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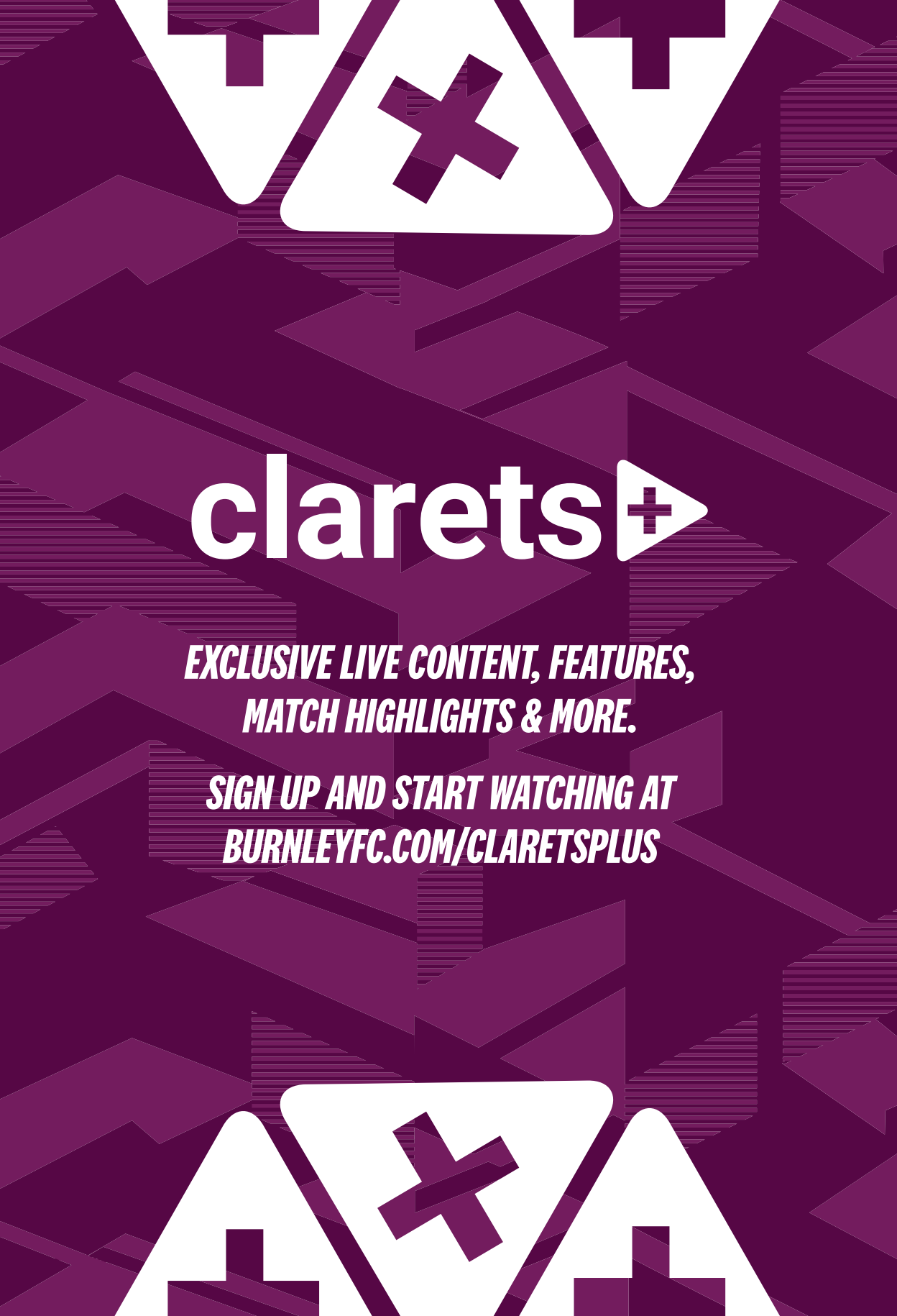
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HEAD OF WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

LOLA OGUNBOTE

Good afternoon and welcome to Darwen's Anchor Ground for what promises to be an exciting Lancashire FA Women's Senior Cup semi-final against AFC Fylde Women.

