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CWMBRAN CELTIC

Home Squad

Amie Preston-Roberts (GK)
Abigail Jones
Elena Scrivens
Jodie Challenger
Natalia Shwartz
Cerys Pinchard
Eloise Meaney ©
Summer Bowen-Quirk
Fiona Anthony
Ellie Bidhendi
Lauren Boyd
Macey Morris
Kaitlin Smith
Alex Cridland
Gracie Grosvenor
Georgina Cridland
Hollie Channing
Mia Peacock
Cerys Shipley
Ffion Evans

Manager: Georgia Shwartz

Assistant: Ryan Thomas

Coaches: Conor James

GK Coach: Sam Lewis

First Aider: Martin Ingram

Colours: Yellow Blue Yellow

PENYBONT

Away Squad

Jenna Hill (GK)
Poppi Coggins
Maisy Fahey-Pennell
Paige Ward
Carys Minton
Freya Grandin
Mollie Jones
Maddie Priday ©
Mikaela Hood
Cerys Jones
Mae Taylor
Amelia Hodgkinson
Erin Bater
Emelia Lewis
Georgina Watts
Edie Evans
Seren Morgan
Layla Williams
Holly Broad
Niamh Terry
Molly Bird (GK)

Manager: Leon Williams

Assistant: Daniel Kelly

Coaches: James Huxtable; Jessica Evans

Performance Analyst: Matthew Bailey

First Aider: Levi Carpenter

Colours: Blue Blue White

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GENERO ADRAN SOUTH FIXTURES & RESULTS 2025/2026

	Cardiff Met WFC	Carmarthen Town FC Women	Cascade YC Women FC	Cwmbran Celtic FC Women	Llanelli Town AFC Women	Penybont Women FC	Pure Swansea Women FC	Taffs Well FC Women
Cardiff Met WFC	-	15.02.	2:1	15.03.	16.11.	25.01.	05.04.	07.12.
Carmarthen Town FC Women	30.11.	-	02.11.	2:1	07.12.	01.03.	01.02.	05.04.
Cascade YC Women FC	22.03.	25.01.	-	15.02.	01.03.	07.12.	16.11.	1:2
Cwmbran Celtic FC Women	18.01.	22.03.	30.11.	-	4:0	02.11.	01.03.	25.01.
Llanelli Town AFC Women	01.02.	15.03.	18.01.	05.04.	-	30.11.	0:2	02.11.
Penybont Women FC	2:5	16.11.	05.04.	01.02.	15.02.	-	18.01.	15.03.
Pure Swansea Women FC	02.11.	2:1	15.03.	07.12.	25.01.	22.03.	-	15.02.
Taffs Well FC Women	01.03.	18.01.	01.02.	16.11.	22.03.	1:3	30.11.	-

GENERO ADRAN SOUTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Cardiff Met	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	6
2 Pure Swansea	2	2	0	0	4	1	3	6
3 Cwmbran Celtic	2	1	0	1	5	2	3	3
4 Carmarthen Town	2	1	0	1	3	3	0	3
5 Penybont	2	1	0	1	5	6	-1	3
6 Taffs Well	2	1	0	1	3	4	-1	3
7 Cascade	2	0	0	2	2	4	-2	0
8 Llanelli Town	2	0	0	2	0	6	-6	0



WELCOME TO CELTIC PARK

We have pleasure in producing our first regular programme for today's Genero Adran South League game against Penybont Women at Celtic Park. The teams have met 12 times in league and cup competitions since 2016. Celtic won the first 7 matches. Penybont have won 3 of the last 5. Celtic have won all 6 away games between the teams although the neutral 2024-25 South Wales cup final won 4-1 by Penybont was played at their ground. Penybont have appeared in one other cup final, in 2020-21 when they were runners-up in the South Wales Womens League Trophy to Tonyrefail Welfare, the score 3-1. Fiona Anthony has scored 17 goals in these games.

CWMBRAN CELTIC v PENYBONT IN LEAGUE & CUP

Venue	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	5	3	0	2	17	9
Away	6	6	0	0	24	7
Neutral	1	0	0	1	1	4
TOTAL	12	9	0	3	42	20

Season	Competition	Venue	Score	Celtic scorers
2016-17	SWFA Cup 1	A	5-4	Anthony 3, Williams, James
2017-18	Combined League	H	6-2	Phipps 3, Anthony, Rndall, Challenger
2021-22	Alun Evans Cup 1	H	5-0	Anthony 3, Waters 2
	Combined League	A	7-1	Anhtony 3, Meaney 3, Waters
2022-23	Combined League	H	4-3	Anthony 4 (1 pen)
	Combined League	A	2-1	Anthony, Waters
	Alun Evans Cup 3	A	6-0	Meaney 2, Harrison 2, Anthony, Shipley
2024-25	Adran Trophy Qual	H	2-3	Crofts, Boyd
	Adran League S	A	2-0	Crofts, Boyd
	Adran League S	H	0-1	
	SWFA Cup Final	N	1-4	Anthony
2025-26	Adran League S	A	2-1	Smith, A.Cridland

PENYBONT WOMEN LEAGUE PLAYING RECORD 2021-26

Season	League	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
2021-22	SWW Combined	20	5	3	12	36	91	18	8/11
2022-23	SWW Combined	20	4	1	15	29	78	13	10/11
2023-24	SWW Combined	16	14	1	1	57	12	43	2/9
2024-25	Genero Adran S	12	7	0	5	22	16	21	4/7
2025-26	Genero Adran S	2	1	0	1	5	6	3	5/8

ACTION FROM CELTIC'S 5-0 CUP WIN v LLANRUMNEY UNITED

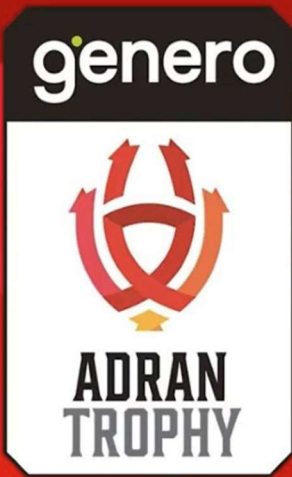
These photos include the goals scored by Jodie Challenger and Ffion Evans.



