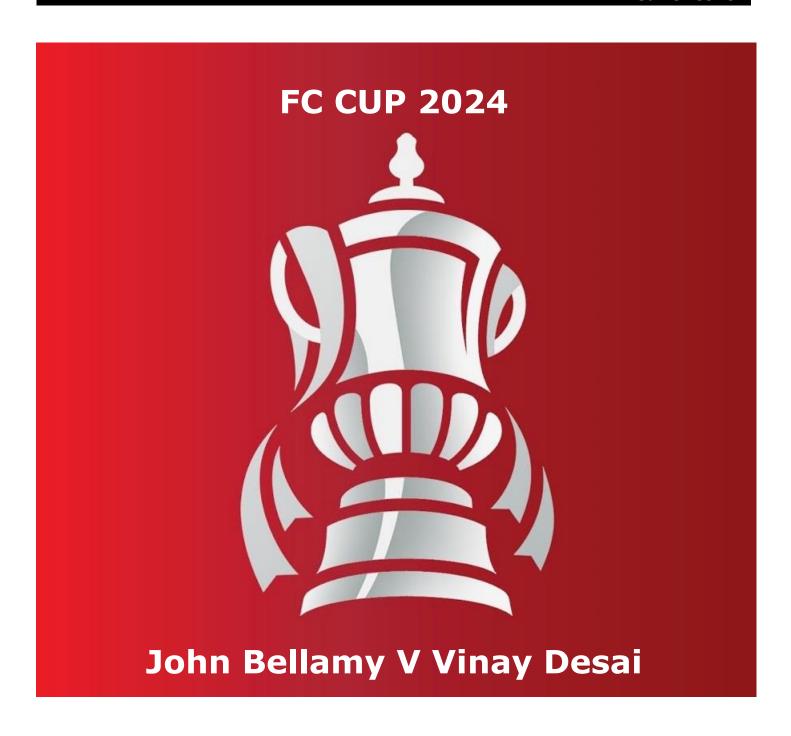
Gameweek 37



GAMEWEEK 37 (Saturday 11th May – Wednesday 15th May)

OFFICIAL FC MATCH PREVIEW

21st Final

Introduction FC Cup 2024

Welcome to this season's FC Cup Final preview.

Can you believe today's final is the first in a third decade of this competition the oldest Fantasy Challenge special competition, yes, the FC Cup is the longest running of all the special competitions that Fantasy Challenge run only the normal basic games of the FC League has been running longer and that has only been running for an extra season.

We often refer to the FC Cup as being the most difficult to win as it single match knock out system to certain extent has an element of luck get one decision wrong and it can see you knocked out with the rich history pointing to this fact. The FC Cup has seen just three multiple winners and six managers making more than one appearance in the final. The two managers facing off with a chance to win this prestigious trophy are in fact both debutants in a FC Cup final which makes this the third consecutive final where the contestants will be debutants.

Interestingly both of todays finalists are also applying their trade in the Pyramid super20 league structure. Both having very different season in their respective leagues. John Bellamy is in his third season of FC with a couple of Lucky Promotions to his name he had not really been a name been mentioned in the dispatches of the FC World until last season when he won the Pyramid Cup and now a season later Bellamy is hoping to add a second major trophy. Just getting to this final has gained him notoriety within the FC World, amazing that his Pyramid Premier campaign has been an average one lying in 11th place with two games to go. Many are watching how Bellamy gets on in this final as he has started to gain a reputation as being a Cup manager.

Bellamy's Opponent in todays final is Vinay Desai is in only his second season of FC. Desai's rookie season did not set of any signals of him being a potential major trophy winner, claiming a Lucky Promotion and in fact being knocked out at the First-Round stage of the FC Cup last season. Desai though has come back stronger in his second season. Desai is currently sitting in 2nd place in the Pyramid Two league table and is 6 points clear of 6th place just a single point away from claiming promotion to Pyramid One. Can Desai make his second season one to remember with a double of promotion and the FC Cup trophy, all eyes of the FC World are on him to see if he can.

You may have noticed this season that I have been helped by Mike Carleton, assisting with the gameweek updates I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude and thanks, whilst it might not have been noticed by you the managers in the game this has been a massive help in getting the update sin a timely fashion.

