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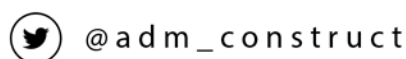
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MATCH DAY PREVIEW

THE NEW SAINTS

This Sunday Pontypridd Town face The New Saints at USW Sport Park kicking off at 14:00.

The New Saints are currently eighth in the table having won one game so far against Aberystwyth. Pontypridd Town are sitting fifth in the table with six points and looking to regain their fourth-place position.

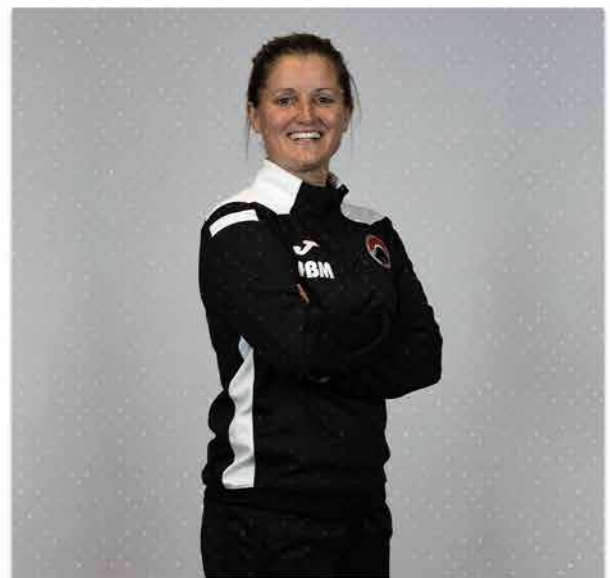
This game kicks off the second half of the season and both sides will be eager to take the three points home. In September the two sides met for the first game of the season in the new Adran Premier league. The Dragons travelled home with the three points from a 2-1 win. The goals came from Alison Witts who scored a penalty and a volley following Carys Minton's cross into the box.

With the 3hr ½ bus journey for the away team in this fixture the Dragons will be happy to be playing in front of the home crowd this Sunday, especially after a cluster of away fixtures. The New Saints have made several new signings since the first fixture meanwhile Pontypridd Town have also made a handful of new signings.

Manager Fern Burrage-Male emphasised that the game is "a pivotal point in the season as we are half-way through the campaign"

She said "I am excited for the game, The New Saints will be a tough test having signed a number of new players since the last game so we won't be taking anything for granted"

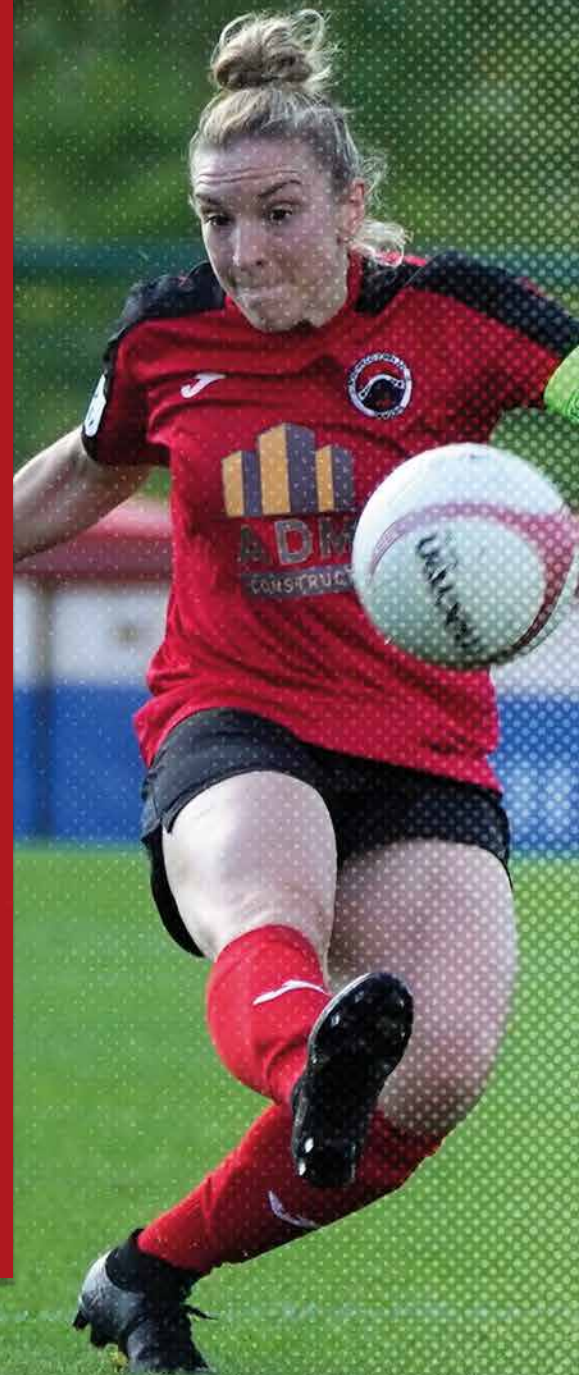
"I've got confidence in our squad, and we are looking to get back to winning ways"



