

# THE ROBINS REVIEW

Official Matchday Programme



Vs SOUTHAMPTON FC | Sunday 12 September 2021 | 2:00PM Kick-off | FA WNL League Cup Determining Round



# CHAIRMAN'S CORNER



**Good afternoon and welcome to the Corinium Stadium for this afternoon's Determining Round of the League Cup.**

Fresh off the back of a commanding performance against Larkhall, we are delighted to host Southampton FC who have had an incredible few seasons, and who are taking tier 3 by storm already this season. Free scoring, clean sheets... it promises to be a great game, and we won't make life easy for our higher league opposition.

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**Andy Liddle,  
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# MANAGER'S MUSINGS

Good afternoon and welcome back to The Corinium Stadium as we host FA WNL Southern Premier table toppers, Southampton FC.

Last weekend's performance against Larkhall had similar themes to our away trip to Poole, where we dominated possession for larger periods and professionally broke down a side who were strong and resolute. We moved the ball very well at times, especially in the second half but credit has to be given for the way we defended, preventing dangerous counter attacks, and not allowing them time to settle on the ball. This is highlighted by only conceding 2 in our last 4 league outings, something we're keen to continue and enable a solid foundation to build from each game.

As we test ourselves with this tough League Cup fixture today and with what looks to be a free week afterwards, it will allow us time to rest, recover and re-group. It's no secret that we've suffered with injuries, however with these couple of weeks before we travel to Maidenhead, we're hopeful that Annabel, Monet & Courtney will all be further along their recovery journeys and not far off being selected, while we look to add a couple new faces into the squad which will provide that depth required for the season ahead and the competition for places that will hopefully drive us onto the next level.

The first of these is Jade Grove who we welcome back to the club. Jade played a huge

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part in our journey last season leading the line and I have no doubt that she will compliment what we're building here with the quality she has.

I'd like to welcome Southampton FC, Marieanne Spacey-Cale and her staff, players, and their supporters to the home of Cheltenham Town Ladies. They're a fantastically run club with an abundance of hungry and talented players who have taken to playing in Tier 3 by storm, winning all their matches in a convincing manor.

Today will provide our group with a huge test and we're looking forward to seeing what we can do.

**Enjoy the game, Tom.**

# MATCH REPORT

## Cheltenham Town Ladies 3 – 0 Larkhall Athletic Women



Watson, Hallsworth, Barbour-Gresham, Butler, Colley (Walecki 73), Criddle, Liggett (Jones 57), Bevan, Haynes, Hayward (Donnelly 37), Wathan.

Briscoe, Bullock (Adams 70), Footner, German, Hull, Newton (Sparks 58), Osbourne, Robbins (Kent 66), Thompson, Titcomb (Casey-Batley 43), Willis (Withey 77)



A flurry of goals either side of half-time earned Cheltenham Town Ladies a third win in four games.

After a relatively even opening half that was interrupted by injuries, Lois Colley gave the Robins the lead over her former club with a fantastic strike from range. Amy Wathan and Lacy-Jai Liggett added gloss to the scoreline in a dominant second-half performance.

The result sees Cheltenham move up to 2nd in the National League Division One South West table, behind leaders Chesham on goal difference.

Cheltenham made a solitary change to the team that beat Exeter, as Tamzin Hayward replaced Holly Rogers. It was a slightly larger squad to choose from, with four substitutes able to be named.

Larkhall created the first big

chance of the game on 17 minutes, as Aimee Watson did well to save a shot across goal from 12 yards.

Billie Haynes created problems for the Larkhall defence, cutting in from the right and shooting on a couple of occasions. Hayward then went down injured and was replaced by Becky Donnelly after a three-minute stoppage.

Cheltenham had an appeal for a penalty waved away eight minutes from the 45-minute mark, as Wathan was cleared out by the Larkhall 'keeper when going to finish a cross.

Haynes threatened again with a looping cross that almost deceived the 'keeper, before a Larkhall player had to be stretchered off with a serious injury. With 14 minutes of added time, the Robins capitalised by scoring right at the end of it.

Fullback Colley scored her first league goal for the club in style with a superb effort from more than 25 yards; the final action of the first half.

Cheltenham doubled their lead just after the restart as Wathan headed in from a Colley cross. It was Wathan's third goal of the campaign, and Liggett joined her as the Robins' joint-top scorer just four minutes later, poking past the 'keeper after a Hallsworth through ball.

