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SUNDAY CHALLENGE SHIELD FINAL

 FRIDAY 18 MARCH 2022

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 7.45PM KICK-OFF



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FOOTBALL**

WELCOME FROM MANCHESTER FA



Manchester Football Association would like to welcome everyone to tonight's Sunday Challenge Shield Final.

Tonight we welcome Avenue & Queens Bredbury to battle it out in an attempt to win our most senior Sunday competition title, and with some high scoring games behind them we should be in for a treat!

Avenue currently play their games in the Rochdale Bury & District Sunday Football League whilst Queens Bredbury ply their trade in the Tameside Football League.

A fiercely competed competition at times, the Sunday Challenge Shield has provided us with some of our more entertaining fixtures and there is no doubt that tonight's affair will be up there with some of the greats!

CHRIS BERREVOETS, Football Services Officer:



“They're back! On behalf of Manchester FA, I offer a very warm welcome to spectators, teams and match officials to this evening's Sunday Challenge Shield Final.

Tonight is only the second of our action-packed County Cup programme we welcome two of Manchester's top performing clubs and with that, we hope to see an exciting spectacle.

A massive thank you to everyone involved in making this final happen, including Hyde United for once again hosting this prestigious competition at Ewen Fields. Good luck to all and may the best team win! ”

This is our second - most senior competition and is invitation by Manchester FA only. Like the Saturday Challenge Trophy, the Sunday Shield is designed for those Sunday league clubs that compete at the highest level within Greater Manchester with entries based on previous seasons league positions.

LAST 5 WINNERS

2019 - Moss Side

2018 - Hulme

2017 - Middleton Colts

2016 - Charlestown CYC

2015 - Moss Side



MANAGER'S COMMENTS

DANNY HOLMES, Avenue Manager:

“ Firstly, reaching the final is a huge achievement for this club in our first ever season competing in the MFA Shield, however the truth is – myself, my coaches and my players are not surprised by this success. Everything we've done this year has been in preparation to compete for silverware at County level. This Avenue squad is the best I have had the pleasure of being involved in as a coach or as a player, and from the first whistle of the season we all had our sights set on this competition.



The Quarter and Semi-Final showed the resilience of this team playing away in both and having to come from behind to grab late victories in nail-biting circumstances with the odds stacked against us. The hardest thing as a manager is to leave players out for games like this, so big apologies to the lads who haven't made the squad after contributing this season. Finally, I would like to thank a few people for work they've done off the pitch which has helped us get to this final. James Tolson (Assistant) Andrew Light (Assistant), Brian Farrell, Mike Turner, Robert Barnes, and most importantly Gemma Tobin. Up the Ave! ”

LEE HAMILTON & SAM SCOTT, Queens Bredbury Manager:

“ Myself and Sam have added several new players to our squad for the season plus after 23 years in the Stockport and district league we found ourselves changing leagues so we have had a big challenge this season new opponents new grounds . We have done quite well I think myself and Sam think we are about seven out of ten we've done well but we both expect a whole lot more we are both ambitious and driven to give our club success .



We've played 4 league games winning 3 and drawing the first one in the cups we are delighted to be in this final beating a very good Dom Doyle in the semi finals we were desperately disappointed to go out of the Cheshire cup as holders in what I can only describe as one of the most disappointing results in my 36 years at the club this was followed a week later by a second defeat on penalty's in the north Cheshire cup so as I outlined earlier room for improvement .

As a club we are looking forward to tonight's final against a very good Avenue side we will be backed by a big support so if we perform well and have luck at the right moments we hope we can take the trophy back to Bredbury ”

AVENUE

Avenue Football Club was founded in 2014 by Club President, Brian Farrell. The club is owned by both Brian Farrell and Michael Turner.



The club plays its football from Heywood Sports Village.

The idea around the avenue name was built from its original residence at Cherwell Avenue, Heywood – combined with the definitive view of “making progress towards something”. This has come to light even more so with the evolution and progress over the past several years. The Sunday department of the club constitutes three of our sides – First team & Second Team, both playing in RBDSFL and our newly formed U17’s team playing in the EMJFL. Our Saturday is also playing in its debut season in The Manchester Football League.