MATCH DAY TEAM

1. MAISIE JONES (GK)
2. CARYS MINTON
3. JESSICA OSBORNE
5. CLARE DALEY-SMITH
6. HOLLY BROAD (C)
7. ALANA MURPHY
8. RENÉE DAY
9. ELLIE GUNNEY
10. JASMINE SIMPSON
11. KIRSTIE PERVIN-DAVIES
12. ROBYN PINDER
13. ELEANOR BROOK (GK)
14. ALISON WITTS
15. ANAIS TRINCI
19. OLIVIA BARNETT
20. CARYS BUFTON

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PLAYER PROFILES

Witts

ROBYN PINDER

DOB: 19/09/1993

NATIONALITY: ENGLISH

NUMBER OF SEASONS

AT THE CLUB: ONE

FUN FACT: FOLLOWED BY

PHILLIP SCHOFIELD ON TWITTER

#12

ALISON WITTS

DOB: 14/12/1994

NATIONALITY: ENGLISH

NUMBER OF SEASONS

AT THE CLUB: THREE

FUN FACT: SEASON TICKET HOLDER AT ARSENAL. (RUNS IN THE FAMILY, THIS WILL BE THE 18TH SEASON)

#14

ANAIS TRINCI

DOB: 14/12/2001

NATIONALITY: WELSH

NUMBER OF SEASONS

AT THE CLUB: FIRST

FUN FACT: HALF FRENCH

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BRITON FERRY VS PONTYPRIDD TOWN

MATCH REPORT

DRAGONS THROUGH TO THE CUP QUARTER FINALS AFTER PENALTY SHOOTOUT

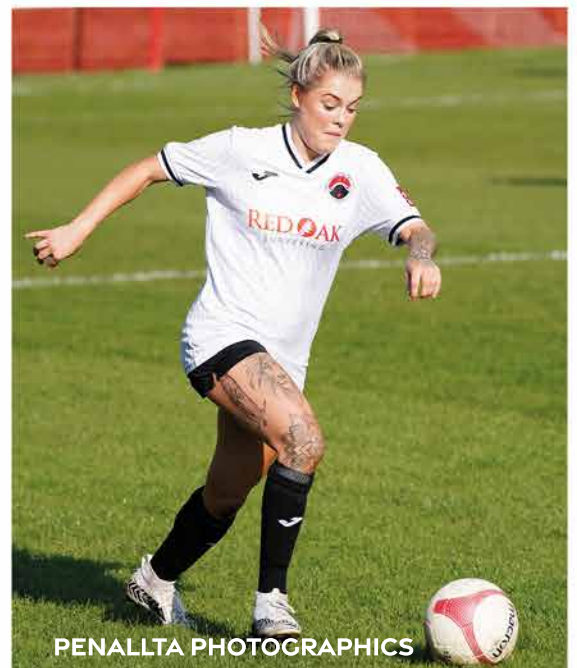
A tense 90 minutes led to a victorious penalty shootout down at The Old Road ground on Sunday the 17th October. An incredible effort from the team meant the game resulted in a win after scoring 4 out of the 5 penalties while Briton Ferry converted two.

