

CNET TRAINING SUFFOLK SENIOR CUP FINAL



A THRIVING LOCAL GAME



TRIMLEY RED DEVILS

VS



LEISTON U23s



DATE:
Wednesday 22nd May 2024



LOCATION:
Ipswich Town FC



KICK-OFF:
19:30

£2

Respect Code of Conduct

Spectators



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We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.

This club is supporting The FA's Respect programme to ensure football can be enjoyed in a safe, positive environment.

Play your part and observe The FA's Respect Code of Conduct for spectators

I will:

- Applaud effort and good play as well as success
- Always Respect the match officials' decision
- Remain outside the field of play and within the Designated Spectators' Area (where provided)
- Let the coach do their job and not confuse the players by telling them what to do
- Encourage the players to Respect the opposition, referee and match officials
- Avoid criticising a player for making a mistake - mistakes are part of learning
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, County FA or The FA:

I may be:

- Issued with a verbal warning from a club or league official
- Required to meet with the club committee
- Obligated to undertake an FA education course
- Obligated to leave the match venue by the club
- Requested by the club not to attend future games
- Suspended or have my club membership removed
- Required to leave the club along with any dependents

In addition

- The FA/County FA could impose a fine and/or suspension on the club



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On behalf of the Board, Council and staff of Suffolk FA I wish you a warm welcome to the CNet Training Suffolk Senior Cup Final here at Ipswich Town FC.

We thank all those involved with Ipswich Town FC for their enthusiasm and commitment to host tonight's final, one of three Suffolk County Cup Finals the club are staging this season and providing a memorable evening for all involved – it is hugely appreciated. Please enjoy the facilities with respect and gratitude.

The road to this year's final has been as exciting as ever. Both teams had narrow home wins in round one - Leiston U23s beating Brandon Town 2-1 and Trimley Red Devils requiring an injury-time winner to progress 3-2 past Debenham LC.

Both finalists were drawn at home in the second round, Leiston U23s again registering a 2-1 victory, this time versus Claydon, and Trimley coming out on top 4-2 against Beccles Town.

Into the quarter-finals and they both enjoyed 'home comforts' for a third time, Leiston U23s knocking out Haughley United 4-1 and Trimley Red Devils overcoming AFC Sudbury Reserves, last season's losing finalists, 3-1 on penalties following a 2-2 draw.

In the semi-finals it was the turn of Leiston U23s to win a penalty shoot-out, beating Bungay Town 2-1 on spot kicks following a 1-1 draw. Trimley Red Devils enjoyed an emphatic 6-0 victory over East Bergholt United in their last-four tie to set up tonight's final.

The third team involved in the Final will be the team of match officials. This is an occasion as much for them to enjoy as it is the teams.

They have been selected to officiate this prestigious match through merit, and whilst they may well make decisions which you don't agree with, they will make those decisions based on what they see/hear in a split second, without replays or slow motions.

I invite you to carefully read the Spectators' Code of Conduct included within this programme and do everything you can to ensure you and those around you abide by it.

Finally, a huge note of appreciation to our sponsors CNet Training, without whom holding this Final at this ground would not be possible.

CNet Training have been fantastic champions of grassroots football in Suffolk and are celebrating their eleventh season of supporting our county cup competitions.

Andrew and his team continue to be very valued and loyal supporters of Suffolk FA and are one of our longest-standing partnerships.

I hope you enjoy the match and thank you again for passionately but respectfully encouraging your favoured team.