The Sunday first team were Second Division Champions in 2018/2019, three time cup finalist and are currently RBDSFL Premier Champions.

ROUTE TO THE FINAL

R1: Bye

QF: Snipe Inn 2-4 Avenue

SF: Honeywell 2-2 Avenue (2-4 pens)

MEET THE TEAM

Managers:

- Danny HOLMES
- James TOLSON
- Andrew LIGHT

Players:

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|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| - Brian FARRELL | - Connor MILNE | - Michael AFUYE |
| - Aaron HUSSAIN | - Ryan SCHOLES-BEARD | - Jordan BURTON |
| - Owen WHITEHEAD | - Harrison REEVE | - Danny GOODIER |
| - John HASSALL | - Stuart MERCER | - Carlton NORFORD |
| - Malaki BREEZE | - Mitch CLARKE | |
| - Tre FARRELL | - Levi MORRIS | |
| - Conner GLADSTONE | - Callum ORMROD | |
| - Rafael LOURENCO | - Maison DINSDALE | |
| - Jamie BYRNE (C) | - Tyler SMITH | |



QUEENS BREDBURY

Queens Bredbury were formed in 1986 and for our first 13 years played our football in the Cheshire and Manchester league and then the Stockport and Cheadle league , winning the Godfrey wilde Cup and varies league titles on the way .



1996 was a stand out year with the first team and reserves winning their respective leagues on the same day

In 1999 the club moved to lambeth Grove home of Woodley Sports fc now Stockport Sports Village where we still play today. It was also this year we joined the Stockport District Sunday league .

Four succesive promotions followed leading to the Premier division where we remained til leaving the league last this season .

ROUTE TO THE FINAL

R1: Bye

QF: Queens Bredbury 4-0 Manchester Athletic

SF: Queens Bredbury 5-1 Dom Doyle

MEET THE TEAM

Managers:

- Lee HAMILTON
- Sam SCOTT

Players:

- Marcello ARMIN
- Joe ARMSTRONG
- Nathan BECKETT
- Luke BENNION
- Jack BENSON
- Josh BORTHWICK
- Jason CROWTHER
- Conor DOWNES
- David DUNN
- Keenan HENDERSON
- Richard HINDLEY
- Jamie KAY (C)
- Robert LOFTHOUSE
- Jack MCCONNELL
- Liam MILLEN
- Charlie MULGREW
- Ryan MURPHY
- Dennis SHERRIFF
- Lewis SMITH
- Jack TAYLOR
- Ryan USHER
- Jordan YOUNG





MANCHESTER REMEMBERS

LEGENDS XI



CELEBRITY XI

SUN 3 APR | ACADEMY STADIUM

On Sunday 3 April, our Academy Stadium will host 'Manchester Remembers', a charity football match between footballing legends and celebrities to commemorate the victims of the Manchester Arena attack.

[ALL THE MONEY RAISED WILL BE DONATED TO FIVE CHARITIES, AND TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE TO BUY HERE.](#)

Former Manchester City players Peter Reid and Joe Royle will be in charge of coaching the celebrities' team, while Sam Allardyce will manage the former players.

Famous comedian, Jason Manford will play for the celebrity team alongside Paddy McGuinness, while Trevor Sinclair will feature for the former players along with Paul Merson and Clayton Blackmore.

Adult tickets will be priced at £20 and concessionary tickets at £10. All the money raised will be donated to the following charities - some of which were set up by the families who lost loved ones in the arena attack in 2017 - Chloe and Liam Together Forever Trust, Liv's Trust, The Megan Hurley Foundation, The Remembering Nell Foundation and Eilidh's Trust.

The event has been organised by former police officer Aaron Lee and local business owner Paul Corrigan.

Aaron was one of the first responders on the scene at the Manchester Arena five years ago. Since then, he has continued to have a close relationship with the victims' families and has taken part in several activities to raise funds for the charities.

He said: "Since the attack we've raised over £44,000 for charities that directly support the victims' families and young people across Greater Manchester, and the Manchester Remembers football match is a massive opportunity to try and double that total.

