

Women in Wycombe

LOAKES PARK has been chosen as the venue for the next outing of the England Women's football team against Italy, which takes place next Wednesday, November 1.

The honour went to Wycombe because of "the progressive attitude towards women's football which runs throughout the club," according to Linda Whitehead, secretary of the Women's Football Association.

This is the first time an England international has been played at a Conference ground, and Blues will be hoping to match the 2100 crowd which saw the country's women draw 0-0 with Finland at Griffin Park, Brentford on October 1.

The match itself will be a David and Goliath battle. Italy are all full-time professionals, while England have only one — striker Jane Stanley, who plays for Standard Liege.

The friendly fixture — part of the WFA's 20th anniversary celebrations — kicks off at 7.30pm, with tickets costing £3 for seats and £2 standing.
