Abbey are set for their fourth successive DORSET SUNDAY CHALLENGE CUP final after Sam Lanahan plundered four to conquer Talbot Rangers 5-3 after extra time in an action packed semi final. Lanahan took just three minutes to get off the mark and he almost bagged a second midway through the first half when he drove a shot against the underside of the Rangers crossbar. Lanahan's second goal eventually came ten minutes into the second half when he swept home Brad Hill's cross. Rhys Newman provided the finishing touch to a spectacular overhead effort from Will Robinson, sparking a Talbot revival but Abbey 'keeper Luke Dawe denied them with a string of excellent saves until Marcus Cullen put Rangers on terms from the penalty spot. Abbey regained the lead midway through extra time when Lanahan completed his hat-trick and Hill was again the provider when he set Lanahan up for

his fourth goal. Max Wilcock added a fifth and Mickey Hubbard had a spot kick saved by Rangers 'keeper Jack Robertson before Abdulaziz Aldhayan reduced the deficit.

Abbey's opponents in the final will be Newtown Athletic who were 4-0 winners against AFC Branksome in the other semi final with goals from Ian Male, Ben Franklin, Adam Janes, and Gary Earl.

AFC Wimborne's DORSET SUNDAY PLATE semi final against Gillingham Town Barbarians was abandoned after 30 minutes following a heavy downpour with Wimborne leading 2-0 while the other semi final between The Greyhound and Poole Borough Rovers as postponed due ti a waterlogged pitch.

HAYWARD SUNDAY LEAGUE ROUND UP - SUNDAY 8th MARCH 2020

Richie Whiting bagged a hat-trick in West Howe's 7-0 triumph over AFC Stourvale in DIVISION ONE of the HAYWARD SUNDAY LEAGUE with the other goals coming via Kyle Leach (2), Gareth Else, and Sam Davis.

JP Morgan closed the gap on the leading pair in DIVISION TWO when they just got the

better of Bournemouth Sports Mercury courtesy of Ryan Roberts and an own goal. Dean lles was the Mercury marksman.

Louis Baker struck for Shoulder of Mutton but they had to settle for a point when James Bainton earned Vienna Suttoners a 1-1 draw.

The basement battle between NMO and Tower Park also finished 1-1 with Liam Roberts' strike for NMO cancelled out by Park's James Palermo.

Tailenders Rushmere chalked up their first win of the season in DIVISION THREE when they upended Iford Park Rangers 4-0 thanks to Kevin Hennessey, Adam Nicolass, and a couple of goals from Steve Grogan.

Meanwhile Poole Wanderers were leading 1-0 at half time through Ryan Musselwhite against AFC Fiveways but a heavy downpour caused the game to be abandoned.

Ben Hatch and Joe Kimber rattled in four each and Harry Holcombe notched a hat-trick when DIVISION FOUR pacesetters Loch & Division Reserves crushed Grange Athletic 16-0 with Alex Eaton, Ben Carey, Declan Quinn, Mike Snow, and Dan Humphres also on target.

Matteo Tanganelli and Jamie Cooper bagged two each for Upton Sociedad but Kirkfield United shaded it 5-4 thanks to Liam Carpenter's second half hat-trick and further goals from Dani Mirto and Rich Pope.

Jim Crossin and Kyle Stacey both grabbed hat-tricks in Alderney Manor Reserves' 9-4 victory over Morden. Scott Logan (2) and Ashley Ayley were the other Alderney marksmen while Morden replied through Jamie Minett, Charlie Ruck, and a couple of goals from Martin Haskell.

Connor Picken's 88 th minute winner gave second placed Boscombe Celtic Reserves a vital 4-3 win over DIVISION FIVE leaders Branksome Liberal whose title hopes have been rocked by three successive defeats. Carl Phillips struck twice for Celtic with James Morris also on target while Branksome replied through Ryan Mabey, Adam Neesam, and Reece Darby. Meanwhile third placed Kraken Sports remain in contention after subduing Siemens 2-0 with both goals coming from Shane Barney.

Dave Lea, Yusuf Akanni, and Lloyd Wallen were the JP Morgan Reserves marksmen in their 3-0 success against New Milton Borough while Rob Scadding and Ashley Boyt gave Woodville Wanderers the edge 2-1 against Home Style. Liam Beddow was the Home Style scorer.

In the other Division Five game, Kyle Joyce and Jon Harris bagged two apiece for Parkstone Athletic with Dave Payne also on target but Forest United shaded it 6-5 thanks to Liam Smith, Louie Dacombe, and two each from Harvey Boothby and Reece Miller.

Ellis George led the way with a hat-trick when West Howe Reserves gave Quayside a 7-2 drubbing to go back on top of DIVISION SIX. Brandon Hamerston (2), Troy Light, and Adam Bartlett were the other West Howe marksmen with Samuel Grimes and Kai McCrow replying for Quayside.

Neil McCormack struck for Boscombe Celtic "A" but Siemens Reserves completed their campaign with a 6-1 triumph courtesy of John Armour (2), Brandon MacKinlay (2), Andy Cordial, and Dean Davis.

Second placed Ringwood Town Reds went down 2-0 to goals from Luke Betts and Lewis Wykes against Muscliff Dynamos in the UNDER 18 DIVISION. Ringwood's next game is at Hurn Bridge next Sunday afternoon (4.45 pm kick off) when they meet hundred per cent league leaders Boscombe Albion in the ENDEAVOUR CUP FINAL.