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# From the dugout...

Good evening all...

'So, another season is upon us already and I'm writing this on the eve of our opener versus Brislington where we hope to get our campaign off to a positive start.

Pre-season has been tough; the games we organised have been against six good Southern League opposition and two 'step six' sides. We have learnt a lot and there is no doubt these games will have us ready for an assault on the Toolstation Premier.

Our new signings have all settled in well and, like the rest, are raring to start and push us towards competing for silverware. Karl and I hope you all are ready for what we hope will be a really exciting season.



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Chairman's Welcome

Firstly, on behalf of myself and Bridgwater Town FC, let me extend a very warm welcome to our visitors this evening, Cribbs FC. We hope their supporters, players and officials enjoyed an easy journey down the M5 from Bristol and have a safe journey home, without the 3 points of course!

Well, here we are. Our first home game of the new 2019-2020 football season. The anticipation is always keenly felt, but now even more so after our tight opening fixture loss away to a tough Brislington side on Saturday.

Of course, it's very early days in the season but rest assured Karl, Dave and the players, more than anyone, will want to bounce back immediately from that bump in the road. The team had a challenging pre-season schedule, largely against higher league opposition, and generally acquitted themselves well. Hopefully this will give us a good base from which to launch our league challenge tonight. No time to panic.

Cribbs themselves also suffered a 2-1 defeat on the first day of the season so they too will be trying to kick start their season here this evening.

So, no room for complacency of course. Let's get behind the Bridgy Boys tonight and see if we can get our first win of the campaign.



Of course, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our own very loyal fans. I want to thank you all for your unwavering support for the team, whether results are good or bad.

Enjoy the game today and continue your fantastic support on the terraces from last season into the new season – our crowds and support were terrific last year; I am sure you will prove to be our 12<sup>th</sup> man again this year too!

Like you all, I wish Karl, Dave and the team the best of luck tonight!

Adrian Byrne
Club Chairman

Come on Bridgy!

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## **CRIBBS FC**

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23	Nov	2018	Н	1	1	Horton	266	TWL
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The 2018-19 season proved to be the best in the history of today's visitors, Cribbs FC. The club enjoyed an excellent Buildbase FA Vase cup run before eventually going down 2-0 to a strong Sholing Sports side in the 4<sup>th</sup> Round. A crowd of around 150 saw them push their Southampton-based opponents right to the wire.

In the league, Cribbs FC finished in their highest ever position of eighth with a playing record of 17 wins and 9 draws from the 38 fixtures, a positive goal difference of 10 and a points tally of 60. You will, no doubt, have noticed that two of those drawn games were matches against Bridgwater Town.

In the corresponding home fixture last season, Harry Horton's first half goal was cancelled out by a 92<sup>nd</sup> minute equaliser by, ex Robin, George Kellow. Mark Armstrong was sent off in that match.

Last season also saw our visitors capture the Gloucestershire FA's Challenge Trophy for the first time. In the final, they met Bishops Cleeve FC. A George Kellow free kick gave them an early lead but they were pegged back and in the second half found themselves trailing 1-2. A late equaliser from Sol Wanjau-Smith forced a penalty shootout, which they eventually won by a margin of 8-7.

The leading marksman for Cribbs FC last season was Jason Vincent, who notched 25 goals. Soloman Wanjau-Smith and George Kellow backed him up with 19 and 11 goals apiece.

One would expect that if most of last season's players have decided to remain with Cribbs and if they have managed to strengthen in certain areas they are certain to provide very worthy opposition and a close and hard fought contest is in prospect.



Here's Chris Young receiving a silver salver at the Manchester Utd Legends v HPC game ten days ago from Bob Buckingham Vice Chairman & Commercial Manager BTFC, to recognise his contribution to Bridgwater Town Football Club over many years.

Thanks for all you have done for the Club, Chris.

(Picture feature on the game at the end of this programme)



# Club History



The first football club to bear the town's name was formed on 28th January 1898 at a meeting held at the Cross Rifles public house on Bath Road. **Bridgwater AFC** entered the Somerset Senior League, playing at Sydenham House on Bath Road, and lifted the Somerset Senior Cup in their first full season, beating Yeovil Casuals 1-0 in the Final played at Wells. Unfortunately, the Club was forced to disband in 1901 due to lack of support and financial difficulties.

