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VS.



CARDIFF CITY LFC



Thursday 7 September 2023 | 7:45pm kick-off
FA Women's National League Southern Premier





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**CHELTEHAM TOWN
LADIES FC**



**ANDY
LIDDLE**
CHAIRMAN

***WELCOME BACK TO FORTRESS KAYTE LANE!
I HAVE BEEN DELIGHTED WITH OUR OPENING TWO
PERFORMANCES HERE, CAN WE MAKE IT THREE IN A
ROW?! I CERTAINLY HOPE SO!***

Get behind the players who have a quick turnaround after Sunday's blistering heat, and what seemed like 45 minutes of additional time played.

Cardiff have played at a higher level than ourselves for many of the years I have been involved with Ladies football. Their relegation, immediate bounce back, and the fact we are now playing them shows just how far we have come.

Of course, they haven't come very far this evening, just a short hp on the M4/M5, making this somewhat of a local derby tonight... and who doesn't love a derby?!

We welcome Cardiff's players, staff and supporters tonight. With the manager departing, a new ownership consortium announced on Friday, and a heavy defeat on Sunday, it has certainly been an interesting time at the Welsh Club since winning promotion.

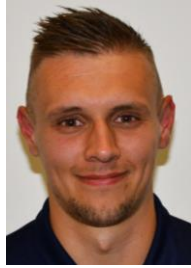
We're looking forward to a great night, and a close affair under the lights for our first time back in Cheltenham.

If you enjoy the game, galvanise everyone you know in person and via social media, and lets generate some real fan engagement in the Town, creating some noise that the players deserve and can and will respond to.

As always, thank you all for your fantastic support and enjoy the game.

**Andy Liddle,
Chairman**

TOM
DAVIES
MANAGER



WELCOME ONCE AGAIN TO KAYTE LANE FOR THE SECOND TIME THIS WEEK AS WE HOST CARDIFF CITY LADIES.

Sunday was an improved performance from our opening two and one that highlights how hard this group is willing to work for each other already. We're still no means the finished article but we're beginning to show signs of the side that we collectively spoke about during our pre-season meetings and a side that will be competitive and hopefully entertaining to watch.

Our aim now is to take the momentum created by a positive showing on Sunday and use this to drive our performance tonight and on Sunday in two key games for the group at this stage of the season.

Steadily things are starting to grow at the football club, with small things such as mascots being in place, providing young fans access to the team and our community of sides growing to three with the First Team, the Reserves, and the Development Team. This alongside growing attendances is important for growth of this club within a hugely competitive environment and landscape. To everyone who is volunteering,

promoting, or even liking and sharing our content on social media, thank you.

I'd like to welcome everyone who has travelled down from Cardiff tonight, including the staff, players, and directors of Cardiff City Ladies. Since I arrived at the club, we haven't faced Cardiff but I know first-hand the confidence that a promotion winning season generates. This, coupled with the occasion of a midweek fixture under the floodlights, sets things up for a great occasion and one that as a group of players and staff we've been looking forward to.

Keep up the support, it is very much appreciated.

Enjoy the game,
Tom



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CHELTEMHAM TOWN LFC

LONDON BEES FC

Watson, Jones, Owen, Llewellyn, Allen, C. Taylor (Finch 85), Collis (Davies 74), Ackerman, Poole, Billingham (Lue 87).

Webber, Fogarty (Nee-Chambers 80), Baigent, Woodcock (Tilbury 46), Davies, Beaufort, Potter, O'Leary (Huntrods 60), Jarvis (Munelly 46), Charles (Henry 80), Dunbar-Bonnie

3 SEPTEMBER 2023 | 14:00 | FA WNL PREMIER SOUTH

Cheltenham Town Ladies came from behind to earn their first three points of the FA Women's National League season against London Bees.

The visitors started strongest, looking to play in the Cheltenham half. Their early pressured paid off, as a handball in the box allowed Taylor O'Leary to score from the penalty spot.

Despite falling behind, the home side remained calm and looked to push after Daisy Ackerman tried her luck from range, but the number three couldn't keep her shot on target.

Cheltenham continued to grow into the game as Ackerman applied pressure to the Bees defence, winning back possession, but Phoebe Poole couldn't capitalise.

It wasn't long until the Robinesses pressure broke the Bees defence as Billingham picked up the ball and struck with precision to pull her side level.

A positive end to the first

half from Tom Davies' side as Allen went close following Ackerman's free kick but her effort rolled just wide of the post to send the teams in level at the break.

