

Chipstead U12s Win Maidstone League Cup Final

One nil down, 30 seconds to go and Chipstead *libero* Isaac Handley plays a slide rule pass through to the pacey Josh Haworth, who calmly slots the ball into the corner of the Chatham net. Extra time beckoned, the momentum was with Chipstead.

Earlier Chipstead had been rocked, a goal down and their brave keeper Luke Wilson crocked. Midfield playmaker Callum Bergdahl put on the gloves and proved to be a sensation – making numerous saves. With Archie Martin's crunching tackles and Peter Clifford always alert to any danger, Chipstead looked solid in defence but still needed that vital equaliser. Kyle Hein's thunderbolt from a full 30 yards was saved, so too were chances from the flying winger Max Thomas whilst midfield general Freddie Lee's volley went close. The industrious Hugh Marsh and bustling physicality of Ollie Glen put Chipstead in the ascendency - Haworth's goal rich reward for their endeavour.

Deep into extra time, Haworth is through one on one. He rounds the keeper but is impeded. Penalty. Whilst others shied away, and keeper Bergdahl was shooed back into goal, up stepped the man of the moment, cool head Josh, to slot in the winning goal. Chipstead 2 – Chatham 1.