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Group C - Matchday 3

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Match background

Four years ago, hosts England lost 1-0 to Sweden when they only needed a point to get out of the group stage; now they again are looking for at least a draw.

- Hope Powell's side bounced back from their 2-1 loss to Italy by seeing off Russia 3-2 in Helsinki, and once again they experienced a difficult evening. Having played over an hour with ten players against the Azzurre, England fell behind to a Ksenia Tsybutovich header after just two minutes, before Olesya Kurochkina left them reeling 20 minutes later. Karen Carney sparked the revival by scoring two minutes after that and she set Eniola Aluko up on 32 minutes, with Kelly Smith then hitting a stunning winner from the centre circle three minutes before the interval.

- That gave England their first three points of the tournament, leaving them third behind Italy on head-to-head and knowing that a draw against Sweden will take them through – either in second, to face Germany in Lahti on 4 September, or as one of the two best third-placed teams, to face Finland in Turku the night before. They could win the group with a win, though it would need to be by a two-goal margin if Italy defeat Russia.

- Sweden have already qualified, on the other hand, having followed up their 3-0 win over Russia by overcoming Italy 2-0, Lotta Schelin hitting the target after nine minutes before cutting the ball back for Kosovare Asllani to convert ten minutes later.

- To be certain of clinching the group and setting up a quarter-final meeting with the third-placed side in Group A or Group B on 4 September at the Helsinki Football Stadium, Sweden need only secure a draw, though they could afford a one-goal loss should Italy win.

- Following the triumph over Russia, England coach Powell indicated that centre-back Anita Asante had been unfit to feature due to the knee injury she suffered against Italy.

- She will nonetheless have left-back Casey Stoney available again following her red card against the Azzurre, while Fara Williams faces suspension if she collects another booking.

- Nilla Fischer is the only Swedish player one yellow card away from a one-match ban.

- Going into the game between these two sides on 11 June 2005 in Blackburn, England had only just missed out on the chance to go through with a match to spare when a 1-0 lead against Denmark turned into a 2-1 defeat, leaving them needing to beat Sweden to be sure of progress. Sweden knew a draw would be enough but took a third-minute lead through Anna Sjöström and finished top of the group, while England bowed out of the competition to the disappointment of the 25,694-strong crowd.

- The teams were:

England: Rachel Brown, Alex Scott, Faye White, Mary Phillip, Rachel Unitt, Karen Carney (Amanda Barr), Katie Chapman, Kelly Smith, Fara Williams, Rachel Yankey, Eniola Aluko.

Sweden: Hedvig Lindahl, Jane Törnqvist, Hanna Marklund, Kristin Bengtsson, (Karolina Westberg), Sara Larsson, Therese Sjögran, Caroline Seger (Frida Östberg), Anna Sjöström, Malin Moström, Hanna Ljungberg, Victoria Svensson (Josefine Öqvist).

- Sweden have been the dominant team in matches between these nations, winning 12 games to England's one with six draws, and leading the goal count 30-12.

- Their first match was on 15 June 1975, a 2-0 Sweden win in Gothenburg. Their first competitive encounters in a major competition was in the final of the inaugural UEFA Competition for National Representative Women Teams in 1984; Sweden won the first leg in Gothenburg 1-0 on 21 May 1984 but six days later in rainy Luton, England secured their sole victory against their rivals by the same scoreline. Sweden prevailed 4-3 on penalties to take the title.

- Sweden repeated the trick three years later with a 3-2 semi-final win after extra time in Moss, Norway. In the teams' only other competitive meeting before 2005, the Scandinavian side defeated England 4-0 in the 2001 group stage with goals from Lisa Törnqvist, Kristin Bengtsson, Hanna Ljungberg and Victoria Svensson.

- The teams were:

Sweden: Caroline Jönsson, Hanna Marklund, Karoline Westberg, Jane Törnqvist, Sofia Eriksson, Tina Nordlund, Malin Moström, Malin Andersson (Linda Fagerström), Kristin Bengtsson (Therese Sjögran), Hanna Ljungberg, Elin Flyborg (Victoria Svensson).

England: Pauline Cope, Danielle Murphy, Mo Marley, Katie Chapman, Rachel Unitt, Karen Burke, Becky Easton (Kelly Smith), Samantha Britton, Tara Proctor (Marieanne Spacey), Sue Smith (Rachel Yankey), Angela Banks.

- Since 2005 these teams have played three times, all on winter camps in Cyprus. On 7 February 2006 in Larnaca they drew 0-0, ending Sweden's run of eight straight wins against England, and two days later it was 1-1 in Achnas, Maria Aronsson's early goal cancelled out after the break by Rachel Unitt. On 12 February 2008 Sweden prevailed 2-0 in Larnaca to stretch their unbeaten run against England to eleven games, Lotta Schelin scoring late in each half.

