MANCHESTER FA U16 & U18 BOYS YOUTH CUP FINALS

SATURDAY 28 MAY 2022
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WELCOME FROM MANCHESTER FA

Manchester Football Association would like to welcome everyone to todays Boys Youth Cup Finals Day!

Today we welcome four strong footballing sides that have all had successful seasons in Manchester FA Competitions.



Today we see our male youth competitions conclude - with both the U16s & U18s being the last of our youth cup finals to be played.

CHRIS BERREVOETS, Football Services Officer:



On behalf of Manchester FA, I offer a very warm welcome to all spectators, teams and match officials to today's Manchester FA Youth Cup Finals.

With the final of our fixtures to be played, the end of the 2021/12 County Cup programme is in sight, and I would like to place on record my thanks to all of you for your support and participation

throughout the season.

A special thanks of course goes to the team at Manchester FA for their hardwork and effort in making each final a true showcase event.

As County Cup finalists, your views on the competition really count so in the coming weeks please make sure that all players, parents, coaches, officials and volunteers complete our feedback surveys to help ensure that our competitions are the best they can be!

Manchester FA provides County Cup competitions for teams and players aged U12s through to U18s.

These competitions offer both male and female players the opportunity to pit their skills against teams from across Greater Manchester, most of whom they wouldn't meet otherwise.

Whilst our current cup competition offering thrives, there is always room for improvement and we welcome club feedback to be sent to **Competitions@ManchesterFA.com**



MANAGER'S COMMENTS

CULAIN WOOD, Hyde United Manager:

It has been a brilliant season so far for these lads, having only lost 3 games in the league and reaching two major finals.

For the majority of this group, that's four major cup finals in the last four seasons – a brilliant effort.

We have seen penalty shoot out wins, high scoring romps and last minute winners like in the Quarter Finals of this competition against Irlam.

Whatever the competition though, this team have been committed to giving their absolute all, out on the pitch, but also whilst maintaining the integrity of the sport and promoting fairness for all.

As the lads reach the age where they have decisions to make about where they will play their football next year, we hope that the core of the squad will remain together for a good while yet, knowing that they have a pathway to the first team at Hyde United.

On a football level, I am incredibly proud of the lads, their families and our club.

On a personal level, it is an absolute honour to have seen these lads turn into the brilliant young men they are becoming. Cup finals are fantastic, and a privilege to reach, but playing a part in their personal development means the world to me.

ROBBIE SAVAGE, Macclesfield FC Manager:

There can be no doubt that Macclesfield FC has enjoyed a remarkable inaugural season across all levels of the game and is exemplified by the success of our Under-16s side.

I am so proud to be involved with this incredible group of players, who have proved to be invincible as they secured back-to-back league titles.

In addition to this, we have also lifted the Cheshire County Cup, as well as the Primary Cup after a hard-fought encounter against today's opponents, Hyde United.

Overall, the team have scored over 150 goals in all competitions this season - a magnificent feat that really does highlight how talented this group are.

Regularly beating Category One Academy sides, nine members of this squad have already made their First Team debut at the Leasing.comStadium - highlighting the fact that there is a real pathway at one of the biggest supported clubs outside the EFL.

I truly believe these lads represent one of the best grassroots teams ever assembled.

What makes this group so special is their dedication, desire, humbleness and against all odds mentality.

Throughout the course of the season, we have been through so much together and I would like to pay tribute to all the wonderful parents - as without their passion and loyalty, none of this would be possible.

It has been an absolute privilege to manage this special group of players - who together with their parents, I am proud to call friends.





HYDE UNITED U16

In 2010, Hyde agreed a deal for Manchester City's elite development squad to use Ewen Fields, but everything is back to red nowadays...

Hyde United FC secured funding from Tameside Council in March of 2016. The investment was to help fund a programme to transform the ground and its connections with the local community by laying a FIFA 2* 3G pitch.

The 2017/18 season was one of the best seasons the club has experienced in recent years, with the restructure of the divisions at step 4 and eventual promotion. It was also a season that saw the Tigers progress to the first round of the FA Cup for the first time in 26 years, with a home televised fixture against MK Dons.

2017 was also the year that the Junior section was founded by Martin Coyne and Angela Harley, with just 22 kids and 2 teams.

