



2010/11

Date: Tuesday 10th May 2011

Kick-off: 7:30pm

Comet Stevenage Sunday Football League
Premier Division Cup Final
Frank Neville Cup

@ Top Field, Hitchin Town FC



Dun Cow

versus

Nirankari Stevenage

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WELCOME

The Comet Stevenage Sunday Football League (CSSFL) would like to welcome the officials, players and supporters of Dun Cow FC and Nirankari Stevenage FC to this evening's CSSFL Premier Division Cup Final here at Hitchin Town FC.

We also extend a warm welcome to our match officials for the game who are Darren Knox, Doug Steele and Kevin Currey.

We hope everyone enjoys their brief visit and also has a safe journey home afterwards.

The CSSFL would like to thank Hitchin Town Football Club and in particular, Club Secretary Eileen Bone for the use of their facilities for our Cup Finals this season. We were given five possible dates, even before their last league game, let alone the play-offs semi-final and subsequent final on the same pitch. We're delighted they gained promotion. Our own local team have been less helpful this season with their non-committal approach due to 'potential' play-offs. The added extras that HTFC also provide make it more special.

Should the scores be level at the end of 90 minutes of normal play, an additional 30 minutes of extra-time will be played.

If still level, the game will be decided by a penalty shoot-out.

These two clubs have been rivals for some time, thankfully most of it has stayed on the pitch. It'll be hard to call a winner, Nirankari are obviously league champions, but Cow are seasoned campaigners, and did lead 3-1 at h/t in one of their league meetings.

On a personal note, my last ever game in the CSSFL occurred last month. Officially a manager and player-only-when-desperate, I ended up playing 90 minutes for the only time all season in the semi-final of this competition against Dun Cow, fitting opponents to finish on. I played awful and the MBDA Vets are now calling as a result!

Above all, we hope everyone enjoys the match, and that it passes off without incident.

The Premier Division Cup is also named The Frank Neville Cup, after the 'legend' who ran our league for many years.

Don't forget to keep an eye on the website for all the latest information!

www.cssfl.info

Cheers, Darren "Statto" Jones
(CSSFL Pitches Secretary / Press Officer)

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MEET THE TEAMS >>>

DUN COW

CLUB HISTORY:

Dun Cow re-formed ten years ago after a two year break from the CSSFL, where they were successful over a number of years.

They've continued that amazing success with Premier Division titles, the Premier Division Cup and Herts Senior Cup success.

Tonight, they look to win the cup they won in four successive years in the last decade.



“Clemo” or “Viking”

PREMIER DIVISION CUP WINNERS

1966/67	MY-O-MAC	1988/89	DYNAMICS
1967/68	ZENITH	1989/90	DYNAMICS
1968/69	VOID	1990/91	TWIN FOXES
1969/70	ZENITH	1991/92	TRANSPACK
1970/71	ICKNIELD UNITED	1992/93	TWIN FOXES
1971/72	ICKNIELD UNITED	1993/94	BENINGTON
1972/73	HITCHIN TRADES AND LABOUR	1994/95	TRANSPACK
1973/74	BEDDALL BRADFORD	1995/96	WHITE HORSE
1974/75	TWIN FOXES	1996/97	TRANSPACK
1975/76	BEDDALL BRADFORD	1997/98	TRANSPACK
1976/77	BOSCOE UNITED	1998/99	TRANSPACK
1977/78	TWIN FOXES	1999/00	RETAIL
1978/79	TWIN FOXES	2000/01	VOID
1979/80	TWIN FOXES	2001/02	BROADHALL
1980/81	FLEMING SPORTS	2002/03	PIED PIPER
1981/82	BELL AND BULL	2003/04	DUN COW
1982/83	DUN COW	2004/05	DUN COW
1983/84	CYGNET ROVERS	2005/06	DUN COW
1984/85	CYGNET ROVERS	2006/07	DUN COW
1985/86	CYGNET ROVERS	2007/08	NIRANKARI SPORTS SABHA
1986/87	WHITE HORSE	2008/09	MALLARD
1987/88	CYGNET ROVERS	2009/10	UNITY NIRANKARI

DUN COW (*cont'd*)