With best regards

Richard Neal

Suffolk FA CEO and Senior Safeguarding Lead

CNET TRAINING SUFFOLK SENIOR CUP FINAL ROUTE TO FINAL



TRIMLEY RED DEVILS

Semi - Final

6 - 0

v East Bergholt United

Quarter - Final

2 - 2 (3-1 on pens)

v AFC Sudbury Reserves

2nd Round

4 - 2

v Beccles Town

1st Round

3 - 2

v Debenham LC



LEISTON U23s

Semi - Final

1 - 1 (2-1 on pens)

v Bungay Town

Quarter - Final

4 - 1

v Haughley United

2nd Round

2 - 1

v Claydon

1st Round

2 - 1

v Brandon Town



CNET TRAINING SUFFOLK SENIOR CUP FINAL MATCH OFFICIALS (left to right)
John Tythcott, Daren Bigg, Lee Kendrick, Reg Barker, Kevin Harrington

REFEREE:

Lee Kendrick

Lee, who is 40 years old, is a Level 4 referee who operates on the Thurlow Nunn League and the Northern Counties East League. Half of his time is spent in Sunny Suffolk and the other half in South Yorkshire. With the help and support of his family, Lee has recently returned to refereeing after five years out and is loving it.

ASSISTANT REFEREE:

Reg Barker

Reg, who is 64, has officiated on over 2,500 matches including refereeing the Senior Cup Final in 2008 at Portman Road. This season he has officiated on the Thurlow Nunn League Premier, Division One, U23s and Youth Leagues as well as the EJA League and Cambridgeshire Colts League and several Suffolk County Cup ties. Reg, who lives in Mildenhall, was previously a Level 4 official and is now a Level 5. He has been a PE teacher for 26 years and is also a Level 2 FA coach.

ASSISTANT REFEREE:

Daren Bigg

Daren, who is aged 56 and from Great Cornard, has been refereeing since his youngest son started playing in 1997. He is a Level 5 referee and regularly officiates on the Thurlow Nunn League. Married with four sons, one grandson and another on the way, Daren enjoys all sports, DIY and spending time with the family.

FOURTH OFFICIAL:

Kevin Harrington

Kevin is 50-years-old and lives in Elmswell. He is a Level 4 referee operating on the Thurlow Nunn League and the Bury & District Sunday League.

REFEREE SUPPORT OFFICER:

John Tythcott

John started refereeing on 6th April 1975 in the Anglian Combination League. He progressed all the way up to the Linesmen's List of The Football League. Since finishing as an active official, John has worked as an assessor, joining the Football League Assessors' List in 1999 where he stayed until he retired in 2012. He became the Referees' Secretary of The Eastern Counties League, (now called The East Anglian Referees' Pool) in 1991, where he has remained up to the present time.



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TRIMLEY RED DEVILS

Red Shirts, Black Shorts, Red Socks

MANAGERS - LCRAIG CHIDLOW, ANTHONY FRYATT & ANDY PIRIE

Good Evening

A BIG thank-you to Ipswich Town and Suffolk FA for allowing and organising what will be a truly memorable evening for everyone involved at both Trimley and Leiston.

One set of players will be truly ecstatic at the end of the evening and I know the other set will be extremely disappointed as five of our lads were having lost the Junior Cup Final on this very ground in 2018. There are always highs and lows in this magnificent game, but when the dust settles all the players (and the watching spectators) will be able to say we played at Portman Road and we have Suffolk FA and Ipswich Town FC to thank for making it happen.

BEN PUNTER 31. Goalkeeper having a great season. Outstanding shot stopper, superb attitude and loves a penalty save.

JACOB COLE 17. Goalkeeper. Kept a clean sheet in the Senior Cup first round tie versus Debenham LC in a flawless display that belied his age.

DOM ARNOLD 40. Very experienced and versatile. Not the tallest but will outjump anyone. Scored winning penalty in the quarter-final shoot-out.

JOSH HEWITT 32. Cool-as-you-like full-back with a great left foot. Superb both defensively and going forward. Loves the bench but rarely on it.

SAM 'WOODY' GARWOOD 24. Vice-captain. TRD since aged six. No nonsense, tough-tackling centre-back. Very strong, very determined and great in the air.





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MATTY WEST 28. TRD since the age of six. Flawless at centre back this season. Focused at all times, with superb composure on the ball.

MAX POOLE 21. TRD Youth player. Full-back or winger. Very skilful and composed, made great strides in last three seasons. Free-kick specialist.