- The teams for that last meeting were:

England: Siobhan Chamberlain, Alex Scott (Jodie Handley), Faye White (Laura Bassett), Mary Phillip, Casey Stoney (Rachel Unitt), Anita Asante, Jill Scott (Eniola Aluko), Fara Williams, Karen Carney (Sue Smith; Lindsay Johnson), Kelly Smith (Emily Westwood), Rachel Yankey.

Sweden: Hedvig Lindahl, Anna Paulson, Sara Larsson, Stina Segerström, Sara Thunebro, Frida Östberg (Maria Karlsson), Lisa Dahlqvist, Nilla Fischer (Linda Sembrandt), Frida Nordin (Maria Nordbrandt), Lotta Schelin, Jessica Landström (Madelaine Edlund).

- Amanda Barr scored the only goal as Powell's England defeated Sweden in a UEFA European Women's Under-18 Championship third qualifying round game in April 2001. Two years later, Alex Scott and Fara Williams got the goals as the Swedes were defeated 2-1 in the final tournament group stage of what was by then a U19 event.

- Sweden have never failed to be among the last eight of this tournament and have missed out on the semi-finals only twice. After the 1984 win against England they lost the 1987 final to Norway and finished third in 1989.

- Sweden were involved in the first match in the history of the original European competition, winning 6-0 away to Finland in Vammala on 18 August 1982.

- In the UEFA European Women's Championship era, they departed in the two-legged quarter-finals in 1991 and 1993 but reached the finals in 1995 and 2001, losing both games losing to Germany, and the last four in 1997 and 2005. Germany also beat them in the 2003 FIFA Women's World Cup final, Sweden's best run in the global event.

- Four Sweden stalwarts who appeared in qualifying have since retired from the scene: goalkeeper Caroline Jönsson, defender Frida Östberg and forwards Therese Lundin and Hanna Ljungberg.

- Sweden had the better of the UEFA Women's Cup quarter-final meeting between these nations' leading clubs on 6 and 12 November 2008 as Umeå IK defeated Arsenal LFC 8-3 on aggregate to avenge their 2006/07 final loss to the Gunners, when Alex Scott scored the only goal of the tie in the away first leg.

- In last season's encounter Arsenal won the first leg 3-2 but lost 6-0 in northern Sweden thanks to four goals from Marta on her Umeå swansong.

- For Umeå, Anna Paulson and Lisa Dahlqvist started the two games. Arsenal fielded Alex Scott, Kelly Smith, Karen Carney and Katie Chapman for each match while Faye White was a second-leg substitutes. Laura Bassett was on the Arsenal bench for both legs.

- Two players for American club Saint Louis Athletica could be matched: England forward Eniola Aluko and Sweden defender Sara Larsson.

Team facts

SWEDEN

Sweden won the inaugural European Competition for Women's Football in 1984 and in the last decade have again emerged as one of the game's main forces.

After beating England on penalties in the first final they were runners-up behind Norway three years later and were also pipped by Germany in 1995 and 2001 – losing to the same opposition in the 2003 FIFA Women's World Cup final, the 2001 and 2003 losses both on golden goal. But even though the key players from that era like Hanna Ljungberg and Frida Östberg have bowed out, Sweden remain a major force and were the only team to qualify this time without conceding a goal or point.

Tournament record

2005: semi-finals

2001: runners-up

1997: semi-finals

1995: runners-up

1993: quarter-finals

1991: quarter-finals

1989: third place
1987: runners-up
1984: winners

Other honours

1999 UEFA European Women's Under-18 Championship winners

2009 qualifying

P8 W8 D0 L0 F31 A0

Top scorer: Victoria Svensson 8

Most appearances: Nilla Fischer, Therese Sjögran 8

Players with previous European final tournament experience

Victoria Svensson (1997, 2001, 2005), Sara Larsson (2001, 2005); Therese Sjögran (2001, 2005); Hedvig Lindahl (2005), Lotta Schelin (2005), Anna Paulson (2005*)

*Did not appear

Friendly results since qualifying

31/01/09 Sweden 5-1 Norway (in Spain)

04/03/09 Sweden 0-0 China (Algarve Cup)

06/03/09 Sweden 1-0 Finland (Algarve Cup)

09/03/09 Sweden 3-2 Germany (Algarve Cup)

11/03/09 Sweden 1-1 United States 4-3pens (Algarve Cup, winners)

25/04/09 Sweden 3-1 Brazil

19/07/09 Sweden 2-0 China

22/07/09 Finland 1-3 Sweden

19/08/09 Sweden 0-1 Norway

Competition record win

10-0 v Republic of Ireland (h), 20/09/92, 1993 qualifying

Competition record defeat

0-2 v France (a), 01/06/00, 2001 qualifying

0-2 v Denmark (a), 15/10/94, 1995 two-legged quarter-finals (won 3-2 on aggregate)

1-3 v Germany (in Germany), 23/06/01, 2001 final tournament group stage

ENGLAND

England have a long history in women's football and reached the final of the first European competition in 1984 – a side which contained current manager Hope Powell that lost on penalties to Sweden – but it is in the last few years that they have really emerged as a force in the game.