PLAYER PROFILES

<p>GLEN DRAPER Drapes has been having singing auditions with Scott Mahoney, they want to be in a boy band they both have the same clobber and the naughty JLS boots. Turn it boys.</p>	<p>IAN THORNE Iggy has struggled the last 5 nights out with the boys his fallen asleep by 10pm every night. I'm just hoping he plays his part tonight and don't fall asleep on the pitch.</p>
<p>LUKE GARWOOD Lukey hasn't played much this year the wife keeps him locked up at weekends so finds it hard to play Sunday morning football, I just hope he sneaks out the window tonight.</p>	<p>RYAN SKEGGS We're hoping Skeggsy has been to see his bank manger this week to sort out a loan to pay his subs, his played 18 this season and paid £0.00.</p>
<p>SCOTT MAHONEY If only Scotty put the effort as he does into his clobber on to the football field he would be an unbelievable player, said to me earlier his having a spray tan for tonight's game.</p>	<p>RYAN JENNER Has been having 7 sunbeds a week lately, we just hope the floodlights ant that strong tonight as I don't want him melting on us. Also a great lover of "The Only Way Is Essex", his mate is Joey.</p>
<p>ANDY BROSNAN Bros hasn't been out with lads since having his barnet chopped, but the boys know he's under the thumb. Missing tonight's game as in Oz with the wife (shock!).</p>	<p>RYAN BUTLER Berty absolutely loves it, he is also a massive Elton John fan, even has a poster of him in his front room. Reckons he will look the bol@#x tonight tho'.</p>
<p>CHRIS BALAZS First season for the Cow for Bal and also his last, off to travel the world and find true love, struggled to settle down with a man here, his first stop is Thailand, I'm sure he will find his match there.</p>	<p>ALEX SCRIVEN Scrivesy is a body-double for Max Branning from Eastenders, has tried to grow his hair but it just won't, so at weekends he has been wearing a wig.</p>
<p>MARK HOLMES Is one of the oldest at the Cow, every season he says he's hanging his boots up, but we think he will play 'til his 40 so that's 1 more season for him if then.</p>	<p>SHAUN MARSHALL Gaffer of the Cow side, has really struggled this season with nights out with the boys, he's always last out and first home, deffo think it's time for him to give up his disco shoes.</p>
<p>ADAM PAINE Great darts fan often seen at Lakeside, that'll be shopping then! Still needs a jab before every game and he's not short of offers on that one, reckons he runs his own landscaping firm, means he's got a window box, got a face that could make an onion cry!</p>	<p>DANNY McIVER Playing much better now, he's lost all that weight and moved into management, loves his golf, always raving about his irons -not sure if he means his male friends? I know he loves drilling. Looks like he's been set on fire and put out with golf shoe!</p>
<p>MARK PHILLIPS Thinks he's the new Alan Sugar of the advertising world, also part-time circus act getting shot out of a cannon, and 'cos of that mark, you're fired! Injured more times than Darren Anderton, he's that ugly, not even a sniper would take him out!</p>	<p>SCOTT WATERS Big lad who puts fear into opposing strikers, not 'cos of his size, he has a face like a stuntman's knee! Plays for Langford in goal and across the back four- at the same time, his tag comes off next week</p>
<p>JAMES DILLNUTT Mr Chilled, has even been known to start games with his eyes shut. Top scorer this season, can play for ever, says he models himself on Dean Windass, more like Dean Martin, the way he puts the beer away! Looks like he's been ducking for apples in a chip pan!</p>	<p>ADAM FURNESS Just got a role as the fugitive, as he wants to break into films, or was it Tesco! Does a great impression of Trigger from Only Fools & Horses, oops...it's not an impression! Has more bandages than the mummy. Normally his second touch is chasing his first.</p>

NIRANKARI STEVENAGE

CLUB HISTORY:

Hello and welcome to today's Premier Division Cup Final from all of the Nirankari Stevenage players and officials.

Nirankari Football Club was formed in season 2004/05 by Clive Graham and Bobby Dhillon. David Moulton joined the club in season 2005/06 and managed the team with Clive for two seasons. The Reserves were set up in 2007 by Russell Bull. Leon Palma merged J.A.P. Builders FC with Nirankari Sports Sabha FC in 2009 and is now in charge.

