

OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

WFA Women's
National League
League Cup



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BURNLEY vs NORTON & STOCKTON ANCIENTS

19th OCTOBER 2025 - KO 14:00

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2025/26 HOME KIT

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CLUB HISTORY

1882 BURNLEY FC FOUNDED

1888
FOUNDER MEMBER
OF THE FOOTBALL
LEAGUE



1913/14
FA CUP
WINNERS



1946/47
2ND DIVISION
RUNNERS-UP
& FA CUP
RUNNERS-UP



1967/68
FA YOUTH CUP
WINNERS



1973/74
FA CHARITY
SHIELD WINNERS
& TEXACO CUP
RUNNERS-UP



1981/82
3RD DIVISION
CHAMPIONS



1993/94
2ND DIVISION
PLAY-OFF
WINNERS



2013/14
CHAMPIONSHIP
RUNNERS-UP



2018/19
UEFA EUROPA
QUALIFICATIONS
ROUNDS



2024/25
PROMOTION TO
PREMIER LEAGUE



1897/98
2ND DIVISION
CHAMPIONS



1920/21
1ST DIVISION
CHAMPIONS
& FA CHARITY SHIELD
RUNNERS-UP



1959/60
1ST DIVISION
CHAMPIONS



1972/73
2ND DIVISION
CHAMPIONS



1978/79
ANGLO SCOTTISH
CUP WINNERS



1991/92
4TH DIVISION
CHAMPIONS



2008/09
CHAMPIONSHIP
PLAY-OFF WINNERS



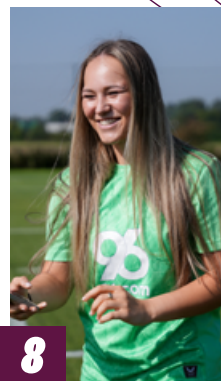
2015/16
CHAMPIONSHIP
WINNERS



2022/23
CHAMPIONSHIP
WINNERS



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HEAD OF WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

LOLA OGUNBOTE

GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO NELSON FC FOR THE VISIT OF NORTON & STOCKTON ANCIENTS THIS AFTERNOON.

We are extremely grateful to the staff and volunteers at Nelson for their support in getting this game on today.

The team come into the match on the back of last weekend's goalless draw at Halifax, last weekend, which bought some disappointment at the final whistle.

It's important to remember how early into the season we are and I'm sure there will be plenty more positive afternoons in the coming months.

Earlier this week we published our official team photo for the 2025/26 season, and it was great to have a joint one with

our men's team counterparts once again.

This is more than a token gesture, and I'm really proud of the inclusivity and empowerment the women's team are given here at Burnley.

The biggest proof of that in recent times was of course the decision to take the team full-time in the summer, which is a rarity at tier three level.

In addition to the funding needed to do this, we've had so much support from various departments at the club, and I'd like to thank everybody involved for their continued hard work and support.

Back to today's game, and I'd like to welcome the directors, staff and players of Norton and Stockton Ancients to Lancashire.

It's always great to meet new

faces and Norton are a team we haven't faced since I joined the Club, so it should be an interesting game.

My final message goes to our fans, ahead of what is a busy period that includes back-to-back three-game weeks.

We feel and hear your support at every game, and I know it really drives the players on.

It would be great to see you at next weekend's home game against Blackburn Rovers in particular, with local bragging rights up for grabs again.

Keep an eye on our social media channels next week for full details of the fixture.

UP THE CLARETS!
LOLA

LOUISE ROBERTS

INTERIM MANAGER





“FOLLOWING LAST WEEK’S LEAGUE DRAW AT HALIFAX I ASKED THE PLAYERS FOR A REACTION IN TRAINING, AND I THINK WE GOT THAT.”

I HOPE YOU
ARE ALL WELL
AND LOOKING
FORWARD TO
TODAY’S GAME.

Following last week’s league draw at Halifax I asked the players for a reaction in training, and I think we got that.

We were disappointed with the performance in Yorkshire, and I didn’t think we deserved anything more than the point we brought back with us.

It’s important to note, though, that it’s still another point and clean sheet towards our end goal at this early stage of the season.

That game won’t define

us, and it’s all about how quickly we can take the learnings and move on.

Today’s match is in the FA Women’s National League Cup, and we’ve been formidable in the competition so far.

Having put two past Chorley and six past Huddersfield Town, it was of course pleasing to score 13 against Blackburn Rovers in our final group game.

The draw has given us Norton & Stockton Ancients today, so I’m looking forward to a different challenge against a team we’ve not played since 2019.

