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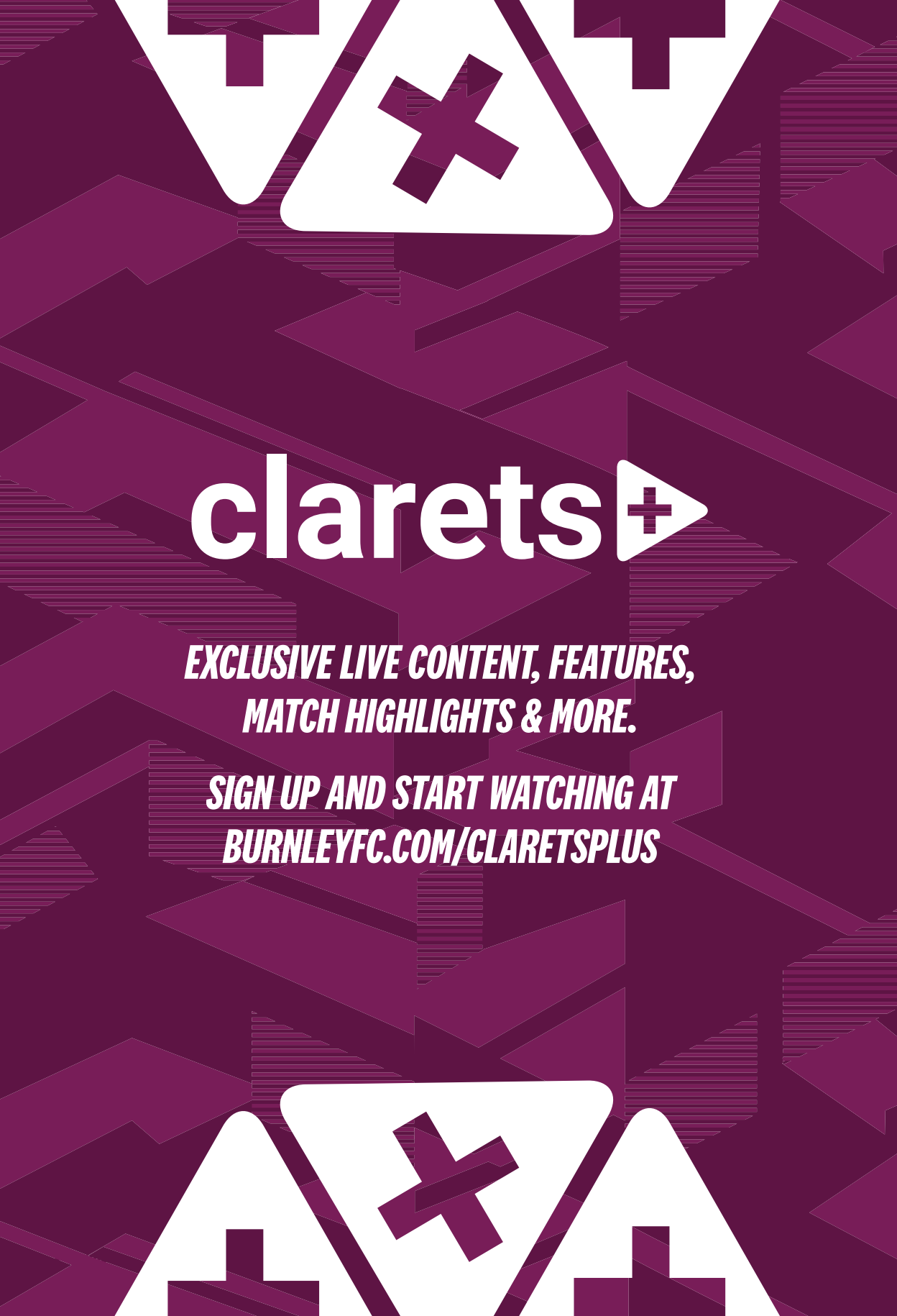
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INSIDE TURF



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HEAD OF WOMEN'S FOOTBALL LOLA OGUNBOTE

Welcome everyone to today's game against Nottingham Forest Women.

What a great start to the season it's been for us here at Burnley FC Women, we go into today's game still unbeaten in the league, winning against Liverpool Feds, AFC Fylde and Huddersfield Town and drawing with Wolverhampton Wanderers.

It's a fantastic start, and it's only testament to the hard work that Rebecca and the playing staff have put in pre-season and on the training pitch, and it's brilliant to see that shown in the early results.

It's been a busy period of games since you last joined us at the Lancashire

FA County Ground, with the games against Fylde and Huddersfield taking place. We put in a fantastic performance against the former, on a Thursday night, at a ground that is tough to go to and get anything from, as we came out 3-0 winners.

