OXFORDSHIRE FA SENIOR CUP FINAL



Tuesday 18th April, 7:45pm kick off at RAW Charging Stadium, Court Place Farm



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Thame United FC

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COUNTY CUP FINALS 2023

Last season we had a couple of occasions where pyrotechnics, flares and smoke devices were brought to games.

It is important to highlight that these items are not only illegal inside a football stadium, but these prohibited items can also cause great harm to people.

If this happens again we will look to get pictures of those involved which will be passed to the police for prosecution and if identified will be barred from football in any form in the County.

These pyrotechnics and flares can burn at up to 2,000°C and can cause significant injuries to carriers and fellow spectators. There have been a number of reported incidents that have resulted in people experiencing breathing difficulties, distress and discomfort. The potential injuries sustained as a result of someone using a pyrotechnic include:

- Serious injuries, such as loss of limb or fingers
- Severe burns, due to temperatures of up to 2,000°C
- Breathing problems, due to smoke inhalation
- Loss of hearing or sight, because of the explosive power

MATCH DETAILS

| Under 13 & 14 | 35 minutes each way | |
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| Under 15 & 16 | 40 minutes each way | |
| Under 18 | 45 minutes each way | |
| Open-age | 45 minutes each way | |
| Veterans | 40 minutes each way | |

Not be less than 25 minutes each way Not be less than 30 minutes each way Not be less than 35 minutes each way Not be less than 35 minutes each way Not less than 30 minutes each way

Extra time where needed shall be:

Under 13 to Under 16 Ten (10) minutes each way Under 18 Fifteen (15) minutes each way Veterans Cup NO Extra-Time

If the scores are still level after extra-time the result will be decided by the taking of kicks from the penalty-mark

LETS MAKE FOOTBALL SAFE AND ENJOYABLE

Safeguarding children and young people is everyone's responsibility. Oxfordshire FA has a responsibility to ensure children have fun and enjoy the game safely. If you have a concern or any questions about safeguarding children then please contact the OFA Designated Safeguarding Officer by email on safeguarding@oxfordshirefa.com or calling 07852 722540. For more general safeguarding information please visit the safeguarding section at OxfordshireFA.com

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WELCOME

Welcome to the Oxfordshire FA Senior Cup Final and a special welcome to the supporters of both teams.

After a season of traditional British weather – snow and rain – football seems to be back to normal and being enjoyed everywhere by many.

The Senior Cup was first contested in the 1884/85 season where Culham College took the inaugural title. They went on to win the competition the next season and a further three times with their last success coming in 1903.

Looking at today's finalists, Oxford City are the current holders who overcame Oxford United 2-1 last season. This was City's 35th Senior Cup title and continues their run as the most successful club in the competition. Thame have lifted the trophy eight times with their first victory occurring in the 1905/06 season. Thame United's last Senior Cup title came in the 2001/2002 season after also winning the competition the previous year.

Our congratulations go to both Oxford City and Thame United for reaching this stage of the Competition and a special thanks to the respective club and team officials for supporting their teams across the whole season. We also congratulate today's match officials on their appointments.

We would like to thank Oxford City FC and all those involved at Raw Charging Stadium for supporting us to ensure everyone has a safe, enjoyable and memorable County Cup Final experience.

Yours in sport

IAN MASON Chief Executive

MANAGER: Ross Jenkins ASSISTANT MANAGER: Andy Ballard GOALKEEPER COACH: Alan Foster KIT MAN: Leigh Grant PHYSIO: Aiden Keeble

Oxford City Football Club was founded in 1882. The Whitehouse Ground, built on Brasenose College land between Abingdon Road and Marlborough Road, was the club's home from 1900 to 1988. The club's greatest triumph came in March 1906 when the team won the national Amateur Cup. They currently compete in the National League South, the sixth tier of English football, and play their home matches at Court Place Farm.





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ADNAN KANURIC

Goalkeeper on loan from Nottingham Forest. A Bosnia & Herzegovina U21 international the 22-year-old shotstopper came through the ranks at Stoke City before going on to play for Sered in Slovakia and Sarajevo in his home country. He joined Nottingham Forest in 2022 before moving to City on loan in February 2023.