We know they’ll give us a tough game and will of course want to progress

to the next round just as much as we do.

Because of that we’ll have to be at our best, just as we try to be every game, to get the desired result.

I’d like to take this opportunity to welcome Norton manager Chris Burton and his staff to Lancashire.

I look forward to sharing the touchline with them at Nelson, and I’m looking forward to an exciting game.

ENJOY THE GAME,
LOUISE

EVA SPENCER

***CLEAN SHEETS
ADD GLOSS TO
START OF LIFE
IN CLARET FOR
SPENCER***





CLEAN SHEETS ARE AN IMPORTANT COMMODITY FOR ANY GOALKEEPER, ESPECIALLY WHEN TRYING TO MAKE AN IMPRESSION UPON SIGNING FOR A NEW CLUB.

With that in mind, Eva Spencer couldn't have wished for much of a better start to life as a claret on the pitch – conceding zero goals in her first four outings to date.

Spencer signed for Burnley on her 18th birthday, meaning this is her first permanent experience of life in a full-time senior environment, barring occasional involvement with Liverpool.

That hasn't seemed to faze the teenager, though, who has settled in well.

"It's been exciting," she said.

"As a team we've had a few ups and a few downs, but we're united and it's been good to settle into a full-time environment.

"It almost feels strange not having that differentiation between being with a first team and going back down to the U21s around people your age.

"It's a professional environment here, which has helped me mature as I get older.

"Senior football is very different, and it challenges me more, as it gives me the chance to play against bigger and better players."

Spencer made her Burnley debut in August's 2-0 victory at Chorley in the FA Women's National League Cup.

She then played the entirety of wins over Huddersfield Town and Blackburn Rovers in the same competition, before making her league debut against Halifax last weekend.

It was another shutout for the stopper that day, despite her introduction to the side being late notice.

"It's nice to have those clean sheets on my record early on, because that's one of the biggest things as a goalkeeper," she continued.

"I woke up (on the morning of the Halifax game) and felt good. Circumstances obviously changed and I was asked to come in and play.

"You've always got to prepare for a game the same way, regardless of whether

you're starting or on the bench, and I was ready to play.

"Sometimes we struggled finding our way a little bit. We did grow into it, though, and it was just about finding those little details and energy.

"Hopefully, we can pull it back together this weekend and get straight back to winning ways.

"I'm excited to hopefully play again, especially as we're getting further into the competition. I'm one of those people that likes to be challenged, and I'd rather have loads to do than nothing to do.

"The league is a big aim for us, but it's nice to have those trophies too, so every competition is important.

"I'm excited for this weekend and hopefully the future games to, should we progress."





BURNLEY HELD TO GOALLESS DRAW AT HALIFAX

BURNLEY WOMEN
WERE UNABLE TO
TURN POSSESSION
INTO POINTS AS
THEY PLAYED OUT
A GOALLESS DRAW
WITH HALIFAX LAST
WEEKEND.

There was one planned change from the 3-0 victory over Hull City the weekend prior, with Abbey-Leigh Stringer replacing Brenna McPartian in the heart of midfield.

Goalkeeper Kirstie Levell and left wing-back Tilly Wilkes withdrew late through illness, meaning Eva Spencer and Thea Paul were given unexpected starting berths.

The Clarets enjoyed the better of the possession from the off and Jade Richards thought she'd broken the deadlock in the 12th minute, but her stooping header was ruled offside.

Yana Daniëls tested Halifax 'keeper Maddie Crosbie with a header soon afterwards and Mel Lawley was next to take aim with no luck.

It wasn't one-way traffic and both teams' desire produced dangerous situations around the half hour.

Millie Ravening then had a low effort saved in the bottom left corner before Halifax produced their best chance of the first half in stoppage-time, but Megan Shaw blazed over from 18 yards.

The second half continued in similar fashion to the first, with Lou

Roberts' side working the ball and creating chances that were repelled.

Burnley also weren't quite getting the luck of the draw, with Stringer and Claudia Walker both miscuing volleys from good positions on the hour.

Roberts turned to her bench for the first time in the 68th minute, replacing Lawley and Ravening with Aimee Kelly and Millie Chandarana respectively.

Kelly almost had an immediate impact when she received the ball and turned on the edge of the area, but her shot was straight down Crosbie's throat.

Richards later hit the bar from another header before being replaced by former Halifax loanee Charlie Chadwick in an attacking change.

There were five added minutes at the end of the 90 and both teams had spells in the opposition half during that period.