The Junior section is made up of a very proactive committee who give up their time voluntarily. This goes hand in hand with all the coaches who do it for the love of the grassroots game.

All 11v11 teams play within the grounds of Hyde United FC, either at the Project Solar UK Stadium or on the adjacent grass pitch.

All teams train on the state of the art FIFA Pro 4G pitch, inside the stadium.

Fast forward to 2022 and the Junior section has 400+ players in 32 teams, ranging from U7' to U16's plus Hyde United Ladies, 21's, 19's & 18's along with a thriving development section for 4-6 year olds. This really is #oneclub, with a family friendly atmosphere where each team supports each other.

The club has a Player Pathway from U7's through to the 1st team, with no fewer that 6 of our 19's & 21's squad making their 1st team debuts in the past season alone.

The club has already been very successful this season, with leagues and cups won throughout the age groups, and more finals to come.

Up the tigers!

MEET THE TEAM

Managers:

- Play
- Culain Wood
- Rick Webster
- Players:
- Dane Byron
- Riley Greenwood
- Jordan Garside
- Joel Osemwegle
- Drew Wilkes
- Ethan Hadfield

- Seth Isherwood
- Alexander Pritchard
- Dylan McGhee
- TJ Spence
- William Webster
- Callum Whitehead
- Ryan Louca
- Joseph Spence
- Cameron Miah
- Callum Panter
- Reece Mellor





MACCLESFIELD FC



On 31 July 2021 Macclesfield FC played their first competitive match - a 1–0 home win against Burscough in the NWCFL Premier Division which was witnessed by 2,018 people.

Leon Arnasalam wrote his name into the history books that day, as he became Macclesfield FC's firstever goalscorer.

The Club's first away match was on 3 August 2021. In what proved to be an encapsulating affair, four Tom Clare goals saw The Silkmen claim a share of the spoils in a 4 – 4 draw at Winsford United.

On 7 August 2021 Macclesfield FC played their first Emirates FA Cup match, beating Burscough 4–0 in the Extra Preliminary Round, but were then eliminated from the competition in the Preliminary Round losing 6 – 4 at Squires Gate.

On 11 September 2021, Macclesfield FC played in the Buildbase FA Vase for the first time - losing 3 – 2 at Northern Counties East League Premier Division side Winterton Rangers in the First Qualifying Round.

The Club was featured in a BBC Sport documentary entitled Robbie Savage: Making Macclesfield which was broadcast on 13 November 2021 and has enjoyed over three million views to date.

In March 2022, Macclesfield FC became the first Club within the top nine tiers of English football to secure promotion.

An emphatic 4 - 0 victory against Ashton Athletic on 12th March clinched the title and Danny Whitaker's side would ultimately finish fifteen points clear of second-placed Skelmersdale United.

In addition to this, many of the Club's other teams have enjoyed a vast amount of success, with the Women's First Team lifting the Cheshire Women's & Youth Football League – Championship East title and their Under-16s on the verge of claiming a unique quadruple.

MEET THE TEAM

Managers:

- Robbie Savage
- Jon Ryan
- Sam Fregapane
- Gaz Thomas

Players:

- Matthew Grisdale
- George Byrne
- Marco Fregapane (C)
- Liam McColl
- Jelani Blake

- Oliver Ryan
- Freddie Savage
- Cynan McDonald
- Freddie Webb
- Mo Aderinto
- Nathan Beca
- Harvey Smith
- Dylan Greaves
- Callum West
- Joachim Adeoti
- Josh Hall





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MANAGER'S COMMENTS

LIAM DURRANT, Hyde United Manager:

⁴⁴ The Manchester County Cup has provided a great distraction from the league schedule and the opportunity to utilise the full squad.

There has been a number of exciting fixtures and the chance to play some of these in the evenings in front of greater numbers has provided the lads with a taster of what is to come at senior level. All matches have been very competitive and with the pressure off we have produced some exceptional performances and best football of the season **99**

DAVE MANN, Irlam FC Manager:

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Firstly I'd like to thank Manchester FA for all their efforts and Hyde United for hosting the final.

Congratulations to Hyde on reaching todays final, I hope both teams create an entertaining game and also I hope it doesn't go to penalties.

I would like to thank my coach and assistants Gary Prescott, Paul Bird and Matty Williams for all their help and assistance throughout the season.

