



ESSEX COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION LTD

Official Handbook - Season 2024/25

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The Board of Directors of the Association:

ANDY CHAPLIN (Chair of Board and Council, FA Representative, Non-Independent)
BARRY FITZGERALD (Football Director, Council)
SHERYL MACRAE (Football Director, Council)
ANDY FRENCH (Football Director, Council)
HAFIZA PATEL (Independent Non-Executive Director, Inclusion Advisory Group Chair, Finance)
MATT CLARE (Independent Non-Executive Director, Board Safeguarding Champion)
CRAIG LEVERINGTON (Senior Independent Non-Executive Director, Commercial)
ANDREW MACDONALD (Independent Non-Executive Director, Legal & Governance)

President

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PETER CROWHURST, JAMES QUILTER, JEFF SAXTON, WAYNE DELLER, ROGER CRANE

Chief Executive and Company Secretary

BRENDAN WALSH

ESSEX COUNTY FA GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

Season 2024/25

GROUP ONE - TENDRING, COLCHESTER, BRAINTREE & MALDON

Open-Age Representatives: Vacant

Youth Representative: **DANNY COYLE** (2015) (01255) 476678 or 07581 056174

Disability Football (Groups One and Two): **KELVIN JORDAN** (2023)

Women & Girls: **KIM FARMER** (2016) 07840 907644

GROUP TWO - CHELMSFORD, UTTLESFORD, HARLOW, EPPING FOREST & BRENTWOOD

Open-Age Representatives: **DAVID EMERTON** (2005) (01245) 355440 or 07902 253000

Youth Representative: **JOHN MEATES** (2021) 07899 907890

Disability Football (Groups One and Two): **KELVIN JORDAN** (2023)

Women & Girls: **KEVIN WARD** (2023)

GROUP THREE - ROCHFORD, SOUTHEND, CASTLE POINT, BASILDON & THURROCK

Open-Age Representatives: **SHERYL MACRAE** (2017) 07789 993262, **JASON PRENDERGAST** (2024)

Youth Representative: **MICAH HYDE** (2018) 07860 136028

Disability Football (Groups Three and Four): Vacant

Women & Girls: **DEBBIE LEITCH** (2023)

**GROUP FOUR - LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING, REDBRIDGE, BARKING & DAGENHAM,
WALTHAM FOREST & NEWHAM**

Open-Age Representatives: **BARRY FITZGERALD** (2012) (01708) 743377 or 07831 423473, **ROB PARKER** (2021) 07921 100267

Youth Representative: **DAVID BIRCH** (2023)

Disability Football (Groups Three and Four): Vacant

Women & Girls: **PAUL ANDERSON** (2023)

FA COUNCIL MEMBER
ANDY CHAPLIN (2015) (01376) 584719 or 07775 555962

ESSEX COUNTY SCHOOLS FA REPRESENTATIVE
PHIL SAMMONS (2023)

ESSEX REFEREES' ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE
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NASER MOHAMED (2023)

WALKING FOOTBALL
DEREK HORNSEY (2023)

YOUTH FORUM REPRESENTATIVE
ALFIE DAVIDSON (2023)

DIRECTIONS TO THE COUNTY OFFICE

Situated towards the north of Chelmsford, just off Junction 19 of the A12 near Boreham, the office houses both the Development and Governance Teams. The office is open for all your grassroots football queries between 9:00am and 5:00pm, Mondays to Fridays.

By Road (From the North): Take the A12 (South) until you reach the 'Stansted, Springfield, Boreham, Services' turn off (Junction 19) and follow the signs to 'Chelmer Village, TA Centre, Springfield'. Take the second exit from the roundabout into Colchester Road (Royal Mail's depot will be on the left-

hand side). Bearing left, go straight over the next roundabout which has Sainsbury's on the right-hand side. At the next roundabout you will see Chelmsford Business Park to your left - which you can turn into - then take the second right-hand turn. The County Office will then become visible, so take the first right into the visitors' car park.

By Road (From the South): Take Junction 28 off the M25, which will take you to the A12 (North). Carry on until you reach the 'Stansted, Springfield, Boreham Services' exit at Junction 19 – NOT the first Chelmsford exit. Follow the signs to 'Chelmer Village, TA Centre, Springfield'. Take the second exit from the roundabout into Colchester Road (Royal Mail's depot will be on the left-hand side). Bearing left, go straight over the next roundabout which has Sainsbury's on the right-hand side. At the next roundabout you will see Chelmsford Business Park to your left - which you can turn into - then take the second right-hand turn. The County Office will then become visible, so take the first right into the visitors' car park.

By Road (From the West): Take the A414 (East) and continue on this road, following the signs to Chelmsford until you reach the Widford Industrial Estate roundabout. Take the first exit and, at the second roundabout, take the second exit. At the next roundabout, take the second exit (the Tesco Superstore will be on your right). Continue, passing Chelmsford College, and go straight on at the next roundabout. Progress to the Army & Navy roundabout and take the second exit following the signs to 'Springfield, Chelmer Village' - you are now on Chelmer Road (B1137). At the next two roundabouts, take the first exit, following signs to Springfield via the next slip road. From here, follow the signs to 'Chelmsford Business Park'. At the third roundabout you encounter, you will see Chelmsford Business Park to your right, which you can turn into before taking the second right-hand turn and another into the visitors' car park.

By Road (From the East): Take the A414 (Maldon Road) and follow the signs to Chelmsford. At the junction with the A12, take the A12 (North) and follow the signs to Chelmsford. Carry on until you reach the 'Stansted, Springfield, Boreham Services' exit at Junction 19. Follow the signs to 'Chelmer Village, TA Centre, Springfield'. Take the second exit from the roundabout into Colchester Road (Royal Mail's depot will be on the left-hand side). Bearing left, go straight over the next roundabout which has Sainsbury's on the right-hand side. At the next roundabout you will see Chelmsford Business Park to your left - which you can turn into - then take the second right-hand turn. The County Office will then become visible, so take the first right into the visitors' car park.

By Rail or Bus: The nearest station is Chelmsford, which is between 3.2 and 3.6 miles from the County Office. There is a taxi rank outside the back entrance, or a bus station outside the front entrance (under the viaduct bridge). Services 71, 71A, 71X and H2 are the preferable buses to catch. Alight at the 'TA Centre' stop on Colchester Road, then head towards the mini roundabout and turn right. After a few steps, the County Office should become visible on your right.

BOARD AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR SEASON 2024/25

Board Meetings: Monday 22nd July 2024, Friday 30th August 2024, Tuesday 24th September 2024, Tuesday 15th October 2024, Tuesday 26th November 2024, Tuesday 14th January 2025, Tuesday 11th February 2025, Tuesday 11th March 2025, Tuesday 15th April 2025, Tuesday 13th May 2025.

Council Meetings: Friday 18th October 2024, Friday 24th January 2025, Friday 21st March 2025, Friday 16th May 2025.

Annual General Meeting: Thursday 5th June 2025 (provisional).

INFORMATION FOR CLUB AND COMPETITION SECRETARIES

CLUBS PLEASE NOTE: AFFILIATION DETAILS FOR THE 2024/25 SEASON WILL BE DISPATCHED ON 1st MAY 2024

(CONTACT THE COUNTY OFFICE IF YOURS FAIL TO ARRIVE)

GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

Your Group Representatives can usually answer any queries that you may have, or you can telephone the County Office between 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday. When telephoning any county official at their residence, please restrict calls to no later than 1:00pm on Sundays.

CLUB DETAILS

Please check your details in this handbook and, if incorrect, notify the County Office immediately. If, during the season, there are any changes, it is important these are also notified immediately.

COUNTY CUP COMPETITIONS

All matters connected with the County Cup competitions should be addressed to the Competitions Department at the County Office. **The deadline for County Cup entries for 2024/25 is 31st July 2024.** This will be strictly adhered to.