The Bees came out strong as they looked to break early on, but Ffion Llewellyn provided a perfectly timed challenge to block any chance of attack.

Soon after, the Robinesses found themselves ahead after Ackerman drove through the midfield to lay it off to Allen, who's curling effort nestled into the top corner past Amber Webber.

The Robinesses didn't take their foot off the gas as Billingham was close to a third but her narrow position made it difficult to get her shot on target.

Pushing once again, Owen came close to her second goal in two games after meeting Ackerman's corner, but the captain couldn't keep her effort down.

Just moments later, Owen gets her goal after the defender rose above all during the corner routine

to head the ball home giving her side a two-goal cushion in the closing stages.

The two-goal lead was short lived as the Bees got one back through Davis just three minutes later, to provide a nervy final stage.

The Robinesses looked to see the game out with Holly Finch coming on for Charlie Taylor before Una Lue made her league debut, replacing goal scorer Billingham.

Lue wasted no time in getting involved as she continued to win back possession and battle hard high up the pitch.

Goalkeeper Watson retained her focus throughout the final minutes after coming off her line to claim the Bees' final attempts.

A well-fought three points for the Robinesses as they saw out a 3-2 victory over London Bees to claim their first three points of the season.

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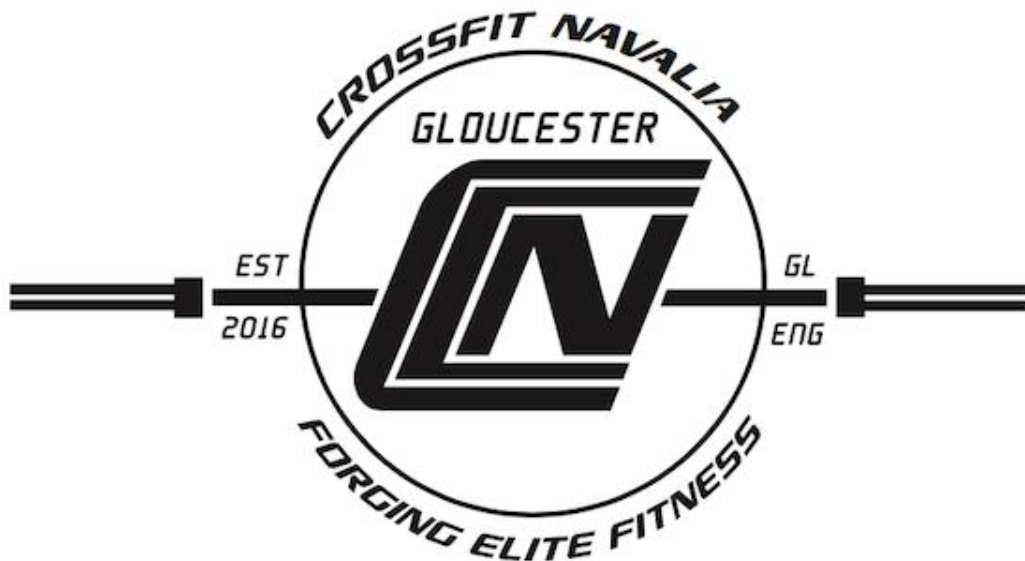
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Cardiff City Ladies 5

Cheltenham Town Ladies 3

14 October 2018 | 14:00

FA WNL League Cup

Cheltenham Town Ladies took on an extremely tough test to date in the FA Women's National League Cup, pushing Cardiff City all the way in a thrilling display.

Cardiff, who entered the game undefeated since the opening day of the season and playing in the league above the Robinesses, were stunned within the first 90 seconds of play.

Louise Fensome's killer ball found Ella Hitchcox in the box, allowing the forward to finish with aplomb.

The early goal didn't faze Cardiff however, as their fluid attacking line set to work carving open the Cheltenham defence. Despite this, it was the visitors who would create the most dangerous chance, as Hitchcox's pace saw her go one-on-one with the goalkeeper, only to be foiled by some outstanding reflexes.

Despite the miss, Cheltenham would continue to push, eventually being denied a penalty as Hitchcox and Annie Martin caused issues for the defence.

The home side would be given a way back in following some indecision between Cerys Dolloway and her goalkeeper Bec Panniers, allowing for a simple tap-in for Cardiff to level.

One soon became two, as Cardiff rattled the post with a well struck free-kick. The ball rebounded back into the danger zone, with Cardiff pouncing to put it into the net and turn the game on its head going into the break.

The second half started the same way the first half ended.

Cheltenham failed to clear a corner, Cardiff were able to recycle the ball into the box and nod home and despite appeals for a foul.

