



# Fraser Valley Soccer League



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*From the Media Desk of the Fraser Valley Soccer League...*

It is down to the final four in the Pakenham Cup after the quarter finals were completed at the weekend. The Provincial Cup picture was also narrowed as the list of teams still vying for the final spot up for grabs dwindled. The other matter to be decided in the top flight remains the relegation battle and nothing was settled this week. The [FVSL Premier Review](#) has all the details about all this and more!

Much of this weekend was devoted to determining the quarter finalist of the **Presidents Cup**. Division 2A winners **Mission SC A** cruised into the last eight with an 8-1 victory over **Langley United Dragons** that featured a **Dan Hill** hatrick. Fellow first place side **Langley United Dynamo**, from 2B, also progressed, although they had a slightly tougher task against a **Langley City FC** side that was bang up for this one. It finished 3-2 for Dynamo in the end thanks in a large part to a brace by United's **Nick Geoheli**. 2A second place **Ridge Meadows SC United** progressed with a 5-0 win over 3A champions **Langley United Impact** that featured a pair of goals each from **Noah Jackson** and **Bela Pioca**, but 2B second place side **North Surrey Mustangs A** saw they cup quest halted by **Poco FC Titans** thanks to braces from **David Gregoris** and **Josh Marcinkow** which delivered a 4-2 win. Perhaps the most eye-catching results of the round were a pair of upsets by Division 3 teams that ousted both of the third place Div. 2 sides. **Connor Hadath** played the giant killer for **Ridge Meadows SC Rowdies** with his two goals providing a 2-1 win for the Rowdies over 2B side **Surrey FC Punjab** while a goal by **Tajinder Grewal**, who has scored in every round of the cup so far, provided the foundation for **Pacific United FC** to stun former cup winners **Abbotsford United B** and advance on penalties. As those Cinderella stories continued, sadly, for the lone remaining Division 4 side in the competition, **Ridge Meadows SC Folly**, the clock struck midnight and they fell 4-1 to Div. 2 side **WRU Vault FC** who were led by two goals from **Allen Sorrell** in the win.

Our Match of the Week was the preliminary match of the **Masters A Cup** where Masters 2 champions **Ridge Meadows SC Wolves** were hosting Masters 1 team, **WRU South Surrey FC**. The teams exchanged goals with South Surrey's **Sam Jones** on target while **George Zaspal** had the tally for the Wolves. The teams could not be separated at full time so penalties were required it was the underdog Masters 2 side that came through in the clutch, sending Ridge Meadows to the semi-finals and leaving them with a chance to play for a spot in the Provincial Cup. In **Masters B Cup** action, we are down to our final four. Both Masters 1 sides in the competition, **Aldergrove United Players** and **Chilliwack Rapids**, progressed with 4-2 and 5-1 wins over **Guildford FC Pacific** and **Langley United Benders**. Cup hopefuls **Whalley City** also reached the last four with a 5-1 win over **Bradner Redshirts** while it is **WRU South Surrey FC Bullets** who will represent Masters 3 in the semis after they defeated local rivals **Coastal FC Alumni**. The hero of that match was **Ivan Stockley** who picked a great time to score his first two goals of the season as he provided all of the offense for the Bullets in a 2-1 win.

After spending their respective league campaigns playing across the different FVSL divisions, the league's U21 sides got the chance to test their mettle against each other beginning with the quarter final stage of the **U21 Cup**. There was an upset on the cards as **FC Faly B U21**, who spent the season in Div. 2, defeated Div. 1 side **Premier Academy U21** in a thrilling match that ended 5-4 and saw five different scorers on target for Faly, many of them called up from the youth ranks! The other Div. 1



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sides, **TSS FC Rovers II U21** and **Surrey United SC Reds**, both progressed with comfortable wins, defeating **Mission SC U21** and **Langley United U21** 8-0 and 4-1 respectively. Rounding out the semi final field are **Abbotsford SA Graduates U21** who got goals from four different players in a 4-0 win over **Ridge Meadows SC Wolves U21**.

Another handful of **Bradner Cup** matches were played in the week, with the big result being **Langley United B** defeating **North Delta SC NEWWAY** 2-0 in the Division 1/2 Open Cup. There were a pair of upsets in the Division 3/4 Open Cup, as Div. 4 sides **Surrey FC Temple** and **Abbotsford Phoenix FC** both progressed at the expense of Div. 3 opposition. **Brandon Knoll** and **Kyle Robson** scored alongside **Angus Serfontein** to help Abbotsford advance 3-1 past **Tri City FC A**. Meanwhile, **North Surrey Mustangs B** fell 3-2 to Temple with **Dilsharan Gill** and **Greg Gopal** providing the offense for the Surrey side.

## League Play

Two **Division 1** matches were played at the weekend as the division edges towards a conclusion. **North Delta SC NEWWAY** brought their season to a close with a 2-0 win over **Abbotsford United C** that saw **Mathew Pereira** move into second place on the Golden Glove chart, finishing the campaign with six clean sheets. The important match at the bottom had **Juba FC**, who need one more point to avoid relegation, come up short in a 2-0 loss to **FC Tigers Vancouver B**. Tigers got goals from **Abdullah Ahme** and **Mohammed Dilshad** in the win. The other league match was in **Masters 3** where a pair of goals by **Brent Gillard** led the way to a 4-1 win for **Abbotsford Arsenal** over **Ridge Meadows SC Chargers**.

## MATCH OF THE WEEK

With the only head-to-head play between all the U21 teams coming in the cup, it means that the FVSL's Provincial Cup berths in that competition are handed out via the U21 Cup. To that end, the draw has served up the chance for Div. 3 high achievers Abbotsford SA Graduates to book a spot in that competition, but to do so, they will have to upset Div. 2 side FC Faly B. It was a strong fourth place finish to the season in 3A for Graduates led by the sensational goal scoring exploits of Ishminder Dhaliwal whose 29 goals were amongst the best across the entire FVSL, let alone Div. 3. For Faly B, they are led by the offensive exploits of Dylan Katshunga Djunga-Sungu. Faly can also call upon an arsenal of young youth callups who lend their energy to this side and hope to lift the club back into the competition where they finished by lifting the trophy last time it was awarded in 2019.

***Abbotsford SA Graduates v FC Faly B goes Saturday evening at 6pm at Abbotsford Secondary Turf.***

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