There were hints of a revival in 1995 when England reached the UEFA European Women's Championship semi-finals and the last eight of the FIFA Women's World Cup but did not qualify for the continental event two years later. Powell was then appointed the first full-time manager and implemented a system that has brought through a host of talented young players. They qualified in 2001 and were hosts four years later, attracting big crowds but missing the semi-finals. But that same set of players made the World Cup quarter-finals in 2007 and topped their group this time around. There was also a boost in July when England won their first UEFA European Women's Under-19 Championship.

Tournament record

2005: group stage (hosts)

2001: group stage

1997: qualifying play-offs

1995: semi-finals

1993: quarter-finals

1991: quarter-finals

1989: qualifying

1987: fourth place

1984: runners-up

Other honours

2009 UEFA European Women's Under-19 Championship winners

2009 qualifying

P8 W6 D2 L0 F24 A4

Top scorer: Kelly Smith 5

Most appearances: Anita Asante, Karen Carney, Fara Williams, Alex Scott 8

Players with previous European final tournament experience

Rachel Brown (2001*, 2005), Rachel Unitt (2001, 2005), Faye White (2001, 2005), Katie Chapman (2001, 2005), Kelly Smith (2001, 2005), Sue Smith (2001), Alex Scott (2005), Casey Stoney (2005*), Lindsay Johnson (2005), Anita Asante (2005*), Fara Williams (2005), Emily Westwood (2005), Karen Carney (2005), Eniola Aluko (2005), Jody Handley (2005*).

*Did not appear

Friendly results since qualifying

09/02/09 England 2-2 Finland (in Cyprus)

11/02/09 England 4-1 Finland (in Cyprus)

05/03/09 England 6-0 South Africa (Cyprus Women's Cup)

07/03/09 England 2-2 France (Cyprus Women's Cup)

10/03/09 England 3-0 Scotland (Cyprus Women's Cup)

12/03/09 England 3-1 Canada (Cyprus Women's Cup, winners)

23/04/09 England 3-0 Norway

16/07/09 England 0-2 Iceland

22/07/09 England 1-0 Denmark

Competition record win

10-0 v Slovenia (h) 17/04/94, 1995 qualifying

10-0 v Slovenia (a) 25/09/93, 1995 qualifying

10-0 v Northern Ireland (h), 16/03/86, 1987 qualifying

Competition record defeat

0-8 v Norway (a), 04/06/00, 2001 qualifying

Squad list

Sweden

No	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.	FT		WCHAMP	Gls	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
1	Hedvig Lindahl	29/04/83	26	Göteborg FC	-	4	-	2	-	11	-
12	Kristin Hammarström	29/03/82	27	KIF Örebro DFF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Ulla Karin Rönnlund	19/02/77	32	Umeå IK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders											
2	Charlotte Rohlin	02/12/80	28	Linköpings FC	-	3	-	2	1	5	1
3	Stina Segerström	17/06/82	27	Göteborg FC	-	6	2	1	-	7	2
4	Anna Paulson	29/02/84	25	Umeå IK	-	3	-	2	-	6	-
6	Sara Thunebro	26/04/79	30	Djurgården/Älvsjö	-	6	-	2	-	9	1
7	Sara Larsson	13/05/79	30	Saint Louis Athletica	-	4	1	1	-	20	2
13	Karin Lissel	25/05/87	22	Hammarby	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	Lina Nilsson	17/06/87	22	Malmö FF	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Midfielders											
5	Caroline Seger	19/03/85	24	Linköpings FC	-	7	1	2	1	12	2
14	Louise Fors	23/10/89	19	AIK Solna	-	1	-	1	-	2	-
15	Therese Sjögran	08/04/77	32	Malmö FF	-	8	3	2	-	29	4
16	Petra Larsson	30/09/88	20	Linköpings FC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	Lisa Dahlqvist	06/02/87	22	Umeå IK	-	2	-	2	-	4	-
18	Nilla Fischer	02/08/84	25	Malmö FF	-	8	3	2	-	11	3
19	Sara Lindén	01/09/83	25	Göteborg FC	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Forwards											
8	Lotta Schelin	27/02/84	25	Olympique Lyonnais	-	6	2	2	1	12	3
9	Jessica Landström	12/12/84	24	Linköpings FC	-	5	1	-	-	5	1
10	Kosovare Asllani	29/07/89	20	Linköpings FC	-	2	-	2	1	4	1
11	Victoria Sandell Svensson	18/05/77	32	Djurgården/Älvsjö	-	4	8	2	1	33	17
20	Linnea Liljegård	08/12/88	20	Göteborg FC	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
Coach											
-	Thomas Dennerby	13/08/59	50	SWE	-	8	-	2	-	10	-

