



## **Al Shorta's Greatest Moments - Number 13:**

### **Al Shorta end 10-year trophy drought with win over Al Zawraa (2013)**



16th June 2013 will go down in Al Shorta's history as the day in which they won their first trophy in ten years. The team, who were top of the league at the time, travelled to Al Shaab Stadium to face second-placed rivals Al Zawraa in a one-off cup final, the final of the Baghdad Cup (previously known as the Al Nasr Al Adheem Cup). The match was held as part of the Festival of Brotherhood, Love and Peace, and therefore the trophy is often referred to as the Brotherhood, Love and Peace Cup.

Al Shorta fielded a weakened side as many of their key players were on international duty at the time. The Harps, captained by defender Fareed Majeed on the day, defeated Al Zawraa 1-0 in a thrilling game; the goal which sealed the historic victory came when Hussein Kareem tapped the ball in on 57 minutes after the ball had rebounded off of the post from Muslem Mubarak's curling effort. Not only did this victory secure the first part of the double in the 2012-13 season, but it also gave Al Shorta the confidence to go on and complete the double by winning the league three months later.

It was the first trophy Al Shorta had won for an entire decade and Al Shorta's fans and players celebrated with great joy on the pitch, making the most of an unforgettable evening of football.

To see the goal that won Al Shorta the cup, [click here](#).