Commendations are due to Rebecca, her staff, and the players for their tremendous efforts in our last outing against Championship leaders Birmingham City in the fourth round of the Adobe Women's FA Cup.

The team displayed real grit, determination and fight, matching the opposition through large spells of the game.

Though it didn't end in our favour in extra time, the

performance showcased the team's resilience and serves as a positive benchmark as we strive for promotion.

The support from the fans is growing, and it was heartening to see Club Chairman Alan Pace and other Executive Board members in attendance at the special occasion in Leyland.

Their visit and good luck wishes ahead of the fixture really embraced our 'One Club For All' ethos, and undoubtedly boosted the team's spirits.

Looking ahead to today's Senior Cup semi-final, it's been a week of recovery for the players and a focus on fitness.

Last season we clinched the cup, and the team is eager to progress to the final and vie for silverware once again. Despite our past success, the players know they must remain focused on making today's match a competitive encounter.

I appreciate the continued support from fans – your dedication doesn't go unnoticed by both myself and the team.

Up the Clarets, and let's hope for an enthralling cup tie this afternoon!

Lola



REBECCA SAWIUK



Hey everyone and welcome back!

I hope you're looking forward to this afternoon's game, in which we will play in the Lancashire FA Women's Senior Cup for the first time this season.

It's a home cup tie for the second week running, following last week's visit of Birmingham City in the Adobe Women's FA Cup. Last weekend the team displayed a 'Burnley performance' in front of our home fans. I was really pleased with the character and resilience on show as we took Birmingham who sit top of the Championship into extra time.

We were aggressive and on the front foot as much as possible and despite having less of the ball than we might typically expect in a league match, I was pleased with how the players utilised possession. After

reviewing the game back we kept our identify and caused the Blues a few problems.

There were some good individual performances too, including Kirstie Levell who made a string of fine saves and Millie Ravening who calmly tucked away her penalty.

We talk a lot here about winning or learning and we will take the learnings away from playing a team of full-time players from the league above, and are confident of implementing them during the remainder of the season.

Fylde will pose a different test this afternoon and they're a team we're more familiar with, given that we play in the same league. Last time out Leah Embley opened the scoring and Aimee Kelly added a brace when we travelled there for our second league game of

2023/24 back in September.

It's been a really positive week of training and our group here approach every week the same, high standards and a relentless approach to winning games of football and today will be no different. We would love nothing more than to add a trophy to the cabinet this season but we have to make the final first!

We have a talented squad here and I am looking forward to seeing players take their opportunity to impress and I'm confident that with your support, which has been immense this season, everybody that pulls on a Claret shirt this afternoon will put in a display to be proud of.

I hope you enjoy the game.

Rebecca



ALETHEA PAUL CAPTAIN

Good afternoon,

It's great to have you in attendance for this afternoon's game, in which we are aiming to book a place in the final of the Lancashire FA Women's Senior Cup.

We are the first and only holders of the competition to date and it would be a great testament to the team's quality if we are able to get our hands on the trophy again next month.

That won't be an easy task, of course, with this afternoon's opponents AFC Fylde possessing real qualities of their own.

However, we showed against Birmingham City in the Adobe Women's FA Cup last week that our togetherness and desire make us a tough opponent for anybody.

I played in our league fixture against Fylde back in September, in which Leah Embley opened the scoring before Aimee Kelly came off the bench to score a brace and secure the three points.

That was only our second game of the season and even then, you could start to see the work we put in with the manager and her staff in pre-season coming to fruition.

On a personal note, I've been nursing an ankle injury for the last couple of weeks with the support of the staff.

While it's always frustrating not to be able to go to battle with the girls, watching matches from a different perspective has been a learning experience and I have picked up things that I perhaps normally wouldn't.

I'm hopeful that I'll be able to return to the pitch in the not-too-distant future and am looking

forward to doing so, whenever the time comes.