ROSS DRIVER 27. Full-back or winger. Strong, fast and fit. Back after a season's loan at Ransomes and in his sixth season at Trimley.

AARON DURRANT 23. Signed pre-season with brother. Disciplined holding midfielder, loves a tackle, good in the air. Overhead bicycle kick specialist.

KIERAN DURRANT 20. Defender with bags of potential, can play anywhere along the back four. Strong, fast and loves a tackle.

SAM OSBORNE Turns 34 this week. Captain. TRD since aged six, over 250 appearances. Fit, determined, leads by example in attitude and all-round play.

SHANE MURPHY 23. TRD since aged six. Two-footed midfielder. Great goalscorer, good in the air. Powerful running with the ball. Doesn't suffer fools.

CURTIS HARVEY 23. Midfielder. Signed pre-season and been a revelation. Top scorer in SIL Senior, plenty of assists. Determined lad with top attitude.

JORDAN CLARKE 24. TRD since aged six. Tireless, hard-working box-to-box central midfielder, loves a tackle, when he scores they are good ones.

RYAN CHIDLOW 23. Striker. TRD since aged six. Won EJA League & Cup double with AFC Sudbury U16. Top-scored in Thurlow Nunn Youth League in 2019.

JOSH KNIGHT 22. Tough, physical, strong, determined striker with a powerful shot. Very good in the air. Gives 110% every minute on the pitch.

NATHAN BAKER 21. Tricky, fast, natural goalscoring striker. Joined last season and already over 50 appearances, not far off a goal every two games.

DAN STAGG 24. No-nonsense, hard-working, good in the air, strong, fast striker. Joined pre-season. Keeps things simple and an outstanding attitude.

DIEIGO COUTO 20. TRD Youth player. Midfielder or striker, come of age this season with 10 first-team appearances. Strong, determined, superb attitude.

LUCAS CARVALHO-WOLTON 20, Striker signed this season and made four appearances for the first team, bagging a brace on his debut versus Old Newton.



SENIOR CUP FINAL

HISTORY & PREVIOUS FINALS

The Suffolk County Football Association was formed in 1885 and purchased a cup for its members to play for in a knock-out competition.

Originally called the Suffolk Football Association Challenge Cup, 15 clubs competed in the first season, with Woodbridge defeating Ipswich Town in the final 3-1, after two drawn games. Entry into the Challenge Cup was optional and in 1888 only 14 teams entered the cup from around 36 clubs that were members. Consequently in the 1889-90 season, the County FA started the Suffolk County Football Association Junior Cup competition which immediately attracted 23 entries. The Challenge Cup was renamed the Suffolk County Senior Cup.

This continued until 1907 when a split occurred in the governing body, the Football Association.

The original Suffolk County FA used the original Senior Cup trophy. The new FA-affiliated Suffolk County FA used a new Suffolk Senior Cup trophy presented to the association by the FA. The situation continued with two Suffolk Senior cups for seven seasons. Finally, in 1914 the differences between the two associations were resolved with the AFA affiliating to the FA. Incidentally, the AFA still exists as the Amateur Football Alliance.

The First World War then broke out, bringing the process of reconciliation of the two Suffolk County FA's to a temporary halt.

It was 1919 before organised football in Suffolk began again, but now there was only one Suffolk County FA and that was affiliated to the Football Association. They held a Senior Cup competition that year in which they presented the only Senior Cup they had, which was that presented to them by the FA. The team that won the trophy that season was Beccles Town.

The original trophy was still in the hands of the late committee of the AFA-affiliated Suffolk County FA but was handed over in 1921. The FA-presented Senior Cup became the Minor Cup in 1924 and has been used as the trophy for that competition ever since.

The Suffolk Senior Cup competition continued with its original trophy with all Senior status clubs in Suffolk competing until 1957 (except for the World War Two years), although in the 1944-45 season the final was played over two legs with Bury Town beating Newmarket Town 4-2 on aggregate. In 1956 a new competition for Suffolk clubs in the Eastern Counties League or above was introduced and so the Suffolk Premier Cup was born.

