

**M.A. HART PICKFORD CUP FINAL**  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018**  
**at Hurn Bridge, Christchurch**  
**AFC BURTON 1-2 BOURNEMOUTH MANOR**



**AFC Burton :** Ollie Bull, Sam Ingham (Dan Hancock 56 mins), Matt Nicholls, Scott Assinder, Dan Seymour, Kieron Arif, Sam Nash (Kevin Brennan 70 mins), Jamie Trimble, Levi Ridealgh, Marcus Wincott (Harry Fry 75 mins), Chris Forbes.



**Bournemouth Manor :** Liam Roberts, Darren Millar, Darren Spiers, Adam Janes, Dan Taylor, Martin Sault, Dave Saunders, Jamie Morgan (Paul Conroy 89 mins), Sam Purdy (Brad Aspin 62 mins), Terry Foote, Ed Ewens (Mickey Finch 69 mins),



Match Officials Jason Coombes, Paul Barber, President Mike Fowler, Omid Farjadapour and Mark James

Hayward Saturday Premier Division champions Bournemouth Manor completed another League and Cup double when Martin Sault's bizarre 88<sup>th</sup> minute winner gave them the verdict 2-1 in a tremendous M.A. HART PICKFORD CUP FINAL against AFC Burton.

It looked as though extra time would be needed to settle this excellent contest between two very good sides when goalkeeper Ollie Bull cleared the ball towards the centre circle. Manor midfielder Martin Sault struck it first time from inside his own half and was probably more surprised than anyone when it took an unexpectedly high bounce in front of the Burton 'keeper and ended up in the back of the net. Ed Ewens put Jamie Morgan through in the 8<sup>th</sup> minute and there was some frantic action in the Burton goalmouth with goalkeeper Ollie Bull and his defensive colleagues doing well to survive Manor's bombardment.



Jamie Morgan's free kick was headed wide by Terry Foote who was holding the ball up well for Manor and then Ollie Bull had to get down quickly to save Martin Sault's 25 yard effort.

AFC Burton took the lead after 28 minutes when Dan Seymour played a superb ball through to Levi Ridealgh on the left and, although Manor 'keeper Liam Roberts raced out and got a foot to the ball, it was not enough to prevent it finding it's way into the net.





Burton continued to threaten with Sam Nash and Chris Forbes prominent in attack then Dan Seymour released Levi Ridealgh down the left again. Manor's defence were struggling to deal with the pace of Ridealgh who cut inside to drill a low shot just past the far post from an acute angle.

With the first half coming to a close, Seymour found Ridealgh on the left again and, when the Burton wide man played a return ball into his path on the edge of the Manor penalty area, Seymour skimmed the crossbar with a fierce drive.

Manor thought they'd equalised in the 66<sup>th</sup> minute when Terry Foote headed the ball goalwards and Ed Ewens headed it on into the path of Martin Sault whose header went past Burton goalkeeper Ollie Bull. Fortunately for Burton, substitute Dan Hancock managed to get back and hook the ball off the line.

There was no escape for Burton two minutes later though when Dan Taylor's free kick to the near post was hooked in by Jamie Morgan to put Manor on terms.

Levi Ridealgh went on another run from the half way line down the left wing and the Manor defence were hard pressed to keep him at bay while at the other end, Manor substitute Mickey Finch was making his presence felt and Burton "skipper" Matt Nicholls got up well at the far post to head Finch's cross away.

Both teams were playing excellent football with the game swinging from end to end. Jamie Trimble headed Dan Seymour's free kick over the crossbar with five minutes to go and then, with everyone getting ready for 30 minutes extra time, Martin Sault's freak goal from the halfway line broke the deadlock.

Manor brought Paul Conroy on for the last couple of minutes and he was put clean though by Mickey Finch in stoppage time but Ollie Bull came rushing out of his goal to dive at his feet.



Manor's Jamie Morgan was chosen for the Man of the Match award by BHFL President Mike Fowler.