Two years later, another **Bridgwater AFC** was formed and played for ten years in local leagues from their base in the Westonzoyland Road area of the town. 1914 saw this club fold due to the outbreak of World War One.



Unsure which of the two Bridgwater AFC's this is?

1919 saw the birth of local works side **Wills Athletic** who played in local leagues from their Victoria Park home. In 1921 they changed their name to **Bridgwater Town FC** and moved to Chilton Park from where they played for ten further years, winning a few minor honors, until football came to an end in the town until after World War Two.

Crown Dynamos, based at the Crown Inn, St John Street, were formed in 1946 playing at Eastover Park. They played in the Bridgwater & District League for a year before progressing into the Somerset Senior League - finishing a creditable 3rd in 1948. That year also saw the Club move to a new venue, Castlefield and change its name to Bridgwater Town AFC.

In season 1949/50 the Club were accepted into the Western League Division Two and two fifth place finishes were achieved in their first two seasons. This was followed up by claiming runners-up position in season 1951/52, thus gaining promotion to Division One. The Club were to remain in the top division of the Western League for the next 30 years, winning the Western League title twice, in seasons 1967/68 and 1980/81.

Season 1982-83 saw the club make the bold move up to the Southern League Midland Division, but after only two seasons at the higher level, and with mounting debts, the club went into voluntary liquidation....

#### THE END OF AN ERA!

But like a phoenix from the ashes, **Bridgwater Town (1984) FC** was formed by a loyal band of club stalwarts and started life at a new home, Fairfax Park, in Division Two of the Somerset County League. Unfortunately, with a young and inexperienced side relegation followed at the end of their first season, but steady progression including a hat-trick of Somerset County League titles, the Western League Division One title and runners-up spot in the Western League Premier Division in season 2006/07 - behind Corsham Town, who couldn't

be promoted due to issues with their facilities earned the club a place back in the Southern Football League, 23 years after the heartbreak caused by the demise of the old club.

The first three seasons back at the higher level were fairly successful for 'The Robins' with the team just missing out on the end of season play-offs in 2007/08 (6th) and 2008/09 (7th) and missing out on promotion after being beaten at home by Cirencester Town after extra time in the Play-Off final in 2009/10 after finishing the regular season in 3rd place. Season 2008/09 also saw the team reach the Final of the Southern League Cup losing on aggregate to Atherstone Town.

However, the Club was left reeling with the departure of joint managers Craig Laird & Leigh Robinson and a mass exodus of players during the summer of 2010.

Seasons 2010/11 and 2011/12 saw the club battling at the wrong end of the table under the leadership of former reserve team manager Rob Dray.

Another club stalwart Kevin Milsom took charge for season 2012/13 and after an indifferent start, things looked to be coming together by Christmas. Then the wet weather caused all sorts of problems for the team who eventually had to play 21 league fixtures in just 57 days! They finished a disappointing 19<sup>th</sup>.

In 2014/15 Bridgwater Town FC 1984 finished 12th in the Evo-Stik South & West League and were semi-finalists in the Somerset Premier Cup under the management of Richard Fey who moved on to Paulton Rovers at the start of the 2015/16 season.

2015/16 saw a new look team under the stewardship of former Taunton Town player and manager Paul West. Whilst the club languished nearer the foot of the table, relegation was never a real threat and Paul bought and brought through a fantastic crop of younger players in a bid to help shape the future and ethos of the club.

Paul's resignation at the end of season 2015/16 paved the way for the return of former manager Craig Laird. At the start of 2017, after early exits in the FA Cup (Plymouth Parkway), FA Trophy (North Leigh) and with just two league victories, Craig chose to further his career in the Southern Premier League with Dorchester Town and was replaced in the role by Phil Hucker. With 6 games of the season remaining, Dave Pearse took charge but by then, relegation was a certainty, so Bridgwater Town began 2017/18 in the Toolstation Western League with Dave still in the role alongside former Barnstaple joint manager Karl

A solid eighth place in the league along with good runs in the FA Cup and FA Vase and a narrow Les Phillips Cup semi-final defeat to Shepton Mallet was a strong return to Step 5 and a great platform for the club to kick on.

Baggaley.