For now, I'll be joining you all in cheering on the team and I'm confident of a positive display this afternoon.

Enjoy the game,

Thea



***LEVELL
REVEALS PRIDE
IN HER
TEAM-MATES'
FA CUP DISPLAY***



Kirstie Levell spoke positively of the team's performance after Burnley Women's extra-time defeat to Championship table-toppers Birmingham City in the Adobe Women's FA Cup.

The tie eventually ended 3-1 to the visitors at Leyland's County Ground, with Millie Ravening forcing an extra 30 minutes from the penalty spot in added time at the end of the 90.

However, the Midlands' quality and fitness levels eventually shone through as they scored twice more to book a fifth-round tie away at Women's Super League outfit Leicester City.

Reflecting on the game, Levell said:

"First of all, I'm extremely proud of the girls. My legs are hurting from the amount of goal-kicks I had to take so I can only imagine how the outfield players must be feeling!

"We had a good training week and we knew that if we put a good performance in we could compete with the team at the top of the Championship, and I think we did just that."

In the final 20 minutes of normal time Levell made several fine saves to keep the score at 1-0 to the visitors, therefore keeping the Clarets in the contest.

"As a goalkeeper, once you make your first save you tend to get the feeling that you are unbeatable whatever comes your way," she said.

"It's about taking momentum from each save you make and building your way through the game. Obviously, it was a bit disappointing to have two





former team-mates, Libby and Claudia, score against me, but apart from that I think it was a great day.”

Before the start of extra-time, Manager Rebecca Sawiuk gathered the squad and staff into an on-pitch huddle. So, what was said?

“We just said that we don’t deserve any more goals being put past us and we deserve to score one of our own – we felt it was coming at some point.

“The huddle was also about mentally preparing before going back out on to the pitch and putting another big shift in.

“We also had players who were getting cramp, so it was about giving them positive feedback and pushing them through the game,

and I feel like that’s part of my job as a goalkeeper”.

AFC Fylde are this afternoon’s visitors, with a place in the final of the Lancashire FA Women’s Senior Cup on the line.

For Levell, this past week’s training will have been key preparation for this game against fellow Women’s National League North opposition. She explained after Birmingham:

“On Wednesday we’ll go in and review the opposition before playing competitive games against each other on Thursday.

“It’s another big game and a good chance to put things right, score lots of goals and keep a clean sheet hopefully!”







LAST TIME OUT

CLARET WOMEN FALL TO DEFEAT AGAINST BLUES IN A DRAMATIC CUP TIE

Burnley FC Women's Adobe Women's FA Cup journey came to an end in the fourth round at Lancashire FA County Ground on Sunday afternoon, with opponents Birmingham City Women progressing to the next round in a 3-1 win.

Millie Ravening gave the home side hope in added time following 90 minutes of non-stop action, however two additional extra time goals from the visitors brought the tie to a close.

FIRST HALF

The Blues started the game on the front foot and were ahead within 20 minutes, as Smith used her impressive speed to weave her way through the pitch and fired the ball into the top corner leaving Kirstie Levell behind.

The Clarets reacted quickly when Amaya utilised the wing leaving Gemma Lawley behind, she sent a ball into the area which Laura Elford made contact with, however the effort landed in the gloves of Lucy Thomas.

Ravening tried her luck as Amaya sent in an excellent corner, the midfielder took a low strike at goal from close range, but Thomas did well to deny.

Birmingham almost doubled their advantage when Moore weaved her way through the pitch, but her effort skimmed over the crossbar.

SECOND HALF

The Clarets had the first chance after the break when Elford passed Cho So-Hyun, found herself in the area and fired at goal but it rebounded off the near post out of play.

Lucy Quinn soon became a threat when she took an accurate low strike from far range, but her effort was denied by Levell as she made a full stretch save to push the ball wide.

Ellie Mason got involved as she made a venomous strike from 25 yards out, however again Levell made a fantastic jump punching the ball out of danger.

The Clarets were granted a last-minute penalty as Evie Priestley was brought down by Thomas. Ravening stepped up and took it calmly, sending the ball straight into the top corner.