ACTION FROM CELTIC'S 5-0 CUP WIN v LLANRUMNEY UNITED (cont)



GENERO ADRAN TROPHY GROUP 1 FIXTURES & RESULTS 2025/2026

	Cascade YC Women FC	Cwmbran Celtic FC Women	Penybont Women FC	Taffs Well FC Women
				
Cascade YC Women FC	-		2:0	
Cwmbran Celtic FC Women	3:1	-		
Penybont Women FC		1:2	-	3:0
Taffs Well FC Women	0:3	2:2		-

GENERO ADRAN TROPHY G1	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Cwmbran Celtic	3	2	1	0	7	4	3	7
2 Cascade	3	2	0	1	6	3	3	6
3 Penybont	3	1	0	2	4	4	0	3
4 Taffs Well	3	0	1	2	2	8	-6	1

Genero Adran Trophy Round of 16 draw

Aberystwyth Town	v	Felinheli
Barry Town United	v	Cascade
Briton Ferry Llansawel	v	Cwmbran Celtic
Cardiff City	v	Flint Town United
Llanelli Town	v	Pontypridd United
Llanfair United	v	The New Saints
Swansea City	v	Cardiff Met
Wrexham	v	Llandudno

Ties will be played on Sunday 9 November

MATCH REPORT: CWMBRAN CELTIC 3 - 1 CASCADE YC (12-Oct)

GENERO ADRAN TROPHY GROUP 1

Cwmbran Celtic's 3-1 win against old rivals Cascade YC was enough to qualify them for the knock-out stages of the Adran Trophy in first place in the group table.

Celtic should have taken the lead in the 10th minute when right winger Macey Morris crossed to Fiona Anthony right in front of the goal but she spooned the chance over the bar. Celtic took the lead in the 10th minute when Abigail Jones played Macey Morris down the right. She turned in and then floated an inch perfect cross to Fiona Anthony who slammed the ball into the net – an excellently crafted goal. Ellie Bidhendi hit a free kick just wide of the goal. Cascade responded with 3 chances all saved by Amie Preston-Roberts – 2 shots by Ellis Lunn and a lob by Chloe Tilly, tipped over the bar for a corner by Amie.

In the 52nd minute Celtic increased their lead when Fiona Anthony robbed the defender and raced in on goal to slide the ball under the keeper's body into the net. Boyd and Morris hit shots from distance over the bar. In the 57th minute a corner by Cerys Shipley was smashed into the net on the turn by Georgina Cridland. On 60 minutes the visitors pulled a goal back when Annaliese Lewis played Erin Parry through the middle to score. Macey's shot was saved by keeper Chrissy Kidley and a long shot by Parry passed over the bar. In the 74th minute Cascade missed an amazing chance to reduce the arrears. Parry ran through the middle and passed the ball forward and across the goal to Phoebe Ware to shoot at the open goal but she hit the ball too well and it hit the bar and bounced back into the grateful arms of Amie. Cascade had two further chances, the first by Lunn saved by Amie and the 2nd by Parry over the bar.

This was another class performance by Celtic with the front two Macey Morris and Fiona Anthony to the fore, well supported by Ellie Bidhendi. They will however be disappointed with the two occasions when they let the Cascade attack slice open their defence firstly to score and then to miss that gilt-edged chance which hit the bar. For Cascade their midfield maestro Erin Parry had an outstanding game.

Celtic play Welsh Premier side Briton Ferry Llansawel in the Trophy last sixteen next month where they will meet up with former striker Jade Crofts who is Ferry's top scorer this season with 5 goals in 6 games.

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CELTIC WOMEN PLAYING RECORD

SEASON	LEAGUE DIVISION	LEAGUE								CUPS								TOTAL					
		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos	P	W	D	L	F	A	*/+	P	W	D	L	F	A	
2012-13	South Wales League	20	17	2	1	101	23	53	2/11	6	5	1*	1	44	5	w	26	22	3	2	145	28	
2013-14	South Wales League	26	23	3	0	229	12	72	1/14	5	3	1*	1	26	4	let	31	26	4	1	255	16	
2014-15	Welsh Premier	20	7	4	9	48	42	25	6/11	2	0	0	2+	1	5	l	22	7	4	11	49	47	
2015-16	Welsh Premier	20	12	4	4	63	38	40	4/11	4	2	0	2	13	8		24	14	4	6	76	46	
2016-17	South Wales Division 1	20	14	5	1	63	24	47	2/11	10	7	1+	2	37	22	l	30	21	6	3	100	46	
2017-18	South Wales Premier	13	1	2	10	21	20	5	8/8	5	1	0	4+	7	15	l	18	2	2	14	28	35	
2018-19	South Wales Division 1	20	12	3	5	68	30	39	4/11	4	2	0	2	12	10		24	14	3	7	80	40	
2019-20	South Wales Division 1	10	9	0	1	25	12	27	1	3	2	0	1	12	3		13	11	0	2	37	15	
2020-21	No competition																						
2021-22	South Wales S&W Combined	20	12	5	3	91	38	41	4/11	7	6	0	1	23	10		27	18	5	4	114	48	
2022-23	South Wales S&W Combined	20	14	4	2	74	33	46	3/11	10	8	1*	1	42	9	l	30	22	5	3	116	42	
2023-24	Adran League South	12	6	3	3	30	22	21	3/7	8	3+	0	5	20	28	w	20	9	3	8	50	50	
2024-25	Adran League South	12	6	1	5	22	14	19	5/7	9	4	1	4	33	21		21	10	2	9	55	35	
2012-25	TOTAL	213	133	36	44	835	308	435		73	43	5	26	270	140		286	176	41	70	1105	448	

CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMEN TEAMS HONOURS

Women 1st team

South Wales Womens League: winners 2013/14; runners up 2012/13, 2016/17

South Wales Womens League Div 1: winners 2019/20, runners up 2016/17

South Wales FA Cup: winners 2012/13, 2022/23; runners up 2024/25

Alun Evans Cup: winners 2021/22; runners up 2022/23

South Wales Plate: winners 2016/17

Women Reserves team

South Wales Womens League Div 1: winners 2023/24

South Wales League Shield: runners up 2022/23



HISTORY OF CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS FOOTBALL 2012-25

The first Cwmbran Celtic Women's football team was formed for season 2012/13. It came about from an approach by the management of Caerphilly Castle Ladies Women's team who had fallen out with their parent club. Their side was the shining light in the club. They finished runners-up to Cardiff City in the Welsh Women's Cup in 2008/09. They won the South Wales League Cup in 2009/10 in a penalty shoot-out against UWIC. In that season they were promoted from the South Wales League to the tier 1 Welsh Premier League Southern division in which they competed for the next two seasons. The team was very professional in its organisation: managed by former Welsh international Claire O'Sullivan, assisted by another former international, goalkeeper Su Young, administered and captained by Cwmbran-based Vicky Randall and with its own physio Zoe Brace. The split with the parent club came about because the Caerphilly women considered they were being taken for granted, particularly financially in which the players made considerable contributions to funding.

2012/13 The new Celtic side started out in the tier 2 South Wales League, and, having retained the majority of the side that played for Caerphilly the previous season in the Premier League, they romped through the majority of their fixtures finishing runners-up to champions Pilcs FC. They won the South Wales League Cup final at Sully in a gripping penalty shoot-out against Cardiff City. In the Celtic squad were current players Lauren Boyd and 16-year-olds Fiona Anthony and Jodie Challenger.

2013/14 Celtic won the South Wales League title at a canter winning 23 games and drawing 3 scoring 229 goals and conceding only 12. They achieved a club record 26-0 win at home to Porthcawl, Laura Bradley scoring a club record 7 goals which Linsey Mochan equalled later in the season in her one and only appearance for the club against Cascade YC.

2014/15 The team finished 6th in their first season in the Welsh Premier League. They started the season well and a run of 4 wins and a draw took them to 2nd place by the end of October. However, they were struggling to raise a side and, after losing 5-1 to Swansea City in the Welsh Cup, the following week they withdrew from a League Cup tie against league leaders and eventual champions Cardiff MET because they had only 6 fit players. For the rest of the season they continued to struggle to get a side out. In their next 12 games they won 2 drew 3 and lost 7. Their last game of the season was against bottom team Aberystwyth Town whom they had beaten 9-0 in September, and they were able to end the season on a high, winning 7-1.

2015/16 Celtic started the season with a host of new youngsters, recruited from the newly formed FAW Elite Womens Academy at Coleg y Cymoedd based at Ystrad Mynach under the tutelage of Celtic coach Claire O'Sullivan. When Clare took up her post a large portion of the student intake were already Wales International U17 players. Most of them were not attached to a Welsh Premier League club and the Wales team manager Jayne Ludlow encouraged Claire to take them on at Cwmbran Celtic to gain Premier League experience. Three of these players, Claire Skinner, Chloe Chivers and Shaunna Jenkins, made the Wales senior squad and the others all played for Wales U19s. After enduring a 9-1 thrashing by Cardiff MET Celtic embarked on a 7-match unbeaten run in the league. In the Welsh Cup they beat Aberystwyth Town 5-0 and Pilcs 5-3 in a humdinger of a game. They played Llandudno in the quarter-final at Cwmbran Stadium and took the lead but lost 2-1 despite much the better side.

HISTORY OF CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS FOOTBALL 2012-25 (cont)

They just did not take their chances. In the league they had a run of 7 successive wins including a 10-3 beating of Llandudno. As the season neared its conclusion the youngsters in the side were showing signs of tiring, hardly surprising given their College and Wales U19 commitments. They achieved the double over Llandudno with a 7-1 win and a home win against Pilcs would have given them 3rd place. However, nine of the girls had attended a FAW U19 training course over 3 days, the last of which was on the day of the match. There was nothing left in the tank and Celtic lost 4-1. In the final reckoning 4th place in the league for such a young side was a tremendous achievement. The Welsh Cup defeat by Llandudno was the low spot, so frustrating given that the team put 17 goals on them in the two league games. 17-year-old Chloe Chivers from Abertillery, a student at the Elite Academy, was top scorer with 17 goals. She had a great season, scoring for the Wales senior team on her debut against Finland, and winning the Welsh Premier League Young Player of the Season award.

The introduction of the international recruits disrupted the structure of the Celtic team on two counts. Firstly, women who had previously been first choice players in a tightly knit harmonious team found themselves dropped to the bench or left out altogether, a number of whom left the club including Vicki Randall who also resigned as Secretary. Secondly, other Premier League clubs complained that it was unfair that Claire O'Sullivan's association with the players at the College had given Celtic the opportunity to sign so many players. Towards the end of the season Celtic learned that some Welsh Premier clubs had made illegal approaches to five of the club's international players. Claire O'Sullivan decided that her position as Celtic manager was untenable and she resigned. Celtic wrote to the FAW stating that with Claire's resignation and the FAW not taking any action about the illegal approaches, the club's chances of keeping the international players were effectively nullified. With no coach, the international players having moved away and insufficient remaining players of Welsh Premier League calibre, Celtic withdrew from the Welsh Premier League. The club was fined £500. The club appealed expressing their disappointment that the FAW had not, as promised, investigated the illegal approaches or taken steps to assist the club find new players and a coach. It was particularly galling given that the club had been encouraged to help the development of the Wales U19 players by signing them in the first place. The club also noted that the FAW was considering reducing the number of teams in the Premier League and so Celtic's withdrawal would not cause any inconvenience. because with 10 teams in the league (an even number), there would be no spare fixture dates for the participants.