Chadwick came closest to finding the winning goal but couldn't quite get the desired contact on her overhead kick after Kelly's effort was blocked.

The result means Burnley now have 14 points from their six league matches to date, leaving them 2nd in the table.



**SPENCER,
DOCHERTY,
SIDALL,
WALKER,**

**RAVENING (CHANDARANA 68),
RICHARDS (CHADWICK 80),
LAWLEY (KELLY 68),**

**BRADLEY,
DANIËLS,
PAUL,
STRINGER**

Unused Substitutes:

**LEVELL, MCDANIEL, HARTLEY,
WILKES**



**CROSBIE,
CASS,
PHILLIPS,
DOBSON,
SHAW,**

**DAVIES (JACOBS 70),
CROMPTON (STRICKLAND 75),**

**HORNER,
BURKE,
SETTLE,
HOLLIN**

Substitutes:

GROVES, CHAN, BREED

NOTICEBOARD

CLARETS TO FACE BLACKBURN ROVERS IN ADOBE WOMEN'S FA CUP

Burnley's Adobe Women's FA Cup campaign will begin against Blackburn Rovers on Sunday 26th October.

The Clarets have been drawn as the home team for this first round tie.

Lou Roberts' side made it to the third round of the competition last season. After beating Spennymoor Town 12-0, there was an 11-0 victory over Bradford City in the second round.

Burnley played Blackburn last month, winning 13-0 in the FA Women's National League Cup.



NEW DATE FOR WEST BROM TRIP CONFIRMED

Our trip to West Bromwich Albion will now take place on Wednesday 22nd October, with kick-off at 7.45pm.

The Northern Premier Division of the Women's National League match was originally set for Sunday 21st September, but was postponed.

Alexander Stadium (B42 2LR) is the venue, but if you can't be there in person, be sure to follow live updates on our dedicated women's social media channels - @BurnleyFCWomen on X and Instagram.

Additionally, you can read our match report on www.burnleyfootballclub.com after the final whistle.

THIS OR THAT

1. Home or Away?
Home
2. 5-0 win or Last-Minute Winner?
Last-minute winner
3. Goal or Assist?
Goal
4. Eat out or Takeaway?
Eat out
5. Left or Right?
Right
6. Text or Call?
Call
7. TV Show or Movie?
Movie
8. Save or Spend?
Spend
9. Headphones or Speaker?
Speaker
10. Cats or Dogs?
Dogs

A portrait of Maddie Robinson, a young woman with blonde hair tied back, smiling. She is wearing a maroon football jersey with a crest on the chest and the number 96 and 96.com on the front. The background is a light grey with white wavy lines.

MADDIE ROBINSON





2025/26 AWAY KIT

BRING THE NOISE



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INTRODUCING

NORTON & STOCKTON ANCIENTS



**NORTON & STOCKTON
ANCIENTS FC LADIES
ARE PART OF A LARGE
FOOTBALL CLUB
BASED IN TEESSIDE.**



The team competes in the FA Women's National League and has done since being promoted from the NERWFL in 2018.

As well as the ladies first team, the club boasts a female reserves side who compete in the NERWFL North Division One, and junior girls' teams at every age group from Under 8s to Under 18s.

In total, more than 180 women and girls are registered with the club and eight of the current senior women's set-up coach within the junior section.

Manager Chris Burton has been at the helm since 2016 and has seen his side go from strength to strength.

This has come through maintaining players who have played at the club for a number of years, as well as making new signings and seeing players progress from the junior section into the women's teams.

The current first team squad contains four players who have made over 100 appearances for the club.

Norton & Stockton currently operate in the fourth tier, known as Division One North, and have had a mixed start to the season.

After six games they sit 9th in the 12-team table, with six points

coming from two victories. They were beaten 4-0 at top-of-the-league Cheadle Town Stingers last weekend.

Norton progressed to this stage of the FA Women's National League Cup as one of the 10 best runners up, finishing behind Liverpool Feds in Group R.

An impressive 2-0 victory over third-tier Halifax saw them over the line, with Bianca Owens and Chloe West on target at Myra Shay Playing Fields that day.

The last time Burnley and Norton met, there were four of Norton's current squad in their starting line-up, Vicki Burton, Owens, Ash Coyle and then-17-year-old, Louise Atkinson.

That game was in February 2019, the season that Burnley gained promotion to tier three of the women's pyramid, and the Clarets won 5-4 having held a four-goal lead at half-time.

Players to look out for include striker Owens, who is the fourth tier's joint top scorer with eight goals.