We went one better away from home once more last Sunday, beating Huddersfield 5-1 and special mentions go out to Aimee Kelly who netted two against Fylde, and Millie Ravening who achieved the same feat three days later.

Whilst we are aware we have made an extremely strong start to the season, we also know that there is a long season ahead, and hopefully we can keep up the same standards as we progress

through the season, however it is pleasing to see such a strong start.

It was brilliant to see so many of your faces turn out to support the team in our first home game against Wolverhampton Wanderers, we had a great crowd and it helped push the players on to secure a draw against tough opposition. We'd like to encourage all supporters to come down and support the team for the rest of the season.

I hope to see just as many of you, if not more, cheering the team on here today, and your support is always massively appreciated.

Up the Clarets!

Lola



REBECCA SAWIUK



Good afternoon, and welcome back to Leyland for our second home game of the season, as we welcome Nottingham Forest Women, following our great start to the campaign.

We saw a hard-fought draw against Wolverhampton Wanderers here last time out in front of a fantastic crowd, it was brilliant to see so many of you turn out to support our women's team and I hope we can keep up these types of crowds throughout the season.

Since then, we have travelled to AFC Fylde on a Thursday night and secured an impressive 3-0 victory at an extremely tough ground to get anything

from, the girls put in a terrific performance and were well worthy of their win.

We then followed that up with a 5-1 triumph over Huddersfield Town away from home, which is again a tricky game on paper, but the girls were well up to the challenge and that showed within the result.

As good as our start to the season has been, it's important to stress that we are very early into the season and the hard work does not stop here and will continue.

Each game has posed a different test to our players so far, and I strongly believe that will

continue to be the case for the remainder of the season.

We know how good of a side Nottingham Forest can be, as most of our team saw first-hand last season, but we've trained well this week and are ready to take on the task that is put before us.

Thank you to the fans as always for your amazing support, it means so much to myself, the staff, and the players.

Together we can keep our unbeaten run going!

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Rebecca



ALETHEA PAUL *CAPTAIN*

Hello and welcome back to the County Ground in Leyland, it was fantastic to see so many of you coming down to support us in our last home game against Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Thank you on behalf of the team, as your support helped us secure that hard-fought draw. It was nice to see so many younger girls at our games, as we would like to play a part in inspiring the next generation of potential future Burnley FC Women players.

Since the last home game, we have travelled to Fylde and battled to a 3-0 victory and also had a trip to Huddersfield where we won 5-1.

Those two results will only help to give us more confidence going forward as the fixtures, and hopefully the wins, continue to flow.

The girls know how tough an opponent Nottingham Forest will be and we have once again trained hard during the week ahead of the game and are ready for the test in front of us and are ready to put in a strong performance.

We had three tough games against Forest last season, so we're fully focused on getting the job done today.

As always, it is an honour to

be able to lead these girls out onto the pitch, and we've got a really strong group here and are looking forward to another strong season in the FA Women's National League North.

Up the Clarets!

Alethea





LAST TIME OUT

CLARETS HELD BY WOLVES IN HOME OPENER



Burnley FC Women were held to a 1-1 draw by visitors Wolverhampton Wanderers at the Lancashire FA County Ground in FA Women's National League North action.

Leah Embley opened the scoring for the Claret Women, before Anna Morphet struck a spectacular free-kick from distance which meant the points were shared.

The Clarets made one change from the loss against Newcastle United, with Georgia Marshall returning to the side in place of the injured Lara Miller.

Laura Elford returned to the bench after missing the first two games through injury.

FIRST HALF

Wolves had the first real chances of the game, with Amber Hughes heading a free-kick straight at Kirstie Levell and Beth Roberts hammered a strike over from distance.

The Clarets began to build a way back into the game, after the visitors saw a lot of the ball early on, and Alethea Paul drove down the left before playing in Aimee Kelly, who struck just wide on the turn and following that Brenna McPartlan hammered a strike just over the top.

Beth Merrick sent a low strike towards goal from distance, that was tame and held easily by Levell, as the game continued to be tight heading towards the half hour mark.

Moments later, Leah Embley found space down the right and drove towards goal, but her strike was inches past the far post.

The best chances of the first half came in last five minutes,

as firstly, a cross looped to the back post landed on the head of midfielder McPartlan, who nodded just wide of the target and Beth Merrick broke in behind but was denied by a superb block from the returning Marshall.

The defender was then unfortunately forced off with a head injury just before the break.

SECOND HALF

Rhema Lord-Mears tried her luck with a chip from distance early in the second half, after Millie Ravening had done well to beat her marker, but the strike dropped into the hands of Shan Turner.