"What happened on that night shocked not just Manchester but the world. As we approach the five-year anniversary, Paul and I knew we had to do something special and remember those that were so sadly taken from their families and felt launching a city-wide football game would help us raise funds that could really make a difference."

Hospitality tickets start from £100 and include a 3-course meal as well as drinks before and after the game.



MATCH REPORT:

Manchester FA Saturday Challenge Trophy Final

The Manchester FA's Saturday Challenge Trophy Final between Abacus Media FC and Egerton FC took place on 25th February at Ewen Field.

Egerton FC came flying out of the blocks, getting their nose in front soon after the kickoff. Milan Thompson's attempt of a long-range shot just outside the 18-yard box, although it wasn't the sweetest strike, found the back of the net. Abacus Media FC began to grow into the contest and had their chances to level the game, but Egerton FC maintained their one goal advantage until the whistle for half time.

The second half did not disappoint the fans as it was once again an action packed 45 minutes. Abacus Media FC, in the attempt to pull off a comeback, pushed hard in the beginning minutes of the second half, but their efforts were slightly off the target. Egerton FC also looked threatening on the counterattack, effectively using their full backs for overlaps. It wasn't long until Egerton FC doubled their lead after Abacus Media FC, in the attempt to stop a counterattack, conceded a free kick on the left side of the 18-yard box. Freekick taken by Remmi Williams rolled into the net after a goalkeeping error from Nick Bradley.

With a comfortable 2-0 lead, Egerton FC slowed down the tempo of the game and towards the end of the game, a red card was shown to Abacus Media FC's Jack Aubrey. With a man down, Abacus Media FC could not do much until the final whistle. In the end, Egerton FC was the victorious side, crowned as Manchester FA's Saturday Challenge Trophy winners. Ladi Oseni from Egerton FC was awarded the 'Player of the Match' trophy by Colin Bridgford, Chief Executive Officer of the Manchester FA.

Manchester FA would like to take this opportunity to thank all the fans, players, and referees for their contributions to the event.

Check out the images of the night with special thanks to Chris Dyson below:





KEEP FOCUS ON FUNDRAISING THIS YEAR:

If you're honest with yourself, how much has your club focused on fundraising in the last couple of years? Ever-changing priorities and rules mean fundraising probably hasn't been at the top of your to-do list, especially at a time when it's needed more than ever.

A new year brings new opportunities and a regained sense of focus, and one way to keep a focus on fundraising this year and beyond is by registering your club with easyfundraising.

Who is easyfundraising?

easyfundraising is the UK's largest fundraising cashback platform. Unlike other platforms where individuals can earn cashback for themselves on their online purchases, individuals can earn cashback for their favourite good cause or charity instead. Meaning your club can earn some much-needed funds from its supporters and players shopping online.

So, what shops can we earn free funding from?

At present, there are over 6,000 online retailers your club can earn free funding from, but this number is increasing daily. easyfundraising works with everyday favourites like Amazon, Sainsbury's, Boots, and Holland and Barrett. Big department stores like John Lewis, M&S, Debenhams, and House of Fraser. Home improvement retailers, B&Q, Dunelm, Wickes, Argos, and fashion brands like ASOS, North Face, H&M, Boden, Clarks, and Pretty Green. Your supporters can even earn free funding from the likes of TUI, Thomas Cook, lastminute.com, Compare the Market, NOW, SKY, Virgin Media, and many, many more.

How much have other good causes and charities earned?

Since its establishment in 2007, easyfundraising has helped good causes, and charities raise nearly £40M. Last year alone, they raised nearly £4M, which good causes and clubs like yours have put towards exciting projects, saved for a rainy day, updated their facilities, or used to improve the support for its users.

How can easyfundraising keep your club's fundraising focused this year?

