



**SUSSEX SUNDAY
FOOTBALL LEAGUE
CUP FINAL
PROGRAMME**



**AFC VARNDEANIANS MASTERS
VS VALLEY ROVERS OLD BOYS MASTERS**

MASTERS CUP FINAL 2024/25 -
SPONSORED BY A1 CAR SEARCH

**FRIDAY 7 MARCH 2025
@ RINGMER FC
19:45 KO**





JOIN THE EXCITEMENT! YOUR FOOTBALL JOURNEY AWAITS!

Whether you're a seasoned player or just starting out, our football league is calling on players of all ages and skill levels to join! From beginners to seasoned veterans, we believe that football is for everyone.

Why Join Us?

- Fun, Competitive Matches: Play with people of all skill levels in a supportive environment.
- Flexible Leagues: With divisions for all ages, there's a team for everyone.
- Fitness & Social Fun: Stay active and meet new friends while doing what you love.

Who Can Join?

- Adult Leagues: All skill levels welcome!
- Veteran's Divisions: For those 35 and over – age is just a number
- Masters Division: For those 45 and over – age is just a number!

What to Expect:

- Weekly games
- Cup competitions
- A positive and welcoming atmosphere
- All skill levels welcome!

So, what are you waiting for? Get in the game and be part of the most exciting football league around!

Sign up today at sussexsundayfootballleague.co.uk
or call 07904 780370 to reserve your spot!

SUSSEX SUNDAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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WELCOME TO RINGMER FC

Good evening and welcome to Ringmer Fc for the second Over 45 Masters Cup Final sponsored by A1 Car Search.

Firstly we would like to take the time to thank our cup sponsor Kev Rowe who not only has put his hand in his pocket for the second year running to finance this competition, but the over 45 league was actually his idea and one that has proved to be a fantastic addition to the Sussex Sunday League.

Tonight sees last year's Premier division winners playing the current best team in this year's intermediate division - so promises to be a fantastic exhibition for over 45 football but also looking at both teams' results an absolute goal fest.

Neither team is shy in conceding but at the other end of the pitch both teams know exactly where the net is so on paper this could be

a very even high scoring contest.

We'd like to thank our hosts as always for their superb venue and our wonderful photographer Steve Mills who will be capturing all of the key moments and probably some of the embarrassing ones too.

Please take the time to look through all of the information in this excellent programme and we hope to see you at another cup final soon.

Anyone looking to get into over 35s or over 45 football please do not hesitate to contact anyone on the committee.

Our last piece of gratitude goes to Anthony Scott who has revolutionised not only our online presence but also created this excellent programme.

Greg Austin
Chairman



AFC VARNDEANIANS MASTERS

Formed: 1929

Bio: AFC Varndeanians (Old Vs) has gone from strength to strength over the last 20 years, and now boasts youth, women, mens, vets and walking football teams across multiple leagues in Sussex.

Founded in 1929, Old Varndeanians reformed in 1946 and spent their early years in the Brighton and Hove District League. In recent years, the men's Saturday side have made it to the Premier Division of the Southern Combination League.

Website:
www.afcvs.com

ROUTE TO THE FINAL

Round One
BYE

Quarter-Final
AFC Varndeanians Masters 3-2 Steyning Town Vets
Goals: Stone 2, Dignam

Semi-Final
AFC Varndeanians Masters 4-3 Ringmer Masters
Goals: Stone 3, Dignam

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MEET THE PLAYERS

Simon Jones

Highly valued goalkeeper, brave, plays through pain, game-winning saves his forte.

Colin Moss

Ever-present, important member of the squad, can play anywhere, composed on the ball, never hides.

Richard Hosie

Fully committed, gifted left-back, spots and extinguishes danger, tenacious, never gives up.

Marco Pucci

Team captain, fully committed, quick, energetic and goal-getting part of the Vs defence or midfield.

Steve Low

Long-term member of the Vs squad, strong in defence, creative on left side of midfield, fine crosser of the ball.

Joideep Phadnis

Joint-youngest member of

the squad, driving force in midfield, quick and strong, with an eye for goal.

Mike Setters

Hard-working, rapid, right midfielder, creates goals, runs all day and defends robustly.

James Emmerson

Gifted, creative midfielder, fully committed to the cause, vocal and dynamic.

Stu Stone

Vs talisman, leads from the front, quick, strong and scorer of many critical goals for the team.