The first half was challenging for the Dragons as they struggled to get into a flow of play. The first chance of the game came from Sinead Melinn whose shot from inside the halfway line was caught by the Ferry keeper. The half continued to be back and forth, and Briton Ferry were able to disrupt Pontypridd Town's momentum. Shortly before halftime a ball from Kirstie Pervin-Davies found Robyn Pinder but the strike wasn't enough to get past Briton Ferry's keeper.

In the second half the Dragons were able to find their stride, passing the ball and create chances. Liv Barnett had a shot on target, but her effort was caught by the keeper. Minutes later a cross from Anais Trinci found Alison Witts but her shot was wide of the goal. Both teams were frustrated, and the game ended 0-0 leaving the match primed for a penalty shootout!



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MATCH REPORT

FEATURED; TEAM, TRINCI #15, TEAM CELEBRATE WIN | PHOTOGRAPHY BY; PENALLTA PHOTOGRAPHICS



First up was Jasmine Simpson whose shot was saved by the Briton Ferry goalkeeper. Her effort was followed up by a goal for Briton Ferry and a goal from Anais Trinci who put the ball in the bottom left corner. Briton Ferry were able to secure their next goal in the shootout. Next up was Renee Day who sent the ball flying past the keeper into the back of the net. Briton Ferry's third shot landed wide of the goal followed by Pontypridd Town's Ellie Gunney who shot home her penalty. This was followed by an excellent save against Ferry from goalkeeper Eleanor Brook! Finally, the win was secured by Olivia Barnett whose penalty saw the Dragons sailing through to the quarter-final scoring 4 out of 5 penalties!

This game saw Eleanor Brook makes her debut for the team and speaking after the game she said: "I really enjoyed it, it was really nice to play with the girls, I have been training with them for a few weeks".

When asked how it was to participate in a penalty shoot-out in her first game she said "It was an interesting one! I like to get in their heads I thought it went well and I'm happy to have saved one too!"

Manager Fern Burrage-Male said "I think it was a game of two halves, we should have won the game in the first 90 minutes, but I am really proud of the girls."

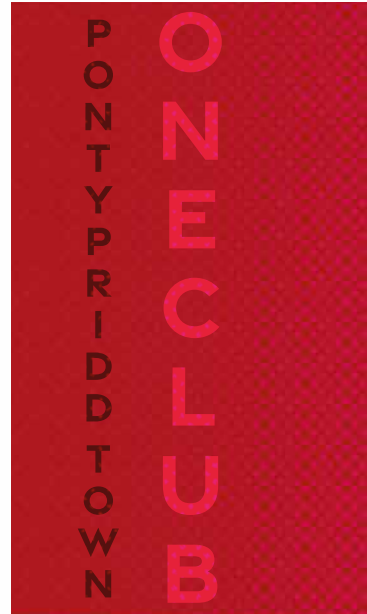
"The girls showed great determination and they dug in deep and we needed that today," she said.

Next up the Dragons face The New Saints for the second time this season kicking off down at USW Sports park at 14:00 this Sunday.

& FIXTURES & RESULTS

WOMENS FIRST TEAM

05/09/2021	THE NEW SAINTS 1-2 PONTYPRIDD TOWN
12/09/2021	PONTYPRIDD TOWN 0-2 SWANSEA CITY
19/09/2021	PORT TALBOT 0-1 PONTYPRIDD TOWN
26/09/2021	PONTYPRIDD TOWN 0-1 ABERYSTWYTH TOWN
07/10/2021	CARDIFF MET 3-1 PONTYPRIDD TOWN
10/10/2021	CARDIFF CITY 2-1 PONTYPRIDD TOWN
31/10/2021	PONTYPRIDD TOWN - THE NEW SAINTS
07/11/2021	SWANSEA CITY - PONTYPRIDD TOWN
11/11/2021	PONTYPRIDD TOWN - BARRY TOWN UNITED
14/11/2021	PONTYPRIDD TOWN - PORT TALBOT
21/11/2021	ABERYSTWYTH TOWN - PONTYPRIDD TOWN
28/11/2021	PONTYPRIDD TOWN - CARDIFF MET
05/12/2021	PONTYPRIDD TOWN - CARDIFF CITY
12/12/2021	BARRY TOWN UNITED - PONTYPRIDD TOWN