The Suffolk Senior Cup is now open to Suffolk teams in the Eastern Counties League Division One, the Senior Division of the Suffolk & Ipswich League, the Premier Division of the Cambridgeshire League and the Essex & Suffolk Border League and Premier and First Divisions of the Anglian Combination.

1885-86 Woodbridge 3 - 1 Ipswich Town
(after 2-2, 0-0 draws)

1886-87 Ipswich Town 2 - 1 Ipswich School

1887-88 Long Melford 1 - 0 Woodbridge (after 2-2 draw)

1888-89 Ipswich Town 4 - 0 Newmarket

1889-90 Ipswich Town 4 - 1 Long Melford

1890-91 Framlingham College 4 - 0 Stowmarket

1891-92 Beccles College 5 - 1 Leiston

1892-93 Beccles Caxton 2 - 0 Framlingham College

1893-94 Framlingham College 3 - 1 Ipswich Middle School
(Past & Present)

1894-95 Long Melford 2 - 1 Saxmundham

1895-96 Ipswich Town 2 - 0 Beccles Caxton

1896-97 Beccles Caxton 1 - 0 Leiston

1897-98 Beccles Caxton 2 - 0 Kirkley

1898-99 Beccles Caxton 2 - 1 Kirkley (after 0-0, 2-2 draws)

1899-00 Ipswich Town 5 - 1 Beccles College

1900-01 Kirkley 3 - 0 Ipswich Town

1901-02 Kirkley 6 - 0 Haverhill Rovers

1902-03 Lowestoft 2 - 0 Kirkley

1903-04 Ipswich Town 3 - 2 Leiston

1904-05 Ipswich Town 2 - 0 Lowestoft Rovers

1905-06 Ipswich Town 6 - 1 Haverhill Rovers

1906-07 Ipswich Town 2 - 1 Bury Town

1907-08 Ipswich Town 3 - 0 Bury Alexandra

1908-09 Long Melford 1 - 0 Bury Town
(after 2-2 draw)

1909-10 Cambridge Town 3 - 0 Stowmarket
(after 0-0 draw)

1910-11 Suffolk District Asylum (Melton) 1 - 0
Bury Town (after 2-2 draw)

1911-12 Ipswich Town 2 - 1 Haverhill Rovers

1912-13 Ipswich Town 2 - 1 All Saints United

1913-14 Ipswich Town 3 - 0 Ipswich YMCA
(after 1-1 draw)

1920-21 Long Melford 1 - 0 Bury Town

1921-22 Beccles Town 3 - 2 Ipswich GER (after draw)

1922-23 Lowestoft 2 - 0 Stowmarket

1923-24 Lowestoft Town 3 - 1 Beccles Town
(after 3-3 draw)

