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London City Lionesses Versus Reading Women F.C

Sunday, January 26, 2020

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Match Day Opposition: Reading Women F.C.



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GREETINGS FROM THE CHAIR

Dear supporters,

Welcome back to Prince's Park today for our FA Women's Cup tie with Reading. This is one of the most prestigious competitions in our game and we are honoured to be taking part in our inaugural FA Cup tie today, against a strong team from the WSL.

Last week, we showed real strength in securing a point away from home to a strong Durham side. It was obviously disappointing not to come away with all three points, but we have to give credit to our opposition. Kallie Balfour again scored a fantastic late goal to reward our strong fightback after going a goal down. Our away form continues to be one of our strongest aspects and that takes real character from all the players. Lucy Thomas had an exceptional game and made a catalogue of top-class saves. She was invited to an England camp recently and with performances like she gave on Sunday, she will no doubt be invited to many more.

We continue to fight in our Championship campaign but realise that today is an important test, not only as it's the FA Cup, but that we are up against a team from the top division.

Reading are a great side, with a team full of experienced international players, and the girls have to see today as an opportunity to assess where they are at in their own development. We hope to be able to surprise a few people by going toe-to-toe with some of those players – our girls don't need to be told about how big a chance today is to make a name for themselves.

It's an exciting period for London City Lionesses and every week I am proud of what we have built here. Seeing players progress on and off the pitch is what will help develop the club, they are the lifeblood of our goals and objectives. We will keep fighting for every point and building. I believe we are well on track towards what we want to achieve and thank everyone for their efforts in the season so far.

I hope you enjoy today's game and we hope this is the first of many exciting FA Cup ties that London City Lionesses are a part of.

Diane Culligan



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MESSAGE FROM JOHN BAYER

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Hello everyone and welcome to today's game.

We arrive back at Prince's Park following one of our best performances this season, away at Durham last weekend. I was absolutely delighted to come away with a point as it's a really difficult place to go and get any kind of result.

They were a big, strong and physical side but our mindset and attitude matched that and made for a really good quality football match. It really was a fantastic advert for the women's game. We analysed the players' performance after the game and the statistics across the board were our highest all season. That showed how much the players were putting into the game and how mentally strong their attitude to the game was. It showed the level we can reach if we apply the correct combination of physical and mental application.

I don't usually mention individual players, but our goalkeeper Lucy Thomas is someone who deserves particular mention for her performance last week. She had an absolute blinder, a couple of vital saves which kept us in the game. Of course, everyone played their part, but it's very reassuring to know your keeper is in that kind of form as a player. But, as I say, everyone showed an exemplary attitude last week - from those that played 90 minutes, to our game-changers from the bench, one of whom, Kallie Balfour, is making a very useful habit of coming off the bench and scoring with her first touch - the second time she's done that this season now!

Today our attention turns away from league matters and onto the Women's FA Cup. We're up against W.S.L. side Reading who are as you would expect, a well-coached and well organised side. They have good positional rotation in possession and a relentless pressing style when they don't have the ball. We are well prepared to face the challenge and we want to give it our best shot because, as underdogs today, all the pressure will be on Reading to get a result and not slip up!

It is a challenge to play against sides from the top division, but this season we beat Bristol City on penalties and despite the result in our game against Brighton, I felt we matched them for most of the time. We have to go into these games with a high level of focus and we need to be sharp, as the game will be a little quicker for our players than we are normally used to in our league.

I'm really looking forward to this one and I hope we can put on a good show for you all here today.

John Bayer

Head of Player Development

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- 1. Grace Moloney (GK)
- 2. Kristine Leine
- 3. Mayumi Pacheco
- 4. Fara Williams
- 5. Molly Bartrip
- 6. Angharad James
- 8. Remi Allen
- 9. Amalie Eikeland.
- 10. Lauren Bruton
- 11. Natasha Harding (C)
- 4. Millie Farrow
- 16. Lisa-Marie Utland

- 17. Charlie Estcourt
- 19. Brooke Chaplen
- 18. Jade Moore
- 21. Maxime Bennink
- 22. Jo Potter
- 23. Rachel Rowe
- 26. Sophie Howard
- 27. Rachael Laws
- 28. Lily Woodham
- 29. Kiera Skeels
- 31. Bethan Roberts



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2. Chantelle Mackie
3. Leanne Cowan
4. Poppy Wilson
5. Hannah Short
6. Ylenia Priest
7. Liz Ejupi
8. Freda Ayisi
9. Gabby Ravenscroft
10. Juliette Kemppi
11. Evie Clarke
12. Grace Neville
13. TBC
14. Kallie Balfour
15. Vyan Sampson
16. Harley Bennett
17. Lucy Fitzgerald
18. Ellie Mason
19. Lily Fagg
20. Annie Rossiter
21. Flo Fyfe
22. Eden Bailey
23. Amber Gaylor
24. Ellie Arnold





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