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vs DERBY COUNTY WOMEN

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BOARDROOM

ALAN PACE

Welcome everybody to the Lancashire FA County Ground for this afternoon's game against Derby County.

Before I discuss today's game, I want to wish everyone a happy Mother's Day! I'm so grateful that you've chosen to spend the day coming to show your support for us here, and I know that the whole team are too.

I also know that they'll want to mark this special day with another successful result, even more so after the 5-1 victory against Brighouse Town in midweek.

Once again, the side played excellently and deserved the fantastic result that they got. You only have to look at some of the goals being scored by the team at the moment to see what a superb job they – and all the staff involved – are doing!

They've now won five in a row, and I know that the work is only going to continue to try and keep that run going for as long as possible.

I'd also like to praise the side for the fact that this week they marked a whole year unbeaten in the FA Women's National League. I'm reliably informed they've also only not scored in one of the 21 games in this incredible run, which is another impressive statistic!

Today they take on Derby who are 4th in the league, just a place below in the league, and I anticipate it will be a highly entertaining contest.

I hope you all enjoy the game, Up the Claret!

Alan
@AlanPaceBFC



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INTERIM HEAD COACH

JAY BRADFORD



Good afternoon all and welcome to Leyland tonight as we host Derby.

We've got to start by talking about another fantastic performance from the girls on Wednesday night here against Brighouse.

They came here on the back of eight straight wins in all competitions, and we'd also not beaten them in our three previous meetings.

For the side to go out and win in the manner that they did, scoring another five goals, made me immensely proud. It didn't come easily on the night despite what the scoreline might suggest, and the work they put in shouldn't be underestimated.

Now, we've won five games in a row ourselves and as a group of staff, we're really happy with how it's going but we know just how much work remains ahead of us if we're to make this season a special one.

Today we take on a really good side in Derby who are well drilled and have plenty of talent in their ranks. They've pushed us very close on a couple of

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occasions already this season, and if we're not on top form today, then they have the ability to punish us.

That said, I have every faith in the girls to go out and deliver another strong performance with you backing us on as you always do!

Thankyou as always for your continued support. The last thing I want to say is a very Happy Mother's Day to all those celebrating today.

Enjoy the game! UTC.

Jay

CAPTAIN

LAUREN BRACEWELL

Hi everyone, welcome back to the County Ground for today's game.

Let me start by saying Happy Mother's Day. It goes without saying sometimes but me, and most of the girls in our squad, wouldn't be where we are today without the support and love shown to us by the women in our lives!

For every lift to training when we were younger, every session they stood and watched in the pouring down rain, and every game they come to watch us at now playing for this wonderful Club, we all want to say a massive thankyou.

Onto the football, and I wanted to give praise to the side for another fantastic evening here on Wednesday as we beat Brighouse 5-1. In my notes before that game, I said we'd do everything we could to get another result like we had against Fylde here.

5-1 isn't quite 7-0, but I hope you still enjoyed it nonetheless! There were some simply fantastic individual performances, right from the defence to the forwards who showed again what they can do to put chances away when we create them.

The first-team also won 3-1 at Hull City the same night, and I think it's fair to say that at the minute it's so good to be a Claret!

We've still got a lot of hard work to put in before this season is over though. Five wins in a row now is something we'll reflect on positively, but they mean little if we don't continue to back them up with more performances and points.

Today as we come against Derby, who are a really good outfit, we know we'll have to be on top form to come out with the result that we want.

We'll take into the game what we've learned from our two previous games against them this season, the two victories in those games, and the fact that we'll have you backing us like

always here at the County Ground this afternoon.

Thank you so much for your support, it really does mean a lot to me and the girls.

This is my Club, my town, and my team. It means more.

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Lauren



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LAST TIME OUT HOME

CLARET WOMEN SCORE FIVE ONCE AGAIN TO SEE OFF TOWN

Netting five for the second consecutive game, Burnley FC Women secured all three points with a 5-1 victory over Brighouse Town at the County Ground, Leyland in FA Women's National League North action.

Jay Bradford's side took the lead through Millie Ravening early on, only to be pegged back by Lucy Sowerby's leveller for the visitors moments later, both within the opening 10 minutes of the game.

Ravening though struck again to put Burnley back in front before the break, and Evie Priestley also got on the scoresheet. Leah Embley & Dom Cooper then added goals in the second half to see the side through to a fifth successive win in the league.

In addition, the victory meant that the Claret Women would mark a whole year unbeaten in the FA Women's National League, last losing a game in the division on 16th March 2022.