Substitute Donnelly was a menace for the visitors' backline, having several efforts either blocked or saved, while Charlotte Criddle also came close.

Even missing a clear cut chance in the dying moments couldn't take away from another great performance that extended Cheltenham's unbeaten run to four.



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# MATCH REPORT

## **Exeter City Women 1 – 2 Cheltenham Town Ladies**



Bond, Grigg, Seaman (Preston 81), Taylor, Sharpe, TooGood, Warman (Kaptein 60), Watkins, Baker, Robinson (Beck 60), Stacey

Watson, Hallsworth, Butler, Colley, Haynes, Criddle, Barbour-Gresham, Bevan, Liggett, Bevan, Rogers (Hayward 67), Wathan



Cheltenham Town Ladies made it three games unbeaten, beating league leaders Exeter.

The Robins had notched up a 4-0 victory over Poole and a 1-1 draw with Swindon before making the trip to Devon and came away from Speeds Meadow in Cullompton with three points.

The hosts took an early lead via Zoe Watkins, but Amy Wathan levelled 10 minutes later. Sammy Hallsworth finished off a counter-attack excellently on 74 minutes, which proved to be the winner.

Davies made just one change from the draw with Swindon, as the returning Billie Haynes came back into the side for Tamzin Hayward.

The Robins were only able to name two substitutes due to several injuries, making the result even more impressive.

Exeter's goal came with one of the first chances of the game as the ball was put in from the right towards Watkins. Her initial shot was well saved by Aimee Watson, but she slotted the rebound to make it 1-0.

A blocked shot from Lacy-Jai Liggett started a spell of pressure from Cheltenham as Charlotte Criddle also had an effort stopped on its way to goal.

That led to a couple of corners for the Robins, the second of which was headed in by Wathan from close range from Criddle's delivery.

Wathan's second goal in a week brought Cheltenham level, and it stayed like that until half-time despite chances for both sides.

Exeter squandered a one-on-one opportunity while Liggett and Abby Bevan both came close for Town.

Liggett was found by Rogers at the start of the second half, but the City 'keeper did well to come out and smother the effort.

The Grecians had the better of the second half, peppering the Cheltenham goal, but it was the Robins who took their chance when they got it.

Liggett played through the onrushing Hallsworth, who controlled well, ran into the space, and finished calmly into the bottom-left corner to give Davies' team the lead.

Cheltenham had a third ruled out for offside, before a low ball across goal from Exeter was dealt with in the dying moments.

That summed up a hard-working performance that earned all three points, seeing Town into third in the league table, one point behind league leaders AFC Bournemouth.

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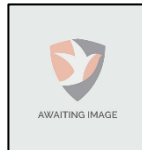
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**CTLFC vs West Ham  
United**  
October 26, 2016  
The Big Local Stadium, Cheltenham



The FA Women's  
**National League**  
League Cup  
**Classics**

**Cheltenham 1**

Fensome 65'

**West Ham 2**

Bottom 15'p, Burr 90+

In what could be considered the biggest women's match to ever take place at Cheltenham Saracens' The Big Local Stadium, Cheltenham Town Ladies pushed West Ham United Women all the way in the FA WNL League Plate.

Cheltenham started strongly, forcing West Ham mistakes in the midfield before sending dangerous balls into the box but were unable to find the back of the net.

The tide would turn as West Ham fashioned a breakaway attack and caused problems for the home defence with their pace. This eventually paid off as Katie Bottom drove into the penalty area and was brought down, dispatching the penalty herself.

Bouyed by their goal, West Ham turned the screw with wave after wave of attack on the Cheltenham box, being kept at bay by a well drilled back line and tireless efforts in midfield.

Despite their attacking play, the visitors wouldn't get everything their own way and would be forced to go in with just a single goal at the break.

The Robins fired out of the blocks at the start of the second half, hunting down an equaliser. With Cheltenham posing a threat at set-pieces, Louise Fensome latched onto a Jenn Brown-Wealls free-kick but was denied as her header thundered off the post.

Eventually they would secure a free-kick in the West Ham half and another Brown-Wealls' free-kick found Fensome again, who made no mistake this time and rifled shot past the West Ham 'keeper.

Minutes later, Sophie Wyatt blazed just over the bar from another free-kick as the home side grew into the tie.