COUNTY CUP MATCH OFFICIAL FEES 2024/25

BBC Essex Senior Cup

Rounds up to and including Round Two: Referee: £75.00, Assistants: £55.00

Round Three up to and including Quarter-Finals: Referee: £85.00, Assistants: £60.00

Semi-Finals: Referee: £95.00, Assistants: £65.00

(All Rounds: no mileage will be charged as the fee is all inclusive)

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

BBC Essex Saturday Premier Cup

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £55, Assistants (where appointed): £40

Semi-Finals: Referee: £60, Assistants (where appointed): £45

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

Saturday Junior Cup, Saturday Junior Trophy, Saturday Veterans Cup, Veterans Trophy

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £50, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Semi-Finals: Referee: £55, Assistants (where appointed): £40

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

Sunday Premier Cup, Sunday Junior Cup, Sunday Junior Trophy, Sunday Veterans Cup

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £50, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Semi-Finals: Referee: £55, Assistants (where appointed): £40

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

Tolleshunt D'Arcy Memorial Cup, Essex Thames-Side Trophy

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £50, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Semi-Finals: Referee: £55, Assistants (where appointed): £40

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

BBC Essex Women's Cup, Women's Trophy

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £50, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Semi-Finals: Referee: £55, Assistants (where appointed): £40

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

Pelly Under 18s Cup, Girls Under 18s Cup

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £50, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Semi-Finals: Referee: £55, Assistants (where appointed): £40

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

Cassels Under 16s Cup, Rosser Under 15s Cup, Girls Under 16s Cup

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £45, Assistants (where appointed): £30

Semi-Finals: Referee: £50, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

Andrews Under 14s Cup, Cordell Under 13s Cup, Girls Under 14s Cup

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £40, Assistants (where appointed): £30

Semi-Finals: Referee: £45, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

Under 12s Cup, Girls Under 12s Cup

All Rounds (including Quarter-Finals): Referee: £35, Assistants (where appointed): £25

Semi-Finals: Referee: £40, Assistants (where appointed): £30

Final: Referee: souvenir+travel, Assistants: souvenir+travel, Fourth Official: souvenir+travel

All match official fees are inclusive of travel. For finals, travelling expenses are 25p per mile.

SANCTIONED LEAGUE MAXIMUM REFEREE FEES 2024/25

National League Feeder Division: Referee: £50, Assistants (where appointed): £35

All Other Open-Age: Referee: £45, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Under 18s: Referee: £45, Assistants (where appointed): £35

Under 15s and 16s: Referee: £40, Assistants (where appointed): £25

Under 13s and 14s: Referee: £35, Assistants (where appointed): £25

Under 11s and 12s: Referee: £30, Assistants (where appointed): £20

Mini-Soccer: Referee: £18, Assistants (where appointed): £14

Unless otherwise sanctioned, leagues are only permitted to appoint assistant referees to cup semi-final and final matches.

RULE 11

Clubs are reminded of their responsibilities to the association for the conduct of their players, supporters and spectators and for dealing with any correspondence within the stipulated 14-day period. Players and officials need to understand that misconduct towards a referee off the field of play will be dealt with in the same way as if the offence were committed on the field.

PAYMENTS

The players' club is initially responsible for payment of any disciplinary fines, costs or administrative

charges imposed.

PERMISSION IS REQUIRED TO

Make a ground collection on behalf of any individual or object (apart from club funds); play a charity match; pay for medical attendance upon a player; make a presentation to an injured player; organise a small-sided competition.

MATCHES BETWEEN SCRATCH TEAMS

The Football Association have decided matches between unaffiliated teams, on grounds on which affiliated clubs play, are prohibited. Clubs are advised that managers and registered players should not play in matches in which unregistered players take part.

CLAIMS, COMPLAINTS OR APPEALS

Claims or complaints are dealt with under Rule 13, whilst appeals against a decision of a league or competition are covered under Rule 14.

SPECIMEN CLUB RULES

A copy of specimen club rules can be obtained from the County Office.

BENEVOLENT FUND

The association appeal to all clubs to become annual subscribers to this fund. Donations should be forwarded to: The County Office, Springfield Lyons Approach, Chelmsford, CM2 5LB.

MATCHES AGAINST CONTINENTAL OPPOSITION

Permission to play these matches, whether at home or abroad, can only be granted by The Football Association. All applications should be made to The Football Association at Wembley Stadium, PO Box 1966, London, SW1P 9EQ.

FA ACADEMY PLAYERS

Youth clubs are not permitted to sign players who are registered with an FA Premier League or Football League Academy Club. This is a Football Association rule that applies to all youth players. Clubs who are unsure whether a player is registered or not should check with the County Office. Scouts from Academy Clubs cannot give permission for academy registered players to play in youth league football.

REFEREE MARKING SCHEME

The mark awarded by a club must be based on the Referee's overall performance. It is most important that the mark is awarded fairly and not based upon isolated incidents or previous games. The Referee's performance should be determined by the table below which should act as a guide for the overall mark which should fall within the mark range for each standard of performance.

Mark Range	Comment
<i>100-86</i>	The Referee demonstrated very accurate decision-making and controlled the game very well using management and communication skills effectively to add value to the game.
<i>85-76</i>	The Referee demonstrated accurate decision-making and controlled the game well using management and communication skills to contribute positively to the game.
<i>75-61</i>	The Referee demonstrated reasonably accurate decision-making and despite some shortcomings generally controlled the game well.
<i>60 and below</i>	The Referee demonstrated shortcomings in the accuracy of decision-making and control which affected the game.

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ESSEX COUNTY FA COMPETITION DATES

BBC ESSEX SENIOR CUP

First Round: week commencing 30th September 2024
Second Round: week commencing 14th October 2024
Third Round: week commencing 4th November 2024
Fourth Round: week commencing 25th November 2024
Quarter-Finals: week commencing 16th December 2024
Semi-Finals: week commencing 16th January 2025
Final: Tuesday 18th March 2025, Colchester United FC

Rounds to be played on or before:

BBC ESSEX SATURDAY PREMIER CUP

First Round: 5th October 2024
Second Round: 9th November 2024
Third Round: 30th November 2024
Fourth Round: 18th January 2025
Quarter-Finals: 8th February 2025
Semi-Finals: 8th March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX SATURDAY JUNIOR CUP

First Round: 12th October 2024
Second Round: 16th November 2024
Third Round: 7th December 2024
Fourth Round: 11th January 2025
Quarter-Finals: 1st February 2025
Semi-Finals: 1st March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX SATURDAY JUNIOR TROPHY

First Round: 12th October 2024
Second Round: 16th November 2024
Third Round: 7th December 2024
Fourth Round: 11th January 2025
Quarter-Finals: 1st February 2025
Semi-Finals: 1st March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX SATURDAY VETERANS CUP

First Round: 28th September 2024
Second Round: 19th October 2024
Third Round: 23rd November 2024
Fourth Round: 14th December 2024
Quarter-Finals: 18th January 2025
Semi-Finals: 8th February 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX VETERANS TROPHY

First Round: 28th September 2024

Second Round: 19th October 2024

Third Round: 23rd November 2024

Quarter-Finals: 14th December 2024

Semi-Finals: 25th January 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX SUNDAY PREMIER CUP

First Round: 29th September 2024

Second Round: 20th October 2024

Third Round: 24th November 2024

Fourth Round: 15th December 2024

Quarter-Finals: 26th January 2025

Semi-Finals: 2nd March 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX SUNDAY JUNIOR CUP

First Round: 6th October 2024

Second Round: 10th November 2024

Third Round: 1st December 2024

Fourth Round: 12th January 2025

Quarter-Finals: 2nd February 2025

Semi-Finals: 9th March 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX SUNDAY JUNIOR TROPHY

First Round: 13th October 2023

Second Round: 17th November 2023

Third Round: 8th December 2023

Fourth Round: 19th January 2024

Quarter-Finals: 9th February 2024

Semi-Finals: 16th March 2024

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX SUNDAY VETERANS CUP

First Round: 13th October 2024

Second Round: 10th November 2024

Quarter-Finals: 15th December 2024

Semi-Finals: 26th January 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

BBC ESSEX WOMEN'S CUP

Preliminary Round: 22nd September 2024

First Round: 20th October 2024

Second Round: 17th November 2024

Third Round: 22nd December 2024

Quarter-Finals: 19th January 2025

Semi-Finals: 16th February 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX WOMEN'S TROPHY

First Round: 22nd December 2024

Second Round: 19th January 2025
Quarter-Finals: 16th February 2025
Semi-Finals: 16th March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX PELLY UNDER 18s CUP