ALEX GRANTHAM

A goalkeeper who has risen through City's youth ranks. He made his senior debut in rather bizarre circumstances as he came on up front in an injury crisis against St Albans City.

LEWIS MICCIO

Australian left-back Lewis Miccio signed for the Hoops after winning the league title with previous club Bedford Town. Miccio started his career in Australian with Central Coast Mariners before moving to the UK with Kidderminster Harriers. He signed for Solihull Moors just before the Covid-19 pandemic before dropping down to step four of nonleague to help Bedford win the league. His stay there wasn't long as Ross Jenkins added him to his side after a successful trial period with the Hoops.

AARON WILLIAMS-BUSHELL

A versatile full-back who has made the step up to National League South from step four side Maldon & Tiptree. An energetic player, Williams-Bushell has proved that he can play in a number of positions on the field adding versatility to the team. Williams-Bushell also played a starring role in Maldon & Tiptree's FA Cup run back in 2021 where they were knocked out in Round One by League One side Morecambe.



ANDRE BURLEY

Andre was one of Ross Jenkins' first signings of the summer after signing from League One side Wycombe Wanderers. An athletic centre-back, Andre is also a full international for St Kitts & Nevis. He came through the youth ranks with Championship side Reading and went on to make his professional debut for the Royals in 2020. Loan spells at Irish side Waterford and fellow VNLS side Hungerford followed before his switch to the Hoops.

TOM HARRISON

Tom Harrison is one of the new members of the City side for the 2022/23 season. The centre-half signed for City after leaving National League North side Gloucester City. He is no stranger to the level having played for Chippenham Town amongst other clubs. He also captained Bristol City U23's at youth level before leaving the Robins.

CHARLIE ROWAN

Charlie joined Oxford City in July 2021 after a season at National League South rivals Ebbsfleet United. The highly-rated defender started his career at Premier League side Watford before moving to QPR in November 2018. He then spent time on loan at Barnet and Accrington Stanley before making the move to Ebbsfleet.

CANICE CARROLL

A local Oxford lad, Canice returns to the City from Scotland where he won the Scottish League Two title with Queens Park last season. He began his career with Oxford United before moving to Brentford where he had spells at Swindon Town and Carlisle United on loan. He moved to Stevenage briefly before his move north of the border.

JOE WILSON

Highly-rated youngster Joe Wilson is one of the newest additions to the City squad after signing from step 3 side Ilkeston Town. The versatile defender graduated from Reading's academy before going on to play for Ilkeston Town and Gainsborough Trinity. He moved back to Ilkeston in the summer despite being sought after by Step 2 teams, but some stellar performances for the northern side earnt Wilson a move to City in March 2023.

JOSH ASHBY

The latest member in the current City squad to have joined the '100 club' as he managed to pass three figures just before lockdown struck. His experience and passing in the centre of the park is crucial to the team, and has proven to be City's set-piece specialist over the past few seasons. Ashby signed on loan in 2015 from Oxford United, before returning to the Velocity Stadium two years later.

LEWIS COYLE

Primarily a left sided winger who joined the Hoops in 2020/21 from local side Kidlington. He had a very successful first season with the Hoops in 20/21, cementing his spot in Oldfield's side as the season went on. 'Coyley' has gone on to play in a number of roles for City and adds versailtiy and quality to the squad.



REECE FLEET

Oxford City's longest serving player in the current squad. Reece has amassed well over 200 appearances in the Blue and White Hoops during two spells with the club since 2012. Reece has become very reliable in the centre of the park, becoming a regular in that spot. Originally, 'Fleety' rose through the ranks in Birmingham City's academy and has also spent time at Solihull Moors between his two City spells.

ZAC MCEACHRAN

An energetic and skilful midfielder, Zac first joined City as a 17-year-old. Brother of ex-Chelsea Josh, McEachran can play in array of positions across the frontline. Zac has asserted himself as a fans' favourite at the Velocity Stadium and has made over 100 appearances with the club.

LATRELL HUMPHREY-EWERS

Latrell is the latest academy player to break into the first team squad. The versatile midfielder can play in a number of roles in the centre of the park. He made his senior debut in the 2022/23 season against Eastbourne Borough.

