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YEOVIL Town have secured a trip to Tiverton Town in the FA Cup third qualifier on October 12.

But they survived a few scares before seeing off another Screwfix Direct League side, Taunton Town, at the second stage.

Yeovil won 5-3 at Wordsworth Drive on Monday in a replay following a goal-less draw at Huish Park on Saturday.

Monday's match attracted a crowd of 2,257 — but not even the presence of Yeovil's own stewards and police could stop fighting among spectators at the final whistle.

The Glovers were the better side on Monday, but they found themselves trailing 3-2 with 20 minutes to go. But their experience saw them through.

Yeovil opened the scoring

Crowd fight after Town win cup tie

after 27 minutes when Dean Birkby drove in following a Mickey Engwell free-kick.

Yeovil made it 2-0 in controversial fashion in the 33rd minute. Jerry Gill blatantly fouled Ben Rowe before swinging over the cross on which Paul Turner pounced.

But a slip in defence enabled Mark Cutler to pull the score back to 2-1 in the 44th minute — and two goals in two minutes from Mark Loram around the hour gave the home side the lead.

But Tony Pounder, just on

as substitute, made a superb cross for Warren Patmore to head in a 70th-minute level-

And Patmore restored Yeovil's advantage four minutes later when he latched on to a long free-kick from keeper Tony Pennock.

Gill completed the scoring in injury time with a header from a corner.

A few minutes earlier, Engwell suffered a nasty leg injury following a tackle by Ian Down.

The former Southend Unit-

ed player was stretchered off in great pain — but he was able to hobble on to the team bus.

Saturday's match attracted a crowd of 3,303 — and those spectators saw a game Taunton deserved to win.

The Peacocks stunned their hosts with some superb football, and created several good scoring opportunities.

And when it was their turn to defend, Taunton battled superbly, closing Yeovil down quickly.

Taunton made their inten-

tions plain as early as the third minute, Pennock having to palm a Tiv Lowe freekick behind. A melee developed from the resulting corner kick, and Rob Cousins cleared off the line.

Chris Moors and Patmore failed to put the ball away from excellent positions in the 37th minute, but right on the interval Cutler sent an overhead effort off a post.

Chris White headed the ball on to the top of the net, but Yeovil ended the game fortunate to obtain a draw.