Kelly then found space in the box but saw her low shot blocked, as the Clarets began to gain a strong foothold in the game.

Burnley would find the breakthrough, as captain Paul's cross caused all sorts of problems for the Wolves defence, and Leah Embley came in at the back post to fire into the empty net.

The visitors were level soon after, however, as Anna Morphet struck a free kick from 30 yards out that flew into the top corner.

The Clarets had a penalty shout turned down by the referee ten minutes later, as Embley thought she'd been brought down, but the decision went the other way.

Ravening nodded down for Laura Elford with minutes to go, but the forward's effort dropped just past the post.

That proved to be the last action of the 90, as the points were shared in the Claret Women's home opener.



BURNLEY 1 WOLVES 1 03.09.2023

Burnley: Levell, Cooper, Marshall (Deehan '45+4), Wildgoose, Paul, McPartlan, Lord-Mears, Embley, Ravening, Hamer (Coleman-Evans '88), Kelly (Elford '69)
Unused Subs: Farrell, Francis-Jones

Wolves: Turner, Wilson, Morphet, George, Will, Dermody @ (Ferguson '68), Hughes (J Cross '84), Johnson, Toussaint, Roberts, Merrick
Unused Subs: E. Cross, Dicken, Fryer

Goals: Embley, '62, Morphet, '70



LAST TIME OUT

CLARETS SECURE BACK-TO-BACK AWAY WINS



Burnley FC Women secured back-to-back wins with an emphatic 5-1 victory against Huddersfield Town Women at The Staffex Arena.

Four different goalscorers managed to get on the scoresheet in what was a thrilling encounter in Yorkshire.

Manager Rebecca Sawiuk made three changes to the side that beat AFC Fylde midweek with Georgia Marshall, Lizzie Hamer and Dom Cooper replacing Maria Francis-Jones, Rhema Lord-Mears, and Danielle Deehan.

FIRST HALF

The warning signs began pretty early on for the Terriers with lovely link-up play between Amaya Coleman-Evans and Laura Elford creating goalscoring chances for both Millie Ravening and Dom Cooper.

Coleman-Evans also came close herself in the opening ten minutes with a bending effort which narrowly flew over the bar.

However, Huddersfield Town also had opportunities in the opening stages with Kia Montgomery causing the Clarets backline all sorts of problems as she made several runs down the right-hand side of the pitch.

It was Huddersfield who came closest to opening the scoring just 20 minutes into the game as they were awarded a free-kick on the edge of the box after Ravening fouled Charlotte Gill. Dolcie O'Connor perfectly placed her curling shot however, a stunning diving save from Clarets keeper Kirstie Levell kept the Terriers at bay.

The Clarets found the deadlock 30 minutes in as last season's top goalscorer Millie Ravening poked home the opening goal. Millie beat the defender to the ball, but her initial effort was snuffed out by the Huddersfield keeper, Olivia Conway. However, when Conway lost control Ravening wasn't going to miss a second time and she put the Clarets ahead.

Huddersfield responded instantly as Fetruz Abdullahi fired a close-range effort past Levell to equalise for the hosts.

End-to-end action followed the two goals with both sides creating chances to go ahead. However, when Ravening won a free-kick just outside the box an absolute peach of a curling shot found the top-left corner leaving Conway with no chance.

SECOND HALF

Half-time came with the Clarets leading 2-1 and Captain Alethea Paul almost made it 3-1 two minutes into the second half.

Laura Elford picked up a loose ball in the middle of the field and made a mazy run down the right wing. She picked out Coleman-Evans who laid on the ball to Paul and her driving strike just shaved the outside of the post.

What started out as a scorching afternoon soon turned damp as the rain began to pour down in the second-half.

Coleman-Evans's fine performance was soon rewarded with a goal as her outrageous looping shot beat the keeper and flew under the bar to make it 3-1 to the Clarets.

Two minutes later and substitute Maria Francis-Jones made it 4-1

as she latched onto a loose ball and confusion at the back for Huddersfield saw Francis-Jones win the ball and slot in her first and the Clarets fourth of the afternoon.

Huddersfield Town piled on the pressure in the final stages but solid defensive blocks from both Marshall and Mikayla Wildgoose kept the Terriers out. Levell also stood strong in goal with a series of commanding collections from Huddersfield's corners and crosses.

Another Clarets substitution, Rhema Lord-Mears rounded off the afternoon for the Clarets. Francis-Jones turned the Huddersfield defence inside-out with a fantastic run and her cross found Lord-Mears, who did well to find the bottom corner and round off an impressive away performance from the Clarets.