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MENS FIRST TEAM

PONTYPRIDD TOWN
CLUB

PONTYPRIDD TOWN 8-0 PORT TALBOT	21/08/2021
PONTYPRIDD TOWN 3-0 CWMBRAN CELTIC	24/08/2021
PONTYPRIDD TOWN 5-1 UNDY ATHLETIC	28/08/2021
SWANSEA UNIVERSITY 3-4 PONTYPRIDD TOWN	11/09/2021
PONTYPRIDD TOWN 0-0 BRITON FERRY LLANSAWEL	17/09/2021
CWMBRAN CELTIC 1-2 PONTYPRIDD TOWN	02/10/2021
PONTYPRIDD TOWN 4-0 LLANTWIT MAJOR	23/10/2021
GOYTRE UNITED 0-1 PONTYPRIDD TOWN	30/10/2021
PONTYPRIDD TOWN - AMMANFORD	06/11/2021
AFAN LIDO - PONTYPRIDD TOWN	19/11/2021
PONTYPRIDD TOWN - AFAN LIDO	03/12/2021
AMMANFORD - PONTYPRIDD TOWN	11/12/2021
PONTYPRIDD TOWN - GOYTRE UNITED	18/12/2021
CAMBRIAN AND CLYDACH - PONTYPRIDD TOWN	28/12/2021



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SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD

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Show Racism the Red Card is the UK's leading anti-racism educational charity. The organisation utilises the high-profile status of football and football players to help tackle racism in society. The campaign delivers educational workshops to young people and adults in their schools, workplaces and at events held in stadiums.

The Show Racism the Red Card action weeks forms part of the Football Against Racism in Europe (FARE) Football People Action Weeks.

The Action Weeks aim to unite supporters, clubs, ethnic minorities and communities affected by discrimination, increases public awareness and tackle discrimination in football.

The Action Weeks challenges discrimination, promotes integration values amongst youth and celebrate the input of all individuals that strive to make football a game for all, regardless of who we are, where we are from and what our beliefs are.

SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD



In addition to increasing the awareness of the campaigns work and messages, the 'Day of Action' will also help clubs underline and draw attention to the work that they are already doing to challenge racism and promote equality.

The support from clubs continues to help the campaign progress their work in Wales. Last season the campaign worked with over 20,000 young people and held a number of educational events online supported by professional players. The campaign will be expanding their program of challenging racism in football during this season, to work with more grassroots clubs and players across Wales.

Football is a sport that is followed by all, and should be an enjoyable experience for all, whatever their racial or ethnic background.

We hope you enjoy the game today and ask you to support the player's action and join us in saying NO to racism!

If you see or hear racism at any level of football, please report it to the nearest steward or club official.

To be kept up to date with this seasons Month of Action follow the hashtag #MOA21

Further details about the campaign and the Month of Action can be found at www.theredcard.org or by contacting: Tel: 02920 236 057 / Email: Tom@theredcardwales.org

Q & A

ROBYN PINDER

Robs, welcome to the club. What attracted you to Ponty and how have you found it since joining?

Thank you. A number of things really but the two most influential factors were the quality of the squad and the opportunity to play for, and work alongside, Fern. Fern is one of many amazing people working behind the scenes to develop this club and women's football in South Wales. I also recently started working for USW so it's nice to be able to walk down from the office and onto the pitch.



With a few games under your belt how do you feel you have settled in?

I've really enjoyed everything so far. The players and staff have been so welcoming. In terms of my performances, I had quite a long spell out so I've got a way to go to get where I want to be but I'm confident with game time and the intense training sessions it won't take me too long.

TNS are a very different side to the side we played in the first game of the season. What threats do you think they will pose this time round?

Yes from what I gather they've made some really good signings so we're expecting a very different, but equally tough, game. I don't know too much about them but I assume they'll be quite direct, physical and look to use their pace.

