

## SCOTTISH WOMEN'S FOOTBALL LEAGUE

26 JUNE 2022 - BROADWOOD STADIUM



#### WELCOME FROM SCOTTISH WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

Welcome to Broadwood for what promises to be a thrilling day of football. Because of last year's disruptions it is only seven months since the last SWFL Plate and Cup finals, but so much has happened since. We've had a nail-biting conclusion in the performance leagues and an amazing Scottish Cup Final at Tynecastle in front of a record crowd. We've also seen some incredible games across the SWFL too.

This season has been a breakthrough with increased professionalism and more people watching women play football, both in stadiums and at home, but that couldn't exist without the strength throughout the game, providing opportunities for women and girls across the country to play football. Today's games will see four sides at the top of their game in the regional leagues compete for national silverware. The stakes couldn't be higher but whoever wins I'm sure we'll get a festival of football, showcasing the best of the grassroots game in Scottish Women's Football. Women's football has fantastic role models, is open to all, and creates a unique matchday experience, and we can celebrate that today. Good luck to all the players. Enjoy the occasion.

> By Aileen Campbell SWF CEO



#### LEAGUE PLATE KICK OFF 12:00

### MOTHERWELL DEVELOPMENT v EAST FIFE DEVELOPMENT

#### **LEAGUE CUP** KICK OFF 16:30

### HARMONY ROW v LINLITHGOW ROSE

1 EILIDH HEGARTY 2 AINSLIE HENRY 3 STEPH TOBIAS 4 TONI MACAREE 6 RACHAEL BRENNAN- LYNCH 7 KAY WALKER 8 KATE MCMANUS 9 SAMANTHA MCMANUS (C) 10 KATIE STEVENSON 11 STEPHANIE MCMANUS 12 RACHAEL PONESKIS 14 SKYE ELLIOT 15 NATASHA ROBERTS 17 KIRSTY CALDERWOOD 18 GEMMA MCCALLUM



## FROM THE COACH

This is a great occasion for the players who are determined to bring home the Development team's second trophy in six months having won the Central/ Southeast league title at the end of last year. I believe the determination, commitment and good football they demonstrated both last year and in the Plate so far this year, will stand them in good stead for this final.

The team only lost one league game last year and credit must go to Linlithgow and Murieston who pushed us hard till the final game of the season. Their challenge spurred the team on week in, week out and to win the Plate, the players must remember that pressure and use it to good effect against a strong East Fife team.

I have the greatest respect for everything Liz Anderson has achieved over the years both at East Fife and for the Women's game in general but that will not deter us from doing everything possible to take home the Plate. With the big pitch at Broadwood I expect it will be an entertaining and open final that will hopefully provide an entertaining spectacle for the fans.

> Paul McManus Manager

**19 HOLLY BONELLIE** 2 REBECCA MCADAM **54** KERRY DICKSON **5** KERRY FORSYTH **14** AMY BUNTING 79 CHLOF LAING **55** TERRI MORRISON **33** LISA FITZPATRICK **78** COURTNEY PORTER **48 STACEY PENMAN** 18 LUCY BRYANT (C) 42 | AUREN WHITE **9** NIAMH GAVIN 7 MIA O'DONNELL **4** MELANIE LOTHIAN 12 SARAH WARD **3** PAULINE HARLEY



## FROM THE COACH

I am proud of the girls for getting to this final. The team had a difficult start to the season but the squad have pulled together. It means a lot for our players to take this team to its first final and reiterates the growth of East Fife Girls and Women FC.

We have made some great signings this season but some are unfortunately cup tied or injured. However, we have a strong squad of players and all individuals have played their part so far this season.

Our win in the semi-final v Giffnock was special as we had a depleted squad. Giffnock were a very well organised team but we stuck with it. Our determination got us through that day. We have experience in our squad but we also have young players who I am enjoying help develop into better football players.

I feel it is important that our players enjoy the experience today. I know they will play for the club. There would be nothing better than to add to our first team's achievements last season by returning to Fife with another trophy.