In the first season the team finished in the top 3 with the highlight being a 4-0 victory against the champions that season, who had never suffered such a reverse in their three consecutive championship winning seasons, but it was a sign of things to come.

The following three seasons saw the club dominating the Stevenage Sunday League. In Seasons 2006, 2007, and 2008 the team won the Premier Division league titles. Each Title was won on the last day of the season.

In season 2005/06, the club finished runners up in the Premier Division Cup. In season 2006/07 the team won the Premier Division and Premier Division Cup.

In season 2007/08, the club won the Treble consisting of the Premier Division title, KLM Challenge Cup and Premier Division Cup. Since 1959 only 3 other teams have achieved the treble in one season.

In season 2007/08, Nirankari FC set up a Reserve Team, managed by Russell Bull. The Reserves won the Division Four League and Cup Double. Sadly they lost the Herts Junior Cup final that season, but it was a great effort on their part to get to the final. The Reserve team was reformed this season (2010/11) as basically the former Probuild first-team and have enjoyed a good season, winning the Herts Intermediate Cup, Division One title and were hoping to secure the treble by winning the Division One Cup on Sunday.

The first-team began season 2008/09 very well, beating Dun Cow 6-4 in the league having been 4-0 down at half-time. Nirankari FC were top of the Premier Division in season 2008/09 and the Reserves were top of the First Division when a tough decision was made to withdraw both teams from the league. This difficult decision was made due to problems Bobby Dhillon suffered with his serious eye problems.

However, all was not lost at the end of 2008 as Nirankari FC finished runners-up in the Hertfordshire County Cup 5-a-side competition. Then the team qualified from the East of England regional section to qualify for the National Finals at Wembley Stadium, where they reached the quarter-final stage, before losing on penalties to the eventual winners of the FA Umbro 5-a-side Competition. In the summer of 2009, Nirankari FC went one step better and won the Hertfordshire County Cup 5-a-side competition and are the current holders. Also in 2009, Nirankari Lewsey won the Bedfordshire County Cup 5-a-side competition.

This 2009/10 season saw the club compete well in five different competitions with good performances in the FA National and County Cups, as well as competing for the Premier Division title, only to narrowly miss out on the final day of the season with defeat to Mallard. They were also successful in both the KLM and Premier Division Cups by securing the cup double with good wins in finals.

Once again, thank you Mrs Dhillon for her contribution this year. Where would be without you? THANK YOU!

The club would like to congratulate the opposition on reaching the final and wish the Match Officials good luck today. We sincerely hope that all of the spectators get to see a great game of football.

Finally a special mention to the late Frank Neville. Without his encouragement the application to enter the league would never have been made. Frank gave up a lot of his time working to make sure the league operated with success His efforts define what selfless service means.

NIRANKARI STEVENAGE (*cont'd*)

HONOURS:

Premier Division Winners – 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08 and 2010/11

Premier Division Runners Up – 2009/10

Premier Cup Winners – 2006/07, 2007/08 and 2009/10

Premier Cup Runners Up – 2005/06

KLM Challenge Cup Winners - 2007/08 and 2009/10

A WORD ON THE SPONSORS:

The club would like to say a big thank you to Paul Millan (Senior partner Noble Solicitors) and all at Noble Solicitors. Without their continued support the club would not survive. Also a mention for Jas and Ranjit Lidder of Club 85 Hitchin, who have sponsored and supported the team over the years.

THANK YOU!!!!!!!

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MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

This season has again seen us compete on five different fronts, despite ending our National Cup and County Cup runs disappointingly early, our domestic form has been phenomenal, we have been crowned unbeaten Champions on 6th March 2011 with a 100 % record with three games to play (two of which have since been played one draw and one win). At the time of going to print there is one league game to be played on Sunday 8th May 2011 and the intention is to keep our unbeaten record. The good form has continued in both the Premier Division and KLM Challenge Cup as we have defended the cups well by reaching both finals again.

A special thank you to all of the players your superb efforts this season are much appreciated. Well done lads.