Another first for the FC Game is happening in this preview there will not just be the FC Expert casting his eye over the two respective managers teams and the potential outcome of this final I have asked AI yes Microsoft Copilot to give an opinion on today's final.

Before I sign off, I want to apologise for any spelling grammatical mistakes in this preview the timeframes are just getting tighter every season the alternative is no preview.

I hope you enjoy this preview of the FC Cup final, all that is left to do is wish both Managers the best of luck.

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Player Profiles

(All statistics correct after Gameweek 36)

AVERAGE GAMEWEEK SCORE	
HIGHEST GAMEWEEK SCORE	
LOWEST GAMEWEEK SCORE	
GAMEWEEKS SCORE OVER 50 POINT	S
GAMEWEEKS SCORE BELOW 50 POIN	ITS
FC CUP AVERAGE	
CURRENT SUPER20 LEAGUE	
SEASON JOINED FANTASY CHALLENG	ìΕ
BEST FC CUP RUN (Before this Seaso	n)

JOHN BELLAMY	VINAY DESAI
61.63	66.66
128	106
15	25
27	28
9	8
61.33	64
Pyramid Premier	Pyramid Two
2021	2023
4 th Round (2023)	1 st Round (2023)

HISTORY

JOHN BELLAMY HONOURS

Pyramid Cup 2023 Winner

HONOURABLE MENTION

2021 Pyramid Three Lucky Promotion 14th Place 2021 New Life Cup Quarter-Finalist 2022 Pyramid Two Promoted 4th Place 2023 Pyramid One Lucky Promotion 8th Place

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VINAY DESAI HONOURS

HONOURABLE MENTION

2023 Pyramid Three Lucky Promotion 10th Place

ROAD TO THE FINAL

JOHN BELLAMY

ROUND	OPPONENT			
1 st Round	Tim Oldfield (Lge 1)	55	-	41
2 nd Round	Peter Ward (Conf)	65	-	49
3 rd Round	Dave Hansell (Lge 1)	74	-	55
4 th Round	Heath Cram (Prem)	72	-	71
Quarter-Final	Jukka Piippo (PY 3)	15	-	9
Semi Final	Sam Martin (PY 2)	87	-	62

VINAY DESAI

ROUND	OPPONENT			
1 st Round	Lee Ferridge (Lge 1)	67	-	64
2 nd Round	Cha Baller (PY 1)	58	-	54
3 rd Round	Dan Couch (Champ)	67	-	44
4 th Round	David Bardon (Champ)	96	-	89
Quarter-Final	Steve Cooper (PY 2)	25	-	15
Semi Final	Dave Rogers (Champ)	71	-	70

Interesting to see both managers had victories of just a point in there run to the final. John Bellamy beating Premier League manager Heath Cram in the 4th Round 72-71. Whilst Vinay Desai beat Championship manager Dave Rogers in the Semi-Final 71-70.

FC Expert Match Analysis

The below teams were given to the FC Expert at 19:00 the day before the final starts.

JOHN BELLAMY

Gameweek 36 Squad List 71 Average Points 157 Highest →









STAT ATTACK

100	SCORE	106
42	CAPTAIN	42
23	DEFENCE	17
28	MIDFIELD	26
49	ATTACK	63
0	TRANSFERS	0
3-5-2	FORMATION	3-4-3
	CHIPS PLAYED	
NONE		NONE

FC Expert Match Analysis

THE ANALYSIS

Finally, a Final where I have more than one day to assess the two respective managers teams. Which I might need as FC founder Paul Richardson has told me that he has also asked AI Microsoft's Co-Pilot to also asses todays finalist.

Suddenly even more pressure to get the prediction correct.

If the final had taken place in Gameweek 36 Vinay Desai would have come out the winner by 6 points in a close high scoring final. Let's hope both managers can put on a similar showing in this final.

As in previous seasons I am ging to break down what I feel will be the key areas that will decide this final.