First Round: 29th September 2024
Second Round: 20th October 2024
Third Round: 24th November 2024
Fourth Round: 15th December 2024
Fifth Round: 19th January 2025
Quarter-Finals: 9th February 2025
Semi-Finals: 9th March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX CASSELS UNDER 16s CUP

First Round: 29th September 2024
Second Round: 20th October 2024
Third Round: 24th November 2024
Fourth Round: 15th December 2024
Fifth Round: 19th January 2025
Quarter-Finals: 9th February 2025
Semi-Finals: 9th March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX ROSSER UNDER 15s CUP

First Round: 6th October 2024
Second Round: 10th November 2024
Third Round: 1st December 2024
Fourth Round: 12th January 2025
Fifth Round: 2nd February 2025
Quarter-Finals: 2nd March 2025
Semi-Finals: 16th March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX ANDREWS UNDER 14s CUP

First Round: 6th October 2024
Second Round: 10th November 2024
Third Round: 1st December 2024
Fourth Round: 12th January 2025
Fifth Round: 2nd February 2025
Quarter-Finals: 2nd March 2025
Semi-Finals: 16th March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX CORDELL UNDER 13s CUP

First Round: 13th October 2024
Second Round: 17th November 2024
Third Round: 8th December 2024
Fourth Round: 19th January 2025
Fifth Round: 9th February 2025
Quarter-Finals: 9th March 2025
Semi-Finals: 23rd March 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX UNDER 13s TROPHY

First Round: 13th October 2024

Second Round: 17th November 2024

Third Round: 8th December 2024

Fourth Round: 19th January 2025

Fifth Round: 9th February 2025

Quarter-Finals: 9th March 2025

Semi-Finals: 23rd March 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX UNDER 12s CUP

Preliminary Round: 29th September 2024

First Round: 20th October 2024

Second Round: 24th November 2024

Third Round: 15th December 2024

Fourth Round: 12th January 2025

Fifth Round: 26th January 2025

Quarter-Finals: 2nd March 2025

Semi-Finals: 16th March 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX UNDER 18s GIRLS CUP

First Round: 13th October 2023

Quarter-Finals: 17th November 2023

Semi-Finals: 15th December 2024

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX UNDER 16s GIRLS CUP

First Round: 6th October 2024

Second Round: 10th November 2024

Quarter-Finals: 1st December 2024

Semi-Finals: 12th January 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX UNDER 14s GIRLS CUP

First Round: 29th September 2024

Second Round: 20th October 2024

Third Round: 17th November 2024

Quarter-Finals: 8th December 2024

Semi-Finals: 19th January 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX UNDER 13s GIRLS CUP

First Round: 29th September 2024

Second Round: 20th October 2024

Third Round: 17th November 2024

Quarter-Finals: 8th December 2024

Semi-Finals: 19th January 2025

Final: Date to be Confirmed

ESSEX UNDER 12s GIRLS CUP

First Round: 13th October 2024
Second Round: 1st December 2024
Quarter-Finals: 26th January 2025
Semi-Finals: 2nd March 2025
Final: Date to be Confirmed

ASSOCIATION AWARDS

The Association Awards are for members parented to the Essex County Football Association.

AWARD OF MERIT: The nominee shall have given at least 40 years of outstanding honorary service to football in Essex, as a recognised committee member of an affiliated club or competition, or in any other 'volunteering in football' capacity felt appropriate, and who is approved by the Executive Council of the Essex County Football Association. **Please note that refereeing, playing, coaching and managerial positions are not eligible for this award.**

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD: The nominee shall have given outstanding service to football in Essex over a minimum of 30 years as a recognised committee member of an affiliated club or competition, as a registered, active referee in Essex or in any other 'volunteering in football' capacity felt appropriate. **Please note that playing, coaching and managerial positions are not eligible for this award.**

EXEMPLARY SERVICE AWARD: The nominee shall have given exemplary service to football in Essex over a minimum of 20 years as a recognised committee member of an affiliated club or competition, as a registered, active referee in Essex or in any other 'volunteering in football' capacity felt appropriate. **Please note that playing, coaching and managerial positions are not eligible for this award.**

LONG SERVICE CERTIFICATE: The nominee shall have served for at least 10 years as a recognised committee member of an affiliated club or competition, as a registered, active referee in Essex or in any other 'volunteering in football' capacity felt appropriate. **Please note that playing, coaching and managerial positions are not eligible for this award.**

Nominations for these Awards are to be received by Sunday 19th January 2025 via www.essexfa.com.

AWARDS AND COMPETITION RESULTS 2023/24

Coach of the Year (Female Pathway): Varsha Patel (FC Redwing), Highly Commended: Ian Hogan (Buckhurst Hill YFC)

Coach of the Year (Male Pathway): Chris Mascal (Dagenham United FC), Highly Commended: Harvi Singh (Buckhurst Hill YFC) and Riz Khan (Bealonians YFC)

Coach of the Year (Disability Pathway): Fin Morton (Lancaster Lions FC)

Club of the Year: Ridgeway Rovers FC, Highly Commended: Little Canfield Stars FC

League of the Year: Southend Borough & District Football Combination

Young Volunteer: Zoe Eldridge (Valley Green YFC), Highly Commended: Max (Essex Minors (Hornchurch) FC) and Eden (Basildon Boys & Girls Club FC)

New Volunteer of the Year: Carl Oliver (Colchester United Women FC)

Grounds Team of the Year: Brian Rafis (Blackmore FC)

Match Official: Graham Austin, Highly Commended: Matt Jarvis (Blackwater & Dengie Youth League)

Keeping Football Positive Award: Jozef Dymond (Southminster United FC)

Lioness Award: Deva Sunassee (Central Park Allstars FC), **Highly Commended:** Debbie Leitch (Essex Women's Walking Football League)

Bobby Moore Award: Sheryl MacRae

FA 50-Year Award

Jimmy Culleton (Mid Essex League, Great Baddow FC, Referee, Chelmsford City FC, Bishop's Stortford FC, Essex Veterans League), **Dale Sharp** (Referee, Romford FC, Hornchurch Referees Society, Romford Referees Society, Thurrock Referees Society, Ford Sunday League, Barking Youth League, Romford & District League), **Jim Haines** (Referee, Chelmsford Referees Society, Halstead & District Referees Society Saffron Walden Town FC), **Terry Cove** (Manford Way FC, Alfred's Head FC, Elmbridge FC, Ilford & District League, Sunday Independent League, Essex Business Houses League, Mid-Essex League), **Nick Parsons** (Great Baddow British Legion Royals FC, Sandon Royals FC), **Tony Richardson** (Great Baddow British Legion Royals FC, Sandon Royals FC, Mid-Essex League), **Michael Phillips** (Field Athletic FC, Harlow Recreational League, Hotspur Spartak FC, Solent FC, Sawbridgeworth Town FC, Bishop's Stortford FC, Takeley FC, Stansted FC)

Award of Merit (40 Years)

Brian Stubbings (Essex Olympian League), **David Parker** (Braintree & North Essex League, Essex Sunday Football Combination), **Michael Hemsted** (North Essex Veterans League, Essex County FA), **Stephen Newlyn** (Woodham Radars FC, Essex Veterans League, Sporting Club Woodham FC)

Outstanding Service Award (30 Years)

Clive Cheeseman (Essex Olympian League), **Kevin Curran** (Referee), **Paul Howard** (Burnham Ramblers FC), **Richard Coleman** (Essex Walking Football League, Referee), **Sheryl MacRae** (Southend Borough & District Football Combination, Southend & Basildon Sunday League, Southend Borough Combination Veterans League, Earls Hall United FC, Southend Charity Football Competition)

Exemplary Service Award (20 Years)

Daniel Coyle (FC Clacton, Eastern Counties League, Tendring Borough YFC), **David Blaylock** (Sporting 77 FC), **Derek Hornsey** (Essex Walking Football League, Referee), **Gary Telling** (Referee, Southend Borough & District Football Combination), **Jill Barnard** (Wickford Town FC, Essex County Women's League), **Jonathan Smith** (Essex County Women's League), **Keith Rothern** (Dagenham United FC), **Kevin Duffill** (Hawkehill Athletic FC), **Mark Holmes** (Leigh Ramblers FC, South-East Essex Primary Mini-Soccer League), **Naomi Little** (Rochford Sports & Social YFC)

