



*The Rodent's Gazette*  
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# Geronimo Stilton

## **THE SUPER CUP FACE-OFF**



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One morning, I **woke up** bursting with energy. I'm usually a bit of a **lazy** mouse, but that morning I jumped out of bed before my **alarm** could even go off.

I was very **excited**. It was the day of the





championship soccer matches in the Mouse Island Super Cup tournament — and my two **favorite** teams were in the finals! Squeak!

Oops, I haven't introduced myself!

My name is Stilton,  
*Geronimo Stilton*.  
I run *The Rodent's Gazette*, the most famous newspaper on Mouse Island.

That morning, as I was saying, my **FUR** was bristling with excitement. Like everyone in New Mouse City, I'm a soccer fan, although I must admit that I'm not really an expert on the sport. My favorite team in the women's division is Turbo Cheese, which my sister, Thea,



# MY FAVORITE TEAMS!



## THE SQUEAKERS



**FOUNDER AND OWNER:**

**William Shortpaws**

**CAPTAIN:** Chip Cross

**COACH:** Fleetpaw Ratford



## TEAM TURBO CHEESE

**FOUNDER AND OWNER:**

**Bella Ball**

**CAPTAIN:** Hope Goalfur

**COACH:** Feint van der Foot







GO, SQUEAKERS! GO, TURBO!

**SUPER CUP  
FINAL**

Go, Squeakers!

Tonight's the final!

Go, Squeakers!



HELLO

GO SQUARES

Hooray!

The final is tonight!

Go, Turbo Cheese!

WATCH THE  
SUPER CUP  
FINAL  
HERE

SO



plays on. In the men's division, I **cheer** for the Squeakers, which was founded by my grandfather William Shortpaws.

**THAT EVENING, BOTH TEAMS I CHEER FOR HAD THE CHANCE TO WIN!**

I ran to the newsstand and bought every kind of sports news I could find. Then I went to have **breakfast** at my favorite café, to read all the information and expert opinions



I could about the matches.

The teams playing in the **double final** were the Squeakers versus the Mighty Mice and Turbo Cheese versus the Sewer Rats. What I learned was this:

The Mighty Mice and the Sewer Rats were two new teams, both sponsored by Madame No. **Hmm . . . how strange!**

These two teams have each won all their matches up to now. **Hmm . . . how strange!**

Every report agreed that the teams have only won their matches thanks to mysterious accidents happening to their opponents. **Hmm . . . how strange!**

# Madame No!



Madame No is the CEO of EGO Corp. (Enormously Gigantic Organization), a very powerful firm that conducts business of all kinds — even the suspicious kinds! — on Mouse Island. She wants to win, anytime, anywhere, in any way! She has only one answer to any question: “**No!**”



I was **nibbling** on the last few bits of a cheesy roll when my phone rang.

It was my sister, Thea. “Geronimo! Come to the stadium where I’m practicing with Turbo Cheese right now! **Immediately!**”

I tried to protest. “But I’m having breakfast and reading the sports pages —”

“Forget breakfast!” Thea squeaked. “We urgently need your help. Something **suspicious** is happening at the Super Cup, and if we don’t find out what’s going on, the Squeakers and Turbo Cheese could be cheated out of a win!”

My whiskers trembled with anxiety. “Moldy mozzarella! That would be terrible! I’m coming **immediately!**”

I **hurried** to pay . . . but my **WALLET** slipped out of my paws and coins fell everywhere!

# THE SPORT RAT

**Mysterious Accidents Happen  
to the Opponents of the Mighty Mice  
and the Sewer Rats!**



## **MIGHTY MICE VERSUS THE CHEESE CURDS**

The jersey all the Mighty Mice's opponents wear mysteriously extremel itchy, so the players couldn't stay on the field. *Strange!*



## **SEWER RATS VERSUS THE CHEDDAR SLICES**

The Sewer Rats' opponents mysteriously slipped on the grass! It seemed as though the soles of their shoes were covered in something. *Strange!*



## **MIGHTY MICE VERSUS THE RATZILLAS**

The Mighty Mice's opponents mysteriously broke out in purple spots and couldn't play. *Strange!*



## **SEWER RATS VERSUS THE LIGHTNING**

The soccer ball floated as though it were filled with helium, and the Sewer Rats won by scoring all headers! *Strange!*



Heeeelp!



I **hurried** to the bus . . . but my **newspapers** started flying away and I had to chase them down!

I got off the bus and **hurried** toward the stadium . . . but I slipped in a **puddle** and ended up smeared on the ground like cream cheese on a bagel!



Noooooo!



Argh!