

BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

VETERANS CUP

2023

FINAL

2024

2022/23 Winners: West Brom Spinney Veterans



COUNDON COURT OLD BOYS 035'S VETS VS TROOPER VETERANS OVER 35'S

SUNDAY 19TH MAY 2024 | 11AM | BCFA EXCELLENCE ARENA
STANDARD TICKET £5 | CONCESSIONS £2



COUNTY CUP FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/24

SUNDAY AMATEUR CUP

3 C'S UNITED 1-2 **FC PREMIER SUNDAY ADULTS WARRIORS**

Sunday 7th April | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

GIRLS COUNTY CUP

STRATFORD TOWN WOMENS & GIRLS U16 4-1 **WORDLSEY WASPS U16 GIRLS**

Saturday 13th April | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

ROGER WOOD MEMORIAL CUP

TROOPER OPEN AGE 8-0 **EMERALD ATHLETIC AFC**

Sunday 14th April | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

SATURDAY MINOR CUP

NEXT GENERATION U16 JPL 1-2 **REDDITCH UNITED U16 JA**

Saturday 20th April | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

SUNDAY VASE

NORTH SOLIHULL ATHLETIC FC 5-2 **MAYPOLE UNITED**

Sunday 21st April | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

MIDWEEK FLOODLIT CUP

CRADLEY TOWN FIRST 2-6 **FC STRATFORD FIRST**

Tuesday 23rd April | 7:45pm KO | Poundland Bescot Stadium

JOEL RICHARDS MEMORIAL CUP

STOURBRIDGE FC U18 6-8 **TAMWORTH ACADEMY U18 FLOODLIT**

Thursday 25th April | 7:45pm KO | Poundland Bescot Stadium

WOMENS CHALLENGE VASE

LEAMINGTON LIONS LADIES FIRST 4-2 **COVENTRY CITY WOMEN FIRST**

Monday 29th April | 7:45pm KO | Poundland Bescot Stadium

SATURDAY AMATEUR CUP

VILLAGE SECOND B 0-4 **SUTTON UNITED SUFC RESERVES**

Saturday 11th May | 2pm KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

MINOR CHALLENGE CUP

LYE TOWN YOUTH U16 0-0 **SOLI HULL U16 M**
Pens (4-5)

Sunday 12th May | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

WOMENS CHALLENGE CUP

WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS WOMEN 4-4 **RUGBY BOROUGH WOMEN**
Pens (3-5)

Tuesday 14th May | 7:45pm KO | Pirelli Stadium

SENIOR CHALLENGE CUP

ASTON VILLA FC 9-0 **RACING CLUB WARWICK FIRST**

Wednesday 15th May | 7:30pm KO | Villa Park

SATURDAY VASE

AFC BENTLEY SATURDAY vs **AFC COVENTRY RANGERS FC**

Saturday 18th May | 2pm KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

VETERANS CUP

COUNDON COURT OLD BOYS 035'S VETS vs **TROOPER VETERANS 035'S**

Sunday 19th May | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena

SUNDAY YOUTH CUP

HALFWAY JUNIORS U18 vs **COVENTRY COPSEWOOD JUNIOR U18 BLUE**

Sunday 26th May | 11am KO | BCFA Excellence Arena



To buy tickets for finals at BCFA, click [HERE](#)

WELCOME

2023/24

A warm welcome to all the players, coaches, volunteers and supporters of both competing teams and also the match officials for this prestigious County Cup Final.

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Chief Executive Officer

It is also a big day for our match officials who have dedicated hours, and in some cases many years in the middle and on the side-lines at all levels of the game to have been selected to represent our 1563 Birmingham County FA officials at a final. This is a testament to their own development and a reward for their own performances during the current and previous seasons.

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank the thousands of volunteers for all the work they do throughout the season to simply help administer and improve their clubs and teams - more often than not unpaid and into the early hours and across many evenings. Without the range of volunteers at every level of the game and at every Club and League, then the game as we know it would not exist, especially at grassroots level. As part of the post-match celebrations, we will be presenting a volunteer award which each finalist has nominated as a thank you from those at each club.

I'd also like to thank my colleagues at Birmingham County FA for all the work they do, and the support they offer participants in order to promote, govern and develop the game and deliver 15 fantastic finals and create memories for those who play, coach, officiate and watch their friends, family and loved ones compete.

Enjoy the game and celebrate your achievements before and after the game, whilst at the same time recognising and respecting the achievements of the opposition and their efforts in making the final along with those of the match officials on a special day for them too.

Play well and play fair and enjoy the memories and friendships that the fixture brings.