Long Service Certificate (10 Years)

Brian Taylor (Referee), **Charlie Roberts** (Referee), **Colin Jopling** (FC Redwing), **David Bird** (Academy Soccer FC), **Ernest Franklin** (South-East Essex Primary Mini-Soccer League), **Jack Junior Smith** (Concord Rangers FC), **James Beaumont** (Dagenham United FC), **Karen Rother** (Dagenham United FC), **Lee Markwick** (Referee), **Michelle Bird** (Academy Soccer FC), **Paul Stratton** (Referee), **Robert Giles** (Referee), **Steve Kemp** (Corinthians FC), **Steve Richardson** (FC Redwing), **Steven Abbott** (Fairfax Saxons FC), **Terry Scudder** (Hawkehill Athletic FC, Southend & District Youth League), **Tom Eede** (Rochford Town FC), **Tracey Richardson** (FC Redwing)

#CELEBRATEESSEX VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Young Volunteer: **Harry Windass** (Dagenham United FC)
Media Manager: **Logan Young** (Harlow Town FC)
Coach (Adult Teams): **Sam Winney** (Southminster FC)
Coach (Youth Teams): **Paul Thompson** (Great Danes YFC)
Footie Mum: **Dawn O'Connor** (Trinity FC) and **Charlotte Willmore** (Intersports FC)
Treasurer: **Tom Eede** (Rochford Sports & Social FC) and **Brad Gibbs** (East Thurrock United FC)
Secretary: **Colin Ewenson** (Romford FC)
Chairperson: **Steve Gardener** (Romford FC)

REPRESENTATIVE SQUADS 2023/24

Women's (Manager: Kim Coster)

Essex 1-2 Jersey, Wednesday 6th December 2023, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Southern Counties Women's Cup, Aveley FC.

Line-Up: Emily Mackler (Southminster United), Lucy Ogden (Billerica Town), Charlotte Collins-Blaize (Billerica Town), Oliva Bilson (Bowers & Pitsea), Nicole Farmer (Bowers & Pitsea), Abigail Fry (Hutton), Maya Lane (Billerica Town), Lindsey Morgan (Colchester United), Laura Bunton (Bowers & Pitsea), Chloe Woolaway (Southend United), Millie Isherwood (Bowers & Pitsea). Substitutes (repeated): Jamie Newstead (Colchester United), Hannah Porter (Ebbsfleet United), Whitney Locke (Bowers & Pitsea), Ellie Nicholls (Southend United), Lucy Critchell (Hutton).

Army 0-5 Essex, Wednesday 24th January 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Southern Counties Women's Cup, Aldershot Military Stadium.

Line-Up: Emily Mackler (Southminster United), Lucy Ogden (Billerica Town), Charlotte Collins-Blaize (Billerica Town), Jamie Newstead (Colchester United), Nicole Farmer (Bowers & Pitsea), Charlotte Bryant (Lawford), Ellie Nicholls (Southend United), Holly Turner (Ipswich Town), Laura Bunton (Barking), Chloe Woolaway (Southend United), Whitney Locke (Bowers & Pitsea). Substitutes (repeated): Cate Jackson (Lawford), Millie Isherwood (Bowers & Pitsea), Lily Chapman (Billerica Town), Maya Lane (Billerica Town), Millie D'Ath (Billerica Town).

Essex 2-2 Kent, Wednesday 14th February 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Southern Counties Women's Cup, Aveley FC.

Line-Up: Emily Mackler (Southminster United), Lucy Ogden (Billerica Town), Charlotte Collins-Blaize (Billerica Town), Jamie Newstead (Colchester United), Nicole Farmer (Bowers & Pitsea), Charlotte Bryant (Lawford), Maya Lane (Billerica Town), Ellie Nicholls (Southend United Community Sports Club), Whitney Locke (Bowers & Pitsea), Chloe Woolaway (Southend United Community Sports Club), Milly Isherwood (Bowers & Pitsea). Substitutes (repeated): Lindsey Morgan (Colchester United), Karesha Iton (Billerica Town), Lily Wolstenholme (Billerica Town),

Bridget Allen (Billericay Town).

Middlesex 5-3 Essex, Wednesday 13th March 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Rectory Park, Southern Counties Women's Cup.

Line-Up: Emily Mackler (Southminster United), Lucy Ogden (Billericay Town), Charlotte Collins-Blaize (Billericay Town), Jamie Newstead (Colchester United), Nicole Farmer (Bowers & Pitsea), Charlotte Bryant (Lawford), Whitney Locke (Bowers & Pitsea), Lindsey Morgan (Colchester United), Laura Bunton (Barking), Chloe Woolaway (Southend United CSC), Millie Isherwood (Bowers & Pitsea). Substitutes (repeated): Daisy Canny (Hutton), Lucy Jones (Billericay Town), Abigail Fry (Hutton), Cate Jackson (Lawford), Maya Lane (Billericay Town).

COUNTY CUPS 2023/24

Brentwood Girls (Lionesses) 4-0 Hutton (Lionesses), Sunday 3rd March 2024, Kick-Off 10:00am, Aveley FC, Essex Under 14s Girls Cup Final.

Brentwood Girls (Lionesses): Holly Bradbury, Bella Turbefeild, Isabelle Prior, Emmie Lole, Olivia Bradbury, Jess Scaddan, Jessica Marriner, Ellie Plant, Ciara Smithson-Biggs, Maisie Brickell, Phoebe Kerr. Substitutes: Beth Robins, Poppy Horton, Milena Borta, Millie Powell, Olivia-Mai Durrant. Manager: Rob Turbefeild.

Hutton (Lionesses): Ella Rumble, Bella Wood, Izzy Collins, Harriet Windsor, Trixie Millington, Amelie Ayers, Maddie Durrant, Isla Franklin, Caitlin Li, Lilly-May Kehler, Ava Dignum. Substitutes: Grace Whitelock, Isobelle Eida, Tia Patel, Isabella Pleasance. Manager: Kate Ayers.

Referee: Emily Lam (Rochford). Assistant Referees: Olivia James (Brentwood) and Mia Nash (Chelmsford). Fourth Official: Darren Barnett (Basildon). Attendance: 204.

Aveley 0-4 Bowers & Pitsea, Sunday 3rd March 2024, Kick-Off 1:00pm, Aveley FC, Essex Under 16s Girls Cup Final.

Aveley: Jessica Deans, Evie Smyth, Isabelle Foley, Ruby Abela, Olivia Kelly, Lois Evans, Halle Nott, Phoebe Orriss, Holly Denwood, Gracie Oxby, Layla Mitchell. Substitutes: Lydia Dennison, Brody Brownlie, Emily Quinlan, Isla Sullivan, Maisie Abbott. Manager: Carl Orriss.

Bowers & Pitsea: Amelia Kelly, Tayla Judd, Kaltrina Ibrahim, Lexi Ashton, Jessica McCrae, Molly Dodd, Kiera Keys, Florence Russell, Aryanna Adesan, Demi Hetherington, Lilly Brice. Substitutes: Rebecca Harcourt, Niamh Carpenter, Ayla Izzet, Olivia Potton, Daisy Warren. Manager: Steven Keys.

Referee: Lacey Armstrong (Havering). Assistant Referees: Charmaine Bent (Newham) and Harry Sanderson (Brentwood). Fourth Official: Stephen Smith (Chelmsford). Attendance: 234.

Braintree Girls (Hornets) 2-4 Leigh Ramblers, Sunday 3rd March 2024, Kick-Off 4:00pm, Aveley FC, Essex Under 18s Girls Cup Final.

Braintree Girls (Hornets): Evie McPherson, Olivia Burchan, Lucy Sherwood, Phoebe Topham, Evie Walters, Rhiannon Gray, Lauren Amory, Faith Pryke, Danielle Ware, Phoebe Underhill, Katelyn Nurse. Substitutes: Chloe Alcock, Lily Ross, Ella Turner, Esther Franklin, Erin Mitson. Manager: Matthew Gray.

