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The Womens Super Cup

2023









Good evening and welcome to the first ever Women's Super Cup! On behalf of Manchester FA and Cheshire FA, we are delighted to mark the official launch of this new competition this evening at the world class Manchester City Academy Stadium.

As we continue to celebrate the incredible achievements of our Lionesses, we are thrilled to bring you this new format which will see the previous season's County Cup winners from both County FAs come together in a one off fixture for the ultimate bragging rights!

And what better place to kick this competition off but the home of one of the most successful women's football teams in country.

Tonight will see Manchester FA represented by our winners, Cheadle Town Stingers, and Cheshire FA respresented by their own champions, Tranmere Rovers.

The fixure promises to be a real cracker and we can't wait to see which team, and county will come out on top!

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The initiative is aligned to the new FA Refereeing Strategy to wider goal of helping to increase referee recruitment from historically underrepresented ethnic communities.

The FA Referee Course is designed to equip new referees with the key skills and knowledge they will need to be able to referee grassroots football matches safely and effectively. It is for people aged 14 and over who want to referee mini soccer, 9 v 9 and/or 11 v 11 football.

Benefits of refereeing:

- -Financial incentive: Referee payments currently range from £30 £45 per match (course cost of £40 can be earned back refereeing 2 fixtures)
- -Career prospects: Opportunity to progress through the referee pathway semi-pro and professional game
- -Fitness: Staying active whilst refereeing
- -Skill development: Teamwork, communication, management skills etc can be learnt

The proposed course dates and venue is subject to be confirmed. However, we are initially gathering interest to see if we have enough numbers to run a course.

Please visit ManchesterFA.com for more information and how you can access this bursary.



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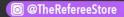






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CHEADLE TOWN STINGERS WOMENS SUPER CUP







A MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGER: DYLAN WIMBURY

This is now my fifth season managing Cheadle town stingers and out of all seasons I've been involved in I would arguably say that last year was our most successful season for me as a manager. To watch some of the football the players produced throughout the season has been an honour and I am proud of every single one of them for what they have achieved last year as one.

It has been great to watch them grow together as a team throughout the season, and they have produced some entertaining and incredible football for not only myself but for the fans to enjoy watching too.

They've have had all sorts of challenges thrown at them and they have overcome each and every single one of them and come out the other side stronger and more together than ever.

This year saw us bring in a number of new players prior to the season starting, I must say each new addition has only strengthen us as a team and brought something new and exciting with them, each one being welcomed with open arms and fitting in with the team straight away!

It's an honour to manage such an amazing bunch of players and I am excited to see what this final brings as I believe Trammere will be a tough team to beat but we're up for the challenge.

CHEADLE TOWN STINGERS WOMENS SUPER CUP







CLUB HISTORY

Cheadle town stingers were formed originally with the name Manchester stingers in 1999. However, the season of 20/21 marked a significant moment for the club as they were overtaken and named Cheadle town stingers as the club took on a new women's team.

Over the years they have been nicked named and known to many as 'Stingers' who once wore black and yellow but now can be seen in their home colours of red and white. After a few seasons they have now successfully settled into playing at their home ground named Park Road Stadium which is a well looked after stadium located in the heart of Cheadle.

Previous seasons has seen Cheadle town stingers win the Manchester FA women's challenge cup in which they lifted the trophy after beating Mancunian Unity Women's 1-0 in an exciting encounter two years ago. We then retained our trophy beating Curzon Ashton 5-0 in the 22/23 campaign.

Last season saw Cheadle town break their FA cup record run as they managed to get through to the 2nd round which seen them get narrowly defeated by tier three women's team Burnley FC. That wasn't it for the 22/23 season as Cheadle did the cup double. Winning the NWWRFL argule sports cup. Again beating Curzon Ashton 2-0.



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CHEADLE TOWN STINGERS WOMENS SUPER CUP









Jessica Linford – A commanding goal keeper who is always communicating throughout the game, who is focused and brave.

Sian Payne – A great shot stopper between the sticks with great decision making and always alert and ready in goal.

Nadine Ruddock — A speedy defender who non stops runs and loves a full pitch sprint but brings a focused and calm mentality to the team.

Becky Coe – A technically proficient all round player who has the ability to play any position if needed with great athleticism.

Yasmin Ahmed – A big defending presence with great awareness of what is happening around her, able to handle any situation thrown at her.

Jodie Hancock – A solid tackling defender, who commands the back line with clear and cut communication. A big and important voice on the pitch.

Sofia Albo Elliot – A strong defender who is willing to put her body on the line no matter what she is well positioned and disciplined along the back line.

Chloe Grundy — A player with a great range of passing ability and who is able to read the game well and anticipate whats next from the centre of the pitch.