Key: Squad list is ordered by position and then numerically

D Disciplinary: * Misses next match if booked, **S** Suspended, **#** Suspended for at least one match

England

No	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		WCHAMP	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
1	Rachel Brown	02/07/80	29	Everton LFC	-	5	-	2	-	10	-
13	Siobhan Chamberlain	15/08/83	26	Chelsea LFC	-	3	-	-	-	3	-
22	Karen Bardsley	14/10/84	24	Sky Blue FC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders											
2	Alex Scott	14/10/84	24	Boston Breakers	-	8	2	2	-	13	2
3	Casey Stoney	13/05/82	27	Chelsea LFC	-	7	-	1	-	8	-
5	Lindsay Johnson	08/05/80	29	Everton LFC	-	5	-	1	-	7	-
14	Faye White	02/02/78	31	Arsenal FC	-	5	2	2	-	15	2
15	Rachel Unitt	05/06/82	27	Everton FC	-	2	-	2	-	11	-
19	Laura Bassett	02/08/83	26	Arsenal FC	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Midfielders											
4	Fara Williams	25/01/84	25	Everton FC	-	8	4	2	1	13	6
6	Anita Asante	27/04/85	24	Sky Blue FC	-	8	-	1	-	9	-
7	Karen Carney	01/08/87	22	Chicago Red Stars	-	8	3	2	1	13	5
8	Katie Chapman	15/06/82	27	Arsenal LFC	-	2	1	2	-	14	1
12	Jill Scott	02/02/87	22	Everton FC	-	6	2	1	-	7	2
18	Emily Westwood	05/04/84	25	Everton FC	-	3	1	-	-	4	1
20	Danielle Buet	31/10/88	20	Chelsea FC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards											
9	Eniola Aluko	21/02/87	22	Saint Louis Athletica	-	4	1	2	1	9	2
10	Kelly Smith	29/10/78	30	Boston Breakers	-	7	5	2	1	28	11
11	Sue Smith	24/11/79	29	Leeds Carnegie LFC	-	4	-	2	-	17	5
16	Jody Handley	12/03/79	30	Everton FC	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
17	Lianne Sanderson	03/02/88	21	Chelsea LFC	-	6	2	1	-	7	2
21	Jessica Clarke	05/05/89	20	Leeds Carnegie LFC	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Coach											
-	Hope Powell	08/12/66	42	ENG	-	8	-	2	-	24	-

Key: Squad list is ordered by position and then numerically

D Disciplinary: * Misses next match if booked, **S** Suspended, **#** Suspended for at least one match

Match-by-match lineups

Group C

Standings

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Sweden	2	2	0	0	5	0	6
Italy	2	1	0	1	2	3	3
England	2	1	0	1	4	4	3
Russia	2	0	0	2	2	6	0

Matchday 1 (25/08/09)

England 1-2 Italy

Goals: 1-0 Williams 38 (pen) , 1-1 Panico 56, 1-2 Tuttino 82

England: Brown, A. Scott, Stoney, Williams, Asante (Unitt 73), Carney, Chapman, Aluko (K. Smith 46), S. Smith (Sanderson 85), J. Scott, White
Italy: Picarelli, Gama, D'Adda, Tuttino, Tona, Schiavi, Domenichetti (Parisi 53), Gabbadini (Manieri 90+3), Panico, Zorri, Pini (Guagni 77)

Matchday 1 (25/08/09)

Sweden 3-0 Russia

Goals: 1-0 Rohlin 5, 2-0 Sandell Svensson 15, 3-0 Seger 82

Sweden: Lindahl, Rohlin, Paulson, Seger, Thunebro, Larsson, Schelin, Asllani (Nilsson 76), Sandell Svensson (Fischer 87), Sjögran, Dahlgvist (Liljegård 69)

Russia: Kochneva, Skotnikova (Kharchenko 87), Shmachkova, Savchenkova, Fomina, Kurochkina (Danilova 46), Poryadina, Petrova (Terekhova 62), Pertseva, Tsybutovich, Morozova

Matchday 2 (28/08/09)