Leigh Ramblers: Nicole Santiago, Aimee Gore, Amy McCormick, Ava Killaly, Mia Collins, Jorja Beckwith, Isabel Beckwith, Holly Taylor, Morgan Brown, Sofia Newton, Daisy Hutchings. Substitutes: Amelie Wilder, Jessica Bolton, Aaliyah Jackman, Sasha Newton. Manager: Adam Beckwith.

Referee: Michael Wallace (Colchester). Assistant Referees: Jason Acott (Barking & Dagenham) and Glen Bowtell (Castle Point). Fourth Official: Steven Martin (Colchester). Attendance: 156.

Colchester United 0-0 Redbridge (Redbridge win 5-4 on penalties), Tuesday 19th March 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Dagenham & Redbridge FC, BBC Essex Senior Cup Final.

Colchester United: Sam Hornby, Oscar Thorn, Frankie Terry, Riley Harbottle, Willam Greenidge, Ryan Lowe (C), Archie Oliver, Samson Tovide, Hakeem Sandah, Owura Edwards, Kennedy Mupomba. Substitutes: Ted Collins, T'aizo Marcel Dilaver, Frankie Edwards, Jet Dyer, Kaleel Green. Transition Coach: Dave Huzzey.

Redbridge: Connor Wheatley, Bradley Bennett, Oscar Shelvey-Negus, Lewis Clark (C), Joseph Elliott, Solomon Ogunwomoju, Jack Chawner, Ayomikun Odukoya, Louie Johnson, Soumen Nandi, Ronnie Winn. Substitutes: Kwabena Yeboah, George Martin, Mekeal Williams, James Barlow, Jimi Feeley. Joint-Managers: George Christou and Jack Toghli.

Referee: Robert Claussen (Rochford). Assistant Referees: Thomas Whay (Harlow) and Richard Carter (Braintree). Fourth Official: Ayrton Hursey (Colchester). Attendance: 607.

Harold Hill (Over 45s) 3-0 Herongate Athletic (Over 45s), Wednesday 20th March 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Concord Rangers FC, Essex Veterans Trophy Final.

Harold Hill (Over 45s): Grant Lee, Michael Black, David Bastian, Basil Bagunaidd, Gary Howard, Kevin Marsden, Jamie Hooker, Danny Happe, Andy Grant, Darren Morley, Cass Hoy. Substitutes: Richard Bastian, Peter Ward, Troy Braham, Paul Welsh, Brian Kingston. Manager: Kevin King.

Herongate Athletic (Over 45s): Adam Placey, David Smith, Paul Martin, Tom Hegarty, Steven Robinson, Danny Steel, Brian Steers, Ben Lord, Gary Ewers, David Gipp, Ricky Cornish. Substitutes: Fraser Higgs, Paul Cobb, Phil Lush, Mark Waldron, Jon Milford-Cottam. Manager: Steve Edkins.

Referee: David Parker (Braintree). Assistant Referees: Dean Fenn (Basildon) and Nuno Nunes (Redbridge). Fourth Official: Richard Marsh (Basildon). Attendance: 121.

Blackmore 2-3 Rouge, Wednesday 27th March 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Waltham Abbey FC, Essex Saturday Veterans Cup Final.

Blackmore: Rob Withers, Matt Chimbambo, Neil Barrett, Andrew Sunnocks, Dave Gould, Ben Turner, Eddie Heart, Dave Collis, Barry Coldham, Daniel Mackin, Ricki Mackin. Substitutes: Brad Ross, Kevin Neville, Chris Barrett, Arron Watson, Scott Walsh. Player-Manager: Ben Turner.

Rouge: Paddy O'Brien, Chris Druce, Terry Foxe, Michael Kennedy, Ben Johnson, Tony Smith, Scott Poole, Dean McAteer, Carl Smith, Ryan Williams, Bradley Devonshire. Substitutes: Adam Williams, Dave Regan, Ricky Cook, Jason Hallett, Jack Knight. Manager: Peter Lucia.

Referee: Terry Murley (Rochford). Assistant Referees: Simon Clarke (Chelmsford) and Dominic Green (Thurrock). Fourth Official: Ryan Anderson (Havering). Attendance: 251.

Corinthians 3-4 Vincitori (after extra time), Wednesday 3rd April 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Great Wakering Rovers FC, Essex Sunday Veterans Cup Final.

Corinthians: Louis Godwin-Green, Ryan Hathaway, Stephen Kemp, Paul Brooker (C), Shaun Bennett, Daniel Fitch, Dominic Binns, Joseph Dimmock, Marcus Jorge, Peter Jelley, Chris O'Donoghue, Substitutes: Alan Frost, Ryan Hodgson, Marc Smith, Samuel Ayres, Samuel Hendrick. Manager: David Prowse.

Vincitori: Jed Sumner (C), Reiss Dobson, Peter Warner, Jeff Banks, Leigh Sanders, John Dorney, Calvin Purcell, Darren Ellis, Sebastian Tirnoschi, Marcus Bowers, Ricki Endean. Substitutes: Ryan Smith, Paul Seymour, Gavin Miller, Danny Endean, Paul Richardson. Manager: David Jahngir.

Referee: Adrian Rogers (Rochford). Assistant Referees: Chay Saggars (Braintree) and Sam Francis (Basildon). Fourth Official: Richard Wilkins (Basildon). Attendance: 183.

Chadfleet United 0-2 Rayleigh, Sunday 7th April 2024, Kick-Off 10:30am, Bowers & Pitsea FC, Essex Sunday Junior Cup Final.

Chadfleet United: Matthew Bearman, Ryan Budd (C), Henry Crawford, James Harvey, Louis Hopkins, Drew Klessa-Smith, Liam North, Dan Petts, Luke Quinton, Callum Ratcliffe, Harry Barness. Substitutes: Paul Elliott, Luke Mulraney, Ashley Wylde, Jack Rogers. Player-Manager: Callum Ratcliffe.

Rayleigh: Luca Albon, Billy Carter, Samuel Carter, Tommy Dixon, Archie Ellis, Joey Hardingham, Cameron Harris, Joseph Hunter (C), Henry Shields, Craig Smith, Taylor Turner. Substitutes: Nathan Burrell, Matthew Carpenter, Liam Henderson, Bertie Reade, Charlie Sullivan. Manager: Martin Shields.

Referee: Oliver Townsend (Southend-on-Sea). Assistant Referees: Rui Baptista Almeida (Waltham Forest) and Allan Eldridge (Basildon). Fourth Official: Sarfraz Idrees (Harlow). Attendance: 183.

Fryerns 0-7 Hatch Lane United, Sunday 7th April 2024, Kick-Off 2:30pm, Bowers & Pitsea FC, Essex Sunday Premier Cup Final.

Fryerns: Charlie Perry, Jonno Packer, Kye Chrystie (C), Tyrell Bryan, Callum Mann, Albert Perry, Archie West, Alex Newton, Liam Aston, Sam Pettit, Jamie Miller, Substitutes: Brad Puttock, Grant Webb, Jack Bruce, Scott McCarthy, Marlon Stratford. Manager: Paul Stringer.

Hatch Lane United: Martin Arnauchknov, Tarome Hemmings, Waiel Hassan, Tyler Hinds, Tyler Dolan, Daniel Couldridge, Kevin Bondjanga, Zack Newton, Mekeal Williams, Fernandez Magba, Amaree Robinson-Jones, Substitutes: Tremayne Coley, Henderson Brown, Andre Errol-Spence, Ashley Wackers, Montel Shalders-Gayle. Joint Managers: Derek Palton, Selvin Barrett, Ben Siaw, Kevin Bondjanga.

Referee: George Barker (Havering). Assistant Referees: Daniel Lane (Havering) and Tommy Fleming (Thurrock). Fourth Official: Josh O'Sullivan (Basildon). Attendance: 253.

Fairlop Rovers 2-3 Thorpe Athletic (after extra time), Wednesday 10th April 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Heybridge Swifts FC, Essex Saturday Junior Cup Final.

Fairlop Rovers: Louie Miracco, Michael Colgan, Ellis Simmonds (C), Lewis Crowe, Jayden Francis, Logan Simmonds, Harry Rouse, Aodan Downer, Dylan Bruns, Dylan Scutt, Ben Harris. Substitutes: Danyal Arshad, Elliot Hastings, Jean-Pierre Alexander, Sebastian Gardiner, Ellis Morgan. Manager: David Birch.

