



Monday 11 April 2005

Keith Boanas maintained some optimism after seeing his Charlton side retain hopes of winning the Women's Premier Division with a 3-1 win over Bristol Rovers.

Boanas' side now need to beat league leaders Arsenal in their next game, and then hope that Fulham beat Arsenal in the following game, to stand a chance of claiming the crown.

After going 1-0 down to an eighth minute Claire Trafford strike, Charlton came back into the game with second-half goals from Emma Coss and two superbly taken strikes from Eniola Aluko.

In the only other game to be played in the Women's Premier Division Birmingham leapfrogged over Leeds into fifth place in the table to keep the pressure on Bristol Rovers for fourth spot.

Goals from Alex Scott and Sally Lacey secured a 2-0 win for the Midlanders, who are now just one point behind Bristol Rovers in the table with a game in hand.

In the Northern Division, Sunderland sealed their promotion and the championship with a 2-2 away draw at Stockport County, whilst Wolves, who had been chasing since Christmas finally succumbed, after a 2-0 home defeat to Blackburn Rovers.

At the bottom of the table, Coventry City's defeat leaves them bottom of the Northern Division, whilst Tranmere Rovers' 1-0 win against Middlesbrough means that Sheffield Wednesday and Manchester City, despite their own victories are still nervously looking over their shoulders.

NATIONAL DIVISION

SUN 10 APR 2005

[Bristol Rovers WFC](#) 1 - 3 [Charlton Athletic WFC](#)

[Leeds United LFC](#) 0 - 2 [Birmingham City LFC](#)

POS		P	W	D	L	DIFF	PTS	
1	Arsenal LFC	16	13	3	0	39	42	
2	Charlton Athletic WFC	17	13	2	2	27	41	
3	Everton LFC	17	10	4	3	18	34	
4	Bristol Rovers WFC	17	9	1	7	9	28	
5	Birmingham City LFC	16	8	3	5	8	27	
6	Leeds United LFC	18	8	2	8	-3	26	
7	Fulham LFC	17	3	5	9	-17	14	
8	Liverpool LFC	18	3	2	13	-28	10	*
9	Doncaster Rovers Belles LFC	16	2	3	11	-26	9	
10	Bristol City WFC	18	2	3	13	-27	9	

* ONE POINT DEDUCTED

NORTHERN DIVISION

SUN 10 APR 2005	
Manchester City LFC	3 - 0 Coventry City LFC
Sheffield Wednesday LFC	2 - 1 Oldham Curzon LFC
Stockport County LFC	2 - 2 Sunderland AFC Women
Tranmere Rovers LFC	1 - 0 Middlesbrough LFC
Wolverhampton Wanderers WFC	0 - 2 Blackburn Rovers LFC

POS		P	W	D	L	DIFF	PTS
1	Sunderland AFC Women	22	17	2	3	40	53
2	Blackburn Rovers LFC	21	10	8	3	20	38
3	Wolverhampton Wanderers WFC	18	11	4	3	23	37
4	Stockport County LFC	20	7	9	4	2	30
5	Aston Villa LFC	21	8	4	9	-6	28
6	Lincoln City LFC	20	7	4	9	-6	25
7	Middlesbrough LFC	21	6	6	9	-6	24
8	Oldham Curzon LFC	21	6	6	9	-7	24
9	Manchester City LFC	20	6	3	11	-16	21
10	Sheffield Wednesday LFC	21	4	8	9	-15	20
11	Tranmere Rovers LFC	18	5	3	10	-6	18
12	Coventry City LFC	19	3	5	11	-23	14

SOUTHERN DIVISION

SUN 10 APR 2005	
AFC Wimbledon LFC	0 - 3 Brighton & Hove Albion WFC
Cardiff City LFC	1 - 2 Chelsea LFC
Crystal Palace LFC	5 - 0 Langford LFC
Portsmouth LFC	0 - 1 Millwall Lionesses LFC
Watford LFC	2 - 2 Southampton Saints WFC

POS		P	W	D	L	DIFF	PTS
1	Chelsea LFC	21	16	3	2	47	51
2	Portsmouth LFC	22	13	5	4	16	44
3	Crystal Palace LFC	22	10	6	6	11	36
4	Cardiff City LFC	22	9	7	6	11	34
5	Millwall Lionesses LFC	20	9	6	5	4	33

6	AFC Wimbledon LFC	21	10	2	9	14	32	
7	Brighton & Hove Albion WFC	20	10	2	8	10	32	
8	Southampton Saints WFC	21	7	5	9	-1	26	
9	Watford LFC	21	7	5	9	-2	26	
10	Langford LFC	22	6	5	11	-24	23	
11	Enfield Town LFC	21	1	6	14	-36	9	
12	Ipswich Town LFC	21	2	2	17	-50	8	

WOMEN'S EURO 2005 TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Tickets for the WOMEN'S EURO 2005 went on sale yesterday. As we confirmed last week, ticket prices are confirmed as £5 adults and £2.50 concessions (under-16s, OAPs)

There will also be a Special group rate: £1 per ticket for groups of 15 or more (must include three adults per group of 15 to supervise children). These prices will also remain the same for the Semi Finals and Finals.

The hotline numbers you will require are:

TICKET HOTLINES

Blackburn: 08701 123 456
 Blackpool: 0870 443 1953
 MCFC: 0870 062 1894 option 1
 Preston: 0870 442 1966
 Warrington: 01925 248888

ENGLAND SQUAD NAMED

Two Everton players are the headline makers in Hope Powell's squad named today to face Scotland on April 21st. Rachel Brown joins up with the squad as her return from injury takes another positive step forward, whilst midfielder Samantha Britton returns to the international scene for the first time since May 22nd 2003.

Britton is another England player who has experienced a long-term injury lay-off, but featured in England training camps in October and November last year, and has played a key role in Everton's progression to this season's FA Women's Cup Final.

Karen BARDSLEY, Rachel BROWN, Josephine FLETCHER, Leanne HALL, Laura BASSETT, Leanne CHAMP, Becky EASTON, Lindsay JOHNSON, Mary PHILLIP, Alex SCOTT, Casey STONEY, Rachel UNITT, Faye WHITE, Anita ASANTE, Samantha BRITTON, Katie CHAPMAN, Vicky EXLEY, Rachel McARTHUR, Kelly McDOUGALL, Sally LACEY, Emily WESTWOOD, Fara WILLIAMS, Eniola ALUKO, Amanda BARR, Karen CARNEY, Jody HANDLEY, Ellen MAGGS, Kristy MOORE, Josanne POTTER, Sue SMITH

ENGLAND PRESS CONFERENCE AND OPEN TRAINING SESSION

A press conference will be held for interested media on Monday 18th April between 1.15-2.00pm at the Suites Hotel Knowsley, Ribblers Lane, Knowsley, Prescot.

Head Coach Hope Powell will be joined by Jo Fletcher, Fara Williams and Jody Handley, before an Open Training session between 3.00-4.30pm at Liverpool FA HQ in Walton Hall Avenue, L4 9XP.

Interested media are requested to email: Alex.Stone@TheFA.com to confirm their attendance.

Any media interested in interview or filming opportunities with Scotland next week should contact Lisa Brown at the Scottish FA on 0141 616 6081.

SCOTLAND WOMEN'S SQUAD

New Scotland women's coach Anna Signeul has named her first squad for the international against England on Thursday April 21st, which includes Arsenal's goal machine Julie Fleeting, with 91 goals in 82 internationals.

Goalkeepers

Gemma Fay (Hibernian), Claire Johnstone (Hamilton Academical)

Defenders

Michelle Barr (Leeds United) , Stacey Cook (Hibernian) , Ifeoma Dieke (Soccerlocker, USA), Julie Ferguson (Hibernian) , Shelley Grant (Glasgow City), Rhonda Jones (Florida Atlantic Univ) , Michelle Kerr (Doncaster Belles)

Midfield

Amanda Burns (Hibernian), Nicky Grant (Doncaster Belles), Joanne Love (Kilmarnock), Julie Smith (Kilmarnock), Megan Sneddon (Kilmarnock)

Forwards

Julie Fleeting (Arsenal), Suzanne Grant (Glasgow City), Pauline Hamill (Hibernian), Suzanne Malone (Hibernian)

AULD ENEMY COMING TO TRANMERE – LIVE ON SKY SPORTS

England's preparations for Women's Euro 2005 continue next month when they take on Scotland in a Nationwide international at Tranmere Rovers FC on Thursday 21 April 2005, kick-off 7.45pm.

The match, which will be shown live on Sky Sports, will be a tough test for Hope Powell's England team as Scotland narrowly missed out on qualification for the 2005 UEFA European Women's Championship, which is being held in the North West between 05 and 19 June 2005.

Tickets for the match are on sale now from the Tranmere Rovers FC ticket office or by calling the ticket hotline on 0870 460 3332. Tickets are priced at £3 for adults/£1 concessions in advance and £5/£2 on match day. There are special discounts available for schools and football clubs, on application to Tranmere Rovers FC, details of which are available by calling 0870 460 3332.

LAUNCH OF WOMEN'S EURO 2005 SCHOOLS PACK

The WOMEN'S EURO 2005 Schools Pack, a FREE resource for 18,000 Primary Schools is now available. If you would like a copy, please email: nick@ptarmiganpr.co.uk along with your full postal address.

ENGLAND U19's

Mo Marley has named her England U19 Squad for the Second Qualifying Round of the UEFA 2005 European U19 Championship, which will be hosted by Hungary in July.

England will face Moldova on 26th April, Italy on 28th April and Norway on 30th April (all in Italy), and will be buoyed by their victory over Poland at the end of March.

TheFA.com will be following their progress, bringing news of their reports and post-match reaction from the England camp.