HUDDERSFIELD 1 BURNLEY 5 10.09.23

Huddersfield Town: Conway, Stanfield (Harness '69), Ibbotson, Mallin, O'Connor (Nsangou '64), Abdullahi (Devins '79), Montgomery (Walton '59), Mason, Fletcher, Mason, Gill (McMahon '69)
Unused Subs: None

Burnley: Levell, Paul, McPartlan, Marshall, Wildgoose, Embley (Francis-Jones '52), Hamer, Elford (Kelly '60), Coleman-Evans (Lord-Mears '75), Cooper, Ravening
Unused Subs: Farrell, Deehan

Goals: Ravening '31 & '40, Coleman-Evans '61, Francis-Jones '63, Lord-Mears '84, Abdullahi '34 Ferguson, '118



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INTRODUCING **NOTTINGHAM FOREST**

Nottingham Forest Women's Football Club was established in 1990, when the club's foundations were created, and have drastically developed over the past 32 years.

The squad is a highly competitive side with back-to-back winning titles such as the FA Women National League Cup and the FA National League Northern Premier Division both in 2022/23.

To begin with, the female Forest team was known to be playing in the Notts and Derby League in the 1970s, but the club's known form was created in 1990.

The club was made up of volunteers, from players to administration and these roles were fulfilled by the constant early advertising in the male match-day programmes.

However, the support

of the Nottinghamshire fans enabled the club to grow its competitive nature and form a bigger establishment.

In 1996 Donna Hilton and Lisa Dawkins put in place a Nottingham Forest WFC Junior programme, which created a new generation of female players to feed into the women's squad.

Not only did this allow the squad to become more inspiring toward young female players, enabled the established structure to grow.

Within the first two decades, The Reds picked up over nine club honours, starting in 1999 with the Unison East Midlands League Cup to winning the FA Northern Premier League in 2007/08.

By the early 2000s Nottingham Forest Women had developed into an influential role model for

other female clubs.

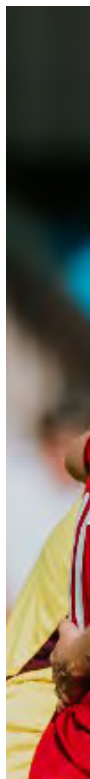
Holding multiple National FA Awards in media reflected the impact that the club was having upon the progression of female football.

Proceeding to the 2007/08 season, it was the first success on the pitch in the FA FPL Northern Division as the Reds picked up a 5-1 victory against Sheffield Wednesday in their last game of the season.

Moreover, in 2010/11 they recorded their highest placing within the National League by finishing second behind Sunderland.

Despite reaching the FA Women's Premier League Cup final in 2011, they lost out to Barnet on penalties.

In 2019, Andrew Cook was appointed as the first full-time women's manager and was responsible for





the day-to-day management, taking charge of over 100 matches.

He led The Reds to three pieces of major silverware, securing the FA Women's National League Plate in 2022 and the Women's National League North twice.

His involvement with the club ended before this year's season began.

The 2019/20 season saw Nottingham Forest take a major step towards establishing the women's team.

The club created a new approach by refusing the word 'Ladies' within their name and rebranding the women's logo to be identical to the men's.

By rebranding it extended the club's one-club look, showing

the importance of the fast-expanding women's team.

A new beginning started with Carly Davies, as she was appointed as Nottingham Forest Women's Head Coach in August 2023.

Davies has over 20 years of experience at Aston Villa, in both playing and coaching roles.

Her previous knowledge of the Women's Super League and Championship will help her in her current role.

The Reds have had a solid start to the season picking up seven wins in the opening two months.

The squad has shown their strong capabilities in their home games, which are now located at Grange Park.

The Reds moved from

Eastwood Park, following a four-year stint with that as their home ground.

At home matches The Reds have secured a 1-0 over Sunderland AFC Women, a 7-0 victory against Stourbridge Ladies, and 3-0 against AFC Fylde Women.

They have also been strong away from home winning against West Bromwich Albion WFC, Solihull Moors Women, and Sheffield United Women.

The team has progressed throughout their years with huge amounts of success throughout their journey.

They continue to push women's football within their club to inspire and educate the younger generation of players.