With the prospect of extra time looming, Chloe Burr would shatter Cheltenham's dreams with a jinxing run down the right wing before firing a shot into the top corner from an unbelievable angle.

**Cheltenham:**

Panniers, Bull, Brown-Wealls, Leask, Purvis, Fensome, Wyatt, Godwin, Knuckey, Hitchcox, Martin.

**West Ham:**

Albuery, Auguste (Bent 81), Bottom, Burr, Chauhan, Chong (Clifton 74), Cooper, Kelly, Locke, Mackie, Wheeler.



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**Cardiff City Ladies**  
**vs CTLFC**  
**October 14, 2018**  
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**The FA Women's  
National League  
League Cup  
Classics**

### Cardiff City 5

Horell 21', Isaac 24', 47', Williams 89', 90'+,

### Cheltenham 3

Hitchcox 2', 81, Martin 88'

In one of Cheltenham Town Ladies' more dramatic cup ties, The Robins pushed Cardiff City Ladies of the FA WNL Southern Premier all the way to the brink of extra time.

A sublime Ella Hitchcox finish from a Louise Fensome ball into the box opened the scoring within two minutes, but nobody could expect what was to come.

Hitchcox's pace would terrorise the home defence again shortly after, but her shot was stopped by the goalkeeper.

Having weathered the early storm, Cardiff settled down and started to create chances. After a big Cheltenham penalty appeal was waved away, a three minute blitz saw Cardiff take the driving seat. A mix up with Cerys Dolloway and Bec Panniers allowed Horell to nip in and steal the ball for a tap into an empty net.

Minutes later, the hosts would win a free-kick, with the resulting shot cannoning off the post. Isaac, the first to respond, slammed the ball past Panniers to turn the game on its head.

Cardiff extended their lead minutes into the second half, as Isaac again slotted home, despite Cheltenham appeals for a potential head injury for Naomi Purvis.

Cheltenham were not to be deterred though, and kept plugging away, making life difficult for the Tier 3 side. Briscoe and Walters joining the game shifted the momentum and Cheltenham began to mount pressure on their Welsh hosts.

Hitchcox, who all afternoon had caused Cardiff issues, latched onto a forward ball from Rebecca Wilkins, allowing her to bridge the gap to just a single goal with ten minutes remaining.

A lofty effort from the edge of the box as Cheltenham pressed provided an unlikely equaliser. After the high press on Cardiff's defence won the ball back for Cheltenham, Annie Martin was

able to float a rangy shot beyond the reach of the goalkeeper to send the travelling support into raptures.

Desperate to avoid extra time, Cardiff forced the play into the Cheltenham half, piling the pressure on and trying to force a mistake from anywhere. Eventually, after strong defending, Cardiff settled for a corner, which would prove to be Cheltenham's undoing.

A flighted ball was met at the far post with a strong header, hitting the net to add to the already unbearable drama. Minutes later, an identical goal from a second corner resigned Cheltenham to defeat despite a fantastic fightback.

### Cardiff:

Guard, Horrell, Isaac (Rees), Jones, Jumratie, Lawrence, Miles (Simpson), Nolan (Davies), Rogers, Soper, Williams.

### Cheltenham:

Panniers, Purvis (Walters), Dolloway, Morris, Ellis (Briscoe), Fensome, Wilkins, Brown, Hitchcox, Martin, Robbins (Knuckey).



