

Cumberland FA

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UNDER 18 COUNTY CUP FINAL
2023-24



Friday 10 May 2024

Workington Juniors U17 Whites
v
Whitehaven AFC Juniors U18



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Cumberland FA

County Cups

A Message from the Chair of Cumberland FA

On behalf of the Cumberland Football Association, I would like to welcome you to the 2023/24 Under 18 County Cup final.

This is my first season in the role as Chair, and the County Cup Finals are the pinnacle of the season. As Ben Snowdon, CEO, mentioned in his notes last year, and as another season passes, it would be remiss of us to further remember our late Chair, Fred Conway, who passed away just over a year ago. We all know just how much the Cumberland Cup Final meant to Fred, having dedicated a large part of his life to the various aspects of the grassroots game.

I would also like to pay tribute to John Rogerson, who stepped in to the shoes of Chair, following the untimely loss of Fred. Steering the ship of the Cumberland Football Association following this, was never going to be an easy task, as we were left to pick up the pieces. However, John, with his experience, friendliness, and passion for the game (of course mentioning the walking football, which John is an instrumental figurehead in), he was able to lead us in one of our most challenging times as an organisation. John stepped aside as Chair formally at our AGM this year, but I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to his work and dedication to our beautiful game.

Congratulations to the players and coaches of Workington Red's Juniors U17 and Whitehaven Amateurs U18's who are both looking to cap off a successful season with the U18 County Cup trophy. All the very best for today's games!

A special mention to the coaches, volunteers and parents for their unwavering dedication to grassroots football throughout the season, and I hope you enjoy the game. The game would not be possible without your support, hard work, and I thank you for all your sacrifices you have made over the season.

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Season 2023-24

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Adam Pattison

Senior INED and Interim Board Safeguarding Champion

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To the third team on the field of play, the match officials, congratulations on your appointment, and best of luck for today's game. As an active match official myself, I know only too well how special these appointments are. They are earned on merit, performance, and availability throughout the season. Very best of luck for the game and for the next season!

A special mention to our hosts today Penrith AFC for providing first class hospitality to our teams, match officials and spectators. Our thanks to you all for looking after us, and for hosting the U18 County Cup Final. A huge thank you your volunteers for their unwavering support to your club throughout the season. Clubs and communities are run on these unsung heroes, who make the match day experience possible, and without them too, this wouldn't be the game that we love.

Finally, I just wanted to say, that Football is for us all. **We all have a part to play in the beautiful game to make this an enjoyable experience for all involved. Irrespective of the result today, please make sure that we show the respect that the game deserves.**

Adam Pattison

Chair, Cumberland FA

NO ALCOHOL, PYROTECHNICS OR FLARES are allowed to be brought into the ground and in line with FA regulations action will be taken against Club's if this occurs at the Final.

Due to licensing laws, Alcohol will be served from 12 noon.



Cumberland FA Cup Finals

Season 2023-24



DATE	COMPETITION / VENUE	FIXTURE	OFFICIALS
Sunday 24 March	Under 16 Girls County Cup Workington AFC	Carlisle Lionesses - 2 Whitehaven AFC Juniors U16 – 1	Referee: Adam Sowden Assistant Referees: Benjamin Carini & Jacob Moore 4th Official: Lillias Hodgson
Sunday 24 March	Under 16 County Cup Penrith AFC	Whitehaven AFC Yellow – 2 Workington Juniors Blacks - 4	Referee: Leigh Musgrave Assistant Referees: Aaron Roberts & Rowan Johnstone 4th Official: David Colombi
Tuesday 23 April 7:00pm	Fred Conway Cumberland Cup Workington AFC	Workington AFC – 1 Carlisle United FC - 0	Referee: Scott Henry Assistant Referees: Paul Stephenson & Michael Studholme 4th Official: Callum Black
Sunday 1 May 7:00pm	Women's Cup Workington AFC	Workington Reds Ladies - 1 Penrith AFC Ladies - 2	Referee: Craig Bennison Assistant Referees: Christian Ndubuisi & Claire Hebdige 4th Official: Ryan Dougan
Sunday 5 May 11:00am	Sunday Cup Workington AFC	Parkside FC – 5 Northside FC - 3	Referee: Paul Stephenson Assistant Referees: Cameron Sealby & Austen Davidson 4th Official: Ian Millburn
Saturday 11 May 11:00 am	Under 12 County Cup Keswick FC	Crusaders U12 Blue v Workington Juniors U12 Reds	Referee: Ben McDermott Assistant Referees: Matthew McClean & Jak Little 4th Official: Thomas Doswell
Saturday 11 May 2:00pm	Under 14 County Cup Keswick FC	Stanwix Juniors U14 FC v Windscale Juniors U14 Blues	Referee: Thomas Doswell Assistant Referees: Matthew McClean & Jak Little 4th Official: Scott Taylor
Sunday 12 May 11:00am	Under 12 Girls County Cup Keswick FC	Whitehaven AFC U11 Girls Blues v Stanwix U12 Girls FC	Referee: Josie Wright Assistant Referees: Lillias Hodgson & Izzy Scott-Lamont 4th Official: Jade Taylor
Sunday 12 May 2:00pm	Under 14 Girls County Cup Keswick FC	Silloth Juniors U13 Girls v Unisun Athletic JFC U14 Girls	Referee: Jade Taylor Assistant Referees: Lillias Hodgson & Izzy Scott-Lamont 4th Official: Josie Wright



TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIALS

SUNDAY COUNTY CUP	
Referee	Trevor Bethwaite
Assistant Referee	Ben Whitfield
	Sarah-Jayne Smith
Fourth Official	Paul McDermott

The Under 18 County Cup Final sees the team's finishing 2nd and 3rd in the West Cumbria Youth League competing in this year's Final!

Workington Juniors U17 Whites finished runners up this season while Whitehaven AFC Juniors U18 were just behind in third position.

In two Previous Meetings this season, the teams played out a 1-1 draw while Whitehaven AFC U18's won the other 3-0.

The Final is likely to be a close affair with both teams looking to add some silverware to top off a good season!



*Cumberland FA would like to give a huge Thank You to our host's **Penrith AFC** for today's Under 18 County Cup Final!*

Mr Fred Conway

It is coming up to 18 months since the death of Fred and the recent Cumberland Cup Final was the second since the competition was named in his honour.

Whilst it makes no sense, in all honesty reflecting back, the shock of his sudden passing seems like it was only yesterday, but at the same time it feels like it has been a lot longer than 18 months.

Don't get me wrong there have been a number of occasions during this time when him not being here has probably saved me an expletive based rant about something within the grassroots game that he, shall we say didn't quite like or agree with.

However, there have been so many more times when I would give anything for the door to my office to fly open and for a profanity laced exchange to occur.

It has understandably taken individuals and the County FA time to try and process the loss of Fred. However, more than anyone, he would want to ensure that life and more specifically the County FA and the grassroots game, which he devoted his life too, continued without him.

And, whilst I know he would not be happy with everything in the game at the moment, I hope and think that he would know that the influence he has had on the staff, board and wider grassroots football community, means that his desire to place the best interests of the game, and more specifically the interest of the game in Cumberland above anything else, continues to drive our shared passion and direction.

The All Blacks Rugby Union team speak about being a good ancestor by planting trees that you'll never see, this follows the philosophy that we are all standing on the shoulders of giants and must take responsibility in playing our part in making a better future.

They also receive a small black book when joining the team, which details on each page the jersey's of the All Black teams from the 1905 originals, right up to the modern day. These pages are layered with meaning. They remind you of the legacy you are about to step into.

I think, in a way, this is why Fred loved the competition so much. It reminded him of the huge characters that have gone before him and their influence upon the principles, values, standards, and overall character of Cumberland FA.

The next few pages of this book are left blank in order for you to write your legacy, or as the author James Kerr states within his fantastic book, Legacy, that, "It's time to make your mark. Your contribution. It's time to leave a legacy. Your legacy. It's your time."

A couple of weeks ago, the final of the Fred Conway Cumberland Cup not only give us all a chance to reflect on Fred's impact, but to also ask ourselves what legacy will we leave to future generations.....



Words by Ben Snowdon

CUMBERLAND FA & BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION

Cumberland FA have teamed up with the British Heart Foundation to raise awareness of their fantastic work and promote the potentially lifesaving RevivR training across the Cumberland grassroots football community, as well as help raise vital funds for their groundbreaking research.

The partnership has been ongoing throughout the 2023-24 season.

The partnership has meant Cumberland FA has shared information throughout the season to support the understanding of health information linked to the heart as well as provide opportunities for Clubs, Teams, Match Officials and Individuals to get involved in fundraising and coordinate the grassroots football community into action.

As part of the partnership, Cumberland Clubs who are at the hub of their communities have the opportunity to get involved by selling pin badges or housing collection boxes within their club houses (*"Buy a drink for a loved one"* donations) and / or become a hub for BHF charity shop donations collection.

These are just two ideas where there are potentially huge gains for the BHF with little additional work from the Club's themselves. In the midst of the cost-of-living crisis we're keen to offer our support to this vital charity without over burdening our Clubs. **If everyone can do a little, it can go a long way!**

Email Development@CumberlandFA.com for your Club to get involved!

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REFEREE ARMBAND INITIATIVE

The armbands act as a visual reminder to Coaches, Players and Spectators that the Match Official is New to Refereeing or a Child.