Kevin Shoemake
CEO - Birmingham County Football Association



MEET THE OFFICIALS

2023/24



Adam Siniarski



Darrell Foster



Simon Rodgers



Neil Underwood

Referee: Adam Siniarski (5)

Assistant Referee: Darrell Foster (7)

Assistant Referee: Simon Rodgers (5)

Fourth Official: Neil Underwood (5)

*Number in brackets indicate Referee Level
(Men's Pathway)*



BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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History of Winners

1996 / 1997 - Folly Lane BCOB
1997 / 1998 - Continental Star
1998 / 1999 - VS Rugby
1999 / 2000 - Baldwin & Williams
2000 / 2001 - Continental Star Sunday
2001 / 2002 - Folly Lane BCOB
2002 / 2003 - Triplex Star
2003 / 2004 - Monica Star Old Boys
2004 / 2006 - Triplex Star (2)
2006 / 2007 - Continental Star Sunday
2007 / 2008 - Springville Athletic

2008 / 2009 - Continental Star Sunday
2009 / 2010 - Farthings
2010 / 2011 - Monica Star
2011 / 2012 - Olton Royale O B
2012 / 2015 - Monica Star (3)
2015 / 2016 - Trooper
2016 / 2018 - Monica Star Veterans (2)
2018 / 2019 - Sutton Coldfield Town O35's
2019 / 2020 - (Fixtures not ran due to COVID)
2020 / 2021 - (Fixtures not ran due to COVID)
2021 / 2023 - West Brom Spinney Veterans (2)

Current Holders
2022 / 23

West Brom
Spinney Veterans



"IT GAVE ME
CONFIDENCE WHEN
MY COACH
UNDERSTOOD ME
AS A PLAYER AND
A PERSON."



COACHES. IT STARTS WITH YOU.
STAY POSITIVE. BE SUPPORTIVE. SHOW RESPECT.



VETERANS CUP

COUNDON COURT

ROUTE TO THE FINAL

ROUND ONE

**SEDGEMERE OLD
BOYS VETERANS**

0 - 5

**COUNDON COURT
OLD BOYS VETS**

ROUND TWO

**SOLIHULL SPORTING
VETERANS 035**

2 - 4

**COUNDON COURT
OLD BOYS VETS**

QUARTER-FINAL

**COUNDON COURT
OLD BOYS VETS**

4 - 1

**WEST BROM SPINNEY
VETERANS FIRST**

SEMI-FINAL

**SPRINGVILLE
VETERANS FIRST**

0 - 6

**COUNDON COURT
OLD BOYS VETS**



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Michael (FC Union Bristol)

SAVE TODAY, PLAY TOMORROW



Save Today, Play Tomorrow the first of its kind sustainability programme in the UK that looks to pioneer the ambitious goal of creating a low carbon greener game. As the regional governing body, BCFA recognise the need to act now to ensure the beautiful game significantly reduces its environmental impact, whilst helping to educate those involved in football at all levels to make informed decisions that will shape how much future generations will be able to enjoy and sustain the game in the long term. As such, this award winning and unique initiative underpins all BCFA do and is their 'one big ambition'.

The programme has 4 workstreams that are aligned to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals or SDG's, these are Health & Wellbeing, Positive Education, Climate Action & Reconnecting Football with Nature (Biodiversity).

The overall aim of Save Today, Play Tomorrow is to achieve a more environmentally sustainable game by empowering, educating & engendering football clubs of all sizes with over 20 products & services, partnerships and initiatives that deliver measurable climate positive outputs. **Look at what your club could get involved in:**

Carbon Literacy for Grassroots Football Course – A bespoke education course that gives learners the fundamental basics about climate change and how the grassroots game can be part of the wider solution through practical & cost-effective changes. Right now, you can become Carbon Literate qualified for £10! By registering [here](#).



Green Energy Product – A 100% REGO certified renewable energy product specifically created for the grassroots football market, providing market competitive prices for clubs to begin their Net Zero journey. Register your interest [here](#).

Sustainability League – Join the first ever climate positive football league and your club could WIN £500 per month towards its operating costs.

Football Rebooted – Aiming to keep 1 million pairs of pre-worn boots out of landfill and in circulation for longer using 60 of our grassroots clubs as local collection & distribution hubs. To join them register your interest [here](#).



SAVE TODAY, PLAY TOMORROW



Liftshare – Using the Liftshare digital platform we encourage car-pooling to football, reducing the individual financial cost of travel as well as harmful emissions damaging the environment and affecting people's long-term health. Over 800 individuals are now part of the BCFA lift share community accumulatively saving almost £30,000 on fuel and over 22 tonnes of CO2 emissions have been avoided. You can register [here](#) *over 18's only.