2016/17 Vicki Randall came back as team manager. In November she won the BBC Wales Unsung Hero award in recognition not only for her work at Cwmbran Celtic but also for Risca netball. The Womens team was withdrawn from the Premier League. It looked as though Celtic Women's football was for the scrapheap but Vicki was having none of that. She went about recruiting a brand new team which dropped down 2 tiers to play in Division 1 of the South Wales League. The team had an excellent season finishing runners-up to gain promotion to the FAW second tier. Celtic were knocked out of the South Wales League cup in the semi-final by Dinas Powys. They were therefore entered into the losers Plate competition and they won the Final against tier 2 Premier side Pontypridd Town. Assistant manager Su Young played in goal at the sprightly age of 42.

HISTORY OF CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS FOOTBALL 2012-25 (cont)

Teenager Jessica Williams played throughout the season, preferring to remain loyal to the team rather than move to a Premier club. However, in the close season the FAW coaching hierarchy insisted that she move on if she wanted to maintain her place in the Wales youth international squad, and she moved to Swansea City where she is currently their captain.

2017/18 In the South Wales League Premier Division the Women were under the coaching team of Mark Munday, Su Young and captain Vicki Randall. Jess Williams and midfielder Rhiannon Taylor had departed but at Christmas, Celtic were in fifth place out of eight teams Fiona Anthony (7) and Kayleigh Phipps (5) were the leading scorers in league and cup, however neither played after Christmas. Kayleigh stopped playing. Fiona went on a gap year to New Zealand. Elouise and Lydia Meaney had also taken a gap year and Bethan Percival was at University in the USA. In the New Year Celtic's form collapsed. They lost all their remaining seven league games which pushed them to the bottom of the table. Having had 28 players originally signed on, Celtic were struggling to raise a side towards the end of the season, sometimes fielding a bare eleven. Consequently they were relegated back to the first Division for the next season.

2018/19 Celtic finished fourth in South Wales League Division 1. At the end of the season Vicky Randall announced her retirement from football after seven years outstanding service to the club.

2019/20 Andrew Meaney took over as manager. Celtic had an outstanding season, topping Division 1 when the season ended prematurely in early March because of the coronavirus pandemic. At the time they were eight points clear of 2nd placed Pontypridd Town having won 9 of their 10 games. The League management determined the final positions by dividing points gained by games played and Celtic won the title with a points average of 2.57 compared with runners-up Pontypridd's 2.00. Two families played a prominent role in the team's success. Midfielders Eloise and Lydia Meaney were captain and vice-captain. There were three Anthony siblings. Eldest sister Hayleigh was centre back and physio. Middle sister Fiona was striker and top scorer. Younger sister Sian made the left back berth her own.

2020/21 There was no competition because of the pandemic.

2021/22 Celtic finished 4th in the newly formed South & West Wales Combined League Fiona Anthony was the league's top scorer with 43 goals. Jodie Challenger was top of the league assists with a total of 18. Celtic won the Alun Evans League Cup beat Caerphilly Castle 3-1 at Ocean Park Arena, It was a fitting end to Andrew Meaney's years of service as team manager. In all league and cup games Fiona Anthony scored a club record 51 goals including scoring in 16 successive games.

2022/23 Celtic had an excellent season in the Combined League, winning 14 drawing 4 and losing only two games. Celtic inflicted their solitary defeat on champions Cardiff Wanderers with an excellent 4-1 away win. Celtic finished 3rd in the table, beaten to runners-up by Coed Duon on goal difference. Celtic reached two cup finals. They won the South Wales FA Cup with a tremendous 3-2 win at Penybont against cup holders Cascade YC who were in tier 2. This stretched Celtic's unbeaten run, during the 6-months November to April, to 21 league and cup matches (19 wins 2 draws). Celtic defended the Alun Evans Cup against Cardiff Wanderers. They lost to a 2nd half winner by striker Jade Crofts – her 52nd goal of the season.

HISTORY OF CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS FOOTBALL 2012-25 (cont)

Jade was to join Celtic next season. This was Celtic's first cup final defeat after 4 successes over the previous 10 seasons. Cardiff Wanderers also knocked Celtic out of the Welsh Cup, 7-6 on penalties after 2-2 in normal time. Andrew Meaney was team manager until the end of March when he handed over the reins to James Kinsella, assistant Sam Lewis and physio Conor James. This season Celtic introduced a Reserve team managed by Jordan Davies. They finished 3rd in South Wales Division 2 and were runners-up to Avenue Hotspur in the League Shield.

2023/24 Celtic were promoted to the 2nd tier Adran South League and after 3 games this looked to be a step too far after conceding 20 goals in their first 3 games against Briton Ferry Llansawel and Cascade YC. However, the signing of defender Elena Scrivens and striker Jade Crofts, strengthened the side. In the Welsh Cup at Cwmbran Stadium they surprised Premier side Swansea City by taking a 3-2 lead before the Swans eventually took control, winning 7-3, former Celtic player and Welsh International Chloe Chivers scoring 6 goals. Into the New Year, and with another new signing, Cardiff City youth player Summer Bowen-Quirk, Celtic embarked on a 7-match unbeaten run and reached the South Wales FA cup semi-final in which. after a 3-3 draw, Cascade won the penalty shoot-out, former Celtic winger Lauren Boyd scoring the clinching goal. Celtic finished 3rd in the league. Jade Crofts finished the season with 15 goals including a run of scoring in 9 successive games. The Reserves were champions of Division 2. Bethan Percival was top scorer with 21 goals. Anna Lugg-Morris was top of the league's assists with 18.