Ben Snowdon, Cumberland FA CEO commented on what the armband initiative brings to Cumberland Football:

“The armbands were devised as part of our commitment to Safeguarding. They act as a visual reminder to coaches, players and spectators that the individual wearing them are new to refereeing, have less experience and, like everyone else learning something new, will make mistakes.

They support the FA Respect programme and our responsibility to creating the safe and positive environment that in turn leads to an enjoyable experience for all.”



RESPECT NEEDS YOU



The FA's Respect Programme is based on a collective responsibility to promote what is good about football and deal with anything that diminishes the nation's favourite game.

Whether you're a Referee, a Player, a Coach, a Parent, a Spectator or a Club or League Official we all have a responsibility to create a fair, safe and enjoyable environment in which children can play football.

For more information visit
<https://www.EnglandFootball.com/explore/inclusive-football/Respect>

TEAM NEWS

The Route to the Final

Coach / Manager

Squad

A Short History

Team Photo

UNDER 18 COUNTY CUP FINALIST

2023 / 24

Workington Juniors U17 Whites



Route to the Final

Round 1	Workington Juniors U17 Whites	3 - 2	Crusaders U18
Round 2	Workington Juniors U17 Whites	9 - 0	Carlisle City U18
Q/Final	Workington Juniors U17 Whites	9 - 1	Whitehaven Miners Social U18
Semi Final	Workington Juniors U17 Whites	3 - 1	Maryport Athletic U18

HEAD COACH | Craig Johnston

ASSISTANT COACH | Scott Christian

TONIGHT'S SQUAD WILL BE CHOSEN FROM THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS:

Lucas Walker	Brad Keenan
Oliver Hiddleston	Nathan Lillico
Owen Johnston	Keegan Holliday
Brad Barwise	Luke Bewsher Canon
Harley Edmonson	Jack White
Callum Bell	Ben Carini
Cade Bales	Harrison Drysdale
Sam Christian	Harrison McCulloch
Alfie Schofield	Spencer Bland
Bobby White	Jaxon Graham



Workington Juniors U17 Whites team have had a brilliant season, playing in the double age band Under 18 competitions. The team were runners up in the West Cumbria Youth League, U18 Division, winning 12 of their 16 league fixtures and reached the semi-final of the League Cup.

Head Coach Craig Johnston commented: *“The lads have been amazing all season and are looking to push on when we move to U18s next season.”*

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2023 / 24

Whitehaven AFC Juniors U18



Route to the Final

Round 1	Whitehaven AFC U18	Bye	
Round 2	Whitehaven AFC U18	9 - 1	Workington Juniors U18 Reds
Quarter Final	Whitehaven AFC U18	8 - 0	Abbeytown JFC U18
Semi Final	Cockermouth JFC U18	0 - 2	Whitehaven AFC U18

MANAGER | Scott Foster

COACHES | Lee Robinson | Lee Reay

TONIGHT'S SQUAD WILL BE CHOSEN FROM THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS:

Alfie McQuire	Keenan Mackay
Ashton hooper	Leo Merrin
Brodie Doyle	Louis Pritchard
Callum Wilson	Paddy Rooney
Ethan Magee	Rhys Barnett
George West	Shane Tyson
Harley Cueto	Zac Clarke
Jack Elsmore	Cody Meagan
Jamie Orr	Jack Hawley
Joe Carney	Nicky McAllister
Josh Foster	



The Whitehaven AFC Under 18 were originally formed in 2012 as a new Under 6 team, with 7 players who took part in their 1st ever training session still involved.

The team finished third in the West Cumbria Youth League Under 18 Division.

Scott Foster, Manager of the Under 18's commented: *"A massive thanks goes out to Ian Trevaskis and John Grahame for all the hard work and dedication they put in."*

"As a squad our long-term aim was for the boys to enjoy their football, be respectful to others, work hard and express themselves without the fear of failure."

"With the help of our fantastic facilities and infrastructure in place at WAFC we believe we have achieved this."

"Going forward we wish everyone a long and enjoyable adult football career."



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Formed in 2011, the Adult **Ability Counts League** offers regular playing opportunities to disabled players aged 16 and over. The Junior section began the monthly fixture programme in 2019 following some fantastic work from the local Club network offering youth players the opportunity to play regularly.

We're delighted to welcome onboard Komatsu this year to support the Leagues which have been renamed '**The Komatsu Ability Counts League**'

Fixtures are held once a month between March and October, with teams from across Cumberland taking part at a central venue.

The Adult Komatsu Ability Counts League initial seeding event took place last month with the first League fixture event taking place on Tuesday 14 May.

The Junior Komatsu Ability Counts League has begun with U8s, U12s and U16s taking part in the opening festival in Penrith last month – and last month we saw the most participants ever in #Event2 !

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The 9 v 9 midweek league is played from April to September offering regular playing opportunities for girls and women aged 16 and over across the County.

