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# HAMPSHIRE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION SENIOR CUP Season XVII - 1903/04

**HOLDERS:**  
**PORTSMOUTH RES**

Club changes since the previous competition  
New HSC entrants in this season are:

There were six new entries in the season. A Winchester F.C. last played in the H.S.C. in 1892/93 and then folded. This version of the club was formed as Winchester Swallows in 1891. South Farnborough (the football section of the South Farnborough Games Club) entered having been the Junior Cup holders. The Portsmouth & District League Division 2 champions East Southsea also took part for the first time. The service clubs were back, the R.G.A. (= Royal Garrison Artillery) were from Portsmouth whilst the Aldershot military camp had become settled again and were represented for the first time since 1899 by the 1st Scots Guards and the 2nd Grenadier Guards.

Not competing in this season having taken part in 1902/03 were:

For the first time since the competition started in 1887, all of the clubs that took part in the previous season entered.

Note:

Eastleigh had entered in previous years and appear to have changed its name to Eastleigh Athletic. The local paper tended to refer to the club as 'Athletic' prior to this season but the H.S.C. draws had added the suffix from this season.

**FIRST ROUND**  
The civilian 'first timers' are all defeated!

**SECOND ROUND**  
Eleven goal thriller is played on the Isle of Wight.

**SEMI-FINAL**  
Most comprehensive outcomes at this stage.

**FINAL**  
A win for the amateurs over professionals as Ryde repeat the outcome from their 1900 success. An appropriate name 'scored' the goal!

07/11/1903; Partlands Ground, Ryde

RYDE	2
R.G.A. (Portsmouth)	1

07/11/1903; replay 14/11/1903  
Both at Meyrick Park, Bournemouth

BOURNEMOUTH WANDERERS	2*	3
Bournemouth	1*	0

2ND GRENADIER GUARDS (Aldershot)	BYE
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07/11/1903; Park Road Ground, Farnborough

South Farnborough	1
1ST SCOTS GUARDS (Aldershot)	3

GOSPORT ATHLETIC	BYE
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07/11/1903; Fratton Park, Portsmouth

PORTSMOUTH RES	6
East Southsea	1

07/11/1903; Replay: 21/11/1903;  
Both at Roebuck Ground, Winchester

Winchester	2	2
SOUTHAMPTON RES	3	3

07/11/1903; Dutton Lane Ground, Eastleigh

EASTLEIGH ATHLETIC	7
Freemantle	2

28/11/1903; Partlands Ground, Ryde

RYDE	6
Bournemouth Wanderers	5

27/11/1903; 1st Brigade Recreation Ground, Aldershot

2nd GRENADIER GUARDS (Aldershot)	3
1st Scots Guards (Aldershot)	1

28/11/1903; Gosport Park, Gosport

Gosport Athletic	1
PORTSMOUTH RES	2

28/11/1903; The Dell, Southampton

SOUTHAMPTON RES	3
Eastleigh Athletic	0

20/02/1904; Freemantle Ground, Southampton (neutral)

RYDE	4
2nd Grenadier Guards (Aldershot)	1

19/03/1904; The Dell, Southampton (neutral)

RYDE	1
Portsmouth Res	0

10/02/1904; Fratton Park, Portsmouth (toss of a coin)

PORTSMOUTH RES	4
Southampton Res	0

**THE CUP FINAL LINE-UPS**

**Ryde**  
P. Attrill  
A. Fry  
W. Rennie  
C. J. Minns  
F. Score  
W. G. Muir  
C. Henley (Capt.)  
J. White  
F. G. Tovey  
G. Hair  
E. Williams

**Portsmouth Res**  
Harris  
A. G. Marshall  
Wilkie  
Halliday  
Chadwick  
Cooke  
R. G. Marshall  
Platt  
Rule  
W. Smith  
Holden

**Referee**  
Mr. J. Stark (London)

**Linesmen**  
Not stated

**OTHER HAMPSHIRE F.A. COMPETITION WINNERS - SEASON 1903/04**

**JUNIOR CUP FINAL:** ROYAL NAVAL DEPOT 3-0 SHIRLEY WARREN  
Saturday 19th March 1904. At Partlands Ground, Ryde. Royal Naval Depot had previously been H.S.C. entrants (in 1900/01) and they would be back in it for the next season. Shirley Warren were a Southampton area team.

**MINOR CUP FINAL:** Won by SOUTHAMPTON CAMBRIDGE who defeated PEAR TREE GREEN (another Southampton area side). The teams drew 1-1 in the first game on 12th March 1904 at Shirley Cricket Ground, Freemantle. The replay was scheduled for two weeks' later but the actual result has not yet been traced.

**SEASONAL TRIVIA - 1903/04**

The 2nd Grenadier Guards reached the Aldershot Senior Cup final but are defeated by the Army Service Corps. The Corps had been A.S.C. finalists on three previous occasions but this was their first success (they had been H.S.C. semi-finalists in three successive seasons 1897 to 1899 but hadn't entered since). .... another well known service team from the past Royal Engineers (Aldershot), twice winners of the H.S.C., took to the field again and entered the Hampshire Junior Cup. They reached the semi-final too before losing out away at that stage on what the Aldershot News reporter described as 'a turnip field at Shirley Warren'! ... Southampton are Southern League champions for the third time in four seasons.

**NOTES:**  
◊ replay ordered  
\* after extra time