Weare8 / Green Innovation Fund – Launching in early April this partnership with the social media platform WeAre8 will see funds generated through advertising being paid forwards directly back into the grassroots game to support green innovation projects. Follow the Save Today, Play Tomorrow our social channels to find out more on how you and your club can get involved!



WeAre8

BCFA were proudly accepted as participatory members of the UN's Sport for Climate Action Framework, the first County FA to do so, using the power of sport to normalise conversations, promote athlete advocacy at all levels, share best practice and implement innovative solutions to combat the increasing threat and negative impact of climate change on the beautiful game.

Project Lead Richard Lindsay says of the programme "Climate change is arguably the greatest challenge of our generation. While grassroots football is not the cause; most clubs are SME sized, often loss-making, volunteer led enterprises with a microscale carbon footprint, we know there is an appetite for change with 86% of BCFA clubs believing the game should do more to reduce its environmental impact."

Save Today, Play Tomorrow offers huge potential for engagement, as the scale on which people share a close affinity with their community club is perhaps unparalleled in any other sport".

Football x Climate Quiz

1. How much CO2e in tonnes did BCFA affiliated clubs collectively pledge to save during last season's Sustainability League? A: 6.1 B: 7.1 C: 8.1
2. How many pairs of boots have BCFA clubs saved from landfill through the Football Rebooted scheme so far? A: 1000 B: 3000 C: 9000
3. In thousands how many miles have BCFA registered players avoided by using the Liftshare app to travel to games? A: 99,000 B: 103,000, C: 107,000



VETERANS CUP

TROOPER

ROUTE TO THE FINAL

ROUND ONE

TROOPER VETERANS
OVER 35'S

8 - 1

MELCHESTER MANOR
VETERANS OVER 35'S

ROUND TWO

BRANTLEY VETS
OVER 35'S

2 - 8

TROOPER VETERANS
OVER 35'S

QUARTER-FINAL

RUGBY BOROUGH
VETERANS SOUTERS

1 - 1
PENS (4-5)

TROOPER VETERANS
OVER 35'S

SEMI-FINAL

COLESHILL NORTH
WARWICK VETERANS
FIRST

2 - 2
PENS (1-3)

TROOPER VETERANS
OVER 35'S



VETERANS CUP **VOLUNTEER AWARDS**

Each of our finalists were asked to nominate a Volunteer from each Club to win a 'Volunteer Award'. This is to recognise the contribution made by individuals who have made a positive impact at the club.

These awards will be presented after the match along with the player medals.

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FOOTBALL SAFE.
WE ALL HAVE A
PART TO PLAY.**



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COUNDON COURT OLD BOYS 035'S VETS



John Ayre
David Blenkinsopp
Robert Chamberlain
Ilyseden Christie
Craig Civzelis
Rickie Cutting
Aaron Flinn
Jamie Hall
Anthony Hatton
Andrew Hayes
Peter Hegerty
Matthew Lendon
Scott Lower
Nathan McBean
Andrew McCord
Alexander Rae
Jamie Towers
Matthew Whitehouse

Coaching Staff:

Steve Taggart - Manager
Ray Isaac - Assistant Manager
Gavin Smith - Coach
Allen Barr - Fitness Coach

Kit Colours:

Navy Blue & Cerise Shirt, Navy Blue Shorts,
Navy Blue Socks
GK Shirt - Orange



TROOPER VETERANS OVER 35'S

Ryan Byfield
Darren Byfield
Martin Crawford
Liam Daly
Henry Donaghey
Rob Ellis
Chris Gumery
Justyn Horton
Ebrima Jallow
Jonathan Jones
Steven Jubbie
Chris Lloyd
James Lloyd
Scott Smith
Tyrone Smith
Craig Thomas
Mitchell Thompson
Lee Vaughan

Coaching Staff:

Lewis Drinkwater - Manager
Marc Williams - Assistant Manager
Dale Catley - Assistant Manager

Kit Colours:

Green & White Stripes, White Shorts, Green
Socks
GK Shirt - Orange

TROPHY PRESENTED BY

Kieron Kavanagh - Kieron Kavanagh looks after the day-to-day operations of the BCFA facility, ensuring that the stadium is fit for purpose for all cup finals held at Ray Hall Lane. Kieron often works evenings and weekends to ensure that we provide the best facilities across the CFA network. He has been a key driver in improving the ancillary facilities at Ray Hall Lane, thus improving the overall County Cup experience for players, spectators, coaches and match officials.



**ENGLAND
FOOTBALL**

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Adam Siniarski
Assistant Referee: Darrell Foster
Assistant Referee: Simon Rodgers
Fourth Official: Neil Underwood