Season 2018/19 saw the club remain under the stewardship of Dave and Karl. Fourth place in the league was achieved with the club only losing 5 league games (compared to 16 the season before). Unfortunately, the cup competitions didn't bring much success and the team were beaten by Cheddar in their first FA Cup game and by Exmouth Town at the first hurdle in the FA Vase. There was more semifinal heartbreak in the Les Phillips Cup, Willand this time winning a penalty shootout. Jack Taylor secured a share of the Toolstation League's Golden Boot by netting 33 goals for the club.

There is much optimism that season 2019/20 will see the team challenging on all fronts.

Much of the squad has been retained and with some shrewd signings, it looks set to be an exciting season.

The Club also run a reserve side who compete in the First Division of the Somerset County League. They were Premier League champions in seasons 2008/09 and 2009/10. The Under 18s squad play in the South West Counties Youth League.

# Meet the BTFC squad

#### JAKE VINEY: Sponsored by -

A great shot stopper, former Wellington keeper Jake was the Players and Supporters player of the year in 2015/16 and during his time with the club has established himself as the club's number 1.

#### FRASER McDIARMID: Sponsored by -

A promising young goalkeeper who began his career with the Street under-18 and reserve sides, but for the last couple of seasons he's been the regular custodian between the sticks at Wells City.

#### **DAVE THORNE:** Sponsored by -

A strong right back who joined after a successful spell with Shepton Mallet. A consistent performer, Dave was 'Manager's Player of the Season' for 2017/18.

#### JAKE LLEWELLYN: Sponsored by -

A talented left sided player who was signed from Clevedon Town. He made his first team debut in 2014 for Weston and made over 60 appearances. Jake was last season's winner of the 'Players Player of the Season' award.

#### **TOM ELLIS:** Sponsored by -

A 'no nonsense' defender, Tom was captain of the Wellington side which won the Toolstation Division One League in 2016/17. His height makes him a threat from set pieces and he comes with an eye for goal....and a long throw!

#### MIKE DUFFY: Sponsored by -

Mike is a popular, committed and tough tackling midfielder who made the step up from our reserve side and has held down a regular start ever since.

#### **KURT ROBINSON:** Sponsored by -

A former Player's and Manager's Player of the Season, Kurt brings experience, calm and knowledge after spells with Ipswich Town, Northampton Town, Rushden & Diamonds, Chelmsford City and Concord Rangers. He's played a key role in supporting a young & changing side in recent seasons.

#### JAKE HORSEY: Sponsored by -

A strong defender, Jake returns to the club after a short spell with Middlezoy Rovers.

#### **JAMIE LAIRD:** Sponsored by -

A vastly experienced defender, Jamie returns to the club after successful spells with Weston-super-Mare in the National League South and Paulton in the Southern League.

#### HARRY HAMBLIN Sponsored by -

A talented young member of the reserve side who has consistently been close to claiming a regular spot in the first team.

#### **HARRY HORTON:** Sponsored by -

Despite successful spells at Yate and Tiverton, County Cup winner Harry returned to the club for season 2017/18 and has gone from strength to strength. Last season, he won the 'Managers Player of the Season' and the coveted 'Luke Buckingham' Award for all his efforts on and off the pitch.

#### **ROSS McERLAIN:** Sponsored by -

A midfield player and set piece specialist who has the ability to pick passes and glide past players,

Ross re-joins the club after spells with Wells City and Street.

#### **DAVE O'HARE:** Sponsored by -

A goalscoring midfielder, Dave re-joins the club from Street FC.

#### **SAM TOWLER:** Sponsored by -

Originally signed by former manager Paul West, Sam returned to the club last season after a successful spell with Wellington where he was part of the Div 1 winning squad.

#### JAKE BROWN: Sponsored by -

Goal scoring midfielder signed from Melksham last season after a spell as captain with Wells.

#### MARK ARMSTRONG: Sponsored by -

An experienced, hardworking, tough tackling midfielder, Mark joined us from Cheddar in season 2017/18. He has spells at Barnstaple, Chard, Clevedon and Shepton Mallet and his consistent high level of performance and leadership sees him wearing the captain's armband this season.

#### **CAMERON BIRCH:** Sponsored by -

Will once again be looking to make the step up to the first team squad after consistent performances and goals in our reserve team.

#### **PATRICK O'HALLORAN:** Sponsored by -

Another exciting prospect who is a product of the 'player pathway' being established through BTC and our reserve squad.

#### **JACK TAYLOR:** Sponsored by -

A prolific striker with Berrow and Middlezoy, Jack signed from Wellington in 2017/18 where he had been the top scorer for the previous two seasons. He hit 50 goals in 53 games for the club and has been 'Supporters Player of the Year' for each of his two seasons with us, 'Players Player' in 2017/18 and the joint 'Toolstation Golden Boot Winner' for season 2018/19.

#### **STEVE MURRAY:** Sponsored by -

A great addition to the squad and another prolific goal scorer, Steve joins from Street having also had a spell with Taunton Town.

#### **JOE SWIFT:** Sponsored by -

Midfielder signed midway through the season from Roman Glass St George.

#### **DAVE PEARSE -** Joint Manager: Sponsored by -

Hugely experienced, Dave returned to Bridgwater Town as joint player/manger with Karl Baggaley in season 2017/18 and will be looking to build on a fourth-place finish and league cup semi-final last time out, along with extending his playing career.

#### KARL BAGGALEY - Joint Manager: Sponsored by -

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3	Exmouth Town	1	1	0	0	4	1	3	3
4	Bradford Town	1	1	0	0	4	2	2	3
5	Westbury United	1	1	0	0	3	1	2	3
6	Shepton Mallet	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
7	Brislington	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
8	Chipping Sodbury Town	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
9	Odd Down	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
10	Tavistock	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
11	Wellington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Street	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
13	Bridgwater Town	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
14	Clevedon Town	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
15	Cribbs	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
16	Roman Glass St George	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
17	Keynsham Town	1	0	0	1	2	4	-2	0
18	Buckland Athletic	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
19	Bridport	1	0	0	1	1	4	-3	0
20	Hallen	1	0	0	1	1	5	-4	0
21	Cadbury Heath	1	0	0	1	1	7	-6	0



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# Club

Cribbs Football Club (Cribbs FC) are currently in their 59th season since they were founded back in London in 1958 as 'Sun Life Assurance'. The Bristol team was established in 1976 when Sun Life first relocated to Bristol. Initially they ran two teams in the Bristol and Avon League, playing at Dundridge Farm. However, when the Cribbs Causeway (now The Lawns) ground was opened in 1978, the 1st team were promoted straight to the Avon Premier Combination League where they stayed for 20 years until they eventually won promotion to the Gloucestershire County League by winning the re-named Bristol Premier Combination in the 1999/2000 season.

In the 1998/1999 season the 1st team finished runners up to Roman Glass St George in both the Combination & Premier Combination League Cup. In 1997/1998 the 1st team also finished runners up, after a replay, to Ridings High in the GFA Senior Amateur Cup.

The club adopted the name of AXA Sun Life FC at the end of the nineties following the merger of the AXA Equity & Law and Sun Life Assurance Society, and became AXA FC in 2002. At the end of the 2010-2011 season, following the acquisition and merger of AXA Sun Life & Friends Provident, we became the Cribbs Friends Life Football Club. At the end of June 2013, with the closure of the companies Cribbs Friends Life Sports & Social Club and with the creation of the new volunteer run, Cribbs Sports & Social Club at "The Lawns", we renamed ourselves as Cribbs Football Club.

Today the Club runs four Saturday sides (until 2004/2005 season there were five Saturday sides), spread across the Toolstation Western, Bristol Premier Combination and Bristol & District Leagues. On a Sunday we have 1 side in the Regional League Premier Division (who won the Gilbert Pullin Sunday Cup in 2003/2004 & 2013/2014 season and were runners up in 2006/2007 season) and 1 Vets side who play in the Casuals League. In addition, we have run one Under 18's team for five seasons in the Bristol North Division of the Bristol Premier Combination U18's league. At the start of the 2012/2013 season this was increased to two Under 18's teams with the formation of the Colts who play in the Bristol Central Division of the league.

The clubs 3rd team won the GFA Minor Cup in the 2004/2005 season when beating Winterbourne United's 3rd team in a tight and tense final where the "evergreen" John Hembrow was man of the match.

The 1st team reached the semi final stage of the Les James League Cup on three occasions since joining the county league in the 2000/2001 season. They unfortunately lost on all three occasions, against Ellwood on penalty kicks in March 2005, 2-1 against Highridge United in March 2006 and against Hardwicke, 1-0 in 2008.