FIRST HALF

Visitors Brighouse saw the first chance of the game fall their way as Monique Watson drove towards the Burnley goal before slipping through Drew Greene who pulled a fantastic save out of Lauren Bracewell in a one-on-one situation.

The Claret Women however bounced back and were in front moments later through Ravening as Cooper crossed low towards the middle of the area and the ball was deflected into the path of the midfielder who volleyed home.

Burnley almost made it two moments later as Embley dinked a cross to the back post where Laura Elford was inches away from tapping home, and

they were made to rue that missed chance as Town levelled a minute later when Sowerby latched onto a deflection to tap the ball past Bracewell, despite appearing offside.

The Claret Women had a few half chances before the half-hour mark with Priestley prodding a strike wide and Town 'keeper Becky Flaherty denying Ravening twice.

Burnley's pressure eventually told as they were in front shortly after when Ravening struck oncemore, beating the defender with a brilliant drop of the shoulder, driving into the box, and finishing coolly past Flaherty.

And the Clarets made it three before the break as Priestley headed home at the back post following a dinked, establishing a two-goal advantage.

SECOND HALF

Burnley started the second half as strong as they finished the first with Embley adding a fourth goal with a powerful strike from the edge of the area.

Cooper's super strike from 35 yards out, that flew over Flaherty, made it five for the Clarets as they began to run away with the game with over half an hour to go.

Priestley almost got her second of the game as she rattled the crossbar from just inside the area in between Ravening seeing a shot deflected wide and Cooper being denied a second by Flaherty.

Elford almost joined the party of scorers as she struck just wide from the edge of the area in what proved to be the last action of the game, as the Claret Women secured a comfortable win.



**BURNLEY 5
BRIGHOUSE
TOWN 1**
15.03.2023

Burnley: Bracewell © (Farrell '81), Cooper, Marshall, Walsh, Molinari, Miller, Embley (Willis '73), Ravening, Hamer (Coleman-Evans '81), Elford, Priestley (S Greenhalgh '73)
Unused Subs: O Greenhalgh

Brighouse: Flaherty, Bamforth, Greene, Legge ©, Dean, Cass, Greene, Kemp, Woodhouse, Sowerby, Watson
Unused Subs: Clayton, Belding, Wilcock, Marley-Paraskevas

Goals: Ravening, '3 & '32, Sowerby, '8, Priestley, '43, Embley '49, Cooper, '53





CLARET WOMEN STRIKE LATE AGAINST LIGHTNING TO RETURN TO WINNING WAYS

Burnley FC Women were victorious on the road in their first league game for close to three months, winning 2-1 at Loughborough Lightning with a 94th minute winner from Emma Taylor.

In a frantic second half, Ellie York hammered in her second goal of the season 10 minutes after Lightning captain Kayleigh Hines was sent-off for a poor challenge on Ella Kinzett.

Loughborough equalised from the penalty spot through Georgia Stevens, before a last-minute scramble following a corner was looped in by Taylor on the line to secure the three points.

FIRST HALF

Burnley started the better as Ravening went close with a strike from the edge of the area, and only goalkeeper Kiya Webb denied her from putting Burnley in front soon after with another effort.

York and Ella Kinzett also came close to opening the scoring as Burnley side continued to assert their dominance in the early stages of the game.

Priestley was the next to carve out an opportunity, Webb scrambling well to keep out an overhead kick from a free-kick whipped in by Dom Cooper.

Webb was again on hand to deny Ravening from a free-kick before the first half was out, while Lizzie Hamer's looping effort from range bounced on top of the net rather than underneath the crossbar with the sides level heading into the interval.

SECOND HALF

Lauren Bracewell comfortably saved an early second half header from

Lightning defender Mikayla Wildgoose before Loughborough captain Hines, who had already been booked, saw a straight red for her reckless challenge on Kinzett.

Before the Claret Women could make their player advantage count though, new signing Elford was sin-binned for adjudged dissent, shown a yellow card and given 10 minutes off the pitch as a result.

Burnley however did go in front through full-back York on 64 minutes. After Hamer crossed in from the left and Priestley flicked on, York was on hand to hammer home from an acute angle at the back post.

Goalscorer York was then adjudged to have fouled a Lightning forward in the box at the other end and Stevens stepped up to convert the equaliser from the penalty spot.

As Elford returned to the field, Burnley almost put themselves back in front through Priestley who did well to work an effort when surrounded by numerous Loughborough bodies, but her effort dropped just wide.

And deep into time added on, when it looked as though the Claret Women would be forced to settle for a point despite their dominance, the winner came.

Cooper's corner bounced around the area before centre back Taylor adjusted well with quick reactions to loop the ball back over her shoulder and into the back of the net.



