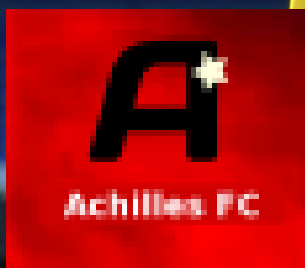


Suffolk Senior Cup Final

Friday, May 10th 2019



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- 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

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Welcome



Good evening ladies and gentlemen, and a warm welcome to the final of the CNet Training Suffolk Senior Cup here at Portman Road.

I'm delighted we're able to host six Suffolk County Cup Finals at Ipswich Town FC this season, the most ever in a single season. Whilst we may not be able to host so many finals at Portman Road every season, hopefully those who do get to perform in this stadium will be inspired to give us spectators their best performance.

Thank you to all our colleagues at Ipswich Town for their hard work, time and commitment to ensuring these finals are the showpiece culmination to another Suffolk football season.

This competition has been played since 1885-86 and the road to this year's final has been as exciting as ever. Reaching this final crowns successful seasons for the two teams. Achilles, who won this cup two years ago, have been challenging for the Touchline SIL title, while Cornard United have enjoyed a much-improved campaign in Division One of the Thurlow Nunn League this season.

My congratulations go out to both teams for reaching this final, and best wishes for the game.

Please remember there is a third team involved in tonight's match. Our team of officials have been appointed as a result of their performances throughout the season and deserve to be involved in this stage of the competition as much as the two playing teams.

The game is sure to be tense and competitive and could be decided by the smallest of margins. Whilst we're unlikely to all agree with every decision the officials make, please rest assured that decisions will be made with the best of intentions. Therefore I trust you as spectators, players and team officials will join the match officials in adhering to RESPECT Codes of Conduct at all times; a Spectators' Code of Conduct is included within this programme and Codes of Conduct applying to all match participants are displayed in the respective changing rooms.

If the scores are level at the end of normal time, we go straight to a penalty shoot-out. So please do save any fingernails just in case!

Football should be the best experience For All. Please cheer, congratulate and encourage as much as possible in a respectful manner for all involved. Let the game begin...

#AThrivingLocalGame

Richard Neal
Chief Executive Officer
Suffolk Football Association

CNet Training are delighted to sponsor the Suffolk Senior Cup again this season.

I have been very impressed with the standard of play at the matches I have watched this season, a real credit to football in Suffolk.

As a company we feel it important to support and encourage local grassroots football and, of course, the upcoming football stars of the future.

I thoroughly enjoyed my time with Suffolk FA as Vice-Chairman and it is good to renew the friendships I made with many friends in the game.

The Senior Cup is the oldest and most prestigious cup competition in Suffolk. It is the equivalent of the FA Cup for local clubs, and we share the delight of all involved in Suffolk football in the final being played at the home of Ipswich Town again this season.

Suffolk FA work hard to develop the game in our county and I am pleased to be able to play a part in helping them achieve their objectives.

Andrew Stevens
Managing Director
CNet Training



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I once worked with a northern lad who supported Everton. I used to ask him the Everton result every time they lost and then on one occasion I tried to wind him up by saying 'Never mind, it's only a game'. His reply was instant. 'Aye, but it's a passionate game'. How right he was.

Tonight's final sees the culmination of hard work, skill, determination, some luck and plenty of passion, but that's just the two teams playing on the pitch. For me, I cannot organise the Suffolk FA County Cups without a team with no less passion, but no-one sees them and without them occasions like tonight would not take place.

My squad consists of the referee co-ordinators Ian Smillie, Graham Apperley, Ian Atkins, Mel Stickland and Alan Dale. Darryn Marsh, Bruce Badcock and Richard Neal are alongside myself when the tough, and not always popular, decisions have to be made, and Ruth Ward makes sure the administration for the finals is fully in control.

Then there are the County Representatives attending each semi final and final making sure the County standards are met and a special thanks to all host clubs who have so readily agreed to host County matches.