JAYDEN CARBON

Winger Carbon has been at Oxford City since the age of 8 and is following his father's footsteps in representing the club. Jayden is a product of the club's Velocity Academy and has broken into the first team this season after impressing in the U23's. Carbon scored his first goal for the club away at Farnborough in late October.

ALFIE POTTER

A household name in Oxford, Alfie Potter needs little introduction to avid football fans over the City. Potter wrote his name into Oxford United folklore after he scored the winning goal at Wembley for the Yellows in the 2010 Conference Play-Off final. The winger also famously scored at Anfield in Havant & Waterlooville's 2008 FA Cup run. Potter signed for City in December 2020 after leaving Billericay Town.

KLAIDI LOLOS

Striker Lolos joined the Hoops in the summer of 2021 from Torquay United and made an instant impact with the Hoops. Klaidi came through Crystal Palace's academy before moving to Plymouth Argyle where he made his senior debut. The Albanian striker also represented Olympiakos as a youngster.

JOE IACIOFANO

Joe joined Oxford City from Havant & Waterlooville in July 2021. Iaciofano started his career at Northampton Town where he had numerous Ioan spells, including one at Banbury United and Brackley Town before moving to St Albans City. A fruitful spell in front of goal followed and the striker finished as the National League South's top goalscorer before the national lockdown.

JOSH PARKER

Striker Josh Parker is playing the first season of his career outside of the EFL. A distinguished career has seen the number nine represent the likes of QPR, Oxford United, Red Star Belgrade, Aberdeen, Gillingham, Charlton Atheltic and Wycombe Wanderers. The number 10 is also a seasoned international for his nation Antigua & Barbuda and has scored five goals and captained the Carribean nation. Parker has hit the ground running at Oxford City, even winning the Vanarama National League South Player of the Month award for a stellar February!

THAME UNITED FC

MANAGER: Mark West ASST MANAGER: Stuart Blaik COACH: Ben Johnson PHYSIO: Jen Pilcher

Thame United Football Club are a football club based in Thame, Oxfordshire, England. They were established in 1883 and joined the Hellenic League in 1959. The club currently competes in the Southern League Division One Central. At the end of the 2016–17 season, the club was promoted to the Southern League in Step 4 of the National League System under manager Mark West after a final day on which the "Red Kites" beat Henley Town 9–0.

In 2021 Thame United and Thame Boys / Girls merged. Richard Carr became chairman of Thame United with Jake Collinge taking on the role as Vice Chairman.





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CRAIG HILL: GOALKEEPER (AGE: 27)

Re-joined United for a third time in January from Berkhamsted, who he joined from United in July. Prior to this was first choice keeper for the Red Kites for three seasons. Previously with Aston Villa, Oxford City, Kettering Town and Corby Town.

LEWIS THORNE: DEFENCE (AGE: 20)

Stepped-up to the First Team last season from Thame Rangers, having previously been with Oxford Unite.A player with an abundance of pace, energy and defensive qualities, whilst also dangerous going forward.

HARRY MEPHAM: DEFENCE (AGE: 24)

Joined at the start of the 2017/18 season from Beaconsfield Town and has been a virtual ever-present since. Versatile defender/midfielder who reads the game well and with good technical ability.

GEORGE GILMORE: DEFENCE (AGE: 20)

Joined mid-way through last season from Didcot Town, having come through the youth ranks at Oxford United. Imposing centre half who can also play at full back.

FINLAY MURRAY: DEFENCE (AGE:21)

Came through the ranks at Barnet FC. Solid and assured defender who can play anywhere across the back four.

LUKE CARNELL: DEFENCE (AGE 30)

Vastly experienced central defender who joined the Club in November 2022 from North Leigh and will be a huge asset. Previous clubs include Banbury United and Didcot Town.



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MATT PEAKE-PIJNEN: DEFENCE / MIDFIELD (AGE: 24)

Versatile player who is comfortable on either flank. Joined United in December 2018 from neighbours Aylesbury United. Previously with Oxford City and Banbury United.

GREG HACKETT: MIDFIELD (AGE 26)

Signed at the start of the 2019/20 season having spent the latter half of 2018/19 with Didcot Town. Another wide player who contributes his fair share of goals. Previously with Oxford United and Ardley United.

