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SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2022

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FA WNL Cup, First Round



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ALISHA MILLER

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Good afternoon all,

Welcome to a slightly different setting for today's League Cup fixture versus Brighouse. I would like to extend the welcome to Rob and his team and hope the journey down was a safe one.

After a very good result on the road last week, today starts the manic cup season which will see our league fixtures almost draw to a close. We host Brighouse again next weekend and that could see the last league game of the year if we were to get positive results in the cup games.

This made last weekend's result even more important. The players' reaction to the new season has been incredible and the return from the first nine league games has been superb and one we are very proud of.

Today is another big fixture as we look to go deep into ALL competitions this season. The League Cup has always been one we have wanted to go far in but for various reasons we haven't had much success. Although today will be a very tough ask against a strong Brighouse side, we are confident we have enough to compete and get a result.

I hope you enjoy the game, and we look forward to seeing you back in familiar grounds next weekend.

Many thanks,

Macca
#DaretoDreamContinued

MANAGER

DAN McNAMARA

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ANNA PRICE

“A LOCAL DERBY,
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Good afternoon,

Thank you for coming to support us today versus Brighouse in the FA WNL Cup. We hope you enjoy the experience of being at the Sir Jack Hayward Training Ground, a fantastic facility that we are fortunate to be able to train and play at.

We were overwhelmed with the support at our last home game against West Bromwich Albion. What a night that was to have over 800 fans supporting us. Lots of money raised for Manny's 'Samosa Saturday' campaign to support the Molineux Sleepout and a good three points to go with it. A successful night all round.

Last weekend we went to Derby, a tough place to go and the game reflected that. We weren't at our best and Derby had a number of chances in the first half. However we stuck together and took our chances in the second half. Ali Miller coming off the bench did what Ali does, add pace and a physical threat and thoroughly deserved her two goals.

We know today is going to be a tough game, Brighouse are always a strong, physical side that know how to hurt teams. We have prepared as we always do this week and we can't wait to get out there today to put a performance on and most importantly aim to get our names in the hat for the next round.

Enjoy the game and thanks again for all your support.

Anna Price



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Wolves 3 - 1 West Bromwich Albion

MATCH REPORT

By Louis Woodrow

Wolves 3 (Morphet 45+2, J.Cross 57, Hughes 85) | WBA 1 (Warner 30)

New Bucks Head | Wednesday 12th October 2022

Wolves came out on top in the Black Country derby under the New Bucks Head lights as strikes from Jade Cross and Amber Hughes saw Dan McNamara's team defeat West Bromwich Albion.

Wolves | Thomas, Morphet, E.Cross, George, Gauntlett (Miller 71), J.Cross (Cooper 90), Dermody, Hughes (Dicken 90), Holmes, Johnson, Merrick.

Albion | Haydn-Jones, Brown, George, Loydon (Tudor 77), Green, Crackle, Stamps, Davies, Warner, Straker (Walklett 70), Evans.



The old gold had to come from behind, after Phoebe Warner had given the Baggies the lead but on the stroke of half-time, Anna Morphet's penalty drew the hosts level, and they went on to claim the three points.

A cagey start to the contest brought little in the way of chances, as both sides tried to dominate the midfield, and when the first opening arrived, it was the visitors who took advantage.

That chance fell to Warner, who found herself in space on the edge of the Wolves penalty area, and she hit a curling effort into the top left corner to put the visitors ahead at the half-hour mark.

Despite falling a goal behind, Wolves continued to shade proceedings, and they were rewarded on the stroke of half-time as the referee spotted a handball in the Albion area and referee Ryan Dobson pointed to the spot.

After Helen Dermody missed from the spot on Sunday, Morphet stepped up this time and confidently fired high to the right, sending Haydn-Jones the wrong way to draw Wolves level.

Half-time | Wolves 1-1 West Brom

The second half started much like the first, with few chances falling for either of the Black Country rivals, with a crucial sliding interception from first half goal scorer Morphet putting a swift end to West Brom's first chance of the half.

However, when Jade Cross capitalised on a defensive error from Haydn-Jones' spill, she took the opportunity to fire her side ahead, turning and sending the ball into an open net from a tight angle to complete the comeback.