Italy 0-2 Sweden

Goals: 0-1 Schelin 9, 0-2 Asllani 19

Italy: Picarelli, Gama, D'Adda, Tuttino, Tona, Schiavi, Domenichetti, Gabbadini (Fuselli 69), Panico, Zorri (Parisi 75), Pini

Sweden: Lindahl, Rohlin, Segerström, Paulson, Seger, Thunebro, Schelin, Asllani (Liljegård 79), Sandell Svensson, Sjögran (Fors 89), Dahlgvist (Fischer 66)

Matchday 2 (28/08/09)

England 3-2 Russia

Goals: 0-1 Tsybutovich 2, 0-2 Kurochkina 22, 1-2 Carney 24, 2-2 Aluko 32, 3-2 K. Smith 42

England: Brown, A. Scott, Williams, Johnson, Carney, Chapman, Aluko, K. Smith, S. Smith (Clarke 66), White, Unitt

Russia: Kochneva, Skotnikova, Shmachkova, Savchenkova, Fomina (Barbashina 76), Kurochkina, Poryadina (Myskiv 90), Pertseva, Danilova (Petrova 43), Tsybutovich, Morozova

Matchday 3 (31/08/09)

Russia v Italy

Matchday 3 (31/08/09)

Sweden v England

Tournament schedule

Final tournament

Date		Home	Res.	Away	Venue
23/08/09	Grp A	Ukraine	0 - 2	Netherlands	Turku
23/08/09	Grp A	Finland	1 - 0	Denmark	Helsinki
24/08/09	Grp B	Germany	4 - 0	Norway	Tampere
24/08/09	Grp B	Iceland	1 - 3	France	Tampere
25/08/09	Grp C	England	1 - 2	Italy	Lahti
25/08/09	Grp C	Sweden	3 - 0	Russia	Turku
26/08/09	Grp A	Ukraine	1 - 2	Denmark	Helsinki
26/08/09	Grp A	Netherlands	1 - 2	Finland	Helsinki
27/08/09	Grp B	France	1 - 5	Germany	Tampere
27/08/09	Grp B	Iceland	0 - 1	Norway	Lahti
28/08/09	Grp C	Italy	0 - 2	Sweden	Turku
28/08/09	Grp C	England	3 - 2	Russia	Helsinki
29/08/09	Grp A	Finland	0 - 1	Ukraine	Helsinki
29/08/09	Grp A	Denmark	1 - 2	Netherlands	Lahti
30/08/09	Grp B	Germany	1 - 0	Iceland	Tampere
30/08/09	Grp B	Norway	1 - 1	France	Helsinki
31/08/09	Grp C	Russia	18.00CET 19.00 (local time)	Italy	Helsinki
31/08/09	Grp C	Sweden	18.00CET 19.00 (local time)	England	Turku

Group A

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Finland	3	2	0	1	3	2	6
Netherlands	3	2	0	1	5	3	6
Denmark	3	1	0	2	3	4	3
Ukraine	3	1	0	2	2	4	3

Group B

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Germany	3	3	0	0	10	1	9
France	3	1	1	1	5	7	4
Norway	3	1	1	1	2	5	4
Iceland	3	0	0	3	1	5	0

Group C

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Sweden	2	2	0	0	5	0	6
Italy	2	1	0	1	2	3	3
England	2	1	0	1	4	4	3
Russia	2	0	0	2	2	6	0

Top scorers

2 - Laura Österberg Kalmari (FIN)	1 - Ksenia Tsybutovich (RUS)
2 - Camille Abily (FRA)	1 - Hólmfríður Magnúsdóttir (ISL)
2 - Inka Grings (GER)	1 - Patrizia Panico (ITA)
2 - Linda Bresonik (GER)	1 - Alessia Tuttino (ITA)
2 - Fatmire Bajramaj (GER)	1 - Anja Mittag (GER)
2 - Kirsten van de Ven (NED)	1 - Annike Krahn (GER)
1 - Manon Melis (NED)	1 - Simone Laudehr (GER)
1 - Sylvia Smit (NED)	1 - Melanie Behringer (GER)
1 - Karin Stevens (NED)	1 - Gaëtane Thiney (FRA)
1 - Lene Storløkken (NOR)	1 - Louisa Nécib (FRA)
1 - Cecilie Pedersen (NOR)	1 - Maija Saari (FIN)
1 - Victoria Sandell Svensson (SWE)	1 - Sonia Bompastor (FRA)

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1 - Lotta Schelin (SWE)	1 - Johanna Rasmussen (DEN)
1 - Caroline Seger (SWE)	1 - Camilla Sand Andersen (DEN)
1 - Kosovare Asllani (SWE)	1 - Maiken Pape (DEN)
1 - Charlotte Rohlin (SWE)	1 - Kelly Smith (ENG)
1 - Lyudmyla Pekur (UKR)	1 - Fara Williams (ENG)
1 - Daryna Apanaschenko (UKR)	1 - Eniola Aluko (ENG)
1 - Olesya Kurochkina (RUS)	1 - Karen Carney (ENG)

