

U12 Ipswich & Suffolk Open Cup

Sunday 29 November, Waveney Youth U12A 7 Needham Market Phoenix A 0

Cup-holders Waveney U12A welcomed Needham Market to Denes High School on Sunday for this first round of the Suffolk Cup which saw the home team run-out comfortable winners. Needham Market defended with determination and their goalkeeper made some vital saves in a first-half which appeared to be heading for stalemate until Jermy popped-up inside the box to rifle Waveney ahead.

In the second-period Waveney played some neat and inventive football and the goals soon flowed. Mahoney's pace to latch-on to Phillips' defence-splitting pass brought the second goal before Jermy hit his second and Waveney's third with a clever lob from the edge of the box. Phillips then added a fourth from close range and Woods was desperately unlucky not to claim the goal his efforts deserved when his volley struck the post, but Nicholls reacted the quickest to strike home a fifth. Phillips then completed his brace with a fine individual effort leaving a trail of red shirts in his wake, prior to Gallant sweeping home number seven from Woods' penetrating cross.

Although well-beaten, Needham were sporting opponents and their keeper played exceptionally well despite Waveney's total dominance.