Leon Palma

(Did you know?: Leon's dad Paul scored the opening goal in Arlesey Town's 2-1 FA Vase win at Wembley over Oxford City in 1995. On that note, one of his current players played in the game alongside him... Tony Ward).

NIRANKARI STEVENAGE *(cont'd)*

LAST SEASON – NIRANKARI ‘CUP DOUBLE’:



Unity Nirankari won the KLM Challenge Cup...



...then followed it up with the Premier Division Cup.

Dun Cow didn't make a Final last season, but have made both of the big ones this season...facing Nirankari in both, Part I is tonight.



NIRANKARI STEVENAGE (*cont'd*)

PLAYER PROFILES

<p>NAME: Chris Adams Position: Goalkeeper</p> <p>Profile: 'Wallace/Wally' – Has been solid between the sticks all season making some big saves in big games! Loves getting his views in with the ref and has picked up 1 or 2 bookings because of it! Although he travels from Luton, still manages to arrive for games ages before the more local players...commitment!!!</p>	<p>NAME: Tom Montague Position: Defence</p> <p>Profile: 'Monty' was a new signing this season but only played a handful of games before doing a disappearing act midway through the season. When he played he played very well and rumours are circulating that the Ginger Ninja is ready to return next season.</p>
<p>NAME: Ricky Bridge Position: Defence</p> <p>Profile: 'Bridgey' was a new signing this season and has cemented his place in the back four with some superb performances at the back. Good on the ball and great in the air. First to reach for the cigarettes at half time!</p>	<p>NAME: Jahmell Mullings Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: One half of the younger sets of twins in the squad. Jahmell has played well when called upon this season and at 17 is one to watch out for in the future.</p>
<p>NAME: Lewis Davies Position: Forward</p> <p>Profile: 'Sheepy' has suffered from a number of injuries over the last couple of seasons, firstly when he tackled himself in a pre season friendly in the 2009/10 season which ruled him out for the entire season and his bad luck struck again when he was injured in a pre-season friendly last summer where he was clattered whilst playing in goal resulting in another season on the sidelines. Classy forward with some neat touches, reminiscent of a young Dennis Bergkamp, has been put on strict fitness regime by the management team to get fit for next season.</p>	<p>NAME: Bobby Dhillon Position: Forward</p> <p>Profile: Mr Nirankari himself! His enthusiasm for the team borders on insanity yet his commitment can't be questioned! Has even made some cameo appearances upfront this season...to the amusement of many! Eats, sleeps and breathes Nirankari! Even likes to use his football talk when it comes to charming ladies with descriptions like "the ball was in the box" and it was "up for grabs".</p>
<p>NAME: Mark Duckett Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: 'Duck's' can take a game by the scruff of the neck and be a real match winner. Quality left foot and loves a bit of banter. Wins the award for the worst tattoos in the squad! Has the finest set of teeth you will ever see and loves playing in the Arsenal kit every week</p>	<p>NAME: Paul Otim Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: Young winger signed mid way through the season and has shown bags of potential. Definitely one for the future! Unfortunately he won't be able to attend the end of season night out as he is not old enough.</p>
<p>NAME: Jahrome Mullings Position: Forward</p> <p>Profile: Part two of the twin brigade, Jahrome is a quick forward who loves a slide tackle! Missed quite a few games this season due to his modelling commitments... currently modelling for Balaclavas and for London Zoo! Unfortunately Jahrome is unable to make tonight's final as he was taken ill last week, everyone at the club is wishing him a speedy recovery.</p>	<p>NAME: Leon Palma Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: 'Palms' player/manager this season and has led the side well! Has even moved away from his familiar central midfield role and done a few shifts at right back with many comparing him to Dani Alves and Cafu! Highlight of the season was his hat trick in nine minutes against last season's champions Marquis FC. His time keeping is shocking yet he loves having a moan at anyone who turns up late!</p>
<p>NAME: Leon Etienne Position: Defence</p> <p>Profile: 'Boyo' hasn't played as much as he or we would have liked this season due mainly to injury. When he has played he has been as vocal and dominant as ever! A good pre-season should see him back with a bang next season!</p>	<p>NAME: Liam Errington Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: 'Liam Ledge' a first-team regular again this season and has chipped in with his fair share of important goals! Mad about the Gooners and loves a pint or 10!</p>