Owen was part of Newcastle United's 2023/24 squad that won promotion to the Championship, too.



FROM THE TRAINING GROUND



BROOKE CAIRNS

PLAYER INSIGHT



What are your first memories of football?

Playing on the playground with the boys in primary school.

Did you have any idols that you looked up to when you were growing up?

As a Liverpool fan I'd say Steven Gerrard – he could do everything!

Have you always played in your current position, or have you played elsewhere across the pitch?

I've always played in central midfield.

What's the best game or moment you have seen live?

The famous Liverpool v Barcelona Champions League game at Anfield in 2019.

It was a great atmosphere and to come back and win as the underdogs made it that extra little bit special.

If you had to name a stand-out moment from your career so far, what would it be?

Making my Women's Super League debut for West Ham. It was a 4-0 win over Leicester City in September 2021, and I came off the bench as an 18-year-old.



Pos.	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	Wolverhampton Wanderers	6	5	1	0	18	4	14	16
2	Burnley Women	6	4	2	0	15	1	14	14
3	Rugby Borough Women	6	3	2	1	17	5	12	11
4	West Bromwich Albion Women	5	3	1	1	10	8	2	10
5	Liverpool Feds Women	6	3	1	2	13	12	1	10
6	Hull City Ladies	7	2	2	3	9	16	-7	8
7	Stoke City Women	6	2	1	3	8	8	0	7
8	Middlesbrough Women	6	2	1	3	3	9	-6	7
9	Derby County Women	7	2	1	4	5	13	-8	7
10	Halifax Women	7	1	2	4	3	11	-8	5
11	Loughborough Lightning	6	1	2	3	5	14	-9	5
12	Sporting Khalsa Women	6	1	0	5	5	10	-5	3

THE FA WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE FIXTURES



The FA Women's

2025/26

AUGUST

17 H MIDDLESBROUGH 5-0
24 A WOLVERHAMPTON W. 0-0
31 H LOUGHBOROUGH LIGHTNING 5-0

NOVEMBER

2 A STOKE CITY
16 H DERBY COUNTY
30 A RUGBY BOROUGH

FEBRUARY

8 A LOUGHBOROUGH LIGHTNING
19 A LIVERPOOL FEDS
22 H WEST BROMWICH ALBION

SEPTEMBER

14 A SPORTING KHALSA

DECEMBER

7 A MIDDLESBROUGH

MARCH

8 H RUGBY BOROUGH
22 A DERBY COUNTY
29 H HALIFAX

OCTOBER

5 H HULL CITY 3-0
12 A HALIFAX 0-0
21 A WEST BROMWICH ALBION
29 H LIVERPOOL FEDS

JANUARY

4 H WOLVERHAMPTON W.
25 H SPORTING KHALSA

APRIL

12 A HULL CITY
26 H STOKE CITY



INTERIM MANAGER
Louise Roberts



MANAGER
Chris Burton

1 Eva Spencer (GK)

2 Charley Docherty

3 Emma Siddall

4 Brenna McPartlan

6 Jasmine Matthews

7 Heidi Logan

8 Emma Doyle

9 Claudia Walker

10 Millie Ravening

11 Danielle Maxwell

12 Maddie Robinson

13 Jade Richards

14 Melissa Lawley

15 Helen Seed

16 Deirdre Bradley

17 Millie Chandarana

18 Louise McDaniel

19 Charlie Chadwick

20 Yana Daniëls

21 Brooke Cairns

22 Alethea Paul

23 Naomi Hartley

24 Tilly Wilkes

25 Aimee Kelly

27 Naoisha Mcaloon (GK)

28 Kirstie Levell (GK)

30 Abbey-Leigh Stringer

1 Kelsie Moore (GK)

2 Ash Coyle

3 Ruby Forster

4 Milly Cairns

5 Georgia Rae

6 Vicki Burton

7 Chloe West

8 Erin Boyle

9 Anna Birtwhistle

10 Bianca Owens

12 Louise Atkinson

14 Kerry Heslop

15 Erin Green

17 Lucy Jamieson

18 Belle Smith

19 Eva Leadbitter

21 Eve Marshall

22 Elen Valentine (GK)

NEXT GAMES

WEST BROMWICH ALBION

Wednesday 22nd October - 7.45PM KO

Alexander Stadium, Birmingham

NORTHERN PREMIER DIVISION
OF THE WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE

BLACKBURN ROVERS WOMEN

Sunday 26th October - 2PM KO

Venue: TBC

ADOBE WOMEN'S FA CUP