Cheltenham's spirit would not be deterred, however. A Becky Wilkins ball into the box found Hitchcox, who once again slotted home to close the gap.

Wilkins would continue to create, and with Cheltenham's tails picking up, she found Martin on the edge of the area. The crafty striker unleashed a whipped left-footed shot, nearly ripping the net and levelling the scores as the clock ticked down.

With Extra Time on the horizon, Cardiff would win a corner down the Cheltenham left. A precise floated ball saw a splendid header beat Panniers, handing Cardiff back the lead.

No more than a minute later, Cardiff would go again down Cheltenham's left, whipping a cross in for the striker to loop a header past Panniers

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Cardiff

(Alphabetically):

Guard, Horrell, Isaac (Rees 50), Jones, Jumratie, Lawrence, Miles (Simpson 55), Nolan (Davies 60), Rogers, Soper, Williams.

Cheltenham:

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

Fixtures & Results 2023/24

CHELTENHAM TOWN LFC

MAKE
FOOTBALL
EVERYONE'S
GAME.



DATE		OPPOSITION	COMP	Att.	POM
AUG					
Sun 20	A	Portsmouth Women	FAWNLSP	0-5	482 Owen
SUN 27	H	MAIDENHEAD UTD WOMEN	WNLC DR	3-0	109 POOLE
SEPT					
SUN 3	H	LONDON BEES	FAWNLSP	3-2	106 LLEWELLYN
THUR 7	H	CARDIFF CITY LADIES	FAWNLSP	19:45	
Sun 10	A	Plymouth Argyle Women	FAWNLSP	14:00	
SUN 17	H	MK DONS WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	
Sun 24	A	Ipswich Town Women	FAWNLSP	14:00	
OCT					
Sun 8	A	Rugby Borough Women	FAWNLSP	14:00	
TUES 10	H	OXFORD UNITED WOMEN	FAWNLSP	19:45	
Sun 22	A	Billericay Town Women	FAWNLSP	14:00	
NOV					
SUN 5	H	CHATHAM TOWN WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	
DEC					
Sun 3	A	Hashtag United Women	FAWNLSP	14:00	
JAN					
SUN 7	H	RUGBY BOROUGH WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	
SUN 14	H	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	
Sun 28	A	Mk Dons Women	FAWNLSP	14:00	
FEB					
SUN 11	H	IPSWICH TOWN WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	
Thurs 22	A	Cardiff City Ladies	FAWNLSP	19:45	
MAR					
Sun 10	A	London Bees	FAWNLSP	14:00	
Wed 13	A	Oxford United Women	FAWNLSP	19:45	
SUN 24	H	BILLERICAY TOWN WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	
Sun 31	A	Chatham Town Women	FAWNLSP	14:00	
APR					
SUN 21	H	PORTSMOUTH WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	
MAY					
SUN 5	H	HASHTAG UNITED WOMEN	FAWNLSP	14:00	

Fixture detail subject to change.

WNLC / WNLP = Women's National League Cup / Plate

WFAC = Vitality Women's FA Cup

POM = Player of the Match chosen by the opposition (or sponsor, where applicable).



TODAY'S SQUADS



CHELTEMHAM TOWN LFC

- 01 Aimee Watson
- 02 Courtney Jones
- 03 Daisy Ackerman
- 04 Holly Finch
- 06 Megan Lewis
- 07 Emily Allen
- 08 Charlie Taylor
- 09 Phoebe Poole
- 10 Lily Billingham
- 11 Chloe Buxton
- 12 Henna Butcher
- 13 Ffion Llewellyn
- 15 Emily Owen (c)
- 17 Annabel Davies
- 18 Maisy Collis
- 19 Jessie Taylor



WFA Women's
National League



CARDIFF CITY LFC

- 01 Laura O'Sullivan
- 02 Libby Piggot
- 03 Tia Asker
- 04 Emily Poole
- 05 Estelle Harrison
- 06 Katie Williams
- 07 Ellie Sargent
- 08 Chloe Lloyd
- 09 Kylie Nolan
- 10 Emily Richards
- 12 Cori Williams (c)
- 14 Grace Horrell-Thomas
- 16 Laura Williams
- 18 Caitlin Williams
- 19 Thierry-Jo Gauvain
- 20 Issy Newns
- 21 Ruby Scahill
- 23 Cerys Jones
- 24 Nia Rees
- 25 Hannah Mills
- 26 Kerry Bartlett
- 27 Kayley Lane
- 28 Ebony Dover



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