NIRANKARI STEVENAGE *(cont'd)*

PLAYER PROFILES (cont'd)

<p>NAME: Darren Sarll Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: 'Sarly' hasn't played as much as last season but when he has played he has been quality. Controls the game in the centre of midfield in a Scholes like fashion. Range of passing is on a different level and a real team motivator...also doesn't mind a flash in the changing rooms!</p>	<p>NAME: James Taylor Position: Defence</p> <p>Profile: 'Tails' has done a job at the back and in midfield this season and is rarely beaten in a tackle or a header! Has a dodgy mirror at home that causes him to think of himself as a pretty boy although rumour has it the Mrs leaves him with a constant thumb print on his head!</p>
 <p style="text-align: right;"><i>- "Sarly" and "Tails".</i></p>	
<p>NAME: Michael Ettienne Position: Defence</p> <p>Profile: 'Etts' has delivered high quality performances consistently this season at both left back and centre back. Loves a challenge and rarely beaten in the air...another who has grabbed an important goal or two!</p>	<p>NAME: Ashley Townsend Position: Forward</p> <p>Profile: 'Ash' signed this season and made a limited number of appearances. When he's played, shown glimpses of real quality at right-back and up front. More regular games could see him hold down a starting spot next season!</p>
<p>NAME: Joe Finn Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: 'Finny' has grabbed his fair share of goals this season and has done a decent job in both midfield and even at right back! Probably the most reckless tackler in the team! If he took his football as serious as he takes the gym then he would be playing at a much higher level!</p>	<p>NAME: Leeroy Williams Position: Forward</p> <p>Profile: Pacy forward who defenders struggle to catch and when they do he rides tackles loves a mazy run and has provided us with some vital goals and assists this season. Hasn't featured too often this season as he is too busy living the highlife at Liverpool University.</p>
<p>NAME: Leon Gutzmore Position: Defence</p> <p>Profile: 'Gutz' has made the change from centre-forward to centre-back and made it look easy! One of the granddads of the team, yet has been one of the first names on the team sheet with MoM performances at the back! Put in a personal request for the team to play in the Arsenal kit this season. Has cancelled his Sky Sports subscription next season as he only needs to tune in to Channel 5 on a Thursday night.</p>	<p>NAME: Tony Ward Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: 'Wardy' is the old man of the team yet still out runs players half his age. A non-league legend, this season has seen him put in some MoM performances in games that really mattered. Also chipped in with a goal or two and fancies himself as a bit of a free-kick expert! Another one who enjoys playing in the Arsenal kit every week. Looking for a new hobby on Tuesday and Wednesday nights next season.</p>
<p>NAME: Andrew Iwediuno Position: Defence</p> <p>Profile: 'Twin' has had another brilliant season. Last years top goal scorer and player of the year has again been instrumental this year! Thinks he's Messi the way he dribbles past people...the only difference is Messi passes now and then!</p>	<p>NAME: Martin Young Position: Midfield</p> <p>Profile: 'Hawks/Youngy' has been outstanding this season and is currently top goalscorer for the team...although 70% were penalties and 20% were crosses! Has been quality all season in both midfield and up front and at times seemed to win games on his own! Getting better with age!</p>
<p>NAME: David Iwediuno Position: Forward</p> <p>Profile: 'Twin'. Powerful & Pacy forward has terrorised many defences this season and been MOM on numerous occasions. Was bad for getting to games on time last season....now that he's got a bird...has even worse!</p>	 <p style="text-align: right;"><i>"Twin!"</i></p>

MISCELLANEOUS

LET'S KICK RACISM OUT OF FOOTBALL:

The Comet Stevenage Sunday Football League fully supports the aims and objectives of the "Let's kick Racism out of Football" campaign.

Football provides us with a unique opportunity to show unity between people of different origins. However, the experience of many players from ethnic minority communities is of abuse and harassment because of (for example) the colour of their skin.

Players, referees and administrators are reminded that racist abuse (such as name calling) on the field of play is a red card offence.