**LOUGHBOROUGH 1
BURNLEY 2**
05.02.2023

Loughborough: Webb, Strauss, Wildgoose (Sharpe '66), Walters, Taft, Hateley, Hines ©, Edwards (Johnson HT), Powell, Stevens, Middleton (Richardson '90+1)

Unused Subs: Harder, Habbits

Burnley: Bracewell, York, Taylor, Walsh, Cooper, Brown (Aherne '73), Kinzett, Ravening, Hamer, Priestley, Elford (Embley '76)

Unused Subs: Molinari, May, S Greenhalgh

Goals: York, '64, Stevens, '69, Taylor, '90+4



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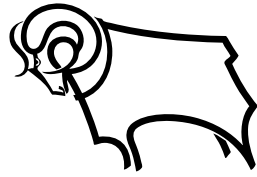


Founding members of the Midland Combination League, the Ewe Rams recruited their first official junior squads at the turn of the millennium, a landmark moment with the Club in the current day the largest for females in the Derbyshire area with teams at every age level from U8s upwards.

2008/09 was another landmark campaign for County, who won the League Cup &

league double, promoted up to the Women's Premier League which – at the time – was the highest tier of women's football in the UK.

Surviving their first season in the top flight with a dramatic comeback at Aston Villa in the penultimate game. They would remain there until the end of the 2012/13 campaign when the Women's Super League was formed, and their application to join that division was rejected.



Strengthening off the pitch consistently, without success on it, the side eventually moved to Mickleover Sports FC's Don Amott Arena in January 2016. And Sam Griffiths became head coach ahead of the 2018/19 season after a long association with the Club as a player.

With four finishes inside the top 4 of the FA Women's National League Northern Premier Division to date, including a 2nd-

placed finish last term, Derby are now a stakeholder in Mickleover FC meaning the women's team have a permanent home for their matches.

On International Women's Day, it was also confirmed that from next season, the women will be integrated fully into Derby County Football Club for next season, another positive step forwards.



SQUAD

2022/23

1. LAUREN **BRACEWELL** © (GK)
2. ELLIE **YORK**
3. OLIVIA **WILSON**
4. GEORGIA **MARSHALL**
5. LARA **MILLER**
6. LAURA **ELFORD**
7. LEAH **EMBLEY**
8. ALANTA **BROWN**
9. EVIE **PRIESTLEY**
10. LIZZIE **HAMER**
11. COURTNEY **WILLIS**
13. DOM **COOPER**
14. MILLIE **RAVENING**
15. ELLIE **MAY**
16. LUCY **WALSH**
17. LUCIA **MOLINARI**
18. SARAH **GREENHALGH**
19. DANIELLE **DEEHAN**
21. LOU LOU **NEWTON**
22. MEG **BOYDELL**
23. OLIVIA **GREENHALGH**
24. ISABELLE **KERSHAW**
25. AIMEE **KELLY**
26. LUCY **FARRELL** (GK)
27. HOLLIE **KELSH**
30. AMAYA **COLEMAN-EVANS**
31. ELLA **KINZETT**
32. ALYSSA **AHERNE**
33. EMMA **TAYLOR**
JESS **SIMPSON**

FAVOURITE FACT FILE

WITH LARA MILLER

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION...

Port de Sóller in Mallorca because it's where I went on holiday a lot with my family growing up.

FAVOURITE FOOD...

Steak and pasta with garlic bread, that's usually what I'll eat the night before a game as well. It's definitely my favourite dish.

FAVOURITE SONG...

'2all' by Catfish and the Bottlemen, but the music I like in general is quite varied.

FAVOURITE THING TO DO ON YOUR DAY OFF...

I love a bit of live music or sport, but mostly I'll just be chilling with my family & friends.

FAVOURITE PLAYER...

In the men's game it's Casemiro, and in the women's it's Kiera Walsh. Both are ridiculous talents, and of course midfielders like me!

FAVOURITE MOMENT IN FOOTBALL...

I won the FA Youth Cup in my younger days, and had all my family in the stands watching the final. That's something I'll never forget, it's probably the pinnacle of youth football really!