CHIPS

JOHN BELLAMY
CHIPS
BENCH BOOST

VINAY DESAI
CHIPS
BENCH BOOST

In recent seasons the Chip affect has been absolutely massive often one manager having a chip to play. Todays final both managers have a chip left and amazingly it is the same Chip Bench Boost. Surely both managers are going to deploy this chip to try and win this trophy. If we look at Gameweek 36 if Bellamy had played the chip, he would have gained an extra 6 points drawing him level however Desai would have scored an extra 7 points so increasing his winning margin. Interestingly both managers had two non-scoring substitutes. Desai has Newcastle's Fabian Schar on his bench out injured until 1st June so he will be thinking of replacing him with a transfer. **CONCLUSION:** - neither manager has a clear advantage hear as both have the chip it is just going to be about who can get the maximum out of their bench.

CAPTAIN – (Points for the Could have selected have been doubled)

Have included this as interesting to see how their selection panned out in Gameweek 36.

JOHN BELLAMY

Erling Haaland (Manchester City) 42 Points

COULD HAVE SELECTED

VINAY DESAI

Erling Haaland (Manchester City) 42 Points

COULD HAVE SELECTED

Nicolas Jackson (Chelsea) 16 Points

You cannot doubt that both managers got their captain picks spot on for Gameweek 36. It is interesting to note though that only Desai had another player who he could have selected but even then, Chelsea's Jackson would have been 10 points off City's Haaland. With Haaland having another double gameweek surely neither manager is going to deviate from the Norwegian goal scoring machine. Although Tottenham, Brighton, Chelsea, Manchester United and Newcastle all have two fixtures and although City are facing two away fixtures at Fulham then Tottenham with then needing wins to claim the title it would be a brave manager to go against a Haaland pick. Both have Foden of City and of course transfer will either of them see this as the possible differential. **CONCLUSION**: - Both managers to pick Haaland as captain, if one is brave enough to go different it will be the deciding factor in this final so I just can't see either risking it as percentages say it will end in defeat.

FC Expert Match Analysis

FINANCE / TRANSFERS / OPTIONS

	JOHN BELLAMY		VINAY DESAI			
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Both managers saved their transfers in Gameweek 36 which suggests to me they both have their eyes firmly fixed on this final. Both have good budgets over the £100 Million however it is interesting to see that Bellamy has significantly more money in the bank £3.6 Million to be precise. This does give him the upper hand when it comes to transfers with both managers looking to find players who have double fixtures for this final. **CONCLUSION**: - Bellamy has the advantage here with a significant transfer budget to get more players into his squad with two fixtures to play. I feel that I can predict two transfers one each for both managers. Desai will have to sell Schar and I can see Bellamy bringing in Ederson for Neto.

THE DIFFERENTIAL'S

JOHN BELLAMY	VINAY DESAI
DIFFERENTIALS	DIFFERENTIALS
GOALKEEPER(S)	GOALKEEPER(S)
Norberto Murara Neto (Bournemouth)	Ederson (Manchester City)
DEFENDER(S)	DEFENDER(S)
Pau Torres (Aston Villa)	Dan Burn (Newcastle United)
Sergio Reguilon (Brentford)	William Saliba (Arsenal)
Malo Gusto (Chelsea)	Fabian Schar (Newcastle United)
MIDFIELDER(S)	MIDFIELDER(S)
Alejandro Garnacho (Manchester United)	James Maddison (Tottenham Hotspur)
FORWARD(S)	FORWARD(S)
Alexander Isak (Newcastle United)	Nicolas Jackson (Chelsea)

We have already established that this final is not going to be 11 V 11 but 15 V 15 it is Interesting to see that there are currently 6 players different in these two Fifteens. If we first look at Bellamy's Differentials his reserve goalkeeper Neto is not playing so he might need to do a transfer here, Pau Torres ha sonly one fixture a tough one against Liverpool, Reguilon also just the one fixture Gusto his last defender has two fixtures. Garnacho has two home fixtures but difficult opponents and then Isak upfront has two fixtures and I see him as being the biggest differential here. For Desai keeper Ederson two fixtures looks good albeit away fixtures we all know how important those games are for City. Dan Burn of Newcastle two fixtures chasing Europe, Saliba of Arsenal you are wondering if an away trip to Old Trafford is tough these days but that is his only fixture, then the injured Fabian Schar surely Desai has to transfer him out. Maddison in midfield faces Burnley and City at home surely there are points for the taking against Burnley and anything in the City game could be a bonus. Then upfront Jackson two away fixtures Nottingham Forest and Brighton with Chelsea's recent form both winnable. **CONCLUSION**: - I am really seeing this as Bellamy with a slight advantage mainly down to Isak upfront but Desai might feel that Jackson can counter that and he doe shave Ederson also. That said Bellamy to transfer Neto out and Isak to be the differential.