Thorpe Athletic: Grant Burnby, Nicky Palmer, James Shuttlewood (C), Scott Humphries, Oliver Hale, Harrison Barnard, Luke Barnard, Brandon Hunt, Matthew Gray, Taylor McAndrews, Lyndon Bramhall. Substitutes: Samuel Foley, Alex Hayes, Samuel Thompson, James Webb, Jamie Fuller. Manager: Steve Davis.

Referee: Toby Andrews (Chelmsford). Assistant Referees: Raymond Chapman (Harlow) and Nazarij Bilanovskij (Havering). Fourth Official: Dan Boulden (Castle Point). Attendance: 234.

Billerica Town 2-7 Hashtag United, Thursday 11th April 2024, Dagenham & Redbridge FC, Kick-Off 7:45pm, BBC Essex Women's Cup Final.

Billerica Town: Alex Baker (C), Olivia Smith, Maddie Biggs, Leanne Bell, Jánaye Beaufort, Morgan Rogers, Ruby Sealey, Ella Houghton, Soraya Walsh, Ché Thomas, Amber Gaylor. Substitutes: Lucy Jones, Georgie Morton, Nia Evans, Charlotte O'Shea, Louise Davis. Manager: James Gibson.

Hashtag United: Frankie Angel, Sophie Baigent, Grace Gillard (C), Courtney Lumley, Macey Nicholls, Sammy Rowland, Hayley West, Gemma Baker, Malika Apindia, Valentine Pursey, Wiktoria Fronc. Substitutes: Sophie Kelly, Georgia Griffin, Jade Keogh, Esme Lancaster, Kallie Balfour. Manager: Jason Stephens.

Referee: Amy Purser (Braintree). Assistant Referees: Broghan Kelly (Castle Point) and Lily Priest (Chelmsford). Fourth Official: Elora Hardstaff (Thurrock). Attendance: 688.

Collier Row A 2-4 Haver Town, Friday 12th April 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Heybridge Swifts FC, Essex Saturday Junior Trophy Final.

Collier Row A: Ryan Richards, Josh Allen, Luke Fearne, Harry Gilham (C), Max Hodgson, Jack Stockdale, Kai Geere, Tommy Heneghan, Henry Allinson, Sean Archer, Tom Ribbons. Substitutes: Jake Bridgeman, Farhaan Korimbocus, Nathan Eigie, Josh Gibbins, Saul Morris. Joint Managers: Harry Smith, Cody Harris and Yiannis Phokou.

Haver Town: Jake Bradenbury, Alex Grant, Frankie Parlour, Bradley Chapman, Connor Maxam, Louie Scott, Max Harbrow, George Dunn, Harry Joiner, Jack Levy, Ryan Heather (C). Substitutes: Freddie Every, Ben Sparrow, Luke Maydell, Paddy Tighe, Jack Maydell. Manager: Luke Maydell.

Referee: Ashley Diamond (Barking & Dagenham). Assistant Referees: Alexander Galbally (Chelmsford) and George Lusardi (Epping Forest). Fourth Official: Mark Ellis (Epping Forest). Attendance: 338.

Bridge Street Hearts 1-4 Swan Lounge, Friday 19th April 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Heybridge Swifts FC, Essex Sunday Junior Trophy Final.

Bridge Street Hearts: Matt Goddard, Charlie Green, Joe Peters Brad Hibbitt, Martin Mixture, Tommy O'Donnell, Steve Suttling, Sam Mixture, Gareth Williams, Jason Evans, Mitch Evans. Substitutes: Liam Dodsley, Connor Vickery, Dan Gregory, Alfie Monk, Greg Dodsley. Manager: Mitch Evans.

Swan Lounge: Lynx Sontag, Jake Stewart, Jake Buckland, Harry Stoneham, Warren Matema, Ky Richardson, Ben Palmer, Jack Stoneham, Jibril Akinade, Jamie Panting, Liam Whipps. Substitutes: Ollie Makepeace, Glen Matthews, Martin Ingielewicz, Joe Watson, Baillie Mason. Manager: Mitchell Taylor.

Referee: Christopher Rammell (Harlow). Assistant Referees: Lewis Sibbons (Chelmsford) and Moises Amoes (Waltham Forest). Fourth Official: Richard Ramjane (Chelmsford). Attendance: 275.

Buckhurst Hill 3-2 Levels, Sunday 21st April 2024, Kick-Off 10:00am, Saffron Walden Town FC, Essex Rosser Under 15s Cup Final.

Buckhurst Hill: Chris Osei-Mensah, Billy Humphreys (C), Henry Huckle, Max McGovern, David Tephnadze, Noah Vincent-Cook, Charlie Cook, Teddy Plunger, Max Hart, Atafo Sean-Connor, Daniel Osborne. Substitutes: Beau Bunyan, Theo Brickhill, Vincent Guest, Jayden Izzet, Joseph Foot. Manager: Paul Downes.

Levels: Brandon Nguyen, Noye Richard, Anthony Adu, Kyle Cross, Adrianno Morrison (C), Alex Nebognese, Lenny Sackey, David Lomo, Tristan Hamann, Jeremy Appiah, Jaiden Lemom. Substitutes: Zakariah Massoud, Jacob Stephen, Israel Douzoh, Tourae McCalla, Timi Bamidele. Manager: Gabriel Obeng.

Referee: Yaron Woolf (Redbridge). Assistant Referees: Stephen Dadds (Southend-on-Sea) and Jack Falco (Brentwood). Fourth Official: Liam Judd (Thurrock). Attendance: 116.

Billerica Town 2-0 Concord Rangers, Sunday 21st April 2024, Kick-Off 2:00pm, Saffron Walden Town FC, Essex Cassels Under 16s Cup Final.

Billerica Town: George Sapsford, Alexander Ansell, Harry Tear, Oscar Jones, Jahziah Blackford, Reiss Lowe, Marcell De Sousa-Boachie, Joel Suka, Ned Hepburn, Tajuddin Bello, Ronny Ruiz. Substitutes: Jack Williams, Joe Poyton, Viktor Vatev, Tom Walker, Jacques Lorraine. Manager: Lee Williams.

Concord Rangers: Max Seymour, Olly Filer, Quinn Seymour, Ellis Whittingham, Connor Brooks, Mack Polyblank, Dexter Humphreys, Kye Munro, Max Hockey, Micky Kelly, Ronnie Durussel. Substitutes: Oliver Leworthy, Luke Whitbourn, Frank Whyte, Finley Apps, Ruben Philip. Manager: Andrew Brooks.

Referee: Liam Dawson (Thurrock). Assistant Referees: Daniel Goodman (Colchester) and Pierce Campbell (Colchester). Fourth Official: Rasmus Adamah (Thurrock). Attendance: 168.

Billerica Town (Blues) 2-0 Evolution, Sunday 28th April 2024, Kick-Off 2:30pm, Hullbridge Sports FC, Essex Under 12s Girls Cup Final.

Billerica Town (Blues): Evie Mai Cross, Abigail Flynn, Tyanna Aymer, Lottie Richardson, Monet Goulding, Ruby Atkinson (C), Lacey Kelly, Florence Pryor, Billie Balt Geoghegan. Substitutes: Grace Page, Sophia Ladlow, Lacey Holmes, Layla Sherlock. Manager: Matty Kelly.

Evolution: Maisie Catling, Poppy Wiggs, Luca Rose Younan, Mya Bonsor, Niamh Caulfield, Ayda Davies, Holly Coughlan, Eva Branch, Eliza Coulthard (C). Substitutes: Maddie Lockwood, Eva Penny. Manager: Sarah Smith.

Referee: Aurelia Janus (Southend-on-Sea). Assistant Referees: Emma Parkinson (Southend-on-Sea) and Lily Jones (Southend-on-Sea). Fourth Official: Lawrence Jones (Southend-on-Sea). Attendance: 163.

Billerica Town (Development) 1-0 Stanway Rovers, Wednesday 1st May 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Billerica Town FC, Essex Women's Trophy Final.

