

Wymondham 3-0 Fakenham

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Following from last weeks SSE FA Cup win, Wymondham Ladies started their NWGFL league campaign at home to Fakenham ladies, a team Wymondham beat and lost to last season. The squad was rotated from last week, with four changes made to the squad; Laura Wiseman and Emma Fletcher made their full home debuts and Gemma Sanders coming on from the bench to make her debut too.

Wymondham kicked off and started well in the opening exchanges, but Fakenham were looking good in possession; it looked like it would be a game that would be won in midfield.

Fakenham were looking good in possession and were managing to turn with the ball in midfield and find promising forward passes, but were limited to any changes due to Wymondhams organisation and pressure.

Mid way through the half, Laura Wiseman, who was looking lovely upfront tried an audacious effort from 40 yards, only to see the shot come off the post and Gabby Stone was unable to latch onto the ball before it was cleared.

As Wymondham were looking like the more likely team to make the breakthrough, Fakenham

played the ball through to Lauren Matthews, whose 25 yard effort was pushed wide by Emma Fletch for a corner. An important save that kept the score even going into half time. Half Time Score: Wymondham 0-0 Fakenham.

Wymondham made a couple of substitutions and started the second half strongly and it only took 11 minutes of the second half for Wymondham to take the lead; Emily Anderson played the ball to Laura Wiseman who was able to shift the ball quickly and strike the ball from the angle to put Wymondham 1-0 up. This was the breakthrough Wymondham needed and it forced Fakenham to make some changes and press to try and get an equaliser. However, Wymondhams defence was looking strong with Polly Tarrant and Emma Chambers winning everything in the air at the back and Emma Fletcher quick of her line to smother any potential danger.

Wymondham were now more relaxed and were controlling the game through the midfield trio of Rachel Cossey, Amber Cantwell and Claire Rennie and as a team, were moving the ball guicker. Wymondham doubled their lead on 69 minutes



when Amber Cantwell played a wide ball to Kayleigh Holloway, who beat her marker to slot the ball away and make it more comfortable for Wymondham. Only four minutes later and again it was Amber Cantwell who provided the assist, but this time it was Emily Anderson who scored to put Wymondham 3-0 up. With only 15 minutes to go, Wymondham were cruising and were looking very comfortable in possession, with further chances for Laura Wiseman and Leah Newcombe, but were unable to add to Wymondhams tally. With only 10 minutes to go, it looked like Gabby Stone was going to add a fourth when the ball fell to her on the edge of the box and her powerful shot was blocked; a goal that would have been well deserved for a strong, combative performance. Full Time Score: Wymondham 3-0 Fakenham

This was Wymondham first three points of the season and makes it two wins from two. Next week, Wymondham are away to Moulton in the 2nd Qualifying Round of the SSE FA Womens Cup, 2pm KO.

Player of the Match: Rachel Cossey, for organising the team, breaking up Fakenham attacks and bossing the midfield; a captains performance.

Starting Line Up: E.Fletcher, L.Newcombe, P.Tarrant, E.Chambers, M.Cann, R.Cossey, K.Holloway, K.Ayers, A.Cantwell, G.Stone, L.Wiseman. Subs: C.Rennie, E.Anderson, G.Sanders. Goals Scorers: Laura Wiseman, Kayleigh Holloway, Emily Anderson.