Nicole	Emmanuel
Lianne	Sanderson
Heather	Scheuber
Jill	Scott
Carly	Telford
Darel	Poole
Michelle	Evans
Rachel	Williams
Chantelle	Parry
Danielle	Bird
Katie	Holtham
Amy	Kane
Kylie	Davies
Stephanie	Houghton
Danielle	Hill
Fern	Whelan
Rebecca	Hall
Sophie	Clough

UEFA WOMEN'S CUP WOMEN'S SEMI FINAL

After a 1-1 draw in Stockholm last Thursday gave Arsenal a fantastic chance of reaching the UEFA Women's Cup Final, the return-leg will be hosted at Borehamwood FC this Friday night. Kick-Off is 7.45pm and admission is £2 for adults (including a match programme) whilst children will go free.

UPTON PARK TO HOST FA WOMEN'S CUP FINAL

The Football Association is pleased to announce that The FA Women's Cup Final, in partnership with Nationwide, will take place at West Ham United FC on Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May 2005, kick off 1pm.

The prestigious final will see runners-up for the last two seasons - Charlton Athletic - take on Everton and will be broadcast live on BBC One.

Tickets are available by calling the ticket hotline on 0870 1122700. Tickets purchased in advance are priced at £3 for adults and £1 for children (under 16), OAPS, students and disabled fans (one carer admitted for free).

Group discount booking forms are available from www.TheFA.com . A group of twenty (which must contain a minimum of two adults) can purchase a group ticket for £10.

Media Accreditation: Requests should be emailed to Peter Stewart at West Ham United's Press Office at: pstewart@westhamunited.co.uk

WOMEN'S EURO 2005, England 5-19 June

Media accreditation online via uefa.com

Media correspondents wishing to apply for accreditation for the WOMEN'S EURO 2005 Championship will be able to do so online at www.UEFA.com between 18 April – 13 May 2005.

In order to use the UEFA online media accreditation service for the first time, you must register with your personal information in the UEFA media database and accept the terms and conditions. You can register via <http://www.uefa.com/uefa/MediaServices/Accreditation/index.html>

Once you have received a confirmation of your registration via e-mail, you are able to log in with the username and password you defined in your personal information and request your accreditation for a specific UEFA event.

Log in

Once you have successfully registered you can log in with your username and password in the accreditation part of uefa.com. Select the event you want to apply for. In "Media Booking" you can make your request.

Request accreditation

Select the type of media you are working for. And select the event(s)/match(es) and the material needed. Once you have saved and therefore submitted your request, you will get confirmation by e-mail. This does not mean that your request has been accepted, but confirms receipt by UEFA only.

Modify your request

You may modify your request or withdraw it at any point up until the deadline for accreditation applications. You may also check the status of your request after the deadline. Your status will either be 'pending', 'accepted' or 'rejected'.

Accreditation confirmation

You will receive an e-mail confirming your status after the accreditation request deadline, indicating whether your request has been accepted or not. Please print this official confirmation e-mail and bring it with you to pick up your accreditation at the event.

Keep UEFA updated continually

Please keep UEFA updated on the personal information you registered with in the media database, especially contact details such as e-mail, phone number and address or changes regarding the media you are working for. Please indicate any modifications to accreditations@uefa.ch

PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED FOR WOMEN'S EURO 2005

The Football Association and UEFA are calling on all those involved in women's football to become WOMEN'S EURO 2005 ambassadors and make this summer's tournament the most successful to date. The UEFA European Women's Championship takes place in England from June 5-19 2005 and today (Monday March 7th) releases its promotional campaign.

The promotional material features inspirational images of the England women's team, which is one of eight nations contesting the Championship. The images were shot on location at Ewood Park and feature the players on the pitch and in the home dressing room.

Posters for each host city have been produced, as well as a generic poster campaign to raise the awareness of the sixth official UEFA tournament for women. 250,000 postcards will be distributed over the next three months via County Football Associations, schools, libraries, sports centres, city councils and sports events.

Tournament Director Andrew Halstead comments: "We want as many people as possible to experience this event and ensure that England delivers the most successful European Women's Championship to date. Your help as an ambassador for the tournament is much appreciated and I hope you are able to distribute and display the enclosed materials as widely as possible."

If you would like more information, or would like to request posters and postcards for your own clubs/schools, please contact Simon/Caroline/Nick at Ptarmigan Consultants on 0113 242 1155 or email: womenseuro2005@ptarmiganpr.com

THIS WEEKEND'S FIXTURES

NATIONAL DIVISION

SUN 17 APR 2005 14:00

[Birmingham City LFC](#) v [Bristol Rovers WFC](#)

[Everton LFC](#) v [Doncaster Rovers Belles LFC](#)

NORTHERN DIVISION

WED 13 APR 2005 19:45

[Lincoln City LFC](#) v [Coventry City LFC](#)

SUN 17 APR 2005 14:00

[Coventry City LFC](#) v [Stockport County LFC](#)

[Manchester City LFC](#) v [Middlesbrough LFC](#)

[Wolverhampton Wanderers WFC](#) v [Tranmere Rovers LFC](#)

SOUTHERN DIVISION

SUN 17 APR 2005 14:00

[Brighton & Hove Albion WFC](#) v [Ipswich Town LFC](#)

[Enfield Town LFC](#) v [AFC Wimbledon LFC](#)

[Millwall Lionesses LFC](#) v [Watford LFC](#)

[Southampton Saints WFC](#) v [Chelsea LFC](#)