1924-25 Kirkley 1 - 0 Brantham Athletic
1925-26 Lowestoft Town 2 - 1 Martlesham RAF
1926-27 Brantham Athletic 3 - 0 Lowestoft Town
1927-28 Ipswich Town 2 - 0 HMS Ganges
1928-29 Ipswich Town 5 - 0 Woodbridge Town
1929-30 Ipswich Town 6 - 0 Sudbury Town
1930-31 Stowmarket 3 - 1 Sudbury Town
1931-32 Lowestoft Town 3 - 2 Stowmarket
1932-33 Stowmarket 5 - 2 Kirkley
1933-34 Stowmarket 3 - 0 Bury Town
1934-35 Newmarket Town 3 - 1 Kirkley
1935-36 Lowestoft Town 4 - 1 Ipswich Town
1936-37 Bury Town 2 - 0 Sudbury Town
1937-38 Bury Town 3 - 1 Ipswich Town Reserves
1938-39 Bury Town 4 - 0 Mildenhall RAF
1945-46 Bury Town 4 - 2 Newmarket (on aggregate)
1946-47 Lowestoft Town 3 - 0 Bungay Town
1947-48 Lowestoft Town 3 - 1 Whitton United
1948-49 Lowestoft Town 5 - 0 Leiston
1949-50 Bungay Town 2 - 0 Lowestoft Town
1950-51 Stowmarket 2 - 0 Sudbury Town
1951-52 Stowmarket 4 - 1 Bury Town (after 2-2 draw)
1952-53 Long Melford 1 - 0 Sudbury Town
 (after 1-1 draw)
1953-54 Long Melford 2 - 0 Sudbury
1954-55 Long Melford 2 - 0 Ipswich Town A
1955-56 Lowestoft Town 2 - 1 Long Melford
1956-57 Sudbury Town 3 - 1 Bury Town
1957-58 Stowmarket 2 - 0 Newmarket Town
1958-59 Whitton United 3 - 0 Bungay Town
1959-60 Brantham Athletic 3 - 2 Christchurch Athletic
 (after 1-1 draw)
1960-61 Bungay Town 1 - 0 Orwell Works
 (after 4-4 draw)
1961-62 Stowmarket 2 - 0 Brantham Athletic
1962-63 Whitton United 3 - 0 Bungay Town
1963-64 Grundisburgh 3 - 1 Felixstowe Town
 (after 1-1 draw)
1964-65 Stowmarket 4 - 0 Orwell Works Athletic
1965-66 Oulton Broad 2 - 1 Leiston (after 1-1 draw)
1966-67 Felixstowe Town 3 - 2 Oulton Broad
1967-68 ICI (Paints) 4 - 0 Electric Supply
1968-69 Hadleigh United 3 - 2 Westerfield United
1969-70 Waterside Works 1 - 0 Long Melford
1970-71 Crane (Ipswich) Sports 3 - 1 Needham Market
1971-72 Hadleigh United 1 - 0 ICI (Paints)
1972-73 Heath Row 3 - 2 Birds Eye (Lowestoft)
1973-74 Crane Sports 1 - 0 Heath Row of Rushmere YAC
1974-75 Felixstowe Town 3 - 2 Nicholians Locomotive
1975-76 Brantham Athletic 2 - 1 Hadleigh United
1976-77 Nicholians Locomotive 2 - 1 Hadleigh United
1977-78 Woodbridge Town 2 - 1 Crane Sports
1978-79 Ransomes 3 - 0 Sudbury Wanderers
1979-80 Nicholians Locomotive 3 - 2 Needham Market
 (after 0-0 draw)
1980-81 Ransomes 1 - 0 Westerfield
1981-82 Crane Sports 1 - 0 Wickham Market