2024/25 Celtic were placed in the tier two Genero Adran South League. Left winger Lauren Boyd returned to her former club after time away at Abergavenny and Cascade YC. Teenage midfielder Katie Williams joined from Pontypridd Town and goalkeeper Amie Prerston joined having moved to Cwmbran from the Midlands. Celtic were in first place in the 7-team league at Christmas having won five games and lost one game. In the Adran Trophy Celtic qualified in their Group and were drawn against Premier team Wrexham in the knock-out stage. They performed well in going down 4-1 in front of a Celtic Women's record crowd of 201 at Celtic Park. After Christmas Celtic fell apart in the League winning one game, drawing one and losing four. The primary reason was losing ace striker Jade Crofts to Premier League Briton Ferry Llansawel in the January transfer window. Jade had scored 20 goals in 10 of the 13 games she played before her departure and she ended her Celtic career with a total of 35 goals in 25 games in which she scored in 19 games. Celtic ended the season in 5th place. In the South Wales FA Cup Celtic thrashed Coed Duon at Celtic Park 17-0. Jade Crofts scored five goals and had six assists, The final against Penybont was at their ground attended by 260 spectators. Celtic never got into the game, losing 4-1. This was an anti-climactic end to James Kinsella's 4 successful years at the helm. Centre back Natalia Shwartz was chosen in the Genero Adran team of the season. At the end of season Presentation evening, Amie Preston swept the board, winning the Manager's Player, Player's Player and Supporter's Player of the Year awards. She ended an unforgettable year by getting married to partner Jade. The Reserves, managed by Jack Shepherd, finished 9th out of 10 teams in Division 1 and so were relegated back to Division 2.

CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS RESERVE TEAM 2025/26 – THE SEASON SO FAR

After having been relegated from Division 1 last season Celtic's new manager Kim Harrison was optimistic as to how the new campaign in Division 2 would turn out in the knowledge that the club had signed 4 new promising young players 3 of whom were teenagers, to add to the established experienced senior players in the squad, captained again by Sophie Hall and boosted by the addition of former 1st teamer Sian Anthony. To date Kim's expectations have been met. The team is 5th out of 14 teams in the league but they have games in hand and, apart from league leaders North Cardiff Cosmos who have a 100% record, Celtic are the only other unbeaten team.

7 Sep	Cwm Welfare	A	7-1	Channing 4,Archer,Eley,Cole,
21 Sep	Penywaun	H	5-0	S.Anthony,Hall,Leonard,Channing,Peacock
28 Sep	Wattsville	A	2-1	Hall,Leonard
12 Oct	Caerphilly Dragons	A	3-1	Leonard 2,C.Laida
26 Oct	Caerphilly Dragons	H	1-1	Leonard

One of the newcomers, midfielder Hollie Channing, scored 4 coming off the bench for her club debut and was promptly promoted to the 1st team squad. The team does not have a regular goalkeeper and so Louise Davison, daughter Alex Cridland and Kristina Jasovic have filled in capably between the sticks but the team are looking to sign a permanent keeper. There are half a dozen teenagers in the squad of whom midfielder Mia Peacock has been given 2 outings in the 1st team.

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CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS 1ST TEAM PEN PICTURES 2025-26

Career appearances & goals at start of this season in brackets []

Fiona Anthony: forward, age 29. Debut: 16 Sep 12 Pontypridd age 16. Her 14th season in team. Leading club career goalscorer with 207 goals. Graduate Sports Management Cardiff MET. Previous club: Llanrhyavon Juniors. [252/207]

Ellie Bidhenny: forward, age 20. Debut: 7 Sep 25 Taffs Well. Represented FAW Football Academy & Welsh Colleges. Previous clubs: Gloucester City, Cascade, Abergavenny, Caerleon Juniors.

Summer Bowen-Quirk: right back/midfield, age 20. Debut: 21 Jan 24. Previous clubs: Cardiff City U19 (captain), Coed Eva Ath Juniors. Scored 100+ games for Coed Eva. When she scored her 100th goal her coaches presented her with a shirt with her name on the back and the number 100. [28/3]

Lauren Boyd: left forward, age 34. Debut: 16 Sep 12. Graduate Sport & PE. Previous clubs: Cwmbran Celtic, Abergavenny, Cascade. 2nd spell with Celtic. [115/92]

Jodie Challenger: midfield/defender, age 29. Debut: Sep 12 age 16. Youngest debutant & scorer age 16. Her 14th season in team. 1st class honours x 2 in Sport & Exercise Science USW and Mechanical Engineering Cardiff University. Previous club: Henllys Rangers Juniors. [252/51]

Holly Channing: midfield, age 19 Debut: 14 Sep 25 Penybont. Previous club: Caerleon Juniors.

Alex Cridland: utility, age 25. Debut: 18 Sep 22 Cardiff Wanderers. Previous club: Newport City. [37/6]

Georgina Cridland: left wing/left back, age 25. Debut: 16 Oct 22 Splott Albion. Scored on her debut. Previous club: Newport City. [43/17]

Ffion Evans: forward, age 17. Debut: 7 Sep 25 Taffs Well. Previous club: Pontypridd U Juniors.

Gracie Grosvenor: forward, age 19. Debut: 2 Feb 25 Pontypridd U. Previous clubs: Caldicot Town, Pontypridd, Abergavenny Juniors. [8/-]

Abigail Jones: centre back, age 31. Debut 7 Sep 25 Taffs Well. Previous club: Caldicot Town.

CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS 1ST TEAM PEN PICTURES 2025-26 (cont)