CHEADLE TOWN STINGERS WOMENS SUPER CUP







Georgia Plant – A player with immense technical ability who allows us to play out from the back but also knows when to clear her lines, with quick and effective decision making.

Imogen Porteous Williams – Great control with the ball, attacks opposition defence with confidence, quality and pace. A player who is always looking for the ball and has an unbelievable work rate.

Rachael Dunlop – Powerful forward who is strong, willing and quick with a clinical and calm attitude in front of goal. She has a great composure in front of goal with the precision the finish a chance off.

Avilla Bergin – A player with a strong dribbling ability, confident in one to one situations. Teams struggle to defend against her when she combines her acceleration and agility.

Chole Mapp – A clever minded and creative forward who has an outstanding shooting range and can be a potentially threat from any position in the forward areas. A magician with her feet and can pick a pass out through the tightest of spaces.

Ceri Ogden– An attacking midfielder who is comfortable and creative on the ball, even when under pressure has the ability to find a pass anywhere on the pitch with a great teaching ability but also a hard worker and engine.

Elizabeth Potier – A ball playing midfielder who loves a challenge, she is integral to the dominance of this team. Her movement on and off the ball is impeccable and is always willing to receive it in pressured area who finds a way out with her creative flair.

Neve Birtwistle — A player who is always calm and composed on the ball, she dictates the flow as she possess an acute awareness of what is happening around her and is very capable of intercepting passes and threatening attacks.

Holly McAlister – A well disciplined and positioned player who is always in the right place at right time, clinical with her feet but also brings an aerial threat along with her, both attacking and defending.

Natasha Priestley — A play making midfielder who doesn't shy away from a hard tackle who brings the never give up attitude to the pitch and will throw everything at it. Great feet and can find her way out of any difficult situation.

Abbie Jayne Moore — A tactically intelligent player who has good vision to pick out a pass when going forward. She is quick thinking and quick playing with a wide range of passing which makes her dangerous.

Jess Coulman — A player who exploits the space behind oppositions defence when going forward at pace and delivers quality when crossing the ball into the box but is just as good defensively.

Sophie ohn – A creative midfielder who is always looking for the ball and to play out.













WATCH. LISTEN. TALK. ACT. WE'RE BACKING PLAY SAFE 2023

Led by The Football Association, the Play Safe campaign is endorsed by the NSPCC and will be supported over the weekend 30th September/1st October across every level of English football, including the Premier League, EFL, Barclays Women's Super League and Barclays Women's Championship, and across the grassroots game.

This season we are asking EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE – clubs and leagues at every level of the game, (and individuals if they wish) – to tell us what they are planning to do to make a difference over the Play Safe weekend and to share this via an online Play Safe Pledge.

The FA's Survivor Support and Safeguarding Advisory Group (FASSSAG) continues to support Play Safe: "Creating safe environments in every football setting is a collective responsibility. It's really important that every single person in football – no matter if they're actively involved or on the sidelines – understands that they have an ongoing role to play. Knowing how to act on any concerns is vital and Play Safe is a key way to raise awareness so that everyone is vigilant and knows what to do if they become aware of any inappropriate behaviour."

This year's Play Safe weekend focuses on the safeguarding role EVERYONE has to play – coach, player, parent/carer, spectator or volunteer – to keep children and young people safe, no matter what the football setting. EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, EVERYTIME is encouraged to WATCH, LISTEN, TALK and ACT if they have any safeguarding concerns.

Captain's armbands will be worn at various levels of the game over the weekend. Head coaches/managers are also being asked to wear Play Safe pin badges to show their support. It's all part of football in England uniting to create an ever-safer culture across the game at every level.









Manchester FA is delighted to announce the appointment of Jane Crombleholme to its Board of Directors as its first Independent Chair.

As Independent Chair, Jane will be responsible for leading the Board to deliver Manchester FA's business strategy which seeks to grow and develop grassroots football across Greater Manchester and provide a fantastic experience for member clubs, volunteers and the thousands of participants that play the game.

In addition to overseeing the affairs of Manchester FA, Jane will be responsible for ensuring the Board fulfil its duties and obligations for the effective governance of the Association. This will also include the performance management of Manchester FA's Chief Executive Officer, Colin Bridgford.

Jane has a vast amount of experience in a number of Board and Chairperson roles across a variety of public and not-for-profit sectors undertaken over many years. Added to this, Jane has broad commercial experience in the higher education sector both in the UK and internationally. Jane is currently the Managing Director for Executive Education at the Alliance Manchester Business School, a role which she will continue alongside her voluntary role with Manchester FA until she formally retires in 2024.

Jane's appointment follows the conclusion of a recruitment process led by Manchester FA's Nominations and Remunerations Group to appoint a successor to current Chair, John McLellan-Grant in advance of him reaching his nine-year term limit.

In accordance with the recommendations made in the FA's Code of Governance for County FAs, the group sought to appoint an Independent Chair and following the advertisement of the role, candidates were shortlisted and interviewed. A final recommendation was made to the full Board and subsequently ratified with unanimous approval in July.







Over several years Manchester FA has developed and evolved the make-up of its Board to ensure the organisation benefits from a diverse range of skills, experience and knowledge.

Jane will therefore be joining an already hugely experienced Board of Directors, including:

Colin Bridgford – CEO, Senior Safeguarding Lead, Company Secretary and FA Council Representative Elliot Ward – Senior Non-Executive Director – Communications & Marketing Anika Leslie-Walker – Independent Non-Executive Director – Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Geraldine Ryan – Independent Non-Executive Director – Legal and Compliance Chris Armstrong – Independent Non-Executive Direction – Health & Wellbeing Karen Bardsley – Independent Non-Executive Director – Women & Girls Will Blandamer – Independent Non-Executive Director – Safeguarding Rebecca Britain – Executive Director – Professional Game Dan Jones – Independent Non-Executive Director – Finance & Risk

Commenting on her appointment as Manchester FA's first Independent Chair, Jane Crombleholme, said:

"I am delighted to have been appointed as Independent Chair for Manchester FA. Football is our national game and one which has a huge impact across all communities. As someone who was born and bred in Manchester and lived here for most of my life, I know the importance of grassroots football across our city in particular and the role it plays in bringing people together.

I particularly look forward to supporting our wonderful team of staff, volunteers and players to further grow the numbers of people playing football and continue our journey to be a role model for inclusive sport."

Manchester FA's Chief Executive Officer, Colin Bridgford, added:

"We have been proud of the steps that we have taken over many years to develop and evolve our governance model and are delighted that Jane will be joining the Board as our first Independent Chair.

Jane brings with her a wealth of experience, a passion for community work and volunteering and importantly, has a determination to ensure Manchester FA continues to grow and develop the grassroots game across Greater Manchester.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing Chair, John for his outstanding contribution to grassroots football. His leadership of the Board and his support for the team at Manchester FA during his tenure is something we have all appreciated."

As part of Manchester FA's induction process for its new Chair, outgoing Chair, John will begin a handover period before formally stepping down from the Board. John will also play an active role during this season's Annual General Meeting in the autumn.



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TRANMERE ROVERS WOMEN WOMENS SUPER CUP







A MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGER: SAM IRVINE

I'd like to welcome everyone to this evening's game as we compete against a fantastic opponent in the super county cup final.

It is an honour to be involved in this fixture and it will be an excellent experience for all involved. To play at the stadium where many players of great stature have played including our very own European Champions and World Cup Finalists, the Lionesses, is special for our players & a prospect they are excited about.

Our journey to get to this point required a lot of hard work and dedication from the squad, including the fantastic Cup Final victory against Stockport County. Our collective efforts have brought us to this stage, and we're ready to give it our all once again.

I want to take a moment to applaud the incredible support we've received from our fans. Your chants from the stands, your messages on social media, and your presence at our games have been a genuine driving force for our team. You truly have been our 12th player, and we're grateful for your unending encouragement that is growing week on week.

Thank you for your unwavering support. We hope to make you proud again and be rest assured that we will play with pride, purpose, and the Tranmere Rovers spirit.

TRANMERE ROVERS WOMEN WOMENS SUPER CUP







CLUB HISTORY

Tranmere Rovers Ladies were formed in 1990 under the wings of Football in the Community & Steve Williams.

They played their first competitive game against Bury in the North West Women's League Division 4.

Over the years, the team became really successful and gained consecutive promotions until they reached the highest tier of women's football.

The team produced many players who went on to play for England, which led to the forming of our junior teams; under 10s, under 12s, under 14s & under 16s along with a reserve team.

The junior teams currently play in the Liverpool County FA League every Saturday mornings, with our development team also playing in the same league on a Sunday with home matches played at Shaftesbury Youth Club.

Our first team, who were renamed Tranmere Rovers Women in 2021, currently play in the North West Women's Regional League and will play their home games at the Ellesmere Port Sports Village



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Amelia Size Position: Goalkeeper Recently joined the club and has fitted in perfectly. A great keeper who talks well and has fantastic distribution.

Cloe Robinson Position: Defender Joined the club as a teenager and has developed into a solid defender

Kiah Sullivan Position: Defender From our U10's to our open age team, another solid defender

Lindsey Smith Position: Defender Our longest serving player. A leader on the pitch and role model for all of our young players

Elizabeth Roberts Position: Defender Another one of our U10's to progress through the ranks to open age. A skilful defender

Natalie Kerrigan Position: Defender A new addition to this years squad, and has settled in brilliantly at the back

Darcie Aitken Position: Defender A young player who has progressed through our youth teams and then from our development squad

Evie Paget Position: Midfielder Evie joined us this season. A versatile player who has found herself playing in midfield. Fantastic attitude

Hannah Pedder Position: Midfielder Another new addition! Has been brilliant addition to the squad and has already played in various positions.