1982-83 Hadleigh United 4 - 1 Crane Sports
1983-84 Crane Sports 2 - 1 Ipswich United
1984-85 Bury Town Reserves 1 - 0 Westerfield United
1985-86 Westerfield United 4 - 1 Leiston
1986-87 Sudbury Town Reserves 3 - 0 Ipswich United
1987-88 Grundisburgh 2 - 0 Haughley United
1988-89 Cornard United 1 - 0 Sudbury Wanderers
1989-90 Needham Market 1 - 0 Grundisburgh
1990-91 Sudbury Wanderers 5 - 1 BT Research
1991-92 Whitton United 2 - 0 Long Melford
1992-93 Woodbridge Town 5 - 3 Stonham Aspal
1993-94 Woodbridge Town 4 - 0 Saxmundham Sports
1994-95 Grundisburgh 2 - 0 Whitton United
1995-96 Grundisburgh 3 - 0 Framlingham Town
1996-97 Haverhill Rovers 4 - 1 Ipswich Wanderers
1997-98 Grundisburgh 2 - 1 Stonham Aspal
1998-99 Walton United 1 - 0 Needham Market
1999-00 Grundisburgh 3 - 0 Framlingham Market
2000-01 Kirkley 3 - 1 Ipswich Athletic
2001-02 Kirkley 4 - 3 Haverhill Rovers (aet)
2002-03 Long Melford 5 - 0 Stanton
2003-04 Hadleigh United 2 - 2 Long Melford
 (7-6 on pens)
2004-05 Needham Market 2 - 1 Walsham-le-Willows
2005-06 Walsham le Willows 4 - 3 Capel Plough (aet)
2006-07 Stowmarket Town 2 - 1 Grundisburgh
2007-08 Grundisburgh 3 - 2 Hadleigh United
2008-09 Beccles Town 1 - 0 Crane Sports
2009-10 Team Bury 2 - 0 Capel Plough
2010-11 Whitton United 1 - 0 Lakenheath
2011-12 Whitton United 2 - 1 Long Melford
2012-13 Ipswich Wanderers 1 - 1 Whitton United
 (3-2 on pens)
2013-14 Whitton United 1 - 0 Ipswich Wanderers
2014-15 Lakenheath 7 - 0 Ipswich Valley Rangers
2015-16 Waveney 3 - 2 Haughley United
2016-17 Achilles 2 - 1 Crane Sports
2017-18 Woodbridge Town 3 - 0 Bungay Town
2018-19 Achilles 4 - 3 Cornard United
2019-20 Ipswich Wanderers 1 - 0 Coplestonians
2020-21 Lakenheath 2 - 0 Bildeston Rangers
2021-22 Ipswich Wanderers 1 - 0 Leiston Reserves
2022-23 Framlingham Town 2 - 0 AFC Sudbury
 Reserves

Senior Cup presented by The FA

1907-08 Kirkley 2 - 0 Lowestoft Town
1908-09 Kirkley 4 - 0 Orwell Works
1909-10 Lowestoft Town 2 - 0 Orwell Works
1910-11 Orwell Works 3 - 1 Kirkley
1911-12 Morton (Lowestoft)
1912-13 Leiston Town 3 - 0 Bury United
1913-14 Lowestoft Town 3 - 1 Leiston
1919-20 Beccles Town 5 - 1 Haverhill Rovers



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LEISTON U23s

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MANAGER - NEIL SMYE



KEV HOLLAND Vet Goalkeeper. Saved a few penalties in his time - reminds us constantly. One of three family members in squad, definitely the smallest.

OLIVER DAWSON 17, Goalkeeper. A regular in our successful U18 squad and EJA graduate, Oliver has also appeared regularly in Senior Cup rounds.

KIAN WILSON 18, Full back and winger. Kian is a versatile wide player who joined in October and has never looked back. Loves a cross.

ETHAN OLDMAN 17, Defender. A stylish player who joined from Colchester United last summer. Captains the Senior Cup squad. Great passing range.

BILLY JORDAN 16, Defender. A great first season in adult football. Billy loves the physical challenge of the game and is developing his passing range.

CAMERON YOUNG 18. Veteran of two seasons of adult football. Plays at his own pace. Loves a diagonal pass, hates three-touch drills!



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ELLIOTT YOUNG 17, Defender/midfielder. Joined from our Kesgrave programme and third of the Young/Holland household. The athletic one.

REAGAN KING 18, Midfielder. Been a regular in our U18s for three seasons. Shaving for four seasons. Left-footed with an eye for a pass.

JOSH YAXLEY 16, Midfielder. Another EJA graduate with two seasons' of U18 football behind him. Hard-working, dedicated. Spends a lot of time on A12.

OLLIE GRIGGS 17, Midfielder. Baby-faced, weighs 48kg but surprisingly hard to knock down. Loves a tap in.

WARREN BUCKMAN 16, Midfielder. Joined only a few months ago as an U16 but fast tracked to men's football. Calm and composed.

JONATHAN SHANNON 18, Midfielder. Injury-hit season has denied Jon as many appearances in the U23s as we would like. Only scores from outside the box.

MUNASHE CHIRIMUUTA 24, Midfielder. New signing this season, brings us some experience, and has taken to Smye-Ball quickly. Loves a tackle.