I would also like to make a special mention of David Mayes of the Thurlow Nunn League whose help is always valued throughout the rounds in identifying available venues causing the least amount of disruption for our partner leagues. Radio Suffolk has seen the coverage of our live semi-final draws on the Non-League hour of their Thursday Night Sports Social programme reach bigger audiences thanks to the enthusiasm of Graeme Mac and David Mann and, of course, our own Nick Garnham whose passion for the County Cup competitions is truly admirable.

My own football career never reached great heights. I played in a Primary Cup Semi-Final but didn't make the final squad but one of my team-mates looked back at his time in local football when our club celebrated an anniversary and wrote the most sincere and heart warming sentiments about this wonderful game that we play in our most beautiful County. He wrote: "Without the enthusiasm of the people that run our club, it is unlikely that we would be here tonight. From a personal point of view I would have missed out on some of the happiest and proudest moments of my life, moments that I have shared with people that have become my closest friends. Who said football was only a game? It's far more important than that."

Adrian Moye
County Cup Competitions Manager
Suffolk FA

Competition History

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.

The most successful teams in the Senior Cup have been Ipswich Town (16 wins), Lowestoft Town (12 wins), Stowmarket Town (nine wins), Long Melford (eight wins), Grundisburgh (seven wins), and Whitton United (six wins).

The biggest win in the final was by Lakenheath, who defeated Ipswich Valley Rangers 7-0 in 2015.

The most goals in the final was 17 goals over two matches with a 2-2 draw being followed by a 7-6 win after extra time by Hadleigh United over Long Melford in 2004.

The highest-scoring draw was 4-4 in 1961 between Bungay Town and Orwell Works, with Bungay winning the replay 1-0.

Route to the Final

First round:

Cornard United 3 Trimley Red Devils 1

Achilles 4 Haughley United 2

Second round:

Achilles 3 Debenham Leisure Centre 2

Beccles Town 2 Cornard United 2 – Cornard United won 5-4 on pens

Quarter-Finals:

Kirkley & Pakefield Reserves 0 Cornard United 1

Achilles 2 Westerfield United 0

Semi-Finals:

Ipswich Wanderers 1 Cornard United 2

Achilles 0 Henley Athletic 0 – Achilles won 5-4 on pens.



Waveney celebrate after their 3-2 victory over Haughley United in the 2016 final at Portman Road

Achilles

Danny Crump – Goalkeeper who is an outstanding shot stopper. Danny played at a higher level for several years with Felixstowe & Walton United and has a professional attitude to everything he takes part in.

John Boorman – A big, old-fashioned, no nonsense centre back, great attitude to each and every game.

Andy Coote – Andy is player-manager. After being assistant manager the previous season, Andy took over managing the first team in October 2018. A veteran striker or centre back who just doesn't seem to age.

Matty Ryland – A cool as you like centre back who is great on the deck and in the air considering he is only 5ft2in. Matt has previously skippered both Felixstowe & Walton United and Brantham Athletic.

Andy Crump – an experienced versatile player and calmness is his nature. His previous clubs include Grundisburgh and Felixstowe & Walton United.

Lewis Kincaid – An intelligent left back who can also play further forward.

Joey Revell – A strong and speedy left back and the nicest bloke at the club.

Jerome Primus – Jerome is defensive minded and can play anywhere along the back four. He previously played with Lawford Lads in the Essex and Suffolk Border League.

Connor Field – A skilful midfielder going forward who can turn a game and is a free-kick specialist.

Ivan Buxton – A no-nonsense midfielder with a deft touch. Good attitude and popular with team mates.

Dave Grimwood – An experienced centre midfielder who has great feet and rarely loses the ball. He has previously won the Senior Cup with Grundisburgh and also played for Brantham Athletic.

Sean Hanley – A tireless centre midfielder who is dubbed a non-league Kante. Always gives 110%!