- It's free and easy to use: Not just for your club, but also for your supporters.
 - Fundraise from everyday habits: Now, more than ever, your club's community is shopping online, and all they need to do to earn your club free funding is to go through the easyfundraising website or app before they shop online as usual.
 - A continuous stream of income: No matter what is going on with the world, your club can fundraise all through the year.
 - Complements existing activities: Your club can continue your existing fundraising activities, while easyfundraising helps you earn extra money in the background.
 - Your club is never alone: easyfundraising has a wealth of content and materials to educate, engage and motivate your club's community. From social media posts, WhatsApp messages, posters, flyers, toolkits, and images, your club will have
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it all at their fingertips.

Download easyfundraising's latest guide to New Year fundraising and share with the rest of your team to give them an overview of how easyfundraising works.

[DOWNLOAD HERE](#)

We're ready to get started – what now?

Register your club with easyfundraising – it only takes a couple of minutes to complete. Then, book a 15-minute coaching call with the easyfundraising team. The team will give you a demo of the site, answer any questions, and will share advice on how to raise as much as possible, this year.

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Manchester FA members have access to the FMPA Register, which consists of experienced industry professionals who specialise in the treatment and science based rehabilitation.

Manchester FA want to ensure that any person who suffers an injury is in the safest hands possible. The FMPA practitioners have worked at the highest levels of the game and want to ultimately see an individual back on the pitch.

Manchester FA have pledged to financially support any member who suffers a critical injury whilst participating in sanctioned football*

*Manchester FA will fund the initial appointment (maximum £40), when dealing with a critical injury.



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






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TODAY'S HOSTS:

A HUGE thank you to Hyde United for their continued support of Manchester FA's County Cup Competitions!

Sat 19 Mar	15:00	H	NPL Premier		Witton Albion
Sat 26 Mar	15:00	H	NPL Premier		Gainsborough Trinity
Sat 02 Apr	15:00	A	NPL Premier		Ashton United
Sat 09 Apr	15:00	H	NPL Premier		Bamber Bridge
Sat 16 Apr	15:00	A	NPL Premier		Grantham Town
Mon 18 Apr	15:00	H	NPL Premier		Stalybridge Celtic
Sat 23 Apr	15:00	A	NPL Premier		FC United of Manchester

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You can access the portal directly from our home page or [HERE](#).



OUR GAME IN MANCHESTER

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Want to have a say in shaping the future of football in Greater Manchester?

Here at Manchester FA we have an entirely unique operating structure built around you, our volunteer workforce.

Our Game In Manchester is a series of volunteer led working groups appointed by Manchester FA to support the development, regulation and growth of the game that we all love right across Manchester.

Each of the Our Game In Manchester working groups are made up with

volunteers from clubs, leagues, referees, parents and are headed by an independently appointed chairperson.

This chairperson is independent from the paid workforce of Manchester FA in turn providing an impartial voice to everyone when making football decisions in our great City.

Each of the groups also have a responsible officer from the Manchester FA workforce which helps steer the direction of travel for the working group.

For more information or how to get involved please visit [HERE](#).



AVENUE

Manager: Danny Holmes

Manager: James Tolson

Manager: Andrew Light

Colours: Red, Black, Black

Goalkeeper: Blue

Brian Farrell (GK)

Aaron Hussain

Owen Whitehead

John Hassall

Malaki Gordon

Mason Breeze

Tre Farrell

Conner Gladstone

Rafael Lourenco

Jamie Byrne ©

Connor Milne

Ryan Scholes-Beard

Harrison Reeve

Stuart Mercer

Mitch Clarke

Levi Morris

Callum Ormrod

Maison Dinsdale

Tyler Smith

Michael Afuye

Jordan Burton

Danny Goodier

Carlton Norford

QUEENS BREDBURY

Manager: Lee Hamilton

Manager: Sam Scott

Colours: White & Black, White, White

Goalkeeper : Green

Marcello Armin

Joe Armstrong

Nathan Beckett

Luke Bennion

Jack Benson

Josh Borthwick

Jason Crowther

Conor Downes

David Dunn

Keenan Henderson

Richard Hindley

Jamie Kay

Robert Lofthouse

Jack McConnell

Liam Millen

Charlie Mulgrew

Ryan Murphy

Dennis Sherriff

Lewis Smith

Jack Taylor

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Jordan Young

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