



Welcome to De Montfort University and Wellingborough Ladies

This weekend sees Kenilworth Ladies host their second Double Header and everyone involved with the club's Ladies section would like to extend a warm welcome to all the players, coaches and officials from both De Montfort University and Wellingborough.

The start of 2018 is well under way and this weekend sees the Ladies, and their loyal supporters, return to Glasshouse Lane for the first time since the start of December. This afternoon is set to be a feast of rugby with both the Development XV and the 1st XV taking to the field.

Kicking off the action this afternoon is our Development XV as they take on De Montfort University in their sixth match of the season. Their previous matches have seen them beat Silhillians, the University of Warwick and the University of Birmingham without conceding a single point. They also secured victories over the University of Oxford Panthers in the last Double Header before beating Towcestrians in their final fixture of 2017.

Following the Development XV's fixture, our 1st

XV will be looking to make it the 'Perfect 10' and secure their tenth league victory this season in their match against Wellingborough. In a repeat of the league fixture in Northamptonshire back in November that saw the Ladies secure a 48-0 victory, they will be hoping to put in another strong performance to strengthen their position at the top of the league. Our visitors this afternoon currently sit bottom of the Women's National Challenge Midlands 1, with one victory in their previous nine fixtures.

Today's Double Header sees Glasshouse Lane host two ladies matches in one afternoon for the second time in little over two months. The first Double Header back in November was a real success for the Ladies and the fact that another is taking place today shows the strength of women's rugby that we now have here at Kenilworth. Head coach Tim Burden has continued to work incredibly hard, as have his players, to continue the success of the Ladies section, both on and off the pitch. We hope you enjoy the rugby on display this afternoon.

The Season So Far

Today's league fixture is the first of the year at Glasshouse Lane for our Ladies after they started 2018 with away victories against Wyomondham in the Cup and both Old Northamptonians and Lutterworth in the league. Those performances ensured the side continued their 100% record this season, scoring a total of 119 points in the process.

In the league, Kenilworth Ladies have now won all nine of their matches to date. Remarkably, their last league fixture at home was against Lutterworth back in October, making their unbeaten record even more impressive. After that match, the Ladies secured a 48-0 victory over today's visitors Wellingborough.

They then secured a home walkover in their next match against Bridgnorth, allowing the players to enjoy a well-earned break! Their final league fixture of 2017 saw them travel to Rugby Lionesses and they came away with a convincing 63-0 victory. Sophie Henry, Beth Woodward, Felicity Baldwin and Phoebe Howles each scored two tries apiece. In their league matches in 2018, the Ladies made it a hat trick of victories against

Old Northamptonians this season, coming out on top by 53-5, before beating Lutterworth 43-15 on Sunday.

In the Cup, the Ladies followed their 55-10 victory away to Old Northamptonians in the first round with an 81-5 defeat of league rivals Five Ways Old Edwardians. That result put them into the third round where they travelled to Wyomondham in Norfolk, securing an impressive 23-15 victory. They are now in the quarter finals with a home tie against Barnsley.

Next five fixtures

Sunday 11th February

v Amber Valley (development fixture - home)

Sunday 18th February

v Bridgenorth (league - away)

Sunday 25th February

v Barnsley (Cup - home)

Sunday 4th March

v Olney (league - home)

Sunday 18th March

v Five Ways (league - away)

Current league table – 2017/18 Women's NC Midlands 1

	P	W	D	L	+/-	TB	LB	Pts
Kenilworth	9	9	0	0	287	6	0	42
Five Ways Old Edwardians	9	7	0	2	216	6	2	36
Olney	9	5	0	4	159	4	2	26
Lutterworth	9	5	0	4	-37	3	2	25
Bridgnorth	9	4	1	4	17	1	2	21
Old Northamptonians	9	3	1	5	-132	2	0	16
Rugby Lionesses	9	1	0	8	-115	1	5	10
Wellingborough	9	1	0	8	-395	1	1	6



Ash Straver



Kirsty Davie

Player Sponsors

Player	Sponsor
Alexandra Clay	Almond Maintenance
Becki Coombe	The Learn2 Group
Beth Woodward	Tour TShirts 4U
Caroline Spence	The Dirty Dozen (private)
Claire Penna	PSM Electrical Services
Elena Dacullo	The Learn2 Group
Felicity Baldwin	W Denis Insurance Brokers plc
Fran Dargan	Gail Fleming (private)
Janine McComiskey	Dunchurch Pools Marina
Jodie Turpin	Anonymous (on behalf of the charity Headway)
Lexi Mackee	KPMG
Natalie Snodgrass	A H Dental
Tan	
Phoebe Howles	Cotswolds Distillery
Rebecca Hill	Elizabeth Davenport Estate Agents
Sarah-Katy Davies	Warwick Books
Sophie Henry	BJ Contractors
Tily May Bridger	Barefoot Photographics



Player Profile



Abi Minor

DOB: 16/10/1996 • **Birthplace:** Rugby

Height: 5' 7" • **Position:** Fly half

Previous clubs (with years): Emley Moor ARLFC (2004-06) and University of Warwick Women's RFC (2016 - present)

Previous schools (with years): Shelley College (2010-15), University of Warwick (2015 - present)

Favourite ground: Welford Road

Best rugby moment: Winning last year's Varsity match against Coventry University

Greatest ambition: Graduating and qualifying as a solicitor

Most admired player: Harry Clemens or Geordan Murphy

Greatest influence: My mum

Favourite food: My mum's Mexican bean bake

Favourite band/artist: Sia

Favourite film: Notting Hill

Beer or lager: Lager

Other interests: Music - I play classical guitar to grade 8

Today's Kenilworth Teams - Sunday 4th February 2018

Kenilworth Development XV

v De Montfort University

15.....	TBC
14.....	Patricia McMahon
13.....	Vicky Lewis
12.....	Gemma Gilleece
11.....	Poppy Harrison
10.....	Emma Beaney
9.....	Elena Ma Dacullo
1.....	Izy Cowling
2.....	Rebecca Stuttard
3.....	Lexi Mackee
4.....	Katie Ingram
5.....	Alexandra Clay
6.....	Katie Brown
7.....	Izzy Dobbins
8.....	Cath Lyon

Substitutes:

16.....	Philli Clayton
17.....	Claire Penna
18.....	Laura Dumbleton-Jones

Kenilworth 1st XV

v Wellingborough

15.....	Stav Williams
14.....	Sophie Henry
13.....	Felicity Baldwin
12.....	Beth Woodward
11.....	Phoebe Howles
10.....	Ash Straver
9.....	Rebecca Hill (c)
1.....	Sarah-Katy Davies
2.....	Siobhan Allison-Moore
3.....	Rebecca Lewis
4.....	Ada Ajoku
5.....	Christie Foster
6.....	Fran Dargan
7.....	Janine McComiskey
8.....	Caroline Spence

Substitutes:

16.....	Lexi Mackee
17.....	Cath Lyon
18.....	Kirsty Davie
19.....	Alexandra Clay
20.....	Abi Minor
21.....	Patricia McMahon
22.....	Helena Allison-Moore