JACK TUTTON: MIDFIELD (AGE: 23)

Joined United from North Leigh in January 2019 having previously been with Oxford City. Energetic and hard-working midfield player who gets forward and causes problems in the opposition area.

JACK GARDNER: MIDFIELD (AGE: 19)

Another signing at the start of the season, joining from Gottne IF (Sweden), having previously been with Oxford United. Hard working midfield player with extensive passing range.

HAYDEN BEADLE: MIDFIELD (AGE 17)

Product of the youth section, who broke in to the Reserves last season and has impressed during pre-season.

KAMAL MCEWAN: MIDFIELD (AGE 29)

Joined the Club in November 2022 from neighbours Risborough Rangers. Quick lefr-sided player who has previously been with Biggleswade Town and Colney Heath.

JORDY NGATHE: MIDFIELD (AGE 24)

Re-joined the Club in January from Ardley United. Strong and versatile player who can play in either defence or midfeld.

HARLEM HALE: MIDFIELD/FORWARD (AGE: 22)

Joined in September 2022 from Chesham United, having been with Crystal Palace and Southampton at Youth Level. Quick and agile with good close control. Can play wide or up front.

DAVID PEARCE: MIDFIELD/FORWARD (AGE: 30)

Vastly experienced player who joined the Club in October 2021 from Chesham United for whom he played over 300 games. Previously with Oxford City and Hemel Hempstead Town

DANIEL WEST: MIDFIELD/FORWARD (AGE: 29)

Joined tenyears ago from Oxford United, initially asa midfield player, but moved forward scoring 25 goals in the Championship winning side of 2016/17 before claiming the Golden Boot in the Southern League East Division in 2017/18.

JEFFERSON LOUIS: FORWARD (AGE:43)

Re-joined United in October, almost 25-years after first signing in 1998. Subsequently moved to Oxford United and played for a number of league and non—league clubs. Strong, athletic presence up front and maintained an eye for goal.



HARRY ALEXANDER: FORWARD (AGE: 18)

Broke in to the First Team last season having scored plenty of goals for the Reserve team, having stepped-up from youth football.

MARK WEST: MANAGER (AGE: 56)

Former player with Thame United who re-joined the Club for his second spell as Manager in January 2007. Prolific goalscorer with Wycombe Wanderers, Slough Town and Farnborough Town.

STUART BLAIK: ASSISTANT MANAGER (AGE: 51)

FA Level 3 Coach now in his eighth season with the Club. Previously with Aylesbury United, Corby Town, Nuneaton Borough, Brackley Town, Buckingham Town and Tring Town.

BEN JOHNSON: COACH (AGE: 36)

Former player who has since gone on to manage the Development side and Reserve Team. Stepped-up to First Team level in 2018/19

JEN PILCHER: PHYSIO

Joined the Club at the start of season 2020/21 and has become an invaluable member of the management team.





ROUTE TO FINAL



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| Round 1 | Вуе | |
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| Round 2 | Вуе | |
| Quarter-Final | Oxford United Won 4–2 | |
| Semi-final | Easington Sports Won <mark>5 – 0</mark> | |

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| Round 1 | Вуе | | | |
| Round 2 | Ardley United <mark>1 – 1</mark> Won on Pens <mark>5 – 4</mark> | | | |
| Quarter-Final | Kidlington Won 1–0 | | | |
| Semi-final | North Leigh Won <mark>2 – 1</mark> | | | |

TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIALS



REFEREE – NEAL TEMPLEY

Neal took up refereeing in 2008 and has now progressed to Level 3. 45 years old, lives in Witney and has two children. In his spare time, he enjoys golfing with other referees and keeps fit in the off season by playing tennis.



ASSTS. REFEREE – IOANNIS CHRISTODOULOU

Yanni was born in Oxford and started refereeing in 2006. He has progressed to FA Level 4 referee and now referees on the Hellenic League since 2014. Yanni works as an Accountant in London and lives in Oxfordshire. Away from football he enjoys gardening, cycling, tennis and walking his Pug.



ASSTS. REFEREE – IRENEOS CHRISTODOULOU

Renos was born in Oxford and started refereeing in 2006. He has progressed as a FA level 4 referee and officiates on the Hellenic League. Renos works as an Accountant in London and lives in Oxford. Away from football he enjoys cycling, tennis and running.