Abigail Jones



Alex Cridland



Amie Preston-Roberts



Cerys Pinchard



Cerys Shipley



Elena Scrivens



Ellie Bidhenny



Eloise Meaney



Ffion Evans



Fiona Anthony



Georgina Cridland



Gracie Grosvenor



Hollie Channing



Jodie Challenger




Kaitlin Smith



Lauren Boyd

GENERO ADRAN SOUTH			Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
07-Sep	Sun	Taffs Well (Trophy Group1)	2 - 2	Preston-Roberts	Jones	Scrivens		Shwartz	Pinchard	*Meaney	Bowen-Quirk	Anthony	Grosvenor	Boyd 2	Bidhendy		Cridland.G	Smith	Evans	Peacock	Shipley
14-Sep	Sun	Penybont (Trophy Group1)	2 - 1	Preston-Roberts	Jones		Challenger	Shwartz	Pinchard	Meaney	Bowen-Quirk	Anthony	Evans	Boyd	Cridland.A 1	Bidhendy	Cridland.G	*Smith 1	Channing		Shipley
28-Sep	Sun	Carmarthen Town	1 - 2	Preston-Roberts	Jones		Challenger	Shwartz	Pinchard	Meaney	*Bowen-Quirk	Anthony	Bidhendy	Boyd	Cridland.A		Morris	Smith 1	Cridland.G	Channing	Evans
05-Oct	Sun	Llanelli Town	4 - 0	Preston-Roberts	Jones	Scrivens		Shwartz		Meaney	Bowen-Quirk	*Anthony 2	Bidhendy	Boyd 1	Cridland.A	Evans	Morris 1	Grosvenor	Cridland.G	Channing	Shipley
12-Oct	Sun	Cascade (Trophy Group1)	3 - 1	Preston-Roberts	Jones	Scrivens			Pinchard	Meaney	Bowen-Quirk	Anthony 2	Grosvenor	Boyd	Cridland.A	Bidhendy	Cridland.G 1	Evans	*Morris	Channing	Shipley
19-Oct	Sun	Penclawdd (WC Q2)	4 - 0	Preston-Roberts	Jones	Scrivens	*Challenger		Pinchard	Meaney	Bowen-Quirk	Anthony 1	Grosvenor	Boyd 1	Cridland.A 2	Bidhendy		Cridland.G	Morris	Peacock	Channing
23-Oct	Thu	Llanrumney United (SWFA R2)	5 - 0	Preston-Roberts	Jones	Scrivens	Challenger 2	Shwartz	*Pinchard	Meaney	Bowen-Quirk	Anthony	Grosvenor 1	Boyd	Evans 1		Cridland.G	Channing	Morris 1		Shipley
02-Nov	Sun	Penybont																			
16-Nov	Sun	Taffs Well																			
30-Nov	Sun	Cascade YC																			
07-Dec		Pure Swansea																			
18-Jan		Cardiff Met																			
25-Jan		Taffs Well																			
01-Feb		Penybont																			
15-Feb		Cascade YC																			
01-Mar		Pure Swansea																			
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05-Apr	Sat	Llanelli Town																			



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 Fiona Anthony
 Abigail Jones
 Natalia Shwartz
 Lauren Boyd
 Jodie Challenger
 Mia Peacock
 Hollie Channing
 Macey Morris



Bottom Row

Amie
 Preston-Roberts
 Cerys Pinchard
 Alex Cridland
 Ellie Bidhendy
 Georgina Cridland
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CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS 1ST TEAM PEN PICTURES 2025-26 (cont)



Macey Morris



Mia Peacock



Natalia Shwartz



Summer Bowen-Quirk

CWMBRAN CELTIC RESERVE TEAM PLAYING RECORD 2022-25

SEASON	DIV	LEAGUE								CUPS						ALL MATCHES					
		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A
2022-23	2	14	7	1	6	27	24	22	3/6	5	2	0	6	9	19	19	9	1	12	36	43
2023-24	2	20	17	1	2	95	15	52	1/12	7	4	0	3	21	15	27	21	1	5	116	30
2024-25	1	18	2	2	14	28	66	8	9/10	8	6	0	2	39	25	26	8	2	16	67	91
TOTALS		52	26	4	22	150	105	82		20	12	0	11	69	59	72	38	4	33	219	164

CWMBRAN CELTIC RESERVES APPEARANCES 2025-26

Louise Davison	5	Chloe Leonard	5
Sian Anthony	5	Hollie Channing	2
Mia Weaver	4	Jasmine Payne	1
Talia Stokes	5	Daisy Thomas	4
Lydia Meaney	5	Mia Challenger	5
Claire Archer	3	Alex Cridland	2
Sophie Hall	5	Kristina Jasovic	3
Teagan Eley	3	Mia Peacock	4
Dominique Laida	5	Gracie Grosvenor	1
Nevaeh Cole	5	Claudia Laida	2
Hayleigh Anthony	5	Chelleter Graham-Sawyers	1

CWMBRAN CELTIC WOMENS 1ST TEAM PEN PICTURES 2025-26 (cont)

Eloise Meaney: centre back/centre midfield, age 28. Debut: Captain. Product of Celtic Juniors. [175/82]

Macey Morris: wing, age 22. Debut: 28 Sep Carmarthen Town. Graduate Legal Studies Houston Baptist University. Studying at Cardiff University. Welsh sprint champion. Previous club: Caldicot T.

Mia Peacock: midfield, age 17. Debut: 7 Sep 25 Taffs Well. Previous club: Caldicot Town Juniors.

Cerys Pinchard: midfield, age 24. Debut 7 Sep 25 Taffs Well. Previous club: Cardiff MET, Cardiff City. Caldicot Town. UEFA B coach. Soccer scholarship Missouri, USA.

Amie Preston-Roberts: goalkeeper, age 30. Debut 1 Sep 24 Penybont. Won all 3 trophies at 2025 Presentation: Managers, Players, Supporters Player. Previous clubs: Kidderminster Harriers, Stourbridge. [21/-]

Elena Scrivens: centre back, age 22. Debut 8 Oct 23 Pontardawe T. Previous club: Abergavenny. [30/1]

Cerys Shipley: midfield/forward, age 21. Debut: 3 Oct 21 Cascade YC. Previous club: Caerleon Juniors. [82/9]

Natalia Shwartz: centre back, age 23. Debut 8 Aug 21 Coed Duon. Previous club: Graig Villa Dino. Adran League Team of Season 2024/25. [84/1]

Kaitlin Smith: forward, age 26. Debut 7 Sep 25 Taffs Well. Previous club: Caldicot Town. Studied at Houston Baptist University, USA where she was a pentathlete. Injured in only her 2nd game this season & likely to be out for some time.

Management Team

Manager: Georgia Shwartz: midfield, age 26. Debut: 5 Dec 21. Previous club: Graig Villa Dino. UEFA B licence. Football coach at PJSS Elite, Newport, BSc & MSc Cardiff MET University. [80/11]

Assistant: Ryan Thomas

Head Coach: Sam Lewis

Coach: Conor James

First aider: Martin Ingram

GENERO ADRAN SOUTH FIXTURES (Round 3)

Carmarthen Town	v	Cascade
Cwmbran Celtic	v	Penybont
Llanelli Town	v	Taffs Well
Pure Swansea	v	Cardiff Met



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MATCH REPORT: CARMARTHEN TOWN 2 - 1 CWMBRAN CELTIC (28-Sep)

GENERO ADRAN SOUTH

Celtic Women travelled to Carmarthen Town for their 2nd Adran South league game of the season and, after taking the lead, they lost 2-1, all the goals coming in the 1st half. Kaitlin Smith proved a handful to the Town defence from the off. She raced down the right and crossed to Fiona Anthony whose shot was straight at keeper Ashman and Kaitlin was on hand to put Celtic ahead in the 19th minute when she brilliantly dummied two defenders in receipt of Ellie Bidhenny's through pass and raced on to calmly slot the ball past the keeper. Two minutes later a ball down the right from Summer Bowen-Quirk put Kaitlin clean through but Ashman made a good stop to prevent a 2nd goal. Town had not threatened the Celtic goal but in the 41st minute they equalised with a superb lob by Summer Evans from 25 yards out which flew past the despairing dive of Amie Preston-Roberts to nestle into the top left hand corner of the Celtic net. From the re-start Kaitlin Smith chased the ball into the Town box and fell awkwardly on the unforgiving 4G surface. It took some time to treat her and help her off the pitch. She was replaced by Alex Cridland who was straight into the action playing Fiona Anthony in who jinked past two defenders and saw her shot parried by Ashman for a corner. Then in the 8th minute of time added on Flavia Jenkins drove into the Celtic box and placed the ball to Amie's right into the corner of the net to give her side the lead. The 2nd half was dominated by Carmarthen who had control of the midfield. They had 5 shots on goal, 3 of which were on target but were easily dealt with by Amie. Celtic had just one chance when Summer's cross became a shot which was easily saved by Ashman.

Celtic will have been disappointed at how their game fell away after having much the better of the first 40 minutes. Their cause was certainly not helped by Kaitlin having to go off. As was the case last season, this league of only 8 teams is proving to be very competitive. Macey Morris, recruited from Caldicot Town, made her debut for Celtic as a 2nd half substitute.

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CWMBRAN CELTIC FIXTURES & RESULTS 2025/2026

Date	Team	Venue	F - A	Scorers
07-Sep	Taffs Well (Trophy Group1)	Away	2 - 2	Boyd (2)
14-Sep	Penybont (Trophy Group1)	Away	2 - 1	Smith; Cridland.A
28-Sep	Carmarthen Town	Away	1 - 2	Smith
05-Oct	Llanelli Town	Home	4 - 0	Anthony (2); Boyd; Morris
12-Oct	Cascade (Trophy Group1)	Home	3 - 1	Anthony (2); Cridland.G
19-Oct	Penclawdd Bute Energy Welsh Cup (Q2)	Away	4 - 0	Anthony; Cridland.A (2); Boyd
23-Oct	Llanrumney United Hugh James SWFA Cup (R2)	Home	5 - 0	Challenger (2); Morris; Grosvenor; Evans
02-Nov	Penybont	Home		
16-Nov	Taffs Well	Away		
30-Nov	Cascade YC	Home		
07-Dec	Pure Swansea	Away		
18-Jan	Cardiff Met	Home		
25-Jan	Taffs Well	Home		
01-Feb	Penybont	Away		
15-Feb	Cascade YC	Away		
01-Mar	Pure Swansea	Home		
15-Mar	Cardiff Met	Away		
22-Mar	Carmarthen Town	Home		
05-Apr	Llanelli Town	Away		

CWMBRAN CELTIC 2025/26 PLAYER STATISTICS

Player	Pos	Appearances						Goals			MOTM	Cards Y - R
		ADRAN	TROPHY	WC	SWFA	SUB	Total	ADRAN	CUP	Total		
Abigail Jones	D	1	3	1	1	1	7					
Alex Cridland	F		1	1		2	4		3	3		
Amie Preston-Roberts	GK	2	3	1	1		7					
Cerys Pinchard	M	1	3		1		5				1	
Cerys Shipley	F	1	3		1		5					
Elena Scrivens	D	1	1	1		1	4					
Ellie Bidhendi	M	2	1			3	6					
Eloise Meaney	M	2	3		1		6				1	1 - 0
Ffion Evans	F				1	3	4		1	1		
Fiona Anthony	M	2	3	1	1		7	2	3	5	1	
Georgina Cridland	M	1	2	1	1	2	7		1	1		
Gracie Grosvenor	M			1		4	5		1	1		
Hollie Channing	F			1		5	6					2 - 0
Jodie Challenger	M	1	1	1	1		4		2	2	1	
Kaitlin Smith	F	1	2				3	1	1	2	1	
Lauren Boyd	M	2	2	1		1	6	1	3	4		
Macey Morris	M	1	1		1	2	5	1	1	2	1	
Mia Peacock	F					2	2					
Natalia Shwartz	D	2	1			1	4					
Summer Bowen-Quirk	M	2	3	1	1		7				1	1 - 0



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MATCH REPORT: CWMBRAN CELTIC 4 - 0 LLANELLI TOWN (05-Oct)

GENERO ADRAIN SOUTH

Cwmbran Celtic notched up a most impressive 4-0 win against Llanelli Town in their first game of the season at Celtic Park. Celtic created 3 chances in the opening half hour, Lauren Boyd hitting a free kick wide and Fiona Anthony twice testing the keeper. Llanelli's one shot on target was a rising shot by Varney well saved by Amie Preston-Roberts. Macey Morris was showing up well on the right wing and she put Fiona in to bring a diving save from keeper Bethan Ellis. The visitors responded with 2 shots, one saved by Amie and the other cleared off the Celtic line. On 30 minutes Celtic took the lead. Cerys Shipley received a throw in and advanced on goal down the left bye line before shooting from an acute angle. Ellis could only parry the ball into the path of Fiona Anthony to score with a simple tap-in. Boyd embarked on a mazy run across field before straightening up on the left and bringing a save from Ellis and Shipley shot over the bar just before the break.

Two minutes into the 2nd half Celtic went 2 up. Lauren Boyd was bundled over in the penalty box and she picked herself up to send Ellis the wrong way with the spot kick. Macey Morris shot over the bar and on the hour Llanelli applied some sustained pressure with 2 shots, a free kick over the bar and a shot wide. Celtic responded with Boyd and substitute Hollie Channing bringing saves from Ellis. The game went into time added on in which Celtic scored 2 more goals. Morris ran onto a lovely pass down the right by Channing to smash the ball into the roof of the net and Fiona Anthony scored her 2nd with a fine forward foray in which she left 2 defenders flat-footed to stroke the ball between the keeper's legs for the 4th goal and there was still time for Shipley to bring a good diving save from Ellis.

This was a fine performance by a Celtic squad which has strength in depth across the park which was demonstrated by the impressive performances of substitutes Georgie Cridland and Gracie Grosvenor and Hollie Channing both of whom had assists for the last two goals. The loss of Kaitlin Smith in attack is a huge blow but Fiona Anthony relished the opportunity to take up the central striker role with her 2 goals and Cerys Shipley and Macey Morris both had fine matches in their supporting roles.

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MATCH REPORT: PENCLAWDD 0 - 4 CWMBRAN CELTIC (19-Oct)

Bute Energy Welsh Cup (Q2)

Celtic travelled to West Wales for this Welsh Cup 2nd qualifying round cup match on a very soggy day on a pitch which was in surprisingly good condition considering the rain which had fallen over the weekend. The hosts play in the South Wales Combined League which is in FAW tier 3 one below Celtic and they have not won in the league so far this season so Celtic were strong favourites and manager Georgia Shwarz took the opportunity to start teenagers Gracie Grosvenor and Hollie Channing along with Alex Cridland who, with sister Georgie, each played on the wings. Summer Bowen-Quirk wore the captain's armband.

Celtic were in control of the game from the off and they took the lead in the 6th minute when Fiona Anthony received a throw from Georgie Cridland, turned brilliantly and slammed the ball into the corner of the net. Fiona could have bagged a hat-trick in the 1st half hour. She was wide with another shot on the turn from a cross by Lauren Boyd and missed an open goal when she blocked a clearance from keeper Emily James in front of goal only to slap her shot over the bar. In the 41st minute she turned provider, running down the middle and playing the ball across the field to the unmarked Alex Cridland to roll the ball into the net. On the hour Gracie Grosvenor swung in a perfect corner which was headed into the net by Lauren Boyd for goal no 3. In the 70th minute Celtic were four up – Amie Preston-Roberts' clearance was fed on by Gracie Grosvenor to Alex Cridland who rode the keeper's challenge and rolled the ball into the net. In the final 5 minutes the sun came out and Boyd had the ball in the net but it was ruled out for offside. Celtic brought on substitutes Morris, Bidhendy and Peacock in the last quarter and there was just time for Penclawdd to make two attempts on goal, both easily fielded by Amie.

Celtic did not have to change gear to win this match. They created countless opportunities and should have scored more. Their next match is at home this Thursday under the lights at Llantarnam to Llanrumney United in the South Wales FA Cup round 2. This will be a tough encounter as Llanrumney are top of the tier 3 Combined League with a 100% record which includes a 7-0 win versus Penclawdd.

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MATCH REPORT: CWMBRAN CELTIC 5 - 0 LLANRUMNEY UNITED (23-Oct)

Hugh James SWFA Cup (R2)

Celtic quickly settled into this 2nd round cup game under the Llantarnam floodlights and took the lead in the 8th minute when a cross from the right wing by 17-year-old Ffion Evans in her first start for the club was side footed into net by Jodie Challenger. On 21 minutes Celtic were two up. Some simple but effective close passing out of defence ended with Georgie Cridland playing Macey Morris down the left. She strode into the 6-yard box and tapped the ball into the net, injuring herself in the process, to be replaced by Elena Scrivens. In the 25th minute Celtic scored again. A long clearance by Amie Preston-Roberts found Georgina Cridland scampering down the left flank. Her cross looked as though it was overhit, but Jodie Challenger chased the ball wide on the right and screwed a superb cross-shot high into the net for her 2nd goal. On 35 minutes Cerys Shipley ran in from the right and hit the post from an acute angle.

In the 2nd half Celtic continued to dominate the game. Georgie Cridland shot just over the bar. Cerys Shipley missed a great chance hitting a long clearance from Amie Preston-Roberts wide of the gaping net and Ffion Evans and Fiona Anthony (twice) saw shots blocked in quick succession by last ditch defending by Llanrumney. The visitors first shot on target was a free kick by Hocking which sailed just over the bar. In time added on Celtic increased their lead to 4-0 with a goal started by a short pass from Amie Preston-Roberts to Cerys Pinchard who played the ball forward to Hollie Channing who put Gracie Grosvenor in to slide the ball between the keeper's legs. For the visitors Ryan shot over the bar and Lane brought a diving save from Amie. Celtic added their 5th goal when Amie's long clearance was headed on by Gracie Grosvenor to Lauren Boyd who rode the onrushing keeper's challenge, but she overran and stumbled onto the ball, the momentum of which kept the ball rolling goalwards and Ffion Evans ran in to tap into the unguarded net. This was the 3rd goal which Amie set up from clearances.

This was a very polished performance by Celtic. They were expecting a tough challenge from the unbeaten Combined League leaders, but they played them off the park with some great flowing football. The artificial Llantarnam surface certainly suited their passing game. Manager Georgia Shwarz continues to ring the changes in the starting line up every week with aplomb so that, whatever eleven starts, the girls seamlessly fit into the style of play.

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