The FA Women's
National League

TABLE 2022-23

Pos.	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Nottingham Forest Women	17	13	2	2	67	17	50	41
2	Wolverhampton Wanderers Women	16	12	2	2	47	15	32	38
3	Burnley Women	15	11	4	0	48	17	31	37
4	Derby County Women	16	10	2	4	40	22	18	32
5	Brighouse Town Women	18	7	5	6	24	22	2	26
6	Stoke City Women	17	7	2	8	24	31	-7	23
7	Huddersfield Town Women	14	5	3	6	24	26	-2	18
8	West Bromwich Albion WFC	15	4	4	7	20	28	-8	16
9	Liverpool Feds	16	4	3	9	22	37	-15	15
10	AFC Fylde Women	16	3	5	8	16	46	-30	14
11	Boldmere St. Michaels Women	17	3	1	13	19	51	-32	10
12	Loughborough Lightning Women	17	0	3	14	8	47	-39	3

FIXTURES RESULTS

AUGUST

SUN 21	A	DERBY COUNTY	2-3
SUN 28	H	STOKE CITY	1-0
WED 31	A	AFC FYLDE	2-4

SEPTEMBER

SUN 4	H	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	3-3
SUN 18	A	BOLDMERE ST MICHAELS	2-3
SUN 25	A	HULL CITY FAWNL Cup Determining Rd	1-3

OCTOBER

SUN 2	A	WOLVES	1-3
SUN 9	H	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	1-1
WED 12	A	BRIGHOUSE TOWN	1-1
SUN 23	H	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	2-2
SUN 30	A	LIVERPOOL FEDS FAWNL Cup R1	1-5

NOVEMBER

SUN 6	A	LIVERPOOL FEDS	0-7
SUN 13	A	TRANMERE ROVERS Vitality Women's FA Cup R1	0-9
SUN 20	A	AFC FYLDE Lancashire Women's Sr Cup QF	2-4
SUN 27	A	CHEADLE TOWN STINGERS Vitality Women's FA Cup R2	0-1

DECEMBER

SUN 4	A	DERBY COUNTY FAWNL Cup R2	2-3
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JANUARY

SUN 8	H	NORWICH CITY Vitality Women's FA Cup R3	1-0
SUN 22	A	NOTTINGHAM FOREST FAWNL Cup QF	2-1
SUN 29	H	CARDIFF CITY Vitality Women's FA Cup R4	1-4

FEBRUARY

SUN 5	A	LOUGHBOROUGH LIGHTNING	1-2
SUN 12	H	LOUGHBOROUGH LIGHTNING	1-0
WED 22	H	AFC FYLDE	7-0
SUN 26	A	BLACKBURN CSC Lanc Women's Sr Cup SF	BYE

MARCH

SUN 5	H	BOLDMERE ST MICHAELS	5-1
WED 15	H	BRIGHOUSE TOWN	5-1
SUN 19	H	DERBY COUNTY	
SUN 26	H	WOLVES	

APRIL

SUN 2	A	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	
WED 5	A	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	
SUN 9	A	STOKE CITY	
WED 12	N	AFC DARWEN Lanc Women's Snr Cup Final	
SUN 16	A	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	
SUN 30	H	LIVERPOOL FEDS	

* fixtures are subject to change



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Burnley Women

INTERIM HEAD COACH: Jay Bradford

1	Lauren Bracewell © (GK)	■
2	Ellie York	■
3	Olivia Wilson	■
4	Georgia Marshall	■
5	Lara Miller	■
6	Laura Elford	■
7	Leah Embley	■
8	Alanta Brown	■
9	Evie Priestley	■
10	Lizzie Hamer	■
11	Courtney Willis	■
13	Dom Cooper	■
14	Millie Ravening	■
15	Ellie May	■
16	Lucy Walsh	■
17	Lucia Molinari	■
18	Sarah Greenhalgh	■
19	Danielle Deehan	■
21	Lou Lou Newton	■
22	Meg Boydell	■
23	Olivia Greenhalgh	■
24	Isabelle Kershaw	■
25	Aimee Kelly	■
26	Lucy Farrell (GK)	■
27	Hollie Kelsh	■
30	Amaya Coleman-Evans	■
31	Ella Kinzett	■
32	Alyssa Aherne	■
33	Emma Taylor	■
	Jess Simpson	■



Derby County Women

MANAGER: Sam Griffiths

1	Imogen Maguire	■
2	Amy Sims	■
3	Megan Tinsley	■
4	Megan Clarkson	■
5	Sarah Jackson	■
6	Ella Hilliard	■
7	Emelia Wilson	■
8	Emily Joyce	■
9	Anita Gaspar	■
10	Hannah Ward	■
11	Keira Barry	■
12	Camille Jenkins	■
13	Sarah Morgan	■
14	Becky McGrother	■
15	Kira Rai	■
16	Marli Rhodes-Andrews	■
17	Jess Camwell	■
19	Iesha Rollins	■
24	Molly Sutherland	■

Next Games

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WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS WOMEN

Sunday 26th March 2023
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Referee:
Jason Smith



Assistant Referee 1:
Lewis Atkinson



Assistant Referee 2:
Richard Braithwaite