EXTRA TIME

Moments before the interval Blues' Choe Yuri squeezed herself into open space within the area, her high effort slammed against the crossbar, but Claudia Walker tapped in the rebound.

Then Jade Moore closed the scoring for the afternoon with seconds on the clock, as she swept in from close-range and found the back of the net.



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Burnley: Levell, McPartlan, Marshall, Embley (Francis-Jones 115'), Hamer, Elford (Priestley 71'), Amaya, Lord-Mears (Reidford 71'), Ravening, Hartley, Wilkes
Unused Subs: Farrell, Paul, Cooper, Kelsh Ridge, Deehan

Birmingham City: Thomas, Mason, Lawley, Finn, Smith, Harrison-Murray, So-Hyun, Devlin, Moore, Yuri, Herron
Unused Subs: Clarke, Harris, L Quinn, Dungate, Agg, Fuso, Quinn, Walker

Goals: Smith 19', Ravening 90+4', Walker 102', Moore 130'

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TILLY WILKES

1. Home or Away?
Home
2. Assist or Goal?
Assist
3. Playing in the sun or playing in the rain?
Playing in the rain
4. Lionel Messi or Cristiano Ronaldo?
Lionel Messi
5. Last minute winner or comfortable win?
Last minute winner
6. Tea or Coffee?
I like a hot tea and an iced coffee!
7. Beach Holiday or Adventure Holiday?
Adventure holiday
8. Cats or Dogs?
Dogs – I have three!
9. Playlists or Podcasts?
Podcasts
10. Netflix or Amazon Prime?
Netflix





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INTRODUCING **AFC FYLDE**



AFC Fylde's Women's Team was formed in 2016, as part of a rebranding of Preston North End FC Women.

Prior to that, North End were formed in 1997 and subsequently promoted into the Women's National League in 2006. The team achieved its

highest ever league position in 2016, finishing second.

In 2017, Conrad Prendergast took on the managerial role and spent three years with the squad before departing at the end of the 2019/20 season, a time that the Club was almost disbanded.

However, Kimberley Turner and Danielle Young then took joint ownership of the operation and built the foundations of the Coasters' Women's department.

Since then their league positions have followed a similar trend, with the team

WOMEN



finishing second in the null and voided 2020-21 National League North season and third a year later.

The Coasters play their home games at the Kellamergh Park Stadium in Warton, Preston, and started the current season under the guidance of Jack Garside.

Garside joined from Manchester City's Women's Academy set up, where he spent four years in a number of roles including latterly the Under-21s Head Coach.

Unfortunately, they weren't able to make the start to the campaign they would have liked, losing their opening six league

games before claiming a first point at home to West Bromwich Albion on 8th October 2023.

There were, however, three National League Cup wins before the end of that month.

In their last game, which was played on Sunday 7th January,



Fylde fell to a narrow 2-1 defeat at Stourbridge FC Women.

Lois Moore gave the Coasters an early lead, but goals from Jessica Lowe and Kelsey Richardson meant then Interim Manager Connor Wild could not record a winning start to 2024.

Now, with 12 of their 22 leagues fixtures played, Fylde

sit bottom of the Northern Premier Division of the Women's National League with three points to their name from draws against the Baggies, Halifax and Liverpool Feds.

With that in mind, this afternoon's Lancashire FA Women's Senior Cup may provide a welcome distraction for the players and newly

appointed joint managers Jake Williams and Steven Mainwaring.

The pair's arrival was announced at the back end of last week and Fylde fans will be hoping their skillset and experience can bring about a change in fortunes.

Both have extensive coaching and management experience



in the men's and women's game in the UK, Europe, Australia, and the USA, and most recently secured consecutive league titles with Bury AFC Women.

This will be their first game in charge and is also both teams' first in this competition this season.

It is, however, a repeat of last year's Lancashire FA Cup Women's Senior Cup final, where Burnley were 9-0 victors at the County Ground in Leyland.

