

**U12 Norfolk & Suffolk Youth League Cup Quarter-Final
Sunday 24 January, Gorleston Rangers A 3 Waveney Youth U12A 1**

Waveney U12A travelled to play the league leaders in this League Cup quarter-final and despite a fine first-half performance were forced to surrender their proud unbeaten run of 11 cup matches stretching back over two years.

The visitors began with determination and Jermy struck the crossbar with a tremendous effort in the first minute. French and Woods had other chances as Waveney took the game to their hosts, although Meades was forced to tip a breakaway shot past the post to remind the visitors of the threat Rangers posed. Just before half-time Woods burst clear and slotted home into the corner to put Waveney ahead.

One-nil up at the break, Waveney knew they were in a battle and after Meades made a fantastic one-on-one stop, the visitors failed to defend another Rangers break to concede the leveller. Unfortunately all the hard work that Waveney had put-in was quickly undone when a combination of individual errors and lack of concentration saw Rangers add two more. To their credit, Waveney continued to press and forced a series of corners and free-kicks from which French, Mahoney and Butler all had chances, but the hosts' more clinical finishing was ultimately the difference between the two closely-matched teams.