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Falmouth Falcons

Sensational Turnaround



By Miles Bletchley

WHAT'S THE REAL STORY BEHIND THE FALMOUTH FALCONS COMEBACK THIS SEASON? THE EXCELLENT LEADERSHIP OF LORD DRACO MALFOY? UNTRADITIONAL TRAINING METHODS? NATURAL FELIX FELICIS?

The Falmouth Falcons' season continues to astound as the team continues its weeks-long winning streak. A truly legendary turnaround, one might say, considering their unorthodox approach, but they've certainly been on fire the past month with wins against the Cannons, Magpies, Tornados, Kestrels, Catapults, and Wanderers, marking a 6 league-game winning streak. The Chasers squad, Weasley and Pucey, especially, have been looking great, moving as a fierce unit to bring the Quaffle down the pitch. Beaters, Bulstrode and Goyle, have continued their partnership from America and have a 6th sense for anticipating each others' moves and getting the Bludgers where they need to be. But it is Wood and Chang that are getting the most attention. Opponents can't score past Oliver Wood's tight goalkeeping and Cho Chang has shocked everyone with her ability to snatch the Snitch from her opponents despite her ongoing health challenges.

World Cup window for Wood?

Oliver Wood has played a tight game since his Hogwarts days. His teammates often say he eats, lives, and breathes the sport, coming in before anyone else and staying up late planning the next day's training.

He captained the Gryffindor team for four years at Hogwarts before committing to Puddlemere United, although he never played for them in a match. He spent several years languishing on their training squad until Blaise Zabini (Falcons' Head of Quidditch) and his associate, trainee Healer Theodore Nott (his association with the team remains unclear), poached Wood by offering him the chance to captain the Falcons. Critics will say he's too young and inexperienced to fill the role, particularly given the team's rather unconventional new training regimen. Nevertheless, whatever he is doing seems to be working, and whispers suggest Oliver Wood is a strong contender for the National Team this year for the Quidditch World Cup. The Department of Magical Games and Sports won't make their official selections until the end of the British and Irish Quidditch League Cup next month.

Chang charming but chancy

Seeker Cho Chang has been thriving since rejoining professional Quidditch after taking time off from a checkered 2000 season. The Quidditch community was shocked when team owner, Lord Draco Malfoy, personally hired her to replace headline maker Cormac McLaggen.

Chang has been very open about her health history and her road to recovery since the war. She credits her recent success with the 'genius breakthrough' treatments she has received from the team's trainee Healer Hermione Granger, the famous Muggle-born. We suppose such alternative methods might be aiding in Cho's recovery, but we at Seeker Weekly strongly suspect that her triumphant win against the legendary Seeker Viktor Krum was the real catalyst for her renewed confidence and success. Beating Krum would give anyone confidence to succeed in their comeback season.



Who knew we'd be heading into April and the last few matches of the regular season with the Falcons this close to leading the pack? No one saw this dark unicorn team coming and now their story is sweeping the nation. Falcons Fever is catching! If this team gets another win in the last two home matches of the season it would guarantee their spot in the playoffs. Can they do it? Only time will tell.

The Stats

3 Preseason losses

7 Wins / 3 Losses

2 more matches remain

1 win needed for playoff spot

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