If the Coasters can pull off a victory in Darwen this afternoon, they may see it as a springboard into the second half of the campaign, when they will be aiming to avoid relegation.

Key players for Fylde include goalkeeper Liz Craven, right-back Iszy Binks, who spent 12 years in Liverpool's Academy, and midfielder Sasha Rowe, who wore the captain's armband last time out.





SQUAD

2023/24

2. **MARIA FRANCIS-JONES**
3. **ALETHEA PAUL ©**
4. **BRENNA MCPARTLAN**
5. **GEORGIA MARSHALL**
6. **MIKAYLA WILDGOOSE**
7. **LEAH EMBLEY**
8. **LIZZY HAMER**
9. **EVIE PRIESTLEY**
10. **LAURA ELFORD**
11. **AMAYA**
12. **RHEMA LORD-MEARS**
13. **DOM COOPER**
14. **MILLIE RAVENING**
15. **LARA MILLER**
16. **LUCY WALSH**
17. **GINNY LACKEY**
18. **HOLLIE KELSH-RIDGE**
19. **DANIELLE DEEHAN**
20. **GRACIE PRIOR**
21. **LOIS MARLEY-PARASKEVAS**
22. **ISABELLA REIDFORD**
23. **NAOMI HARTLEY**
24. **TILLY WILKES**
25. **AIMEE KELLY**
26. **LUCY FARRELL (GK)**
27. **LACHANTE PAUL**
28. **KIRSTIE LEVELL (GK)**

Pos.	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Newcastle United Ladies	11	10	1	0	41	4	37	31
2	Burnley Women	10	8	2	0	27	9	18	26
3	Nottingham Forest Women	10	7	0	3	32	10	22	21
4	Liverpool Feds	12	5	3	4	22	25	-3	18
5	Wolverhampton Wanderers Women	9	5	1	3	20	9	11	16
6	Stourbridge Ladies	12	4	3	5	22	37	-15	15
7	Derby County Women	10	4	1	5	22	12	10	13
8	Stoke City Women	10	4	1	5	20	23	-3	13
9	Halifax FC Women	9	2	4	3	11	20	-9	10
10	West Bromwich Albion WFC	12	3	1	8	16	29	-13	10
11	Huddersfield Town Women	11	2	0	9	11	35	-24	6
12	AFC Fylde Women	12	0	3	9	13	44	-31	3

THE FA WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE FIXTURES



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 4-2

OCTOBER

8 **H** STOURBRIDGE 4-1
11 **H** HALIFAX 2-0
24 **A** NEWCASTLE UNITED 0-0

NOVEMBER

5 **H** WEST BROMWICH ALBION 3-1

JANUARY

7 **A** WOLVES 1-2
28 **A** NOTTINGHAM FOREST

FEBRUARY

4 **A** STOKE CITY
11 **H** NEWCASTLE UNITED
18 **H** HUDDERSFIELD TOWN
21 **H** AFC FYLDE

MARCH

3 **A** DERBY COUNTY
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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JOINT MANAGERS: JAKE WILLIAMS
AND STEVE MAINWARING

- 1 LIZ CRAVEN (GK)
- 2 ISZY BINKS
- 3 NICOLA JAMES
- 4 SASHA ROWE
- 5 ALEX TAYLOR
- 6 CATH HAMILL
- 7 REBECCA BERESFORD
- 8 LAUREN HERIA
- 11 EMMA SIDDALL
- 13 GRACE PILLING (GK)
- 15 LOIS MOORE
- 16 CODIE THOMAS
- 17 BETH STRUTTON
- 18 CLARA SAMSON
- 20 DEMI DEVEREAUX

NEXT GAMES

SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY
NOTTINGHAM FOREST WOMEN V BURNLEY FC WOMEN
CORONATION PARK, EASTWOOD
2PM KO
NORTHERN PREMIER DIVISION
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SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY
STOKE CITY WOMEN V BURNLEY FC WOMEN
EMERY'S STADIUM, STOKE
2PM KO
NORTHERN PREMIER DIVISION
OF THE FA WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE