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# Ryan Perks

Good afternoon, all, and welcome to Langsford Park for our FA Women's National League Southern Premier Division match against Watford.

Firstly, we would like to send our huge thanks to Tavistock AFC for allowing us to play this afternoon's fixture at the home of the Lambs. We appreciate all your hard work for getting the pitch ready for us. We also extend our welcome to the Hornets' players, staff, officials, and supporters to Devon today.

Despite not picking up any points in our last league match against Hashtag United, the squad should hold their heads high. A gutsy performance against a high-flying side would always be tough, but they stuck at it for 90 minutes and should be proud of how they played. We've seen earlier in the season that we can pick up important results. I'm sure Watford will want to come back to the South West and try to rectify the result from the FAWNL Cup quarter-final, but we will do exactly what we need to stop this from happening.

Watford are a strong side and we're aware of the problems they might cause us, but with the

support of the cheering Green Army, anything can happen.

Thank you, once again, for your support this season. Hearing and seeing some of the Green Army in Essex made us all smile and we always leave it all on the pitch for you.

Enjoy the game,

Ryan

## "Watford are a strong side and we're aware of the problems they might cause us"



Watford Football Club Women featured in the inception of the Women's Championship in 2014, after a successful season in the FA Women's Premier League, now FA Women's National League, the year prior.

The on-pitch success of finishing as runners-up was matched by the off-field happiness of having the club's application for a license to compete in the Championship accepted. The debut season in the league started positively meaning the Hornets were sitting third as the halfway point approached, however, injuries curtailed their season, and they fell to seventh.

Several seasons of Championship football followed until the 2018/19 season, where the Hornets dropped into the FAWNL South after suffering relegation. Watford ended the season one spot ahead of Argyle, finishing fifth in the league, with both sides picking up a 3-2 win in each home fixture.

In the 2020/21 season, a shortened campaign handed Watford promotion back to the Championship, but it only lasted one season. They suffered relegation, once again, after winning just two of their 22 games and picking up only 11 points.

Their yo-yo life between the two divisions continued, after a successful 2022/23 campaign. Finishing tied on 53 points with Ipswich Town after 22 games, only goal difference separated the two sides and thankfully for the Hornets, it fell in their favour. Again, the Championship proved to be too strong and Watford, alongside Lewes, dropped back into the FAWNL Southern Premier Division for this year's campaign.

So far this season, Renee Hector's side sit sixth in the league table, winning six of their 11 games and picking up wins against Billericay Town twice, MK Dons, Cheltenham Town, Exeter City and Hashtag United.

Flo Fyfe leads the goalscoring charts for the Hornets, with five goals in all competitions, whilst Jessie Gale, a dual signing from Arsenal, Coral-Jade Haines, Ellie Head and Lachante Paul all have four goals to their names.

In the FAWNL Cup, Watford had been firing in goals, scoring 16 goals through the matches prior to a quarter-final tie at Home Park against Argyle. However, on the day, Lulu Jarvis' goal and stellar defensive work from the Pilgrims frustrated the Hornets and knocked them out of the competition, securing Ryan Perks' side a place in the semi-final of the competition against Stoke City.





#### HASHTAG UNITED 2 ARGYLE O

Argyle suffered a 2-0 defeat Hashtag United on Sunday afternoon in FA Women's National League Southern Premier Division action at Parkside Stadium.

Hashtag went top of the table thanks to goals from Sammy Rowland and substitute Honor Norton.

The Greens started the game on the front foot, with Charlotte Whitmore breaking behind the hosts' defensive line and finding herself oneon-one with Frankie Angel in the Hashtag goal. However, the linesman raised his flag for offside, ending the attacking threat.

Soon enough, the pressure started to pile on Argyle as Hashtag maintained possession and hit the Greens with continuous attacking waves. However, Argyle managed to defend valiantly, until a corner was given away.

Hashtag quickly showed again how much of a



threat from set-pieces they are, with a corner being swung to the back post and getting flicked home by Rowland with ease.

Counter-attacking football was Argyle's friend on Sunday, but Ryan Perks' side were missing the needed quality on the final pass on many occasions.

The hosts continued to be a threat from set-pieces and attacking phases, but Argyle managed to hold on and trailed by only a goal after the first 45 minutes of action.

After the break, the Greens looked the better side. Strong and quick defensive work, alongside tidy passing play, presented Argyle an opportunity to run at the Hashtag defence on the counter. It appeared that an equaliser could be on the cards until Hashtag doubled their advantage out of nowhere. Substitute Norton picked up the ball and finished into the back of the net before rearing off in celebration.

Substitute Roxy Thomas came close for Argyle when she met Whitmore's cross to the back post but could not locate the ball, after getting the initial touch, before Angel pounced onto it.

Argyle still sit outside the relegation zone in 10th place and will look to get back to winning ways against Watford at Langsford Park, the home of Tavistock, on Sunday, 19 January.



## Who's most likely to...? Niddleton House edition

Middleton House, a shared house on the campus of Marjon University, is home for Argyle players – and Marjon students – Comfort Erhabor, Ava Kuyken, Caitlin Smith and Lulu Jarvis.

We asked Ava and Comfort to decide who in the house is most likely to:

Forget their boots for an away game Ava

Turn up late to training Comfort, as she takes longer than expected to get ready.

Turn up late for the coach Comfort, same as before! She's chosen by default.

Do an odd goal celebration? And what would it be? Caitlin, she'll do something funny for sure.

Wear the wrong training kit? Lulu, but it can be any of us really! Get a speeding ticket? Only two of us drive and Caitlin hasn't had one, so it has to be Ava!

Have their phone go off during an important team talk? Comfort, her mum called her during a team meeting the other week.

#### Claim to be coach DJ

Lulu is the gym DJ, so it would definitely be her.

Score an overhead kick Lulu!

Score the winner in an important match Lulu, because she did it in the Watford game.

Get a club fine Ava, for wearing the wrong kit when she's not supposed to!

Become internet famous Definitely Ava, for her PT work!

### Take a week to respond to the team group chat

We're all really good at replying to individual messages, but if it's in the group chat, we think Caitlin.

#### Go on a reality show

Caitlin again. She'll just be good on something like Gogglebox because she loves to talk.

#### **Become a millionaire**

Ava, because 'Train With Ava' is going to take off!

Move abroad Ava and Caitlin, moving to America or Australia!

> Score a 35-yard screamer in game Ava, because of the shooting drill work.

Become prime minister Caitlin, because she talks the most!

Skip training for a night at home Comfort, as she loves a night in!



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