b>	42	13	11	18	54	66	-12	50
18	<b>Cheshunt</b>	42	12	7	23	58	72	-14	43
19	<b>Margate</b>	42	10	9	23	50	80	-30	39
20	<b>Haringey Borough</b>	42	6	9	27	32	88	-56	27
21	<b>Concord Rangers</b>	42	6	8	28	34	82	-48	26
22	<b>Kingstonian</b>	42	5	6	31	55	102	-47	21





## Potters Bar Town

**Finished 15th in the Isthmian League Premier Division**  
at the end of the 2023-24 season

### League Form

Games Won	14
Games Drawn	9
Games Lost	19
Goals Scored	65
Goals Conceded	70

### Leading Scorers

19	Brandon Adams
12	Ore Bello
11	Temi Babalola
7	Leigh Rose
4	Darnell Goather-Braithwaite



## St Albans City

**Finished 11th in the Vanarama National League South**  
at the end of the 2023-24 season

### League Form

Games Won	20
Games Drawn	8
Games Lost	18
Goals Scored	77
Goals Conceded	67

### Leading Scorers

33	Shaun Jeffers
14	Mitchell Weiss
10	Giorgio Rasulo
6	Ibby Akanbi
5	Zane Banton

### Route to the Final

QF	Ware	1 - 1 (8 - 9)P	Potters Bar Town
SF	Potters Bar Town	1 - 1 (5 - 3)P	Cheshunt

### Route to the Final

QF	St Albans City	2 - 2 (6 - 5)P	Hemel Hempstead Town
SF	St Albans City	2 - 0	Hitchin Town



# Club Profile

## St Albans City

Non-league stalwarts have seen highs, lows and some unique moments of football history



Having formed in 1908 our league journey began in the Spartan and Herts County leagues. Both were won prior to the Great War. After the war City joined the Athenian League. Winning that twice in three years was an achievement that paved the way to joining the Isthmian League in 1923. Within a year City were crowned champions of that league too, making us the first to win the Spartan, Athenian, and Isthmian League championships. By the end of the decade the club had won the Isthmian title on two further occasions. The 1920s could be seen as St Albans City's golden days with three Amateur Cup semi-final appearances also being made.

City achieved just two more top two finishes before, along with Corinthian Casuals, being the first club to be relegated within the newly expanded Isthmian League in 1974. A second relegation was endured nine years later but it proved to be the spark for an upturn in fortunes. City turned to one of their former players John Mitchell to be manager and with two promotions in three years the club was back in the Premier Division of the Isthmian League. City were later denied promotion to the Conference in 1993 after finishing second to Chesham United when they took exception to a 140-year-old oak tree situated within the terrace. The tree was felled in 1998, clearing the way for City to join the Conference South as founder members in 2004 following a play-off victory over Bedford Town.

Having battled against relegation for much of that first season, the Saints, now managed by Colin Lippiatt, gained promotion a year later with victory in the play-off final over Histon. After just one season in the Conference National, we were relegated back to the Conference South, but went down with the highest points total of any side to finish bottom of the Conference since the league added two extra Divisions. Life back in the Conference South was far from easy and in 2011, following a deduction of ten points and a fine of £9,500 for financial irregularities, we were then relegated to the Southern League.

After just three seasons, Graham Golds and Jimmy Gray led us back into the Conference South with a play-off victory at Chesham United. Facing relegation in 2016, City turned to Ian Allinson with the former Arsenal player not only guiding the club to safety but settling in for a six-year stint at Clarence Park. Allinson left the Saints in October 2022 with his replacement, former City player David Noble, leading the club straight into the play-offs. Victories over Chelmsford City and Dartford took City through to the promotion final where a dominant Oxford City side were triumphant, leaving the Saints to settle for another season in the National League South.

# League Season

Vanarama National League South *at the end of the 2023/24 season*

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<b>Yeovil Town</b>	46	29	8	9	81	45	36	95
2	<b>Chelmsford City</b>	46	24	12	10	76	43	33	84
3	<b>Worthing</b>	46	26	6	14	104	72	32	84
4	<b>Maidstone United</b>	46	24	11	11	72	52	20	83
5	<b>Braintree Town</b>	46	23	12	11	64	42	22	81
6	<b>Bath City</b>	46	20	13	13	69	51	18	73
7	<b>Aveley</b>	46	21	10	15	68	61	7	73
8	<b>Farnborough</b>	46	20	12	14	76	67	9	72
9	<b>Hampton &amp; Richmond</b>	46	20	12	14	61	57	4	72
10	<b>Slough Town</b>	46	18	14	14	81	69	12	68
11	<b>St Albans City</b>	46	20	8	18	77	67	10	68
12	<b>Chippenham Town</b>	46	16	14	16	62	62	0	62
13	<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	46	17	8	21	66	74	-8	59
14	<b>Tonbridge Angels</b>	46	15	13	18	65	66	-1	58
15	<b>Weymouth</b>	46	13	17	16	57	64	-7	56
16	<b>Truro City</b>	46	15	10	21	58	67	-9	55
17	<b>Welling United</b>	46	12	18	16	56	71	-15	54
18	<b>Torquay United</b>	46	19	7	20	73	76	-3	53
19	<b>Eastbourne Borough</b>	46	14	10	22	53	74	-21	52
20	<b>Hemel Hempstead Town</b>	46	13	11	22	55	71	-16	50
21	<b>Dartford</b>	46	12	10	24	56	75	-19	46
22	<b>Taunton Town</b>	46	10	16	20	44	71	-27	46
23	<b>Havant &amp; Waterlooville</b>	46	10	7	29	52	92	-40	37
24	<b>Dover Athletic</b>	46	4	15	27	40	77	-37	27