# LEAGUE CUP DETERMINING ROUND

SUNDAY - 12 SEPTEMBER 2021

<b>AFC WIMBLEDON</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>OXFORD UNITED</b>
<b>ALNWICK TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>CHORLEY</b>
<b>BARNSELY</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>SPORTING KHALSA</b>
<b>BEDWORTH UNITED</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>BURTON ALBION</b>
<b>BRIDGWATER UNITED</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>MAIDENHEAD UNITED</b>
<b>BRIGHOUSE TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>HOLWELL SPORTS</b>
<b>CAMBRIDGE CITY</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>BUCKLAND ATHLETIC</b>
<b>CAMBRIDGE UNITED</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>PORTISHEAD TOWN</b>
<b>CARDIFF CITY</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>ACTONIANS</b>
<b>CHELTENHAM TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>SOUTHAMPTON FC</b>
<b>CHESHAM UNITED</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>KENT FOOTBALL UNITED</b>
<b>CHESTER LE STREET TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>LEAFIELD ATHLETIC</b>
<b>CRAWLEY WASPS</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>LONDON SEAWARD</b>
<b>DERBY COUNTY</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>LINCOLN CITY</b>
<b>DURHAM CESTRIA</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>STOCKPORT COUNTY</b>
<b>ENFIELD TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>QUEENS PARK RANGERS</b>
<b>EXETER CITY</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>PLYMOUTH ARGYLE</b>
<b>FC UNITED OF MANCHESTER</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>AFC FYLDE</b>
<b>GILLINGHAM</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>NORWICH CITY</b>
<b>HARLOW TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>BILLERICAY TOWN</b>
<b>HASHTAG UNITED</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>STEVENAGE</b>
<b>HOUNSLOW</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>AFC BOURNEMOUTH</b>
<b>HUDDERSFIELD TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>BOLDMERE ST MICHAELS</b>
<b>HULL CITY</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>BURNLEY FC</b>
<b>IPSWICH TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>LONDON BEES</b>
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<b>LONG EATON UNITED</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>PETERBOROUGH UNITED</b>
<b>LOUGHBOROUGH LIGHTNING</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>DONCASTER ROVERS BELLES</b>
<b>MILTON KEYNES DONS</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>KEYNSHAM TOWN</b>
<b>NEWCASTLE UNITED</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>LEEK TOWN</b>
<b>NORTON &amp; STOCKTON ANCIENTS</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>WEM TOWN</b>
<b>POOLE TOWN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>SWINDON TOWN</b>
<b>PORTSMOUTH FC</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>CHICHESTER &amp; SELSEY</b>
<b>SHEFFIELD FC</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>BRADFORD CITY AFC</b>
<b>SOUTHAMPTON WOMEN</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>LARKHALL ATHLETIC</b>
<b>STOKE CITY FC</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>SOLIHULL MOORS</b>
<b>WEST BROMWICH ALBION</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>MIDDLESBROUGH</b>
<b>WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS</b>	<b>VS</b>	<b>LEEDS UNITED</b>

# 2021/22 FIXTURES

## FIRST TEAM

## DEVELOPMENT TEAM

Date		Opposition	Score
15 Aug	H	Southampton Women	1-3L
22 Aug	A	Poole Town	0-4W
25 Aug	H	Swindon Town*	1-1D
29 Aug	A	Exeter City	1-2W
5 Sept	H	Larkhall Athletic	3-0W
12 Sept	H	Southampton FC (LC)	-
26 Sept	A	Maidenhead United	-
29 Sept	H	Portishead Town*	-
24 Oct		WFAC 3 <sup>rd</sup> Qual. Round	
31 Oct	A	Chesham United	-
14 Nov	H	AFC Bournemouth	-
21 Nov	H	Buckland Athletic	-
12 Dec	A	Southampton Women	-
9 Jan	H	Poole Town	-
19 Jan	A	Swindon Town*	-
30 Jan	H	Exeter City	-
6 Feb	A	Larkhall Athletic	-
20 Feb	H	Maidenhead United	-
23 Feb	A	Portishead Town*	-
27 Feb	H	Chesham United	-
13 Mar	A	AFC Bournemouth	-
20 Mar	A	Buckland Athletic	-

Date		Opposition	Score
19 Sept	A	Weston-super-Mare	-
26 Sept	H	Almondsbury	-
3 Oct	A	Bristol Ladies Union	-
10 Oct	H	Bristol Rovers	-
24 Oct	A	Downend Flyers	-
31 Oct	H	Frampton Rangers	-
7 Nov	A	Oldland Abbotonians	-
14 Nov	A	Weston Mendip	-
21 Nov	H	Weston-super-Mare	-
28 Nov	A	Almondsbury	-
5 Dec	H	Bristol Ladies Union	-
12 Dec	A	Bristol Rovers	-
9 Jan	H	Downend Flyers	-
16 Jan	A	Frampton Rangers	-
23 Jan	H	Oldland Abbotonians	-
TBA	H	Weston Mendip	-

\*7:45pm kick-off.

(LC)/(LP) = League Cup/Plate | (FAC) = FA Cup

Development Team home fixtures to be played at Petersfield Park.

Home score always comes first on results. Fixture details subject to change.



# TODAY'S TEAMS



## Cheltenham Town Ladies

**Manager:** Tom DAVIES

Aimee WATSON

Lauren ELLIS

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