Steve Wilson

Relative youngster in the squad, box-to-box midfielder, adept in either half, whether defending or creating.

Ben Gubb

Inaugural season at the Vs, a great signing, enthusiastic, energetic and talented midfielder.

Jez Mahon

Our long-distance, teak-tough centre half, strong in the tackle, creative on the ball, loves a foray up-field.

Mark Dignam

High impact, effective front man, technically gifted, scores and assists plenty of Vs goals

David Payne

Long-serving, integral member of the Vs squad, strong in the air and good with the ball at his feet.

Matt Weston

Intelligent footballer, effective in many positions, strong in the tackle and reads the game well.

Jeff Hillman

First season at the Vs, hard-working, effective right back, has made himself an important part of the squad

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FIRST ROUND

AFC Vardeanians Masters	-	BYE	
Steyning Town Veterans	8-7	Montpelier Villa Veterans II	
	BYE	Withdean Youth Veterans	
Ringmer Veterans Masters	-	BYE	
Roffey Veterans Masters	-	BYE	
Valley Rovers Old Boys Masters	-	BYE	
	TD Shipley Masters	-	BYE
Amici Athletic Veterans	H-W	Lewes Veterans Masters	

QUARTER-FINAL

AFC Vardeanians Masters	3-2	Steyning Town Veterans
Withdean Youth Veterans	1-3	Ringmer Veterans Masters
Roffey Veterans Masters	2-4	Valley Rovers Old Boys Masters
TD Shipley Masters	3-2	Amici Athletic Veterans

SEMI-FINAL

AFC Vardeanians Masters	4-3	Ringmer Veterans Masters
Valley Rovers Old Boys Masters	1-0	TD Shipley Masters

FINAL

AFC Vardeanians Veterans	vs	Valley Rovers Old Boys Masters
07/03/25 Ringmer FC 19:45		



UPCOMING CUP FINALS

SUSSEX SUNDAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SUNDAY 9 MARCH

DIVISION FIVE CUP SPONSORED BY SANDS UNITED

HOVE FC RESERVES

VS

SANDS UNITED

@ PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE FC | 19:00

FRIDAY 14 MARCH

DIVISION SIX TROPHY SPONSORED BY LB ENCLOSURES

HAMPDEN PARK

VS

AMICI ATHLETIC

@ PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE FC | 19:45



VALLEY ROVERS OLD BOYS MASTERS

Formed: 2023

Bio: A proper family team for all the old gits & a few hangers on. Last year's cup runners-up and league winners.

Twitter/X:
@VROLDBOYS

ROUTE TO THE FINAL

Round One
BYE

Quarter-Final
Roffey Veterans Masters 2-4 Valley Rovers Old Boys Masters
Goals: Corlett, Sell, Burnett 2

Semi-Final
Valley Rovers Old Boys Masters 1-0 TD Shipley Veterans
Goal: Haworth

Historic and only ever clean sheet helped to secure victory with Terry 'mad dog' Howarth scoring the only goal after walking off the pitch the game before





MEET THE PLAYERS

Mark South

58 years young and still at times has kept us in games this season love the clanger and at times couldn't catch a cold but always willing to put his head on the line.

Matt Batchelor

In his own words local celebrity and our own little Duracell bunny that doesn't stop running.

Matt Plummer

Left sided player who gets up and down as much as a player with his facial features can (ugly c**t) think Sloth, Goonies

Rob Busby

Captain tonight as this is his last game of the season due to eye surgery, midfield work horse who is a key player in the midfield engine room.

Lee Thompson

About as fast as a car with no engine but big in the air and still manages to curve that left foot down the line.

Lee Stevens

Been promising to play all season but only seem to show up when there was a sniff of a cup final - recently became a dad again at the age of 59.

Darren Mansell

The only player ever to get injured whilst sending a text to confirm his availability. Still thinks he can play at the age of 77 and with 1 leg

Anthony Barness

Managed to prise himself away from the sunbed to hopefully pull some shapes in the middle for another 90 minutes.

Kevin Budge

New signing this season who scores goals for fun - doesn't say much because we're not sure if he's actually English or not.

John Bundy

Solid player who deceptively runs at the same pace in the first minute as he does in the 90th scored some important goals this season.

Terry Haworth

The angriest man in football has a pre-match ritual of Mickey taken and wine drinking followed by an angry 35 minutes and then when his tank runs around screaming at people, or walks off!!