Q & A

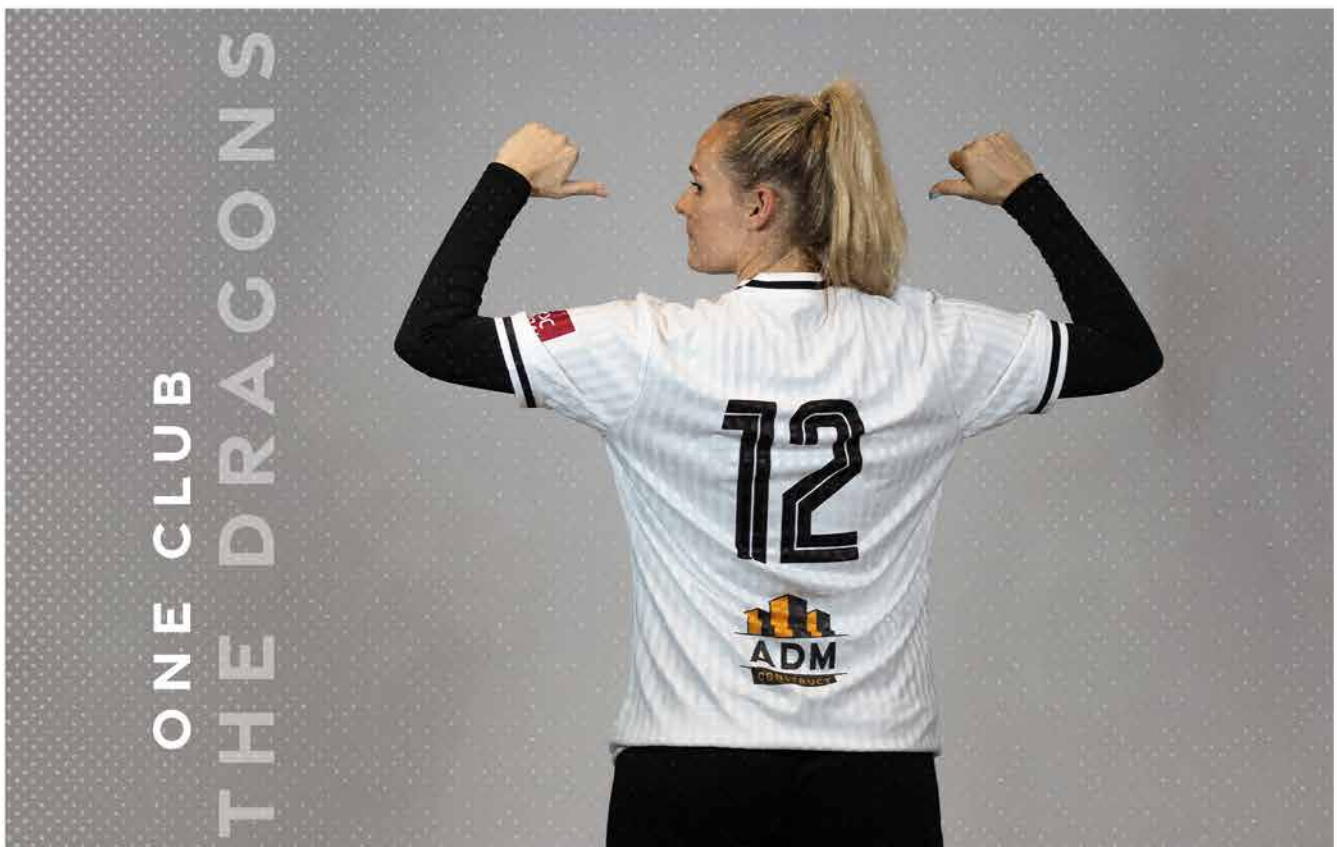
ROBYN PINDER

We have also made a number of good signings since the first game of the season, including yourself. How do you foresee us being able to breakdown this new well drilled TNS side?

We've made some really exciting signings and have been putting a lot of time and effort into developing partnership and relationships between players - especially in the attacking third. It's only a matter of time before we start to gel and really click into clear. To break them down we'll need to be at our best and the girls know that. Spirits are high and training has been really good so I'm confident that will carry through to the game!



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