



# Kettering & District Charity Cup 1898-99

**Winners:** Rushden  
**Runners-up:** Kettering  
**No. of entries:** 4

The final Kettering Charity Cup competition involved just 4 teams, three from Northamptonshire and one from Leicestershire – Loughborough.

It seems fitting that Kettering were the final winners of the cup.

## Semi-Finals

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
1	6.3.1898	Loughborough	0 (0)	2 (1)	Kettering Beaver (2)	At Kettering. 1,000 spectators Loughborough missed a penalty at the last minute of the first half.
2	13.2.1898	Rushden Dunkley Hingarty AN Other	3 (1)	3 (1)	Wellingborough Williams Raby AN Other	Kettering. Small attendance.

## Semi-Final Replay

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
3	?	Rushden	W		Wellingborough	

## Final

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
4	10.4.1898	Kettering	0	0	Rushden	At Kettering. Rushden had two goals disallowed.

## Final - Replay

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
5	17.4.1898	Kettering Pell AN Other	2 (1)	1 (1)	Rushden Pendered	At Kettering. Fair attendance.

## Match Reports

### #1 KETTERING CHARITY CUP

#### SEMI-FINAL

#### KETTERING v LOUGHBOROUGH

At Kettering yesterday before one thousand spectators Kettering won the toss and attacked vigorously, the Loughborough custodian having to save twice in succession. Ten minutes from the interval Beaver gave Kettering the lead, and next minute Loughborough failed to turn a penalty kick account. The home team continued to have the best of matters in the second half but it was not until the last minute that Beaver added a second, Kettering winning by two to nil.

*York Herald - 7 March 1899*

### #2 KETTERING CHARITY CUP

#### SEMI-FINAL ROUND

#### WELINGBOROUGH v RUSHDEN

Only a small attendance witnessed the meeting of these cubs at Kettering. Rushden had a strong wind behind them in the first half, and the weak defence of the Wellingborough backs allowed Dunkley to open the scoring for Rushden two minutes after the start. Before the interval, however, Williams, with a soft shot,

equalised. In the second half Raby have Wellingborough the lead but Hingerty equalised, and each side scoring again, the match ended in a draw of 3 goals each.

*Daily Telegraph & Courier (London) - 14 February 1899*

#4

**FOOTBALL**  
**KETTERING CUP.**

**KETTERING v. RUSHDEN.**

At Kettering before 2,000 spectators, in fine weather. In the first half with the wind Kettering had the best of the game, but failed to score. Rushden put through twice, but were off-side on each occasion. In the second half the game was fast and exciting. Both sides pressed hard at times. Altogether very few good shots were put in. Neither side was able to score, and the game was drawn. Result:—

Kettering .....	0
Rushden .....	0

*Nottingham Journal - Tuesday 11 April 1899*

#5

**KETTERING CUP.**

**KETTERING v. RUSHDEN.**

Played at Kettering before 2,000 spectators. Winning the toss Rushden scored a minute from the start, Kettering equalising four minutes later. Rushden pressed, but were driven back. The Rushden goal had several narrow escapes. Both teams had several fruitless corners, play slightly favouring Kettering. At the interval each side had scored once. Play was very fast in the second half. Kettering scored in eight minutes, and penned Rushden in. A fruitless penalty to Kettering was taken, who had much the best of the second moiety, Rushden only occasionally becoming dangerous. Result:—

Kettering .....	2
Rushden .....	1

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