Head coach

Sweden: Thomas Dennerby

Date of birth: 13 August 1959

Playing career: Hammarby IF

Coaching career: Värtans IK, Spårvägens FF, Hammarby (assistant), Hammarby women, Djurgården/Älvsjö, Sweden women

Thomas Dennerby has been in charge of the Sweden team since July 2005, having previously assisted Marika Domanski-Lyfors at that year's UEFA European Women's Championship in England.

Dennerby grew up in southern Stockholm, and played Allsvenskan football for Hammarby IF between 1977 and 1985. Dennerby's best year there was 1982, when Hammarby finished league runners-up behind UEFA Cup winners IFK Göteborg. Dennerby was also capped by Sweden at Under-21 and youth level.

Moving on into coaching, Dennerby worked at Värtans IK and Spårvägens FF before working as assistant to Sören Cratz for Hammarby's sole Allsvenskan title success in 2001. After switching to lead Hammarby's female team, Dennerby moved to coach Djurgården/Älvsjö and won the 2003 title. Repeating that success the following year, Dennerby's side also knocked out compatriots Umeå IK in the UEFA Women's Cup quarter-finals in October 2004, the only time the northern club have ever lost before the final.

Three months later, Dennerby left to become No2 to Domanski-Lyfors. After reaching the semi-finals in England, he took over as Sweden's head coach, qualifying for the 2007 FIFA Women's World Cup and progressing to the quarter-finals of the 2008 Olympics, as well as earning a place at UEFA WOMEN'S EURO 2009™ with eight wins and 31 unanswered goals. Before going into full-time coaching, Dennerby worked as a detective inspector at the Swedish National Criminal Investigation Department.

England: Hope Powell

Date of birth: 8 December 1966

Playing career: Millwall Lionesses LFC, Fulham LFC, Croydon LFC

Coaching career: England women

Since becoming England's first female national coach in 1998, Hope Powell has transformed women's football in her country.

Born in London, Powell started playing football aged eleven and developed into a talented midfielder at Millwall Lionesses LFC. She went on to represent Friends of Fulham LFC and Croydon LFC and won the FA Women's Cup three times, in addition to the championship in 1996. Her international career began as a 16-year-old against the Republic of Ireland, and she was part of the side that reached the last eight of the 1995 FIFA Women's World Cup in Sweden.

After 35 goals in 66 games for England, Powell went on to become the first female coach of her country in 1998 and she now oversees the whole women's set-up from the Under-15s upwards. In 2003, she was the first female to earn the coveted UEFA Pro Licence. By then, Powell had been appointed OBE in the Queen's birthday list and had taken England to the 2001 UEFA European Women's Championship.

Pipped by France in a play-off for the 2003 World Cup, England hosted UEFA WOMEN'S EURO 2005™ and only just missed out on the semi-finals. They gained revenge on France to reach the 2007 World Cup, matching their 1995 run to the last eight, and qualified unbeaten for UEFA WOMEN'S EURO 2009™. In 2003 she was inducted into the English Football Hall of Fame, only the second women to be so honoured.

Competition facts

- The UEFA European Competition for Representative Women's Teams was introduced in 1982, with the first final two years later, and further competitions were played in 1987 and 1989 before becoming the current UEFA European Women's Championship.

- The 1991 and 1993 editions ended, like the 1987 and 1989 events, in four-team knockout final tournament. The 1995 edition was two-leg knockout from the quarter-finals onwards, with a one-off final. For 1997, 2001 and 2005 an eight-team final tournament was played, expanding to 12 for 2009.

- **The full rundown of finals is (hosts in brackets):**

UEFA European Women's Championship

2005: Germany 3-1 Norway (Blackburn, England)

2001: Germany 1-0 Sweden, aet golden goal; (Ulm, Germany)

1997: Germany 2-0 Italy (Oslo, Norway)

1995: Germany 3-2 Sweden (Kaiserslautern, Germany)

1993: Norway 1-0 Italy (Cesena, Italy)

1991: Germany 3-1 Norway aet (Aalborg, Denmark)

UEFA European Competition for Representative Women's Teams

1989: West Germany 4-1 Norway (Osnabruck, West Germany)

1987: Norway 2-1 Sweden (Oslo, Norway)

1984: Sweden 1-1 England, 4-3 pens (two legs, Gothenburg and Luton)

- Birgit Prinz played in Germany's victories in 1995, 1997, 2001 and 2005, and will aim for a fifth title in 2009. Sandra Minnert was in all four of those winning squads but did not play in the 1995 and 2001 finals.