We have ended the season with a much smaller squad than I anticipated but there has been no drop off in the quality of this group of players, and the younger lads have risen to the challenge.

The group of under 18's have been excellent throughout the season and have supported both the under 21's and first team, which shows a progression route through the club.

Lastly I'd like to give a big thanks to the parents who have also played their part over the years. It's always a reward at the end of the season to reach a final, hopefully we can finish as deserving winners, and that good play and not mistakes decide todays winners.





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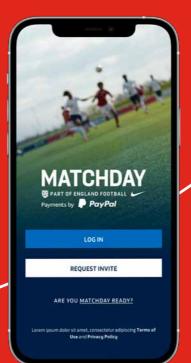
Managers: -Liam Durrant

Players:

- -Ben Craughwell
- James Chew
- Liam King
- Aedan Hambleton
- Dylan Ryan
- Jack Broughton
- James Thewlis
- Luke Fox
- Luke Smith

- Mateo Padovani
- Nick Mcdonagh
- Will Heathcote
- Henry Carne
- Isaac linsdell
- Jamie Bowden
- Lennon Saycell

- Moz Akbari
- Adam Leah
- Daniel Coogan
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IRLAM FC JUNIORS

The new ground at Silver St was officially opened in 2003 with a visit from Brian McClair's Milk Cup winning, Manchester United youth team.

A further name change saw Irlam MS become Irlam FC, and the appointment of Warren Dodd as secretary of the Club, from Irlam Rangers Junior Club saw development increase at the ground. The Club made the decision in 2006 that they would pursue a place in The North West Counties League, and entry via ground improvements at Silver St meant that the Club entered their highest level of competition in their history in readiness for the 2008/2009 season. That inaugural season, under the guidance of manager Dave Mann remains our best season to date in the competition, finishing in 8th position on 52 points.

The Clubs performances to date have fluctuated in the NWCFL as the Club adjusts to the higher level of competition. Previous managers Dave Mann, Ryan Gilligan and Nick Parker have all poured their effort and commitment into the Club, culminating in the most recent appointment, Steve Nixon, a local manager with an impeccable coaching CV.

Seasons 2013/2014 and 2014/15 were a learning curve for the new management team as the season presented plenty of positives from probably the youngest squad in the league. A large pool of players competing in the North West Counties, a reserve team in the Cheshire League and U18s in the North West Youth Alliance league really put the accent on youth at the Club. Notable highlights for the 1st team in 2014/2015 was a semi final appearance in the Manchester FA Premier Cup against Mossley FC, along with a mid-table finish in Div One.

The Reserves had a season of success in season 2013/2014, finishing 4th in the Res Division as well as winning the Reserve Div Trophy against Glossop as well as runners up in the Reserve Div Cup final against Darwen.

With manager Steve Nixon at the helm for his 3rd campaign for the 2015/2016 season, the future is looking bright both on and off the pitch at Silver St. The opening of a brand new Clubhouse at the ground again pushed the Club to greater heights, creating a real non-league footballing set up at Silver St.

Season 2015/16 season proved to be a watershed moment for the Club. Since joining the league in 2008/2009 the focus has been on youth and development of the ground, and it was 2015/2016 season when all the efforts and sacrifices made came to fruition.

Irlam manager Steve Nixon shaped a fantastic group of maturing young players as they put together a magnificent run of results to take second spot and gain automatic promotion to the Premier Division for the first time in their history. All at the Club look forward to an exciting new season ahead, and the many twists and turns it will surely take.

The Clubs U21s tasted great success in the Cheshire Premier League, winning the title after a season long battle with Southport Club, the seaside Club gaining a measure of revenge as the defeated Irlam 2-1 in the league Cup final.

MEET THE TEAM

Managers:

- Dave Mann
- Paul Bird
- Gary Prescott
- Matty Williams
- Players:
- -Harry Roper
- Jack Hebden
- James Bird
- Joel Holt
- Adam Pike
- Alfie Walker
- Luke Mann
- Declan Scallan
- Ben Topping
- Lukas Sarakanis
- Callum Scruton
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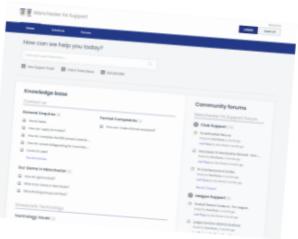




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