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Riffa crowned HM the King's Cup champions

Jassim Al Shaikh, Komail Alaswad both on target for victors in second half to lift them past Al Ahli in tournament final



HH Shaikh Khalid presents HM the King's Cup to Riffa team members and officials

Supreme Council for Youth and Sports first vice-chairman and Bahrain Olympic **Committee president His Highness Shaikh** Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa attends final

Riffa claims seventh King's Cup title. Their last triumph was in 2019, which was also the last time they played in the championship game

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iffa were last night vals. crowned champions of the King's Cup.

the tournament final, played at onship game. the National Stadium in Riffa.

and Sports first vice-chairman in the competition was in 2003. and Bahrain Olympic Committee president His Highness Shai- ly contested over the first 45 kh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa minutes, and neither team were was in attendance, along with able to break the deadlock deother high-ranking BFA and club spite having some chances on officials.

Both teams later received their

Jassim Al Shaikh and Komail Shaikh finally rewarded their Alaswad were on target for the efforts with the game's opening winners. Both goals came in the goal in the 56th minute, when second half, when Riffa proved he received a pass from teamtheir supremacy over their ri- mate Mahdi Humaidan on the

With the result, Riffa claimed this year's His Majesty their seventh HM the King's Cup title. Their last triumph was in Riffa clinched the coveted title 2019, which was also the last after outclassing Al Ahli 2-0 in time they played in the champi-

Ahli were gunning for their Supreme Council for Youth ninth crown. Their last victory

> Last night's match was tighttarget.

After the interval, howevrespective awards in a ceremony. er, Riffa raised their level and Bahrain national team stars threatened multiple times. Al



Following their HM the King's Cup triumph, Riffa are in line to capture an impressive title double in the 2020/2021 national football season, as they are currently the leaders in the Nasser bin Hamad Bahrain Premier Football

League

kh then unleashed a shot that flew straight to the left of goal despite pressure from the Ahli defence.

were facing their former team, tional football season. They are having both starred for Ahli in currently also the front-runners past seasons.

second in the 77th minute with a brilliant solo effort. He did well to create some space from title-decider after defeating East his Ahli markers a few yards outside of the area, enough to be Ahli ousted last year's losing able to fire in a left-footed strike finalists Hidd 5-3 in a penalty into the bottom-right corner of the net, far from the reach of Ahli goalkeeper Abdulla Hasan Aldawadi.

other stars including Humaidan, were eliminated by Ahli.

edge of the penalty box. Al Shai- Mohammed Marhoon and Ali Madan were just narrowly off target.

Riffa's triumph in HM the King's Cup is their first major Both Al Shaikh and Humaidan accolade of the 2020/2021 nafor the title in the Nasser bin Alaswad then added Riffa's Hamad Bahrain Premier Football League.

Riffa qualified for yesterday's Riffa 2-1 in the semi-finals, while shootout.

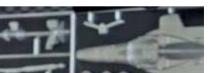
HM the King's Cup is the richest tournament in Bahrain football. Last year's winners were Riffa could have added a few Muharraq, but they were unable other goals throughout the sec- to make it past the quarter-final ond half, but attempts from their stage this season, where they

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race of the 2021 F1 season, with the a safe environment.

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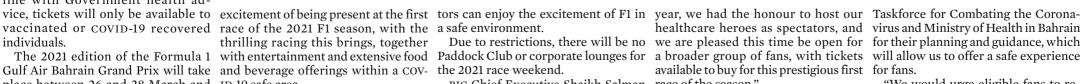
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Due to restrictions, there will be no

BIC Chief Executive Shaikh Salman race of the season." Full eligibility criteria for those wish- bin Isa Al Khalifa commented, "We are

able to launch our ticket sales today, once again giving fans the opportunity to witness the spectacle of F1. In November and December last year. we had the honour to host our healthcare heroes as spectators, and we are pleased this time be open for a broader group of fans, with tickets available to buy for this prestigious first race of the season

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