

M.A.HART POOLE BAY CHALLENGE CUP FINAL

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Tuesday 19th April 2016

at Hurn Bridge

BOURNEMOUTH MANOR **2**

Brad Aspin 80 mins, Martin Sault 115 mins

WESTOVER BOURNEMOUTH **1 aet**

Sam Rea 64 mins

Martin Sault once again grabbed a vital winner for Bournemouth Manor, this time five minutes from the end of extra time to give them the verdict 2-1 against Westover Bournemouth in Tuesday night's hard fought M.A.Hart Poole Bay Challenge Cup Final at Hurn Bridge.

Westover young side had made the hundred per cent Saturday Premier Division leaders dig deep for their victory and had taken the lead in the 64th minute through Sam Rea while Manor equalised ten minutes from the end of normal time with a Brad Aspin strike. But, just as they looked likely to take control, Manor were reduced to ten men in the first period of extra time when substitute John Taylor was sent off after being cautioned twice in four minutes.

Westover had a great opportunity in the 31st minute when Sam Rea found himself clear in the penalty area with just Steve Marais to beat but the Manor custodian got down quickly to pull off a brilliant one handed save.

Westover found themselves under pressure as the first half drew to a close but their defence managed to survive Manor's aerial bombardment.

Westover opened the scoring in the 64th minute when Wayne Nagy got behind the Manor defence and his low cross from the right was steered home by **Sam Rea**.

Rae looked certain to double Westover's lead when he was through with just Marais to beat but, fortunately for Manor, the ball took a bobble as the striker went to pull the trigger and the advancing goalkeeper was able to get a hand to the ball.

Aspin went close for Manor with a long range effort in the 73rd minute before Terry Foote put Adam Louka through but Westover defender Alex Mackenzie came to the rescue with a superbly timed tackle.

Manor equalised in the 80th minute when **Brad Aspin** burst through to lash the ball past Matt Cleere and into the net and Westover had a lucky escape two minutes later when a cross from the right was headed against the bar by substitute John Taylor.

There was sustained pressure from Manor in the closing stages of normal time but Westover's resolute defending ensured that the game would go to extra time.

Manor's pressure began to increase in extra time, as did the number of yellow cards, and in the 98th minute, John Taylor, having already receive one just four minutes earlier, was shown a second and was sent off leaving Manor to play the remaining 22 minutes of extra time with ten men.

It looked as though the match would have to be decided on penalties until five minutes from the end when Cleere and Terry Foote challenged for an Adam Louka cross. The ball fell to **Martin Sault** twelve yards out and the Manor midfielder drove it past the defenders on the line and into the top corner of the Westover net.

Bournemouth Manor skipper **Darren Spiers** was chosen for the **Man of the Match** award by Hayward League President Mike Fowler.

Bournemouth Manor :- Steve Marais, Darren Millar (Lee Clarke 89 mins), Mark Reilly (Adam Louka 50 mins), Liam Claire, Adam Janes, Sam Goodwin (John Taylor 62 mins), Martin Sault, Darren Spiers, Terry Foote, Brad Aspin, Dave Saunders.

Westover Bournemouth :- Matt Cleere, Jack King-Phillips, Josh Wall (Elliot Tindall 87 mins), John Shaw (Drew McGregor 78 mins), Alex Mackenzie, Dale Walters, Wayne Nagy, Jake Jordan, Sam Rea, Rafael Santos, Dean Seal (Kyle Leach 82 mins).