TRANMERE ROVERS WOMEN WOMENS SUPER CUP







Jess Brady Position: Midfielder A player who left as a youngster and has recently returned to open age. Settled back in like she never left.

Keris McRoberts Position: Midfielder Another one of our U10's to progress to open age team. A versatile and skilful midfielder

Anna Jones Position: Midfielder Came to us from a local club this season and has settled in fantastically well.

Anya McCready Position: Midfielder Played for the club since she was 7, a lightening quick and very skilful player

Eleanor Doyle Position: Midfielder A creative and attacking minded midfielder who certainly knows where the net is

Isabella Haileh Position: Midfield An athletic midfielder who has progressed from our development team.

Holly Jones Position: Forward Left as a youngster and recently returned. A skillful forward who just wants to score goals. Always smiling.

Amy Shannon Position: Forward Also joined us as a junior but left to play elsewhere, a fast player who knows exactly where the net is

Elisha Price Position: Forward Been in and out of the club over the years but a true Tranmere player who works hard for her team every game

Katie Bowers Folan Position: Forward Joined the squad this year. A solid and hard working forward who gives her all for the team

Lorna Stratton Position: Forward Another youngster who left and has just returned. A strong player who knows exactly where the goal is

Isobel Arrowsmith Position: Forward Joined us as a junior but left to play her football locally, a skillful forward who is settling in very well.









Last month saw Cheshire host Future Lionesses Observation Events, which provide talented young female players with an opportunity get onto the FA Talent Pathway.

Run across two days, the aim of the events was to encourage girls to attend, who may not have had access via traditional pathways – such as playing in mixed football or in targeted areas of the county.

Cheshire FA is keen to give players an opportunity to embark on an inclusive and accessible pathway, one where players can continue to play in their existing environment, wherever that may be.

With an ambition of supplying England teams with the quality and depth of players to enable the nation to win major tournaments, we're leaving no stone unturned when in comes to finding future talent.

Free for participants to attend, the events included technical games and activities, which have been specifically designed to identify and unearth talent. Over 90 players locally were in attendance, each of whom were passionate about their football and had many great qualities on show. We may have even seen a future Lioness here in Cheshire!

Following these events, players may later be observed at their club or league, and potentially invited to future regional #DiscoverMyTalent events. These events are one of the methods that England Football uses to identify talented players.

Last season, England Football saw over 2,000 unique referrals that showcased a host of talent that simply wouldn't have been discovered without grassroots support.









Earlier this month, Cheshire FA partnered with Manchester FA, Liverpool County FA and Lancashire FA to host the North West Female Coaches Conference.

Designed to support the ongoing work that Cheshire FA has done this season to support and develop female coaches, the event also provided a great opportunity to celebrate the FIFA Women's World Cup which will once again shine a global spotlight on the women's game.

Hosted at the home ground of Manchester United Women for Women's Super League games, Leigh Sports Village, as part of the Women's EURO legacy, the conference provided a huge number of opportunities for female coaches to expand their knowledge.

60 coaches were able to select workshops and watch the delivery of practical sessions, with guest speakers on the day including:

- Vicky Jepson, Tottenham Hotspur Women's first team coach
- Charlotte Healy, Manchester United Women's assistant first team coach
- Rebecca Garlick, FA National Coach Development Lead (Women & Girls)
- Keith Rees and Neil Smerdon, former England Women's Goalkeeper Coach and NW High Performance Centre Goalkeeping Coaches
- Amanda Goodwin, current England women's U16 assistant coach

Workshops carried out covered a variety of subjects, with the event also allowing female coaches to share ideas and network with likeminded people.

As we approach the 2023/24 season, keep an eye on Cheshire FA's media channels for details of our new programme of CPD events for the female coaches' network.

If you're interested in getting involved in coaching, or any area of women and girls' football, please contact Steph Knott, Football Development Officer, via femalefootball@cheshirefa.com









This was the fourth edition of the tournament, following competitions in 2019, 2021 and 2022.

The competition was originally set up to celebrate the diverse communities in Crewe, their love of football, and to help tackle discrimination within the game.

All the teams that had a fantastic time at the tournament.

Cheshire FA's Facilities and Investment Manager Vesta Pear, who was on hand to present the medals, said:

"It was a great pleasure to attend Crewe World Cup and see all the teams participating in the tournament. Teams had a great time and competitive spirit was all over! Thank you to Crewe FC for organising such a fantastic tournament and congratulations again to all winners."



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CHEADLE TOWN STINGERS

Colours: Red & White Goalkeeper: Yellow







TRANMERE ROVERS WOMEN

Colours: Teal

Goalkeeper: Orange

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