MAX CRANE 16, Defender/midfielder. Another U16. Versatile and plays in three of our teams - U16s, U18s and U23s. Young but very tall.

MATT MULLIS 18, Attacker. Comfortable in any attacking position, will surely finish his career as a left back. Thinks he's Welsh. Sponsored by Bic.

ASHDON FOWLER 18, Attacker. Versatile, wholehearted all-action player. Played most positions this season. Always making friends on the pitch.

MACKENZIE TRAVIS 17, Attacker. Another Kesgrave College player. Plays wide or central, has added goals to his game this year. Catches pigeons.

TOM STACEY 16, Attacker. Still an U16 but breaking into U18 and U23 squads. Powerful and quick player with loads of potential.





Shane Murphy lifts the ball over East Bergholt United goalkeeper Jamie Scrivener to put Trimley Red Devils 2-0 ahead in their semi-final at Felixstowe & Walton United FC. Photograph: Paul Voller



Ryan Chidlow slams the ball into the roof of the East Bergholt United net to score the final goal for Trimley Red Devils in their 6-0 semi-final win at Felixstowe & Walton United FC. Photograph: Paul Voller



Leiston U23s substitute goalkeeper Kev Holland, who came off the bench to save three Bungay Town penalties, celebrates after his side's win in the shoot-out at Lowestoft Town FC. Photograph: Shirley Whitlow



Leiston U23s players celebrate after winning the penalty shoot-out against Bungay Town 2-1 following a 1-1 draw at Lowestoft Town FC. Photograph: Shirley Whitlow



TOGETHER WE CAN CHANGE IT



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In November 2016, British football was rocked by a series of high-profile revelations regarding child sexual abuse. Several former professional players bravely waived their right to anonymity to speak out about their past abuse.

A number of those involved, decided to set up the Offside Trust, an organisation committed to supporting survivors and working to make sport safer for children.

Former professional footballer Steve Walters is director of the Offside Trust.

We are proud to work with and support fellow survivors. In addition to Steve, the Offside Trust family includes the amazing ambassadors listed below and several others who wish to remain anonymous:

Gary Cliffe, former youth team player at Manchester City
Dion Raitt, former youth team player at Peterborough United
Alan Arber, former Norwich City player
Callum Hancock, professional boxer

Our aims are:

- To raise awareness of the importance of safeguarding across all sports at all levels
- To provide survivors with advice guidance and resources to aid the healing journey
- To campaign for legal and regulatory changes to improve safeguarding in sport

Our objectives are:

- To secure partnerships with clubs at all levels, in all sports
- To engage with survivors and signpost them to the appropriate professional support
- To engage with survivors within the Offside Trust Support Network
- To support charitable helplines with specific focus on survivors in sport
- To change the law on child sexual abuse being exempt from 'Double Jeopardy'
- To lobby for 'Mandatory Reporting' to be adopted in UK law
- To engage with political and judicial bodies to strengthen legal support for survivors

Since 2016, the Offside Trust has received the support of supporters, clubs, players and former professionals throughout the sporting world. We focus on all sports, not just football. We are grateful for the support that we are getting from everyone including the people in cricket, rugby, golf and boxing, helping to raise further awareness across sport.

The Offside Trust works alongside governing bodies, charities and organisations that deal with safeguarding.

If you are a survivor of child sexual abuse in sport, there are a number of resources available.

The FA have commissioned a dedicated NSPCC helpline for adults who were abused in childhood within the football industry from grassroots to Premier League. If you would like to speak to somebody the free NSPCC helpline for guidance and support is available 24 hours a day on **0800 023 2642**. Our friends at Survivors Manchester (<https://www.survivorsmanchester.org.uk/>) and Samaritans (<https://www.samaritans.org/>) have help and support available if you need to talk.

If you think that a child is in immediate danger please dial 999.

If you are a child who needs help, please call Childline on 0800 11 11.





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