FC Expert Match Analysis

DOUBLE FIXTURES

JOHN BELLAMY **TWO MATCHES**

11

VINAY DESAI TWO MATCHES

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GOALKEEPER

Dorde Petrovic (Chelsea)

DEFENDERS

Pedro Porro (Tottenham Hotspur)

Malo Gusto (Chelsea)

MIDFIELDERS

Phil Foden (Manchester City)

Alejandro Garnacho (Manchester United)

Anthony Gordon (Newcastle United)

Heung-Min Son (Tottenham Hotspur)

Cole Palmer (Chelsea)

FORWARDS

Erling Haaland (Manchester City)

Alexander Isak (Newcastle United)

Joao Pedro (Brighton & Hove Albion)

GOALKEEPERS

Ederson (Manchester City)

Dorde Petrovic (Chelsea)

DEFENDERS

Dan Burn (Newcastle United)

Fabian Schar (Newcastle United) -INJURED

MIDFIELDERS

Phil Foden (Manchester City)

Anthony Gordon (Newcastle United)

Heung-Min Son (Tottenham Hotspur)

Cole Palmer (Chelsea)

James Maddison (Tottenham Hotspur)

FORWARDS

Erling Haaland (Manchester City)

Nicolas Jackson (Chelsea)

Joao Pedro (Brighton & Hove Albion)

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FIXTURES	Fixture Diff	iculty Rating	OPINION
Brighton – Newcastle (A), Chelsea (H)	4	3	Two Defeats
Chelsea – Forest (A), Brighton (A)	2	3	Two Victories & Goals
Manchester City – Fulham (A), Tottenham (A)	3	4	Two Victories
Manchester United – Arsenal (H), Newcastle (H)	5	3	Two Defeats
Newcastle – Brighton (H), Manchester United (A)	2	4	Two Victories & Goals
Tottenham Hotspur – Burnley (A), Manchester City (H)	2	5	A win & A Loss

At first glance it looks like advantage Desai as he has an extra player playing 2 matches but that extra player is out injured so Desai will have to transfer Schar out and bring in a player with two fixtures to maintain that advantage but having used one of his transfers it means that Desai can only bring in one other player with two matches to play with his remaining transfer. We would then assume that Bellamy is going to make his two transfers and bring in players with two matches so after all of that both managers will end up with 13 out of their 15 players playing two matches. **CONCLUSION**: - No advantage in fact this will come down to how well the two managers play their transfers. I feel that I can predict Bellamy's transfer I see him bringing in Ederson for Neto not sure what Desai is going to do with his budget and the sale of Schar. As I look at the above differentials this match is between Bellamy's Isak and Desai's Jackson.

FC Expert Match Analysis

THE CHIP EFFECT

CHIP	EXPLANATION			
Wildcard	The Wildcard chip can be used twice a season, once in the first half of the			
	season and once in the second half of the season. The Wildcard chip is played			
	when confirming transfers that cost points and can't be cancelled once played.			
Bench Boost	All the Players on your Substitute Bench score points for that gameweek			
Free Hit	You can make unlimited transfers in the gameweek you play your free hit.			
	When the gameweek finishes your team will revert to how it was setup the			
	previous gameweek. You will lose any saved transfers so will only have 1 free			
	transfer after a free hit has been played.			
Triple Captain	Instead of the normal double points your Captains Points are tripled			
OTHER INFORMATION	Can I Play More than One Chip in a Gameweek			
	Only one chip may be active in a Gameweek. For example, it is not possible to			
	make transfers with your Wildcard chip and then use your Bench Boost chip			
	in the same Gameweek			
	The following chips can only be played once per season			
	Bench Boost, Free Hit and triple Captain			
	What happens to my Triple Captain chip if my captain doesn't play			
	The triple point's bonus will be passed to your vice-captain. If your vice-			
	captain doesn't play either then the bonus is lost, the chip isn't returned.			