At the start of 2007/2008 season the football club embarked on an ambitious change of direction that they hope would lead to their 1st team being a regular top 3 side in the Gloucestershire County League, and possibly higher.

At the end of the 2010/2011 season, under the tutelage of Gavin Tufton (in his second spell in charge) and assisted by Matt Shaughnessy, the 1st team finished runners up in the Gloucestershire County League. Unfortunately, promotion to the Toolstation Western league wasn't possible as the league champions, Brimscombe & Thrupp, had applied and been granted promotion to the Hellenic League.

With planning permission having been granted for floodlights to be installed and stands to be built, the 1st team went one better in the 2011/2012 season and completed the league championship & league cup double (never been achieved before).

This was obviously a fantastic achievement and meant the much anticipated promotion to the next level of the pyramid system and entry into the Toolstation Western League for the start of the 2012/2013 season. The floodlights & stand were installed in August 2012 and the lights were first used for the 1st team's home league game against Hengrove Athletic on 16th October 2012.

The 2011/2012 season was probably the most successful year in the club's history with not only the 1st team completing the double and gaining promotion as in addition the 2nd team gained promotion to the Premier Division of the Bristol Premier Combination and the 3rd team were also promoted to Division 3 of the Bristol & District League.

The 2012/2013 season continued in the same vain with the 1st team finishing 8th in their first season in the Western League and the 2nd & 3nd team's all being promoted. In addition, the U18's won their league and came runners up in the League Cup Final.

2013/2014 season was another good season for the club with the 1st team finishing 5th and qualifying for the 2014/2015 season's FA Cup together with being runners up in the Les Phillips Cup Final. The 3rd team won promotion again and the Sunday team won the Gilbert Pullin League Cup.

2014/2015 was yet another successful season for the club with the 1st team finishing in 3rd place in Division One after a very hard fought & close battle with Barnstaple Town & Welton Rovers for the major honours. This was enough to secure promotion for the first time to the Premier Division of the Toolstation League for the 2015/2016 season. The 4th team also gained promotion up the Bristol & District league.

The progress of the club continued on an upward trend during the 2015/2016 season with the first team finishing a respectable 15<sup>th</sup> in their first season in the Premier Division of the Toolstation League. The reserves were runners up to Mendip Broadwalk in a thrilling finale to the Premier Division of the Bristol Premier Combination. The 3<sup>rd</sup> team also finished runners up in Division One of the Bristol & District league which as a result meant promotion to the Senior Division for the 2016/2017 season. The Sunday team won the Regional League Cup. The Under 18's also won their league and were runners up in the league cup.

The outstanding progression of the club continued in the 2016/2017 season with the 1st team finishing 8th (without a playing budget) in only their 2nd season in the Premier Division of the Toolstation Western League and finishing runners up in the Les Phillips Cup. The "Double Winning" reserve team won both the Bristol Premier Combination League and the League Cup.

The 3rds & 4ths both had respectable mid table finishes in the Senior and 4th divisions of the Bristol & District League. The Sunday team finished runners up in both the Premier Division of the Bristol Regional League and the Gilbert Pullin Trophy. Finally, the U18's (after a play off) finished runners up in the Central Division of the Bristol Combination league and won the League Cup.

In the 2017/2018 season the 1st team finished 11th, 2nds were runners up, 3rds mid table and the 4th team finished 4th place. The under 18s finished 3rd and the Sunday team once again finished in runners up in the Bristol Regional League.

The 2018/2019 season was the most successful in the club's history with the 1st team winning the GFA Challenge Trophy, the reserves winning the treble (league, league cup & GFA Senior Amateur Cup) and the U18s also won their league.

With our excellent junior section (Shire Colts/Shire-Cribbs) also continuing to thrive then we are expecting the progression of the football club to continue for many years to come.

The club is well known for the tremendous facilities. The England Under 21 side then managed by Peter Taylor trained at the ground in 1997 and indeed played a Cribbs FC (then AXA) side prior to their game with Italy. There have also been two games televised on Sky Sports Soccer AM programme between Cribbs FC (then AXA) teams & celebrity sides. Our groundsman has won the national FA Groundsman of The Year Award for Step 5 & 6 in 2014 & 2016 and he has also been nominated again for the 2017 awards.