Billerica Town (Development): Paige Fordham, Hayley Sadler, Charlotte Dance, Ellie Denham, Sophie Hart, Jessica Stagg, Rachel Armstrong-Morris, Mackenzie Alliston, Isla Callison, Marnie Ray, Bo Payne. Substitutes: Louisa Sambell, Rianna Everett, Maisy Buckland, Olivia Mitchell, Georgia Eaton. Manager: Stephen Hunt.

Stanway Rovers: Helena Brodie, Jess Gill, Georgia Lockerbie, Megan Jiggins, Roxanne Gardner, Rebecca Henderson, Mica Barron, Jess Mills, Louise Kaine, Sara Walter, Hannah Boyling. Substitutes: Niki Covill, Abbie Jones, Chanel Gallo, Frances Turner, Milly Stubbs. Manager: Leo King.

Referee: David Dice (Redbridge). Assistant Referees: Billy Stevens (Basildon) and Amaan Ramzan (Havering). Fourth Official: Daniel Axente (Colchester). Attendance: 286.

Frenford (Pumas) 0-3 Hannakins Farm (Blacks), Saturday 4th May 2024, Kick-Off 4:30pm, Hullbridge Sports FC, Essex Under 12s Cup Final.

Frenford (Pumas): Charlie Barker, Teddy Quinton, Freddie Scorey-Hall, Stanley Naughton (C), Louis Forde, Kai Hall, Jercio Gil Acevedo, Vladyslav Zakatsura, Rafferty Salmon. Substitutes: Harley Kenny, Denzel Nkansah, Caleb Sutherland. Manager: Del Forde.

Hannakins Farm (Blacks): Daniel Payne, Teddy Ansell, James Goodman, River Smith (C), Georgi Angelov, Levi Cooper, Emmanuel Kogbe, Albie Ling, Liam Bergin-McCarthy. Substitutes: Freddie Barnard, Toby Cook, Alfie Stevens, Leo Moyes. Manager: Chris Smith.

Referee: Etanas Sapezinskas (Havering). Assistant Referees: Giles Norbury (Castle Point) and Louis Motley (Chelmsford). Fourth Official: Ivan Robb (Chelmsford). Attendance: 155.

Ilford 4-3 Takeley, Sunday 5th May 2024, Kick-Off 10:00am, Aveley FC, Essex Cordell Under 13s Cup Final.

Ilford: Lyndon Bull, Kortnie Diamond, Daniel Cekavicius, Alfie Tilbury, Firdaus Bakare, Rylee Parish, Jordane Thomas, Teddy Morgan, Oba Adetona, Isaac Cornell, Gabriel Ayiegbusi, Ronnie Bland, Owen Orhue, Stanley Darling, King Sarpong, Kajus Abraitis. Manager: Ashley Diamond.

Takeley: Alfie Ashworth, Aiden Stewart, Louis Shemwell, Reuben Reid, Harry Coombs, Rhys White, George Sterne, Luke Moreland, Archie Newman, Fenton Briault, Jake Brett, Alfie Harris, Sonny Reid, Mason Lindsey, Victoriano Riquelme. Manager: Gregory Styan.

Referee: Daniel Carpel (Thurrock). Assistant Referees: Daniel Falvey (Castle Point) and Loui Motley (Chelmsford). Fourth Official: Jonathan Dalton (Colchester). Attendance: 313.

Harlow Town (Eagles) 5-1 River Hawks (Ospreys), Sunday 5th May 2024, Kick-Off 1:00pm, Aveley FC, Essex Under 13s Trophy Final.

Harlow Town (Eagles): Jack Pepper, Sydney Pope, Mathew King, Harrison Mills, Lloyd Efa Marfo, Harry Delve, Kristian Manomano, Dumitru Porubin, Yaw Nimako Asamoah, John Oluwasijibomi Adesina, Jackson Barker, Noah Bailey, Evan Lentz, Charlie Graves, Sophie Clark. Manager: Craig Pope.

River Hawks (Ospreys): Jaimin Jeebun, Taha Irfan, Usman Ali, Boris Badatliev, Jayden Sureshabu, Emmanuel Zwedu, Matei Andrei, Aiden Pinto, Aaron Pinto, Ben Ofori, Alex Mosti, Papson Mbeka, Terrell-James McArthr-Channer, Lemmy Bailey, Logan Nwosu, Hassan Alinizi. Manager: Spencer Campbell.

Referee: MD Sahedul Islam (Redbridge). Assistant Referees: Jake Osbourn (Rochford) and Oliver Chernanko (Chelmsford). Fourth Official: Daniel Chernanko (Chelmsford). Attendance: 196.

Grays Athletic (Yellows) 2-3 Walthamstow, Sunday 5th May 2024, Kick-Off 4:00pm, Aveley FC, Essex Andrews Under 14s Cup Final.

Grays Athletic (Yellows): Billy Whitlock, Rowan Cayless, Archie Burgess, Cinoso Ibeh, Zane Green, Alfie Vajushi, Ollie Seaman, Michael Obeng, Oskar Zych, Bryan Montoya, Sonny Stewart, Franklyn Bowyer, Gameli Hoedoafia, Sebastian Heno-Lopez, Louis Williamson, Christopher Okolonji, Melvin Ikwueto, Jack Jaynes. Manager: Paul Seaman.

Walthamstow: Lewis Courtnage, Andrei Paun, Anoush Milligan, Jenson Cook, David Agavrioloaei, Dino Obiefule, Jack Sullivan, Jasper Berg, Dylan O'Neil, Rafi Sean, Stefan Paun, Frankie Corroll, Hubert Zalucki, Aaron Coppola, Dijani Barnor, Nick Sutherland, Beau Luton. Manager: John Sullivan.

Referee: Stephen Hull (Chelmsford). Assistant Referees: Reuben Blanc (Havering) and Isaac Islam (Chelmsford). Fourth Official: Justin Wiseman (Brentwood). Attendance: 214.

Billerica Town 4-1 Takeley, Wednesday 8th May 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Billerica Town FC, Essex Pelly Under 18s Cup Final.

Billerica Town: Liam Keeble, George Read, Lisandro Cassandra, Charlie Eaves (C), Daniel Miller, Harry Hutt, Matas Machovas, Andrew Saraiva, Stephen Toussaint, Sam Keys, Emmanuel Omafo. Substitutes: Ozzie Tasci, Jaiden Owusi-Banahene, Daniel Animashaun, Chibuuzor-Joshua Onwunaruwa, David North. Manager: Mike Lawrence.

Takeley: Henry Ford, Abdul-Rahman Kazeem, Freddie Coghill (C), Riley Ward, Max Arnold, Jack Keegan, Francis Sheehy, George Brown, Ross Pike, Max Coltman, Kyle O'Byrne. Substitutes: Erti Sylejmani, Cameron Ayre, Jack Lawrence, Logan Gallagher, Kane Huggins. Manager: James Sheehy.

Referee: Matthew Pointer (Castle Point). Assistant Referees: Joseph Greenleaf (Colchester) and Simon Brickwood (Castle Point). Fourth Official: Stephen Vieira (Braintree). Attendance: 329.

Brightlingsea Town 1-3 Rayleigh Town, Wednesday 15th May 2024, Aveley FC, Kick-Off 8:00pm, BBC Essex Saturday Premier Cup Final.

Brightlingsea Town: Matt Grove, Cal Lee, Ricky Griggs (C), Jake Bethell, Ben Elliott, Matt Simmons, Daryl Wallis, Liam Close, Ashley Sauka, Rocha Fosker, Dom Ryan. Substitutes: Richard Ekins, Rowan Hunt, Terrance Kangandu, Lee Gomesh, Phillip Burnett. Manager: Keiron Baker.

Rayleigh Town: Joshua Hudson, Charlie Seaden (C), Louis Bazely, Taylor Armstrong, Ollie Quick, Alfie Larkin, Charlie Little, Joe Olley, Owen Barratt, Adam Wright, Arnold Acheampong. Substitutes: Nathan Scarborough, Jimmy Dalton, Matt Tapley, Ben Baxter, Rob Hodgson. Manager: Rob Hodgson.

Referee: Richard Baker (Colchester). Assistant Referees: Joe Wise (Basildon) and Robert Willcocks (Braintree). Fourth Official: Simon Brickwood (Canvey Island). Attendance: 208.