- Martina Voss was part of Germany's successes in 1989, 1991, 1995 and 1997 and also played in the first three qualifiers for the 2001 edition.

- Germany coach Silvia Neid played in the victories of 1989, 1991 and 1995 and was assistant to Tina Theune-Meyer in 1997, 2001 and 2005.

- The first final went to penalties after two home 1-0 wins between Sweden and England, with no extra time. Sweden prevailed 4-3 in the Luton shoot-out.

- There have been three other penalty competitions, all in semi-finals; hosts West Germany beat Italy 4-3 in 1989, Norway defeated hosts Denmark 8-7 in 1991 and hosts Italy overcame Germany 4-3 in 1993. Only West Germany in 1989 went on to win the final.

Biggest wins

Qualifying: Spain 17-0 Slovenia (1995); Norway 17-0 Slovakia (1997)

Two-legged knockout: Commonwealth of Independent States 0-7 Germany (1993)

Final tournament: Denmark 0-5 Norway (1997); Germany 5-0 Russia (2001)

Individual match goalscoring

Qualifying: 6 – Mari Mar Prieto (Spain) v Slovenia, 1995; Gabriela Chlumecká (Czech Republic) v Estonia, 1997;

Marianne Pettersen (Norway) v Slovakia, 1997

Final tournament: 4 – Marianne Pettersen (Norway) v Denmark, 1997

Overall competition top scorers

2005: Birgit Prinz (Germany) 17

2001: Gitte Krogh (Denmark) 14

1997: Gabriela Chlumecká (Czech Republic), Marianne Pettersen (Norway) 13

1995: Patricia Bocker (Germany) 18

1993: Carolina Morace (Italy) 13

1991: Heidi Mohr (Germany) 10

Finals top scorers

2005: Inka Grings (Germany) 4

2001: Claudia Müller (Germany), Sandra Smisek (Germany) 3

1997: Carolina Morace (Italy), Marianne Pettersen (Norway), Angélique Rouhas (France) 4

1995: Lena Videkull (Sweden) 3

1993: Susan Mackensie (Denmark) 2

1991: Heidi Mohr (Germany) 4

All time (final tournaments)

Heidi Mohr (Germany) 10
Birgit Prinz (Germany) 8
Hanna Ljungberg (Sweden) 6
Carolina Morace (Italy) 6

All time (including qualifying)

Birgit Prinz (Germany) 38
Carolina Morace (Italy) 30
Heidi Mohr (Germany) 30

2009 qualifying top scorers

Preliminary round: Sarit Shenar (Israel), Katarína Dugovicová (Slovakia) 6
Qualifying round: Margrét Lára Vidarsdóttir (Iceland) 11
Play-offs: Pauline Hamill (Scotland) 4
Overall: Margrét Lára Vidarsdóttir (Iceland) 12

Highest attendances

Qualifying: Germany v Belgium, Lubeck 2009, 17,000
Final tournament: England v Finland, Manchester 2005, 29,092

2009 Highest attendances

Preliminary round: Croatia v Turkey, Tarsus-Mersin, 5,000
Qualifying round: Germany v Belgium, Lubeck, 17,000

(Final tournament only)

Oldest player: Olena Mazurenko (Ukraine) v Finland, 29.08.2009, 39 years 309 days
Oldest goalscorer: Heidi Støre (Norway) v Denmark, 30.06.1997, 33 years 361 days
Youngest player: Oksana Yakovyshyn (Ukraine) v Netherlands, 23.08.2009, 16 years 156 days
Youngest goalscorer: Isabell Herlovsen (Norway) v France, 09.06.2005, 16 years 351 days