Barry Cooper

UK Senior wrestling champion 1924 to 2025 almost scored last week from 30 yards which was the first time he got in the opposition half in 20 years.

Bob Semple

Will literally play anywhere you ask him and always gives everything he's got, that isn't much but bless him he tries.

Lee Brett

If he shows up could be a match winner but it's all about the IF. Has more excuses in

his locker than Boris Johnson at a Covid party, has won many players lots of money in the "Will Lee Brett turn up" excuse sweepstake

Tony Burnett

Another newbie this season back with his bionic knee sadly his legs are no longer bionic but he could have a great career in walking football.

Ian South

Picks himself every week literally just to wind up batch, hoping to finally lift this trophy after last season disappointing final.

Chris Georgiou

Another new signing this season who locks up the middle of the park alongside Rob great conversationalist with his dead pan banter

Stuart Sell

The only player that actually needs permission to play each week from his care home, Looks 85 but runs around like a 35-year-old. Watch out for his Tom Daley impression in the box.

Owen Hill

midfield playmaker who is sadly out injured but will be in the dugout helping manage the side tonight.



MASTERS CUP

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PREVIOUS WINNERS

2023/24

MONTPELIER VILLA MASTERS



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LEAGUE STATISTICS

VITA RISK MASTERS 45 PREMIER TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1 Montpelier Villa Veterans	6	6	0	0	33	11	22	18
2 Roffey Veterans Masters	6	2	1	3	25	26	-1	7
3 Valley Rovers Old Boys Masters	6	1	3	2	28	32	-4	6
4 Steyning Town Veterans	6	1	3	2	18	22	-4	6
5 Lewes FC Veterans Masters	6	0	3	3	21	34	-13	3

VITA RISK MASTERS 45 INTERMEDIATE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1 TD Shipley Veterans Masters	6	4	2	0	24	10	14	14
2 AFC Vardeanians Veterans	5	4	0	1	23	11	12	12
3 Amici Athletic Veterans Masters	7	3	1	3	18	20	-2	10
4 Ringmer AFC Veterans Masters	4	1	1	2	4	8	-4	4
5 Withdean Youth Veterans Over 45'	6	0	0	6	3	23	-20	0

TOP SCORERS

STUART STONE
AFC Vardeanians **12**

11 **KARIM HAMOUDA**
Roffey

MARK DIGNAM
AFC Vardeanians **8**

7 **ROBERT GRIM**
Montpelier Villa



TEAM SHEET



AFC VARNDEANIANS MASTERS

RED & BLACK



VALLEY ROVERS OLD BOYS MASTERS

BLUE & WHITE

- 1 SIMON JONES [GK]
- 2 COLIN MOSS
- 3 RICHARD HOSIE
- 4 MARCO PUCCI
- 5 STEVE LOW
- 6 JOIDEEP PHADNIS
- 7 MIKE SETTERS
- 8 JAMES EMMERSON
- 9 STU STONE
- 10 STEVE WILSON
- 11 BEN GUBB
- 12 JEZ MAHON
- 14 MARK DIGNAM
- 15 DAVID PAYNE
- 16 MATT WESTON
- 17 JEFF HILLMAN
- GREIG BOWLES
- BEN GRAHAM
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MANAGER: CHRIS FOULERTON
ASSISTANT: BEN GRAHAM

- 1 MARK SOUTH [GK]
- 2 MATT BATCHELOR
- 3 MATT PLUMMER
- 4 ROB BUSBY
- 5 LEE THOMPSON
- 6 LEE STEVENS
- 7 DARREN MANSELL
- 8 ANTHONY BARNES
- 9 KEVIN BUDGE
- 10 JOHN BUNDY
- 11 TERRY HAWORTH
- 12 BARRY COOPER
- 13 BOB SEMPLE
- 14 LEE BRETT
- 15 TONY BURNETT
- 16 IAN SOUTH
- 17 CHRIS GEORGIU
- 18 STUART SELL
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MANAGER: IAN SOUTH
ASSISTANT: ELLIS SOUTH
COACH: OWEN HILL

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE
HARVEY LAMBLE

ASSISTANT
LEIGH HUFFER

ASSISTANT
ADAM WOODS

FOURTH OFFICIAL
GARY MANVILLE-
DICKENS