# Do You Know How to Help Keep Your Child Safe in Football?

Hertfordshire FA Designated Safeguarding Manager  
Gemma Chaffey on how you can play your part



Safeguarding is about creating safe environments and preventing children from experiencing harm or abuse. Put simply, safeguarding refers to measures we take to protect our children - and keep them safe and well. Whether that's your kids, the opposing players or even the referee, every young person has the right to enjoy football.

The FA offer a short Safeguarding for Parents Course designed to help you to make an informed choice about the football setting you enrol your child in. It starts by explaining the importance of safeguarding in football and the child-centred approach the game takes.

It will then guide you through questions you should ask to ensure the club or venue where your children play has the correct safeguarding policies, people and practices in place. The course also highlights signs that should concern you and how these concerns should be reported.



**Together we can help make football safe for all. Take the free Safeguarding Awareness for Parents and Carers course today!**

[bit.ly/HFA-SAC](https://bit.ly/HFA-SAC)

## Reporting Safeguarding Concerns

**Don't wait for someone else to do something about it**

A child or young person may inform you directly that they are concerned about someone's behaviour towards them. Or you may become aware, through your own observations or through a third party, of possible abuse occurring. Either way you need to report it.

If you have a safeguarding concern you should raise it with your Club Welfare Officer, or alternatively contact our Designated Safeguarding Manager. Please call Gemma Chaffey on 07538 990836 or email [safeguarding@hertfordshirefa.com](mailto:safeguarding@hertfordshirefa.com).

If you cannot contact one of the above or you are worried about a child outside of football, you can also call Children Services 0300 123 4043 or the NSPCC helpline 0808 800 5000.

**If you believe someone is in immediate danger of harm, always call the Police on 999**

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# Hertfordshire FA County Cup Finals 2024



**Saturday 23rd March 10:00am  
Under 14 Girls Challenge Cup**

Won by Hertford Town Girls

**Saturday 23rd March 2:30pm  
Under 15 Girls Challenge Cup**

Won by Hitchin Belles Youth

**Wednesday 27th March 7:45pm  
Senior Centenary Trophy**

Won by Hoddesdon Town

**Friday 29th March 3:00pm  
Junior Cup**

Won by Sarratt Reserves

**Sunday 7th April 10:00am  
Under 18 Boys Challenge Cup**

Won by Cheshunt Youth

**Sunday 7th April 3:00pm  
Sunday Intermediate Cup**

Won by Brewster Plumbing

**Tuesday 9th April 7:45pm\*  
Senior Challenge Cup**

Won by St Albans City

**Wednesday 10th April 7:45pm  
Charity Shield**

Won by Tring Athletic

**Sunday 14th April 10:00am  
Under 14 Boys Challenge Cup**

Won by Sun Sports Youth

**Sunday 14th April 3:00pm  
Sunday Junior Cup**

Won by Northaw Reserves

**Sunday 21st April 10:00am  
Under 15 Boys Challenge Cup**

Won by St Albans City Youth

**Sunday 21st April 3:00pm  
Women's Senior Challenge Cup**

Won by Royston Town

**Sunday 28th April 10:00am  
Under 16 Boys Challenge Cup**

Won by Sun Sports Youth

**Sunday 28th April 3:00pm  
Sunday Senior Cup**

Won by Strafford Arms

**Saturday 4th May 10:00am  
Under 16 Girls Challenge Cup**

Won by Stevenage Starlets

**Saturday 4th May 3:00pm  
Under 18 Girls Challenge Cup**

Won by Oaklands Wolves

**Sunday 26th May 10:30am  
Women's Trophy**

Won by Stevenage FC Development

**Saturday 3rd August 3:00pm  
Charity Cup**

Potters Bar Town v St Albans City

*\* All finals to be played at The County Ground, Letchworth, with the exception of the Senior Cup which will be played at Top Field in Hitchin and the Charity Cup which will be played at Clarence Park in St Albans*





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Ryan Herval  
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Daniel Bowry  
David Longe-King  
Ken Charles  
Alfie Payne  
Shaun Jeffers  
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Zane Banton  
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