Since the start of the 2012/2013 Bristol Rovers Football Club use the facilities as their permanent private training base and this also included their Academy team for just the 2013/2014 season.



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Mention in the Match Day Report
(Local Press & Social Media)



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If you wish to discuss sponsorship in any form please contact: Bob Buckingham

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Toolstation Western League Premier Division
Saturday 10 August 2019
THE SQUADS



Please note the squads are listed alphabetically and the actual team line-ups will be announced and made available before the game

Bridgwater Town	v	Cribbs FC
Mark Armstrong		Aki Akiwumi
Jake Brown		Charlie Aldom
Ryan Burrows		Greg Andrews
Josh Champion		Tom Anthony
Mike Duffy		Ryan Crouch
Tom Ellis		Dan Dyke
Harrison Freeman		Tom Emery
Josh Gracie		Jack Guthrie
Lewis Hembery		Lewis Hedges
Jake Horsey		Jake Hodgson ©
Harry Horton		Sam Holden
Jamie Laird		Sam Iles
Jake Llewellyn		George Kellow
Fraser McDiarmid	GK	Nathan Legge
Ross McErlain		George Loud
Steve Murray		Jack McKenna
Patrick O'Halloran		George Neill
Dave O'Hare		Sam Oakley
Matt Redman		Matt Spiller
Kurt Robinson	Gk	Cameron Tarr
Joe Swift		Jason Vincent
Jack Taylor	Gk	Archie Watts
Dave Thorne		Justin Wilkinson
Sam Towler		
Jake Viney	GK	
Dave Pearse	Managers	Tony Beecham
Karl Baggaley		Jim Williams
Taylor Cornish	Therapist	ominon narriey
Steve Laker	Coach	Aaron Still

Our Match Officials

Referee

Martin Peters

Assistants
Kevin Slade
Fraser Lewis
All from the Bristol area

Subject to late changes

**NEXT FIRST TEAM HOME GAME** 

10 August v HALLEN (FA Cup)





MORE than 900 people gathered at Fairfax Park on Saturday, to enjoy a charity football match in the sunshine.

A Hinkley Park C XI took on a Manchester United Legends side at the home of Bridgwater Town FC, with proceeds from the match going to mental health charity MIND Somerset.

The attendance figure came to 922, just 190 short of Bridgwater Town's all-time record from 1997.





The crowd witnessed an exciting game, which finished 2-2 and went to a penalty shootout.

The Hinkley team led 1-0 at half-time, but a missed penalty cost them as Danny Webber equalised for the United side.

Again Hinkley went ahead, only for former Blackburn Rovers star Matt Jansen to level it up with a long-range effort.

The penalty shootout finished 3-2 in favour of the team from Manchester, with former United stars Wes Brown and Keith Gillespie in the line-up.

Bridgwater Town's all-time leading goalscorer Chris Young turned out for the Hinkley side.



## **GAME AT A GLANCE**

12: First chance of the game as 'BTFC' legend Chris Young leaps highest from a corner but heads wide. **0-0** 

13: **GOAL!** EDF Hinkley C take the lead with a glancing header that flies past the keeper. **1-0** 

30: Since the goal, EDF Hinkley C had the ball in the net - but the offside flag was up - and the Man Utd Legends had a penalty claim turned down by the ref.

32: **PENALTY** to EDF Hinkley C - but the spot kick is smashed against the crossbar and over.

39: Half-time approaching and Man Utd Legends have their first chance of the game with Danny Webber scooping a shot over.

HALF-TIME: EDF Hinkley C 1, Man Utd Legends 0

52: Chris Young turns in the box and gets a shot away which just clips the foot of the post.

53: **GOAL!** Man Utd Legends are level as Danny Webber breaks away and slots his shot under the keeper. **1-1** 

63: **GOAL!** EDF Hinkley C retake the lead when their striker was played through down the middle and he calmly slots the ball past the keeper. **2-1** 

78: **GOAL!** Man Utd Legends are level again with a stunner from Matt Jansen. **2-2** 

85: Lee Hendrie tries his luck from the halfway line but the ball just bounces wide.

FULL-TIME: It's finished 2-2 so we're heading to penalties - which Man Utd Legends win 3-2