SQUAD

2023/24

- 1. LAUREN BRACEWELL (GK)**
- 2. MARIA FRANCIS-JONES**
- 3. ALETHEA PAUL ©**
- 4. BRENNA MCPARTLAN**
- 5. GEORGIA MARSHALL**
- 6. MIKAYLA WILDGOOSE**
- 7. LEAH EMBLEY**
- 8. LIZZIE HAMER**
- 9. EVIE PRIESTLEY**
- 10. LAURA ELFORD**
- 11. AMAYA COLEMAN-EVANS**
- 12. RHEMA LORD-MEARS**
- 13. DOM COOPER**
- 14. MILLIE RAVENING**
- 15. LARA MILLER**
- 16. LUCY WALSH**
- 17. COURTNEY WILLIS**
- 18. HOLLIE KELSH**
- 19. DANIELLE DEEHAN**
- 21. ISABELLA REIDFORD**
- 25. AIMEE KELLY**
- 26. LUCY FARRELL (GK)**
- 27. MEG BOYDELL**
- 28. KIRSTIE LEVELL (GK)**

KIRSTIE LEVELL

PLAYER INSIGHT

What are your first memories of football?

Playing out in the street and on the football field opposite my house, I'd be out from 9 in the morning until my mum shouted me in for tea, and then back out again until dark.

What are your memories of joining Burnley?

Burnley are on a journey and I'm happy to be a part of it, everything's in place for us from the staff to the working environment and I'm excited to see what we can achieve together this season.

Growing up, did you only play football, or did you play other sports?

I tried everything from hockey, swimming and karate, in which I have a black belt, but I knew football was what I wanted to spend my nights doing. I loved all sports and still do.

Did you have any idols that you looked up to?

My dad liked trying to make me watch a lot of Manchester United, as that's his team, and he always told me to watch

Edwin Van Der Sar, who was in goal at the time, so I liked picking up on things that he did well.

Have you always been a goalkeeper or did you play in different positions?

I started playing as an outfielder but ran around like a bit of a 'headless chicken' and didn't stay in just one position. One week our goalkeeper got injured, so I tried going in goal and loved it, so from then that's what I did.

What are your memories of watching football live?

My dad used to take me to watch Tranmere Rovers and I absolutely loved going there and I then went to a few games at Anfield and the atmosphere there is great.

What is one stand-out moment of your career so far?

I would say receiving my first senior call-up to the Scotland Women's national team – that was a very proud moment. Either that or winning the FA Women's Championship twice – once with Leicester and once with Everton.



Pos.	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Burnley Women	4	3	1	0	12	4	8	10
2	Nottingham Forest Women	3	3	0	0	14	2	12	9
3	Liverpool Feds	4	3	0	1	12	9	3	9
4	Wolverhampton Wanderers Women	3	2	1	0	6	2	4	7
5	Newcastle United Ladies	2	2	0	0	7	1	6	6
6	Halifax FC Women	2	1	1	0	4	3	1	4
7	Derby County Women	3	1	0	2	10	6	4	3
8	Stoke City Women	4	1	0	3	9	11	-2	3
9	West Bromwich Albion WFC	3	1	0	2	5	7	-2	3
10	Huddersfield Town Women	4	1	0	3	5	12	-7	3
11	Stourbridge Ladies	4	0	1	3	4	20	-16	1
12	AFC Fylde Women	4	0	0	4	3	14	-11	0

THE FA WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE FIXTURES



The FA Women's

2023/24

AUGUST

20 **A** LIVERPOOL FEDS 3-2

SEPTEMBER

3 **H** WOLVES 1-1
7 **A** AFC FYLDE 0-3
10 **A** HUDDERSFIELD TOWN 1-5
17 **H** NOTTINGHAM FOREST
24 **A** NEWCASTLE UNITED

OCTOBER

8 **H** STOURBRIDGE
11 **H** HALIFAX
22 **A** STOKE CITY

NOVEMBER

5 **H** WEST BROMWICH ALBION

DECEMBER

3 **A** DERBY COUNTY

JANUARY

7 **A** WOLVES
14 **H** HUDDERSFIELD TOWN
28 **A** NOTTINGHAM FOREST

FEBRUARY

11 **H** NEWCASTLE UNITED
21 **H** AFC FYLDE

MARCH

10 **A** WEST BROMWICH ALBION
14 **A** HALIFAX
24 **H** STOKE CITY
31 **A** STOURBRIDGE

APRIL

21 **H** LIVERPOOL FEDS

MAY

5 **H** DERBY COUNTY



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NOTTINGHAM FOREST

MANAGER: CARLY DAVIES

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- 5 OLIVIA COOK
- 7 SOPHIE DOMINGO
- 8 MAI MONCASTER
- 10 HOLLY MANDERS
- 12 NIAMH REYNOLDS
- 15 LAURA-JAYNE O'NEILL
- 16 MOLLIE GREEN
- 17 FREYA THOMAS
- 18 AJA AGUIRRE (GK)
- 19 BECKY ANDERSON
- 21 HAYLEY JAMES
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