**Pauline Harley** 

Manager

**1**ASHLEIGH MCQUADE **2 JANF MURPHY 4** RACHEL WEBB **12 SHELLEY FAIRLEY 15** KIRSTY BROWN 9 CODY KIL DAY **18 SHAYAN ADAMS** 7 NICOLA ROBINSON(C) **14 FMMA PATERSON 20** RACHAFI STEWART 11 NICOLA DONNELLY **19** CLAIRE RAE-LOVE **5** COLLEEN MCCUDDEN 6 JESSICA SCOTT **8** LINDSAY FITZPATRICK **16** AMANDA DODWELL **3** GAIL HAWTHORN 10 JODIE O'DONNELL



## HARMONY ROW WOMEN & GIRLS

As we approach this fantastic occasion, I reflect upon the ambition of our squad since the pandemic hit. The women have worked tirelessly to be their best versions in response to a time that could have broken us all. No one believed this team would be in a final and sitting at the top of the league at this point; but the resilience, fight and support for each individual has exceeded all expectations from everyone outside of our community club. We put some strong teams out on the way to this final, and the journey wasn't problem free; picking up many injuries and being forced to utilise our large squad. We kept working, and I never stopped believing in this group.

We are looking forward to a competitive match against a driven and well organised team in Linthligow Rose. We know at our best we can give any team a real challenge, so it should be a great spectacle for any neutral watching. We are hoping to continue on with our winning ways and bring silverware home to Sir Alex Ferguson Park.

Regardless of the outcome, I am proud as a player-manager to be a part of this special group.

Gail Hawthorn Manager

1 LAUREN BROWN 2 NATALIE WILSON 3 AMY BROWN 4 AIMEE COCKBURN 5 FELICITY ARCHIBALD 6 LAURA HOPWOOD (CAPTAIN) 7 DEBS HENDRY 8 KATIE GALBRAITH 9 LUCY MCEWAN (VICE CAPTAIN) 10 NADIA ELBEKHTI 11 LAUREN KENNEDY 12 CHLOE CONNOLLY 13 KIRSTY BARNES 14 BROOKE DAVIDSON 15 KAT MACKAY 16 KATIE BURGOYNE 17 CARA MCBAIN 18 ELLIE JOHNSTON 19 MEL MURPHY 20 CLAIRE TODD 21 KAITLYN HAY 22 NICOLA KELLOCK 23 KATIE BARRIE 24 LESLEY HORNE



## FROM THE COACH

We head into today's match on the back of some great results, in both the league and cup. We have come up against some very strong opponents to get here and I am looking forward to what promises to be an exciting and challenging match today!

The team has been training really hard and pushing themselves, to give us the best possible chance. Harmony Row are a strong opponent, who are doing really well in their league campaign. Today promises to be a really good game and it is our plan to keep up our mantra of "Doing Things The Right Way". I'm sure we will see some great football from both sides.

Broadwood Stadium is a fantastic venue and everyone connected to Linlithgow Rose is delighted to be here today. Our supporters are ready to get right behind the team as they have been every Sunday and we will all work together to bring the cup back to Linlithgow - Mon the Rose!!

> Paul Hopwood Manager

#### MATCH DAY PLAYLIST

CHOSEN BY

SAMANTHA MCMANUS MOTHERWELL DEVELOPMENT

> I'M FEELING IT SUNSET BROS

GOOD FEELING FLO RIDA

QUIVER DARREN STYLES

CHOSEN BY

LUCY BRYANT EAST FIFE DEVELOPMENT

DRINKING FROM THE BOTTLE CALVIN HARRIS

> I'M FEELING IT SUNSET BROS

BOOM BOOM BOOM VENGABOYS

CHOSEN BY

JANE MURPHY HARMONY ROW

AFRICA TOTO (JESSE BLOCH BOOTLEG REMIX)

TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD EWAN MCVICAR

THE KEY, THE SECRET URBAN COOKIE COLLECTIVE

CHOSEN BY

THETEAM

LINLITHGOW ROSE

TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD EWAN MCVICAR

> GIMME GIMME GIMME ABBA LEVELS AVICII



### Scottish Women's Football would like to congratulate all of today's finalists.

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