

Ipswich & Suffolk U12 Open Cup Quarter-Final Tie Saturday 13 March, Waveney Youth U12A 4 Kirkley & Pakefield A 0

Waveney Youth U12A entertained K&P in this Suffolk Cup quarter-final and progressed comfortably to the last four with a comprehensive victory at Denes High School on Saturday.

The hosts pressed from the start and French was tripped in the box to win a penalty but a fine save by the visiting keeper denied Butler from the spot. Waveney were not deterred however, and the opening goal was worth waiting for when Anderson's left-foot effort from distance hit the net. Gallant was a constant threat to Kirkley's defence and he finished off Woods' fine pullback for the second. Other chances fell to Waveney before Evans nodded home Nichols' cross for a third on the stroke of half-time.

The second-period was even more one-way traffic but great credit must go to the visitors for their determined defending throughout the half. French notched number four with a clever finish from an acute angle and Woods could have had a hat-trick, before Gallant nearly scored his second only to be denied by the woodwork. The match was played in a fine spirit and Waveney will now meet Stowmarket Town in the semi-final.

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Bradley Bush and Liam French are congratulated by Waveney Youth U12A manager Gary Phillips and their team-mates on the notable occasion of their 100th appearance for Waveney.