For 2024 there are 12 teams playing weekly with almost 200 female players enjoying the format of the game.

It's open to all ages (16+) with many players returning to the game or starting their football journey in the League.

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LEARNING

Stepping over the sidelines

Building confidence across historically underrepresented groups to take the step into coaching.

- Addressing pre-conceived ideas of what it means to be a coach.
- Highlighting key attributes and everyday skills that are transferable to coaching.
- Signposting towards next steps and potential opportunities.



The 'Stepping over the Sidelines' workshop will be delivered across the county to support the recruitment of new female volunteers and coaches into the grassroots game.

Two dates have been arranged this summer – visit our website for details and to register.



ENGLAND
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Women's Over 35's Football

TURN UP & PLAY EVENTS

Sunday 14 April 2024
Lakes College, WORKINGTON | 2–3:30pm

Sunday 21 April 2024
Penrith AFC, PENRITH | 10:30am – 12

Sunday 28 April 2024
Harraby 3G, CARLISLE | 3 – 4:30pm

Sunday 12 May 2024
Harraby 3G, CARLISLE | 3 – 4:30pm

Sunday 19 May 2024
Lakes College, WORKINGTON | 11am – 12:30pm



MORE DETAILS
& REGISTER →



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Contact

Development@CumberlandFA.com or call
Helen on 01900 511800 for more information

FOOTBALL FOR WOMEN AGED OVER 35

Cumberland FA have delivered 15 FREE taster sessions giving women aged 35 and over an opportunity to come along in a friendly and fun environment to have a kick about since March 2023 with more than 100 women taking part across the county.

The sessions are a perfect way to get some exercise, have some laughs and meet new people. Women aged 35 and over are invited to come along and play – with any experience welcome.

The events are played in a friendly atmosphere as we aim to increase the number of playing opportunities for this age group.

The Cumbria Veterans League offers more than 500 Over 35's an opportunity to play weekly throughout the summer months.

The League operates in two sections keeping the mid-week fixtures local while the League Cup and Cumbria Veterans Trophy offers cross county ties.

Get in touch if you're interested in 'pulling your boots back on!' Development@CumberlandFA.com



Cumbria Veterans League



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Cumberland FA Walking Football Programme 2024

SEASON OPENER FESTIVAL TEAM ENTRIES

Carlisle United Blues
Carlisle United Greens
Cockermouth

Gretna Walking Football
Millom Ironworks

WAFC Strollers

Workington St Joseph's Blue
Workington St Joseph's Black

If you'd like to join a team or find out more email
Development@CumberlandFA.com or call Ray on 01900 511800

The **Cumberland FA Walking Football League** began across

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We're asking Cumberland Teams to help raise awareness of Every Life Matters, Cumbria amongst players and volunteers as well as having the open conversations which could ultimately support someone in need.

Every Life Matters Training Courses

FREE Bitesize Online Training

Suicide Awareness

Learn more about suicide and what we can all do to help

- 1 Getting informed
- 2 Being Aware
- 3 Asking Directly
- 4 Listening Carefully
- 5 Building Support

FREE 1 Hour Information session

Supporting childrens mental health and wellbeing

For Parents & Carers

- 1 Mental Health
- 2 Self-harm
- 3 Suicide

FREE Half Day Online Training

Self-harm Alertness

- 1 Getting informed
- 2 Cycle of self harm
- 3 Coping Strategies
- 4 Safe Plan

FREE Half Day Online Training

Emotional Resilience

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A Collaborating With People Training Module

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Suicide First Aid

Understanding Suicide Interventions

For people living or working in South Cumbria

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Every life matters...

Orange Button Training

FREE Half Day Online Training

Suicide Alertness

- 1 Getting informed
- 2 Being Aware
- 3 Asking Directly
- 4 Listening Carefully
- 5 Building Support
- 6 Checking in
- 7 Looking after Yourself

Orange Button Training

FREE Two Hour Online Training

Safety Planning

- 1 My Reasons for Living
- 2 Making my Situation Safer
- 3 My Warning Signs
- 4 Lifting My Mood
- 5 My Emotional Support
- 6 My Distractions
- 7 Professional Support

Orange Button Training

Orange Button Training

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All these courses are fully funded for people living or working in Cumbria (except Youth MHFA which is heavily subsidised) and can be booked via Eventbrite or For in-house sessions or other enquiries training@every-life-matters.org.uk

Every Life Matters Training

Almost £2000 has been raised by the grassroots football community across the county to support the local charity.

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TEAMS STATS

No.		Sub	Goal	No.		Sub	Goal

OFFICIALS	FRED CONWAY CUMBERLAND CUP
Referee	Trevor Bethwaite
Assistant Referee	Ben Whitfield
	Sarah-Jayne Smith
Fourth Official	Paul McDermott

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