Wolves almost added a third just minutes later as another goalkeeping error resulted in a scramble in the six-yard box and the ball being cleared off the line.

Opportunities for a third continued to appear throughout the remainder of the second half, and eventually Hughes scored her ninth of the season to give Wolves a two-goal lead with just five minutes to play, converting a low cross from close range.

Wolves had chances to add a fourth in the dying minutes but will not be disheartened, as they ran out 3-1 winners in the Black Country derby.

Full-time | Wolves 3-1 West Brom

Speaking after the win Manager Dan McNamara said:

"The girls were fantastic, absolutely fantastic. We dominated the game from start to finish, they've broken away, a lapse of concentration from us and we go 1-0 down, but other than that I think the girls have been phenomenal, the way we kept the ball and kept banging on the door. We said at half-time we've got to keep going in this kind of performance and grind it out and that's what we've done."

On falling 1-0 down

"I've got full confidence in everything that these girls are doing, we set up a game plan, it didn't go according to that plan because they've turned up and played a formation that isn't normally what they play. The penalty was a great time for us to score, we deserved it."

On turning it around

"Once we went ahead, we knew they had to change something, they've got to come out and try and have a go at us. I'm delighted for Jade. Jade has struggled for goals this year, that means a lot to her."

On Hughes' goals this season

"It was a fantastic performance again from her, she's a remarkable person, remarkable player. Her determination to go out there and perform tonight was second to none, I'm delighted she's got her goal."



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Promising young defender Ria Elsmore was one of many signings made by Wolves head coach Dan McNamara in the summer of 2021 and was a member of last season's title-winning squad.



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MATCH REPORT

By Louis Woodrow

Derby 1 (Gaspar 62) | Wolves 3 (Hughes 55, Miller 74, 88)

Sunday 23rd October 2022

Three second half goals including a brace off the bench for Ali Miller meant all three points were claimed by Wolves as they beat Derby.



Derby | Maguire, Jenkins, Clarkson, Sims, Wilson, Joyce, Sutherland, Gaspar (Camwell 75), Barry, Rhodes-Andrews (Kira Rai 58), Jackson

Wolves | Thomas, Morphet, E.Cross, George (Dicken 90+2), Gauntlett, J.Cross, Dermody, Hughes, Holmes, Johnson, Merrick (Miller 73)

The home side had the majority of chances in the opening 15 minutes, with three shots in quick succession for Derby all narrowly missing the target. Both keepers had plenty to do early on as Wolves grew into the game and chances began to fall for both sides, but neither were able to take the lead.

The biggest chance of the half came to Hughes with around 10 minutes to play. She took the ball round Derby keeper Imogen Maguire but was off balance and couldn't fire her shot on target.

A moment of uncertainty at the back left Wolves keeper Bec Thomas backtracking with the ball, and Kiera Barry closed down well, but the ball deflected off her and over the bar just before the half-time break.

Half-time | Derby 0-0 Wolves

Just five minutes into the second half, Maz Gauntlett met a long ball over the top and looped her shot over Maguire, but the ball sailed just wide of the post.

Wolves built on this well and sustained pressure on the Derby defence, and 10 minutes into the second half it paid off as Hughes managed to push her side ahead.

A scramble in the box resulted in Hughes' 10th league goal of this campaign as McNamara's side took a deserved lead.

The hosts reacted well to going behind however, and just seven minutes later drew level as winger Gaspar fired the ball past Thomas.

A sustained period of pressure then came for Derby County who had a few chances in front of goal, but the Wolves defence did well to contain the pressure and keep it level.

Both sides believed they could go on and win it, but it was second half substitute Miller who made the difference, her shot finding the bottom left corner with 15 minutes left to play, just a minute after coming on.

With just five minutes remaining, a long-range strike from Kiera Barry looked bound for goal, but it sailed just wide of the post. Moments later Miller broke free through the middle and demonstrated excellent composure to round the keeper and slot home her second goal of the game to give Wolves some breathing space and the victory.

Full-time | Derby 1-3 Wolves

Speaking after their 3-1 win, assistant manager Andy Jones said:

"It's difficult to come here, we had a game plan to go with it, I thought the girls coped really well with it. They made things difficult, especially in the middle."