Tournament preview

- **Knockout phase:** The top two from each group go through, plus the two best third-placed teams.
- **Quarter-finals:**
3 September: QF1, A1 v B3/C3, Turku Stadium, 16.00 local time; QF4, A2 v B2, Tampere Stadium, 20.00.
4 September: QF2, B1 v C2, Lahti Stadium, 16.00; QF 3C1 v A3/B3, Helsinki Football Stadium, 20.00.
- **Semi-finals:**
6 September: QF1 v QF4, Tampere Stadium, 19.00
7 September: QF2 v QF3, Helsinki Football Stadium, 19.00
- **Final:**
10 September: Olympic Stadium, Helsinki, 19.00.
- **Medals:** 35 gold medals are presented to the winning team, 35 silver medals to the runners-up and 35 bronze medals to the two losing semi-finalists.
- **Carlsberg Player of the Match:** The UEFA Technical Team will select a player of the match at every game in the finals. The player will receive her award at the post-match press conference.
- **adidas Golden Boot award:** Will be presented to the leading scorer at the UEFA European Women's Championship after the final.
- **Official ball:** The 2009 finals in Finland will be the first UEFA European Women's Championship to boast its own match ball, with the adidas TERRAPASS – featuring a design inspired by the northern lights – unveiled at the draw in Helsinki on 18 November 2008. Just like EUROPASS, the official matchball of UEFA EURO 2008™, adidas TERRAPASS features the revolutionary PSC-Texture, a sophisticated and extremely fine structure on the ball's outer skin which allows players to control and direct the ball perfectly in all weather conditions. adidas first started manufacturing footballs in 1963 and has provided all the official match balls for all major UEFA and FIFA finals tournaments since 1970.
- **Official song:** Veteran singer-songwriter Geir Rønning and local star Karoliina Kallio have recorded the official song of the UEFA European Women's Championship entitled Champions of the Day, performed live for the first time at the tournament's opening ceremony in Helsinki's Olympic Stadium on 23 August. The pair have both represented Finland at the Eurovision Song Contest. Rønning not only composed the tune together with co-writers André Noël Chaker and Jukka Karjalainen; he sings it with Kallio, who is famous in Finland as the lead female vocalist of the group Waldo's People. Now a fully fledged pop star, Kallio's music career dates back two decades to her appearance as a ten-year-old on a television talent show.
- **Qualifying:** The 20-team preliminary round ran from 18 to 23 November 2006 with five group winners joining 25 top-ranked nations in the qualifying group stage from 1 April 2007 until 2 October 2008. Group winners England, Sweden, France, Germany, Denmark and Norway qualified automatically, with the six runners-up and four third-placed teams going into the two-legged play-offs on 25/26 and 29/30 October 2008. Italy, the Netherlands, Russia, Iceland and Ukraine respectively defeated the Czech Republic, Spain, Scotland, the Republic of Ireland and Slovenia.
- **Disciplinary information:** A player is automatically suspended for the next match after two cautions in two different matches. Yellow cards are not cancelled after the group stage but do expire on completion of the competition.
- **uefa.com:** A team of reporters in Finland is helping uefa.com provide unrivalled coverage in eight European languages – English, Finnish, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, Russian – including a live MatchCentre for every game. The Finnish version is run in close co-operation with the host national association.
- **Ambassadors:** Former international goalkeepers Antti Niemi and Satu Kunnas are the ambassadors for UEFA WOMEN'S EURO 2009™ in their native Finland. Niemi was capped 67 times between 1992 and 2007 while Kunnas helped Finland to the UEFA European Women's Championship semi-finals in 2005.

Legend

:: Squad list

No: number

DoB: date of birth

Qual: qualifying

FT: final tournament

Pld: played

Gls: goals

WChamp: UEFA European Women's Championship

:: Match officials

Nat: nationality

DoB: date of birth

WChamp: Total matches officiated in the UEFA European Women's Championship including all qualifying round matches. Matches as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

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:: Group statistics/Tournament schedule

Pos: position

Pld: played

W: won

D: drawn

L: lost

GF: goals for

GA: goals against

Pts: points

:: NOTE: All-time statistics

Goals totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (eg. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored from the penalty mark during a penalty shoot-out.

:: Competitions

Club competitions

ECCLC: European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League

UCUP: UEFA Cup • **UCWC:** UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

SCUP: UEFA Super Cup • **UIC:** UEFA Intertoto Cup

ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship

WC: FIFA World Cup • **CONFCUP:** Confederation Cup

FRIE: Friendly internationals • **U21FRIE:** Under-21 friendly internationals

U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship

U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship • **U16:** UEFA European Under-16 Championship

U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship • **U18:** UEFA European Under-18 Championship

WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup • **WCHAMP:** UEFA European Women's Championship

:: Competition stages

F: Final

GS: Group stage

GS1: First group stage

GS2: Second group stage

KO1: First knockout round

PR: Preliminary round

QF: Quarter-finals

QR: Qualifying round

QR1: First qualifying round

QR2: Second qualifying round

FT: Final tournament

ELITE: Elite round

P-O 3rd: Third place play-off

GS - FT: Group stage - Final tournament

QR3: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

R16: Second knockout round

R32: Round of 32

1st: first leg

2nd: second leg

P-O: Play-off

(R): Replay

PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament

Prom/Rel P-O: Promotion/Relegation play-off

:: Other Abbreviations

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

N/a: Not Applicable

No.: Number

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (red card)

Res.: Result

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

:: Statistics

(-): Denotes player substituted

(*): Denotes player dismissed/sent off

(+): Denotes player introduced

(+/-): Denotes player introduced and substituted

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