Teams, Leagues and individuals who are found to have acted in a racist manner in either excluding ethnic minorities or found to be engaging in racist abuse or harassment may have their registration cancelled.

Players suffering racial abuse are encouraged to report it to referees on the field of play and to the Secretary or Chairman of their League.

The County FA should also be informed immediately.

Racism in football is a problem that we all have responsibility to address.

Don't let it ruin our game.

For advice on what action to take if your team is involved in an incident of racial abuse, please call "KICK IT OUT", footballs anti-racism campaign on:-



TODAYS OFFICIALS

The Man in the Middle

*** DARREN KNOX ***



Darren, 37, started refereeing 2008/9 season in the North and Mid Herts and CSSF Leagues. He was appointed referee for the Greg Cup (N&MH) and KLM Cup Finals last season. Promoted two seasons running, has officiated this season in the Herts Senior County and Spartan South Midland Leagues and is currently a Level 5 Referee.

Darren is married to Mel with 2-year-old twin boys Henry and Reuben and lives in Henlow, Beds. Works in Facilities Management for AON in London and has done for 12 years. Ambition is to go as far as he can in refereeing.

Assistant Referee's

*** DOUG STEELE ***

Doug, 48, was born in Hitchin and is currently a Level 5 referee on the Spartan South Midlands League as well as the CSSFL. Appointed to a CSSFL Cup Final two years running and has previously been in the middle for County Cup Finals.

Married to Amanda with 3 children, one away at university, one going shortly (hopefully) and the youngest studying for GCSEs.

Achieved his five minutes of fame when interviewed by the Comet in a feature about refereeing following a complete wipe out of all local football one bleak December weekend and the paper had a couple of pages to fill.

Doug spent the last 12 years running local youth teams and is a licensed FA coach.

He works locally running an immigration consultancy practice.

*** KEVIN CURREY ***

Kevin began refereeing in the 1999/2000 season when at level 7.

In his second season he passed his level 6 and has officiated at many Cup Finals in the CSSFL. The first five as Assistant Referee, then next three as a 'middle'. He also enjoyed an appointment to one of the Sunday County Cup Finals two seasons ago. Two seasons ago he was in the middle for the Invitation Cup Final at Hitchin Town. Last season, he was on the line for the Division One Cup Final.

Had been involved for some time along with his wife Tracey in running Stevenage Colts Youth and Adult Football Club, who successfully became an FA Charter Standard Club in 2005 and celebrate 50 years this year.

However, they both broke away two years ago and are now on the CSSFL Committee. Kevin as Fixtures Secretary. Kevin is also on the Committee of the Royston Crow Youth Football League.

Has two sons, Torin is 27 and supports Arsenal, but only to be a rebel as the along with the rest of the family, the other son supports Spurs. Kyal is now 25 and has just won the Golden Gloves award in Division One.

VITAL STATISTICS

LEAGUE TABLE

PREMIER DIVISION	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1 Nirankari Stevenage	14	13	1	0	45	40
2 Broadhall	14	9	1	4	4	28
3 Dun Cow	14	7	3	4	19	24
4 Almond Tree United	14	5	3	6	-12	18
5 MBDA	14	5	1	8	-25	16
6 Marquis United	14	3	3	8	-17	12
7 Highview	14	3	2	9	-21	11

AFC Crooked Billet withdrew before season. Bottles expelled, record stayed

HOW THEY GOT HERE

Quarter-Finals

Broadhall	0-1	Marquis United Barry Hazelton
Highview	0-8	Dun Cow Mark Phillips 3, James Dillnutt 2, Ryan Jenner, Scott Mahoney
MBDA Aaron Kersey 2, Phil Fisher, Ashley Kersey, Eaton Johnson, Craig Sutherill	6-3	Almond Tree United Neil Henderson-Thynne, Carl Lingwood (2 pens)
Nirankari Stevenage	HW	Bottles

Semi-Finals

MBDA	0-5	Dun Cow Mark Phillips 2, James Dillnutt, Adam Furness, Scott Mahoney
Nirankari Stevenage David Iwediuno 3, Martin Young 3, Paul Otim	7-3	Marquis United <i>scorers not provided</i>