On the half-time team talk:

"We went in and said a similar message we've been saying for the past few weeks. It's just a case of being patient in possession, sticking to the gameplan and looking to exploit their weaknesses when we can. Just to tidy up a little bit really, we were a bit disappointed with some of the quality we showed in the first 10 or 15 minutes, we wanted to put a bit of pressure on the girls to improve the quality and I think we did that in the second half."

On Hughes' 10th league goal

"We all know what Amber can give us. She gives us goals, but she gives us more than just goals she gets the credit for. Second half performance she battled well, she's good at receiving the ball. She works relentlessly hard and that's the culture we've built across all the girls, they all work for the team. Pleased for her to get another goal but more pleased for the work she's doing off the ball."

On Miller's brace off the bench:

"She had a bit of a slow pre-season but her attitude and application for the past few weeks has been outstanding. She gives us that real pace, that real threat, that real desire and she's done it again today."



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TODAY'S OPPONENTS

BRIGHOUSE TOWN : LEAGUE CUP HISTORY



Brighouse Town are in their seventh season in the Women's National League and in all that time they have never lost a Determining Round Cup game, thus, they are yet to appear in the League Plate competition.

Their first appearance in the competition was in 2016/17 when in their initial tie they travelled to Merseyside to meet Mossley Hill Athletic. A tight first half was goalless until added time when Rachel White gave Town the lead. The second half saw strikes from Barker, Brow, McGill and Starkie which eased Brighouse to a 5-0 win. In the next round they met Wolves, the only previous meeting in the competition between today's combatants. The game itself went the full distance as the teams shared four goals, Price and Quick twice putting Wolves ahead with Jodie Redgrave twice equalising. In the penalty shoot-out Wolves' keeper Lucy Gardner saved from Redgrave before smashing home the winning penalty as Wolves triumphed 4-2.

The following term they again met Mossley Hill in the Determining Round, Aimi Beresford scoring the only goal of the game in the first 10 minutes. They eased to a comprehensive 5-1 win in the next round over Chester-le-Street Town, Redgrave grabbing a hat-trick. They followed this with a thrilling win over Derby County, coming from two goals down to win 3-2 with Beresford and Redgrave both scoring in the final five minutes. They were dismissed in the quarter-finals by eventual Northern Division Champions Blackburn Rovers, who snatched the winner a couple of minutes from time to win 2-1.

In 2018/19 Solihull Moors were easily dismissed in the initial round, Charlotte Proud netting four times as Town won 7-0 to set up a home tie with Yorkshire rival Leeds United. Sophie Stamp put the visitors ahead at the break with Jenny Pearson netting the

equaliser early in the second half. Midway through the second period Hannah Freibach put Leeds back ahead and no matter how Brighouse tried they were unable to equalise.

The 2019/20 campaign began with a victory at home to Loughborough Foxes, Laura Bartup grabbing a brace as Town won 2-1. That win was followed by a single goal win over Norton & Stockton Ancients, Annabelle Cass scoring the only goal of the game. Cass was on the mark again in the second round against Derby County, a game that finished 1-1 after extra time. Derby then won the tie 3-0 on penalties. The following season the competition didn't take place due to the Covid pandemic.

Last season Brighouse eased past Holwell Sports in the Determining Round, winning 4-1, Cass with a brace and substitutes Cara Fields and Ellie White with a goal each. They followed this with a 5-2 win over Stoke City with Amy Woodruff grabbing a hat-trick and Leah Embley the others. Newcastle United were dismissed in the second round, the tie going to extra time. Brighouse eventually won 3-1 with goals from Embley and White plus a Newcastle own goal. They then travelled to Derby County in the third round and returned with a surprising 4-1 win, with goals from Embley, Legge, Whitham and Williams. That took them through to a quarter-final with Huddersfield Town where they exited the competition as a Laura Eford hat-trick helped the Terriers to a 4-1 and Huddersfield went on to make it all the way through to the final.

This season they commenced the competition with a comfortable 4-1 win over Leafield Athletic. Issy Dean and Monique Watson gave them a 2-0 half time lead with Jasmine Saxton grabbing a brace before ex-Wolf Chloe Shirley netted a consolation for Athletic, which brings us neatly to today's game.

RESERVES MANAGER

TOM WARREN

"I HAD BOTH MANAGERS ON THE PHONE TO ME WITHIN MINUTES!"