Jack Sayers – A striker who is returning to football after injury. He recently played for Felixstowe Rangers.

Tommy Smith – A cool and calm player who returned to Achilles mid-season.

Darryn Van Oene – An all-round versatile player who gives 100 per cent in any position on the pitch.

Gavin Van Oene – A simply brilliant attacking midfielder/winger. He can win a game on his own on his day.

Achilles

Lee Grimwood – An injury-plagued striker who is great with both feet but not so much with his head.

Ryan Wragg – A big, strong, centre forward and fantastic finisher. Ryan is a popular lad who has a good attitude to every game.



Achilles: Back row (left to right): Andy Coote (manager), Lee Grimwood, Connor Field, Jerome Primus, Daniel Crump, Andy Crump, John Boorman, Joe Revell, Jamie King (assistant manager).

Front row: David Grimwood, Lewis Kinkaid, Sean Hanley, Ivan Buxton, Gavin Van Oene, Darryn Van Oene, Jack Sayers.

The Teams

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Penalties

If the match is still level after full-time, the winner shall be determined by penalty kicks.

Achilles

Red & Black Striped Shirts, Black Shorts, Red Socks

Cornard Urd

Royal Blue Shirts, Royal Blue Shorts, Royal Blue Socks

Referee

Ed Frazer

Assistant Referees

Daren Bigg
Stephen Bladock

Fourth Official

Chris Severino



Achilles

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Jack Sayers
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Darryn Van Oene
Gavin Van Oene
Lee Grimwood
Ryan Wragg

Manager: Andy Coote
Assistant Manager: Jamie King



Cornard Utd

Matt Grove
Colin Athey
Brad Dix
Lewis Brennan
Charlie Hayes
Dave Dowding
Dan Clark
Oliver Judge
Sean Bartlett
Andy Schofield
Ryan McGibbon
Dan Sakal
Michael Schofield
Max Dinnell
Lewis Blanchett
Ezra Drann
Jack Graham
Kyle Hurley
Christian Walsh
Rowen Drann

Joint Managers: Michael Schofield & Matt Grove

Match Officials

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Refereeing this evening's Suffolk Senior Cup Final is Lowestoft-based official Ed Frazer. Ed has spent this season refereeing on the Eastern Counties League Division One while also operating as an assistant on Contributory Leagues. Career highlights for Ed include representing The FA at The Dallas Cup in the USA, Assistant Referee for the 2018 Eastern Counties League Cup Final and also as Fourth Official in this competition back in 2016.

Regular assistant referee for many seasons on the Eastern Counties League, Daren Bigg is on the line this evening after also being involved as Fourth Official in last season's Primary Cup Final.

On the opposite line is Stephen Baldock, who started refereeing to support his eldest son.

He has combined refereeing himself this season with also offering support to younger referees in the role of both Referee Mentor and Academy Referee Coach.

Between the benches will be Chris Severino who, like Stephen, has been nominated this season to The Football Association for consideration for promotion to the Supply League List of Referees for the 2019-20 season.

Offering his valuable support to the team as Referee Support Officer is Jim Hill, who works with The Football Association's Observation Scheme and is also a member of the Suffolk FA Referee Advisory Panel.



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Cornard United

Matt Grove – Goalkeeper in his second season with the club and has stepped up to be first team manager this season after a short spell managing the club's Under-18s.

Colin Athey – Goalkeeper who is also goalkeeper coach. Colin has been at Cornard United since its creation – a great bloke to have at the club and will do anything for Cornard including driving the minibus.

Brad Dix – A full back who came back to the club this season after four seasons away.

Lewis Brennan – Can play anywhere across the back. Lewis is in first season at the club after signing from Halstead Town in the close season. He is a young lad with lots of potential to grow in to a very good player.

Charlie Hayes – Centre back in his second season at the club after joining from Stanway Rovers. He is very good in the air and has a good eye for goal.