4TH OFFICIAL - CHRIS KIDD

Chris started refereeing in 2014 as a 14 year old. He officiated local football in the Banbury District Lord Jersey before joining the Hellenic League and then the Southern League. Chris has been an a Assistant Referee on the National League and then spent 8 years as an Assistant Referee on the Football League. Chris is currently back on the referee pathway and currently refereeing on Hellenic League.



OFA COUNTY CUP COMPETITIONS 2022/23

SEMIS AND FINALS AT OXFORD CITY

| DATE | STAGE | COMPETITION | KICK OFF |
|--|------------|---|----------|
| WEDNESDAY 8 TH MARCH 2023 | FINAL | PATRICK O'FLANAGAN MEMORIAL VETERANS CUP | 7.45 |
| SUNDAY 12 TH MARCH 2023 | FINAL | SAM WATERS SUNDAY CUP | 11.00 |
| WEDNESDAY 15 [™] MARCH 2023 | SEMI-FINAL | SENIOR CUP | 7.45 |
| WEDNESDAY 22 ND MARCH 2023 | SEMI-FINAL | JOHN FATHERS JUNIOR SHIELD | 7.30 |
| SATURDAY 25 [™] MARCH 2023 | FINAL | CHARITY CUP | 6.30 |
| SUNDAY | FINAL | U16 YOUTH CUP | 2:00 |
| 26 [™] MARCH 2023 | FINAL | JOE ROUGHTONU18 YOUTH CUP | 5:30 |
| TUESDAY 28™MARCH 2023 | SEMI-FINAL | SENIOR CUP | 7:45 |
| WEDNESDAY 29 [™] MARCH 2023 | SEMI-FINAL | JOHN FATHERS JUNIOR SHIELD | 7:30 |
| TUESDAY 18™ APRIL 2023 | FINAL | SENIOR CUP | 7.45 |
| SUNDAY | FINAL | U18 GIRLS CUP | 1:30 |
| 23 [™] APRIL 2023 | FINAL | WOMENS CUP | 5:00 |
| TUESDAY 25 [™] APRIL 2023 | FINAL | INTERMEDIATE CUP | 7.30 |
| WEDNESDAY 26 TH MARCH 2023 | FINAL | JOHN FATHERS JUNIOR SHIELD | 7:45 |
| UNDAY | FINAL | U13 GIRLS CUP | 1:30 |
| TH MAY 2023 | FINAL | U14 GIRLS CUP | |
| UNDAY | FINAL | RON SMITH U13 YOUTH CUP | 1.30 |
| 4 [™] MAY 2023 | FINAL | U14 YOUTH CUP | 4:30 |
| ATURDAY 0 [™] MAY 2023 | FINAL | U16 GIRLS CUP | 4:30 |
| UNDAY | FINAL | U15 GIRLS CUP | 1.30 |
| 1 TH MAY 2023 | FINAL | U15 YOUTH CUP | 4:30 |

Information is correct at time of printing.





Colours:

Blue & White Hoop Shirts, White Shorts, Blue & White Hoop Socks.

Adnan Kanuric

Alex Grantham

Lewis Miccio

Aaron Williams-Bushell

Andre Burley

Tom Harrison

Charlie Rowan

Canice Carroll

Joe Wilson

Josh Ashby

Lewis Coyle

Reece Fleet

Zac Mceachran

Latrell Humphrey-Ewers

Jayden Carbon

Alfie Potter

Klaidi Lolos

Joe laciofano

Josh Parker



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| Craig Hill | |
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| Lewis Thorne | |
| Harry Mepham | |
| George Gilmore | |
| Finlay Murray | |
| Luke Carnell | |
| Matt Peake-Pijnen | |
| Greg Hackett | |
| Jack Tutton | |
| Jack Gardner | |
| Hayden Beadle | |
| Kamal McEwan | |
| Jordy Ngathe | |
| Harlem Hale | |
| David Pearce | |
| Daniel West | |
| Jefferson Louis | |
| Harry Alexander | |

SENIOR CUP FINAL MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Neal Templey Assistant Referee: Ioannis Christodoulou Assistant Referee: Ireneos Christodoulou Fourth Official: Chris Kidd