Witham Town 4-3 Chelmsford City, Tuesday 30th July 2024, Kick-Off 7:45pm, Witham Town FC, Tolleshunt D'Arcy Memorial Cup Final.

Witham Town: Harry Fairs, Luke Ige, Joseph Alatise, Rowan Dorling, Anton Matthews, Archie McFadden, Josh Osude, Liam Whipps (C), Andrew Sesay, Callum Fitzer, Deese Kasinga-Madia. Substitutes: Freddie King, Kamani McFarlane, Rico Adelaja, Golden Igbineweka, Isaac Skubich. Manager: Garry Kimble.

Chelmsford City: Ted Collins, Brad Williams, Geoffrey Okonkwo, Jake Hyde, Ruairidh Donaldson, Ryan Blackman, Kane Critchlow, Arthur Penney, Charlie Ruff (C), Freddie Hockey, Trialist. Substitutes: Callum Watts, Kalvin Kalala, Lester Ward, Jacob Bland, Archie Tamplin. Manager: Robbie Simpson.

Referee: Craig Charles (Harlow). Assistant Referees: Steve Tovey (Colchester) and George Lowe (Colchester). Attendance: 322.

NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

Great Woking Rovers 0-3 Romford, Saturday 11th May 2024, Kick-Off 12:45pm, Wembley Stadium connected by EE, Isuzu FA Vase Final.

Romford Manager Dan Spinks claimed it was a “dream come true” when they lifted the 2023/24 Isuzu FA Vase silverware following a 3-0 victory in their all-Essex final against Great Woking Rovers, Hassan Nalbant scoring a brace.

Thousands of supporters from both clubs travelled to North London to see the historic match as Sam Deering also got on the score sheet, Spinks' side collecting the trophy in front of a huge attendance at Wembley Stadium connected by EE. “It’s just something you just can’t put words on to,” said Spinks of the post-match activity and celebrations.

“Everyone’s involved. Just brilliant... brilliant! From the minute we turned up on the Friday afternoon - we had a tour around Wembley - you could just see it in the players’ eyes, especially the younger ones. I’ve had some of their parents message me saying you just made a young boy’s dream come true and stuff like that. But it’s not me. It’s them.”

“They’re the ones that have done it. They’re the ones that have got us there. They’re the ones that should be proud of what they’ve achieved. It’s just starting to sink in. We’ve had a real good time. The day was really, really special. You could tell from Friday morning, the build-up when we went and visited the ground, how big it really was.”

“I don’t think I realised what we’d achieved when we won in the semi-final, until I got there. And from Friday and Saturday, it was just incredible - something that I’ll probably never do again, but something that’ll live long in the memories. It was just a very, very proud moment. And to do it with people that I call friends - the club, the chairman, the secretary that I call friends - just makes it that little bit more special as well.”

Romford had entered the Vase Final fresh from Essex Senior League Play-Off Final heartache against Sporting Bengal United, but Spinks claims the Wembley experience quickly erased those memories: “For my first year, I think I’ve got to realise it might not always go as well as this, and there will be some tougher times!”

“But I’ll take that for the first time up. Obviously, promotion was our aim at the start of the season. That never quite worked out. We just finished short. But this was good to cover any upset we had from Monday. This has overshadowed it for sure.”

On the pitch, Romford began the first half well, Finley Dorrell coming closest on the half-hour mark with a left-footed effort. Kris Newby and Charlie Morris were also inches away from scoring, the latter testing Rovers goalkeeper Luis Shamshoum, whose sharp stop at his near post kept things all square going into the break.

But, just eight minutes after the restart, Romford finally found the goal they had been pushing for, Morris threading a superb ball through to **Nalbant**, who calmly slotted home with the inside of his left boot. And, a couple of minutes later, Romford had doubled their lead.

A Rovers penalty appeal was ignored by referee Will Finnie, and Romford wasted no time in breaking down the other end. Dorrell's shot was straight at Shamshoum, but **Deering** was on-hand to place the rebound into the far corner.

Waking continued to push, but they were unable to beat Jake Anderson between the sticks, with Callum Boylan and substitute Anthony Martin missing golden opportunities. Romford wrapped up victory in stoppage time when **Nalbant** completed his double, this time with the outside of his boot. Spinks reacted: "These games are always normally very, very tight."

"Waking probably didn't give their best display on the day, but we were excellent from the first minute. We never let them play. We never let them settle. I think we had a bit more experience. Maybe that might have showed for a little bit, especially in the second half. But we knew it'd be a tough game. They're a very good side. They're very good lads. And it was nice to enjoy the day with them as well, because they're a good team."

He also believes both clubs did the county of Essex proud, representing the strength of the local game: "It just shows how tough the league was we were in as well, because Waking never even made the play-offs and they're in the FA Vase Final. It just shows how competitive that league was last year. I think that makes you better and that gives you more chance in these competitions because you're up against competitive sides every week."

From his first moment at pitchside to becoming part of a huge club milestone, Spinks enjoyed the whole overwhelming experience: "It was just surreal. Walking out, I was talking to Marcus [Bowers, Great Waking Rovers Manager] and it was just a dream. It was a dream."

"The whole day went perfectly. The Wembley staff treated us like we were there for the Champions League or FA Cup Final. The whole day was perfect. And before the week started, I was asked, would I have rather won the play-offs than the Vase? And I said, yes, I would have done. But, after Saturday, I wouldn't swap that for the world. That was an excellent, excellent day. And that will live long, long, long in the memories."

And the celebrations are likely to continue well into the summer, as Spinks predicts: "I think there'll be a holiday with the boys. I think they deserve a little trip away. Maybe take the trophy away for a little while and show it off! We're not going to have it forever, so it's nice to enjoy it while it's there and get a bit of limelight while we can."

Great Waking Rovers: Luis Shamshoum, Kingdom Dawson (Anthony Martin, 62), Thomas Barton (Callum Bloss, 81), Harrison Topliss, Harry Talbot, Jake Gordon, Callum Boylan, Ben Search (C), Joe Burgess, Maximilian Gnandi (Dominic Locke, 62), Perry Dunn. Unused Substitutes: Jack Nolde, Harvey Gluckstad, Oliver Jenkins, Billy Johnson. Manager: Marcus Bowers.

Romford: Jake Anderson, Junior Luke, Remi Sutton (Lee Hursit, 90), Scott Doe, Adalberto Pinto (Ashaan Siddick, 72), Hassan Nalbant, Sam Deering, Finley Dorrell (Toheeb Elegushi, 67), Kris Newby (C), Charlie Morris, Darren Phillips. Unused Substitutes: Jamie Hursit, Jacob Wiggins, Danny Hurford, Daniel Nakipov-Getmansky. Manager: Dan Spinks.

Referee: Will Finnie (Northamptonshire).

Assistant Referees: Johnathon Bickerdike (West Riding) and Steve Durnall (Birmingham).

Fourth Official: Adam Herczeg (Durham).

ESSEX COUNTY FA EQUALITY STATEMENT

The Essex County Football Association are committed to challenge and eliminate discrimination whether by reason of gender, sexual orientation, marital status, race, nationality, ethnic origin, religion or belief, ability or disability, and to encourage equal opportunities.

We are also committed to promoting equality by treating people fairly and with respect, by recognising that inequalities may exist, taking steps to address them and providing access and opportunities for all members of the community. We celebrate the diversity of society and are striving to promote and reflect that diversity within the County FA's own structure.

With this in mind, we achieved the Preliminary Level of the National Standards for Equality in 2015 and we're currently working towards the Intermediate Level, which demonstrates and measures our commitment to equality.

We have also developed a Moving Forward Strategy for 2018-21, setting out how we will promote the wide-ranging equality agenda across The FA's four strategic goals of Sustaining and Increasing Participation, Coaching and Better Players, Better Training and Playing Facilities and Football Workforce. It outlines the action that the county will be taking to ensure equality of opportunity for those administering and playing the game.

If you have any queries or questions relating to this statement, or any issues relating to equality generally, please contact Milly via milly.morgan@essexfa.com or (01245) 393090.

THE EMIRATES FA CUP FINAL - SATURDAY 17th MAY 2025

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