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England Women defeat New Zealand in rain affected IT20

England Women secured a 23-run win on the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern method in a rain-curtailed second Vitality IT20 match at Hove to take a 2-0 series lead over New Zealand.

The match was reduced to nine overs per side after a two-hour rain delay.

Alice Capsey hit 28 from 15 balls and Maia Bouchier 23 to help England reach 89-6.

New Zealand lost Sophie Devine and Amelia Kerr in the powerplay to slip to 12-2.

Player of the match Charlie Dean dismissed Suzie Bates and Brooke Halliday from one over, while Lauren Bell, Nat Sciver-Brunt and Sophie Ecclestone also took wickets before a spell of heavy rain brought a premature end to the contest with the White Ferns ending on 42-5.

The two teams now meet in Canterbury on Thursday for their third of five matches.

Charlie Dean's post-match media conference is available to download [here](#).

Women's One-Day International Series v New Zealand Women

26 June: 1st Women's One-Day International – Seat Unique Riverside, Chester-le-Street – England won by nine wickets

30 June: 2nd Women's One-Day International – New Road, Worcester – England won by eight wickets

3 July: 3rd Women's One-Day International – Seat Unique Stadium, Bristol – England won by five wickets

Women's Vitality IT20 Series v New Zealand Women

6 July: 1st Women's IT20 – The Utilita Bowl, Southampton – England won by 59 runs

9 July: 2nd Women's IT20 – The 1st Central County Ground, Hove – England won by 23 runs (DLS method)

11 July: 3rd Women's IT20 – The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence

13 July: 4th Women's IT20 – The Kia Oval, London

17 July: 5th Women's IT20 – Lord's, London



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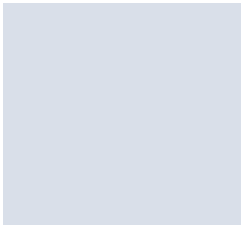
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