Good afternoon everyone,

It's been two weeks without a competitive fixture for us so we took the opportunity to arrange a midweek game against Shrewsbury Town Women. Their manager, Tom Peevor is a good friend of mine so we always try and fit a friendly in when we can.

We won 4-0 in the end in what was a good physical test for us. Shan Turner played 45 minutes in goal, with Kelly Darby and Ali Miller both getting an hour. The pick of the goals came from Grace Gregory scoring from something she's been working really hard on - carrying the ball down the left hand side, beating players and striking from distance.

It was interesting seeing the FA Cup draw this week! I had both managers on the phone to me within minutes!

We are away at Nottingham Forest this afternoon. The only blemish to our record last year was a draw away at Forest so we're expecting a good test.

Best of luck to Macca, his players and staff for today's game.

Tom

Cup draws

The draw for the first round proper of the FA Cup has paired Wolves against Shrewsbury Town with the tie taking place at Montgomery Waters Meadow on Sunday 13th November.

This season's County Cup campaign will also begin on the road as - after earning a bye in the first round - Wolves head to Chelmsley Colts for a second round tie on Sunday 20th November.



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FIXTURES, RESULTS & LINE-UPS 2022/23

Home fixtures in CAPS
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WFA Cup
 FA WNL Cup
 Birmingham County Cup
 - Yellow card - Red card

August

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LEAGUE TABLE 2022/23

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Wolves	9	7	1	1	19	22
2	Nottingham Forest	8	6	1	1	15	19
3	Burnley	9	5	4	0	7	19
4	Huddersfield Town	8	4	2	2	4	14
5	Stoke City	9	4	1	4	-2	13
6	AFC Fylde	9	2	5	2	0	11
7	Derby County	8	3	1	4	4	10
8	Liverpool Feds	8	2	3	3	-2	9
9	West Bromwich Albion	9	2	3	4	-7	9
10	Brighouse Town	9	1	4	4	-3	7
11	Boldmere St Michaels	8	2	0	6	-12	6
12	Loughborough Lightning	8	0	1	7	-23	1

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OTHER CUP FIXTURES

Chorley v Derby County
 Liverpool Feds v Burnley
 Loughborough Lightning v Huddersfield Town
 Norton & Stockton Ancients v Nottingham Forest
 Stockport County v Stoke City
 AFC Fylde v Doncaster Rovers Belles
 Sporting Khalsa v Boldmere St. Michael's
 Leek Town v West Bromwich Albion

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We're back at our home ground at the New Bucks Head next Sunday when we entertain Brighouse Town again - this time in the league. Admission is free for Wolves and Telford United season ticket holders. For non-season-ticket holders, tickets can be bought online in advance from the Telford United website for a reduced price of £4 for adults, £3 for concessions and £1 for under 16s.

Payment is also accepted on the gate via card or cash with entry costing £5 for adults and £4 for concessions.

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WOLVES

Manager Dan McNamara

1. Shan Turner
2. Laura Cooper
3. Anna Morphet
4. Anna Price
5. Emma Cross
6. Ria Elsmore
7. Tammi George
8. Maz Gauntlett
9. Jade Cross
10. Helen Dermody
11. Amber Hughes
13. Bec Thomas
14. Amy Dicken
15. Kelly Darby
16. Summer Holmes
17. Katie Johnson
19. Ali Miller
20. Lowri Walker
21. Destiney Toussaint
23. Lizzie Bennett-Steele
28. Beth Merrick
30. Marianne Taho
31. Skye Owen



BRIGHOUSE

Manager Rob Mitchell

- Becky Flaherty 1.
- Kayleigh Bamforth 2.
- Darcie Greene 3.
- Shauna Legge 4.
- Isobel Dean 5.
- Annabelle Cass 6.
- Drew Greene 7.
- Nicole Kemp 8.
- Imogen Williams 9.
- Lissa Woodhouse 11.
- Ella Harris 12.
- Lucy Sowerby 14.
- Anna Clayton 15.
- Sophie John 18.
- Hannah Freibach 19.
- Monique Watson 20.



MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee:
Matthew Merriman

Assistant referees:
Martin Shutt & Dhaine Rose-Laing

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Brighouse Town
Sunday 6th November 2022
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