Dave Dowding – Centre back who is a real character of the team. He has been at Cornard seemingly since birth and is great to have around as he always lifts the mood.

Dan Clark – A centre back who is skipper and a born leader. He is a very big presence on and off the pitch and is very strong in the air and in the tackle.

Oliver Judge – He can play anywhere across the back line, and is one of the club's current Under-18s players who has made the step up to the first team this season.

Sean Bartlett – A defensive midfielder or striker who is a rolls-royce of a player. He is in his first season with the club after moving from Brantham Athletic and is a massive part of the team on and off the field.

Andy Schofield – A midfielder who is in his second season with the club after arriving from Stanway Rovers. Andy is fantastic in the air and his all-round play is superb. He gets goals from midfield which is what every team needs.

Ryan McGibbon – A midfielder in his second season at the club after signing from Stanway Rovers. A very hard-tackling ball playing midfielder who is a great lad to have around and one you definitely want on your side.

Dan Sakal – A silky midfielder who has been around the club for a few years now but has only just started playing again after a spell away to develop his business. A very skilful player whose ball control is unrivalled.

Michael Schofield – Midfielder who is also first-team manager along with Matt Grove. He stepped up this season to manage the first team after a short spell managing the Under-18s. A ball playing midfielder with an eye for goal and a set piece specialist.

Max Dinnell – A midfielder. Max is top goalscorer for the club's Under-18s, an excellent young talent who has it all – a great engine, a great attitude and a great finisher. Max is a product of the Youth system coming through the Dynamos to United.

Lewis Blanchett – A highly-talented lad who knows where the net is. He has been with the club, on and off, for two years but must love the club as he keeps coming back.

Ezra Drann – A striker who has been at the club for five years and has finished top scorer every season. He is a handful for defenders to read as plays totally off the cuff and sometimes even confuses his own team mates.

Cornard United

Jack Graham – A striker who is another one of the club's Under-18 players. In his first season with Cornard after joining from the AFC Sudbury Academy. He has lightning pace and a great eye for goal.

Kyle Hurley – A wide player, Kyle is from the club's Under-18s and is a very quick and spirited wide player who will give any full back a hard time.

Christian Walsh – A striker or winger, Christian came to the club this year after he finished at university. He was previously at Stanway Rovers. Christian has had a difficult year with injury but is determined to show everyone what he can do now he is fit.

Rowen Drann – An all-round player who, like his brother, has been with the club for a long time. Over the past two seasons he has missed a lot of football due to recovering from a snapped ACL but when used in limited spells Rowen is highly effective.



Cornard United. Back row (left to right): Brad Dix, Lewis Brennan, Oli Dinnell, Dave Dowding, Matt Grove (manager), Colin Athey, Andy Schofield, Sean Bartlett. Front row: Kyle Hurley, Jack Graham, Michael Schofield (manager), Max Dinnell, Ryan McGibbon.

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 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 - 1 Needham 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

Stay in the Game

A promotional graphic for the 'Stay in the Game' scheme. On the left, a white box contains the text 'STAY IN THE GAME' in green, 'Play on!' in large green letters, and '£750 grants available now to support men's clubs Claim yours by 6 June 2019' in green. Below this is the 'DELIVERED BY Football Foundation' logo. On the right, a man in a yellow and black striped football kit is shown in action, kicking a ball. The FA logo is in the top right corner of the image area.

The Football Association has re-launched its adult male retention-focused funding scheme to support men's 11-a-side community football teams in Suffolk.

The newly-titled Stay in the Game scheme will offer existing clubs the opportunity to apply for grants of £750 to help cover the various associated costs of running a football team.

Last year, under the name Retain the Game, the scheme helped to support the retention of 2,336 adult male teams across the country, supporting an estimated 55,000 community footballers.

Clubs who benefited from the grants last year were able to use the funding for match-day and training facility hire, first-aid training and new equipment, whilst also subsidising match-day fees for members of their respective squads.