THE FIXTURES FOR GAMEWEEK 37

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Fulham	12:30	Manchester City
	TNT Sports	
Bournemouth	15:00	Brentford
Everton	15:00	Sheffield United
Newcastle United	15:00	Brighton
Tottenham Hotspur	15:00	Burnley
West Ham United	15:00	Luton
Wolves	15:00	Crystal Palace
Nottingham Forest	17:30	Chelsea
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Sunday 12th May

Manchester United 16:30 Arsenal

Sky Sports

Monday 13th May

Aston Villa 20:00 Liverpool

Sky Sports

Tuesday 14th May

Tottenham Hotspur 20:00 Manchester City

Sky Sports

Wednesday 15th May

Brighton 19:45 Chelsea

Manchester United 20:00 Newcastle United

Sky Sports

FC Expert Match Analysis

THE VERDICT

Well once you dive into the tow managers squads it never is a simple as it may first appear. Having done a deep dive into both squads the main points of this match are contained in that Bench Boost chip that they both have the transfers and the players they have playing two matches. A final which will see 15 V 15 match is always intriguing and this is up there with the best that I have looked at in the past. The chip negates as both managers have it, the double matches are virtually negated by the fact the managers have the same in fact in the five categories where I have decided to look into three have been inconclusive the remaining two both went to Bellamy. I gave the differential to Bellemy but only slightly looking Desai's selection of Chelsea's fixtures Jackson could cancel out what I see as being the Isak factor for Bellamy. Then the only real conclusion was that Bellamy has the greater transfer budget with both manager shaving two transfers I also feel lone transfer is forced on both managers Bellamy surely has to sell Neto and bring in Ederson cancelling out Desai's selection of the City keeper, whilst Desai must transfer out Schar and with a healthy budget can probably bring in any defender he wants however I am not predicting two clean sheets for any of the clubs playing two matches. Just 6 points separated these two managers in Gameweek 36 and I predict an even closer finish for this final.

FINAL VERDICT Another season where I am really struggling to separate these two managers, crazy but the more I look at the two squads I this final is going to come down to the scores of two players Bellamy's Isak and Desai's Jackson. The Fantasy Premier league difficulty rating suggests that Chelsea have the better games I do agree but whilst Jackson has come good recently, I will be backing Isak the season long performer to com up trumps in this final and be the deciding differential factor. It is going to be a close final and I hope that both managers can break the hundred-point barrier and deliver a classic final. **Bellamy to win.**

Check out on the last page just how good that Verdict is by seeing the history of the FC Experts FC Cup Final predictions.

Well once again the FC Expert has stuck his neck out and done all the analysis and come up with a prediction for this final.

We thought it would be fun though to challenge the FC Expert and his thoughts on this final, so we went into the Virtual world and consulted AI Microsoft's Co-Pilot.

The following was entered at the Copilot prompt: -

Can you write me a fantasy football match preview for these this match

Manager 1 – Followed by The team lineup as it was form Gameweek 36 and the Bench.

Manager 2 - Followed by The team lineup as it was form Gameweek 36 and the Bench.

Both managers have Bench Boost to play and two transfers match to take place Gameweek 37

After the result was published a further prompt was typed: -

Can you predict a winner form that match

I would like to re assure both competing managers that none of their information was typed into Co-Pilot.

See the next page for Co-Pilot's analysis of the 2024 FC Cup Final and its shocking Prediction for the final. Manager 1 and Manager 2 have been replaced in the text by the names of the competing managers.

AI COPILOT Match Analysis



MICROSOFT COPILOT MATCH ANALYSIS



As Gameweek 37 approaches, fantasy football enthusiasts are buzzing with anticipation for the clash between John Bellamy and Vinay Desai. Both managers have their Bench Boost available and two transfers to make, which could be game-changers in this penultimate showdown.

John Bellamy has opted for a balanced squad with Petrovic guarding the goal and a solid defensive line featuring Pau, Gabriel, and Reguilion. The midfield is packed with creativity and potential, with Foden, Garnacho, Gordon, Son, and Palmer ready to rack up the points. Upfront, the formidable duo of Isak and Haaland promises goals. The bench offers reliable options like Neto, Pedro Porro, Gusto, and Joao Pedro, ensuring depth in the squad.