This year, the grants will once again be available to adult male teams in the under-18 to Under-21 category, open-age adult sides and veterans' teams.

Grassroots clubs that meet the following criteria will be eligible to apply:

- Clubs that operate with two or more adult male teams – Under-18s, Under-19s, Under-21s, Under-23s, open age and vets.
- Clubs that hold the FA's Charter Standard Award (Adult, Youth, Development or Community).

- Adult clubs that commit to becoming FA Adult Charter Standard within season 2019/20.

- Clubs that have the support of their County Football Association.

Please note that clubs who benefited from successful Retain the Game applications last season will not be eligible to apply to this funding window of Stay in the Game.

Jodie Allard, Football Development Manager at Suffolk FA, added: "Managing finances can be a challenge for adult clubs and so we are really pleased to see the return of this new look funding scheme this season.

"The Stay in the Game scheme is a great incentive for clubs to recognise and reward those with more than one adult team and support them to continue providing opportunities for local people to enjoy the game here in Suffolk.

"We would encourage any adult clubs who fall within the eligibility criteria to take advantage of this opportunity to secure additional financial support."

The application window for Stay in the Game is now open and closes at 5pm on Thursday, June 6th 2019.

Clubs seeking more information on the programme should either contact Jodie Allard at Suffolk FA via Jodie.Allard@Suffolkfa.com or visit the Football Foundation website.

Forthcoming Fixtures

TONIGHT'S final is the fourth of six Suffolk FA County Cup Finals to be hosted at the home of Ipswich Town FC this season.

Details for the remaining two finals at Portman Road, which will both kick-off at 7.30pm, are as follows, with the first-named team having the home changing room.

Monday, May 13th

KBB NEFF Suffolk Primary Cup Final: AFC Sudbury A (red) v Old Newton United Res (yellow). Adults £5, concessions £3, children £1.

Tuesday, May 14th

KBB NEFF Suffolk Junior Cup Final: Bildeston Rangers (blue & white) v Bacton Utd '89 (red & green). Adults £6, concessions £3, children £1.



AFC Kesgrave celebrate after defeating Trimley Red Devils 3-2 to win last season's Suffolk Junior Cup Final at Portman Road

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KBB Grassroots Festival 2019



SUFFOLK FA have pulled off a coup with England legend Kelly Smith agreeing to attend this year's KBB Suffolk FA Grassroots Festival.

Smith, England's all-time leading scorer with 46 goals, is to visit the two-day festival at Whitton United FC on Saturday, May 18th. The festival will continue on the Sunday.

The former striker, who was England's first professional female footballer, won 117 caps in an illustrious career and played in six major tournaments, including representing Great Britain at the 2012 London Olympics.

Smith, who won five FA Cups, scoring six times in those five finals, said: "I'm really looking forward to visiting the KBB Suffolk FA Grassroots Festival.

"Grassroots football and tournaments like these are so important to the development of the players and the future prosperity of the game, so I am pleased to be able to attend."

Suffolk FA Mini Soccer & Youth Football Development Officer James Morley, who is co-organising the festival, said: "We are really pleased to have Kelly Smith attending this year's KBB Grassroots Festival.

"Our festival will be themed around the FIFA Women's World Cup which is taking place in France and to have Kelly in attendance provides a great opportunity for all the young girls to meet someone who has played and achieved everything at the highest level.

"This season is tracking to be the biggest festival we have ever organised, with more teams being able to attend than ever before and new festivals including walking football and disability football.

"Having Kelly in attendance as well is going to help us create the biggest and best festival by far. We now can't wait until May for the festival to be here."

Roger Peck, a director of festival sponsors KBB, said: "Kelly Smith's presence at this year's festival is testament to the hard work and dedication that has gone into the festival over the years.

"The fact that the popularity and the exposure that the festival gets is now encouraging big names like Kelly to get involved makes us very proud."



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