Vinay Desai, on the other hand, has placed trust in Ederson to keep a clean sheet. The defence mirrors John Bellamy with Gabriel and Burn joining Saliba to form a robust backline. The midfield sees familiar faces with Foden, Son, Gordon, and Palmer. The attack is led by Joao Pedro, the young talent N. Jackson, and the goal machine Haaland. The bench, featuring Petrovic, Schar, Pedro Porro, and Maddison, provides excellent cover and potential for surprise points.

The key battles to watch will be in the midfield, where both managers share four players. Any standout performance from Foden, Son, Gordon, or Palmer could tilt the scales. Additionally, the choice of forwards could be decisive, with Haaland being the common thread in both teams.

With both managers having the Bench Boost at their disposal, it will be interesting to see when they choose to play it. The right timing could harness the full potential of their benches and significantly impact the final score.

As the transfers window remains open, strategic moves could introduce unexpected twists. Will John Bellamy strengthen the attack or bolster the defence? Will Vinay Desai invest in a differential midfielder or swap out a forward? These decisions could very well determine who emerges victorious in Gameweek 37.

It's all to play for, and fantasy football fans can hardly wait for the referee's whistle to kick off this epic encounter. May the best manager win!

PREDICTION: - Predicting the outcome of a fantasy football match can be quite challenging due to the unpredictable nature of sports and player performances. However, I can provide some insights that might help in assessing the potential outcome.

Both teams have strong line-ups with key players shared between them, such as Haaland, Foden, Son, and Palmer. The performance of these players could be crucial, and since they are present in both teams, their impact might neutralize each other.

The differentiators could be the unique players in each team. For John Bellamy, Isak and Garnacho could provide an edge if they perform well. For Vinay Desai, N. Jackson and the defensive choice of Burn could be the deciding factors.

The use of the Bench Boost and the two transfers each manager has could also significantly influence the match's outcome. Strategic use of these could bring in players who might score high in Gameweek 37.

Given these factors, it's difficult to predict a clear winner. It will likely come down to the individual performances of the non-shared players and the managerial decisions made regarding transfers and when to play the Bench Boost.

Remember, fantasy football is full of surprises, and that's part of the excitement! May the odds be in favour of the best strategist. Good luck!

History

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2004	Paul Dwinfour	51	-	42	Paul Kelly
2005	Steve Shew	84	-	40	Ian Philp
2006	Ian Philp	95	-	74	Rob Gurney
2007	Rob Gurney	98	-	93	Steve Shew
2008	Cedric Ayres	70	-	68	Andy Gurney
2009	Glen Hogwood	57	-	53	Chad Pereira
2010	Sandeep Chohan	80	-	67	Omid Afzalalghom
2011	Charlie Thrussell	60	-	53	Joe Hatch
2012	Steve Shew	61	-	55	Barry Edwards
2013	Dave Perrett	44	-	36	Sebastian Logan
2014	Hans Hayrynen	99	-	83	Benjamin Alexander
2015	James Dwinfour	55	-	42	Michael Lynn
2016	Bill Hill	73	-	68	Daragh Prendergast
2017	Omid Afzalaghom	149	-	149	Daniel Sherry
REPLAY	Omid Afzalaghom	104	-	82	Daniel Sherry
2018	David Noel	99	-	83	Scott Smith
2019	Omid Afzalaghom	74	-	42	Anthony Lobo
2020	Glen Hogwood	53	-	52	Steve Haley
2021	Glen Hogwood	57	-	44	James Bloomer
2022	Patrick Hearn	57	-	42	Alvar Chambers
2023	Neil Williams	78	-	70	Maris cars

WINNERS

Glen Hogwood Glen Hogwood Omid Afzalalghom 2 **Steve Shew Steve Shew** 2 Omid Afzalalghom Bill Hill **Andy Gurney** 1 Cedric Ayres 1 Ian Philp Charlie Thrussell 1 **Rob Gurney Dave Perrett** 1 **Alvar Chambers** David Noel 1 Anthony Lobo **Barry Edwards** Hans Hayrynen 1 Ian Philp 1 Benjamin Alexander 1 Bill Hill James Dwinfour **Neil Williams** 1 Cedric Ayres Patrick Hearn 1 1 **Paul Dwinfour Rob Gurney** 1 1 Sandeep Chohan

FINALISTS

3	Charlie Thrussell	1	Michael Lynn	1
3	Chad Pereira	1	Neil Williams	1
3	Daragh Prendgast	1	Patrick Hearn	1
2	Dave Perrett	1	Paul Dwinfour	1
2	David Noel	1	Paul Kelly	1
2	Daniel Sherry	1	Sandeep Chohan	1
1	Hans Hayrynen	1	Scott Smith	1
1	James Bloomer	1	Sebastian Logan	1
1	James Dwinfour	1	Steve Haley	1
1	Joe Hatch	1	Vinay Desai	1
1	John Bellamy	1		
1	Maris Cars	1		

FC CUP HISTORY Contd

SEMI-FINALISTS

Glen Hogwood	6	Dan Barrett	1	Lee Pepper	1
Omid Afzalalghom	4	Daniel Hansen	1	Maris Cars	1
Rob Gurney	3	Daniel Sherry	1	Mark Freear	1
Steve Shew	3	Daniel Silcock	1	Martin Stuart	1
Ben Alexander	2	Daragh Prendgast	1	Martin Trew	1
Ian Philp	2	Dave Hansell	1	Matt Hansell	1
James O'Leary	2	Dave Perrett	1	Michael Carleton	1
Jean-Pierre Clegg	2	Dave Rogers	1	Miki Mielonen	1
Michael Lynn	2	David Curran	1	Neil Williams	1
Sandeep Chohan	2	David Noel	1	Nigel Rose	1
Steve Haley	2	Hakan Bedir	1	Patrick Hearn	1
Adam Pemberton	1	Hans Hayrynen	1	Paul Cullen	1
Alvar Chambers	1	Harrison Bath	1	Paul Dwinfour	1
Andreas Themistocleous	1	James Bastow	1	Paul Kelly	1
Andy Gurney	1	James Bloomer	1	Richard Munroe	1
Andy Taylor	1	James Dwinfour	1	Rob Lynn	1
Anthony Lobo	1	James Watson	1	Sam Martin	1
Barry Edwards	1	Jeff Aldersea	1	Scott Smith	1
Bill Hill	1	Jim Burrows	1	Sebastian Logan	1
Cedric Ayres	1	Joe Hatch	1	Steve Martin	1
Chad Pereira	1	John Bellamy	1	Vinay Desai	1
Charlie Thrussell	1	Kelvin Walker	1		

FC CUP GLORIOUS HISTORY

FC EXPERTS COMPLETE PREDICTIONS

Previous FC Cup Final predictions below: -

YEAR	FC EXPERT PREDICTION	WINNER	✓ / ×
2009	Glen Hogwood	Glen Hogwood	✓
2010	Sandeep Chohan	Sandeep Chohan	✓
2011	Charlie Thrussell	Charlie Thrussell	✓
2012	Steve Shew	Steve Shew	✓
2013	Dave Perrett	Dave Perrett	✓
2014	Hans Hayrynen	Hans Hayrynen	✓
2015	Michael Lynn	James Dwinfour	×
2016	Bill Hill	Daragh Prendergast	×
2017	Omid Afzalalghom	Omid Afzalalghom	✓
2018	David Noel	David Noel	✓
2019	Anthony Lobo	Omid Afzalalghom	×
2020	Steve Haley	Glen Hogwood	×
2021	Glen Hogwood	Glen Hogwood	✓
2022	Alvar Chambers	Patrick Hearn	×
2023	Maris Cars	Neil Williams	×
V		×	PERCENTAGE CORRECT
9		6	60%

In the Event of A Draw

The FC Cup is the only Major cup competition in which if the final is drawn the match will go to a replay. The replay will be held in Gameweek 38. If the replayed final ends in a draw the match will go into a penalty Shoot-Out. A penalty shoot-means each team's top five-point scorers will go head-to-head to produce a result. If the best five scorers in the two teams cannot produce a result sudden death will take place with the next highest point scorers being next.