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Northern Superchargers announce retained players on Deadline Day

- Andrew Flintoff confirms retained players for his first year in charge of Northern Superchargers men's team
- Dani Hazell retains Phoebe Litchfield, Kate Cross and captain Hollie Armitage for Northern Superchargers women's team
- The Hundred Draft powered by Sage to take place at The Shard on Wednesday 20 March

- First Headingley game to be played on Friday 26 July against Trent Rockets
- For more information and to sign up for priority ticket access visit thehundred.com

Adil Rashid, Kate Cross, Georgia Wareham, Phoebe Litchfield and Reece Topley will all be back in purple in The Hundred next season with the Northern Superchargers confirming the retention of 18 players on Deadline Day.

England legend Andrew Flintoff is preparing for his first year as Head Coach of Northern Superchargers men's team and he's started by retaining 10 of a possible 10. Dani Hazell has retained eight of a possible eight, keeping together the core of the side that made last year's final.

Across both the Northern Superchargers men's and women's teams, 18 players have been retained in total, meaning nine spots remain to be filled at The Hundred Draft powered by Sage, at which Flintoff will have first pick in The Draft for the men's competition.

The Hundred Draft, powered by Sage, will take place at The Shard on Wednesday 20 March, live-streamed from 5.30pm on thehundred.com, YouTube and TikTok. Each team will take it in turns to select domestic and overseas players to complete their squads.

Northern Superchargers' season in the fourth year of The Hundred gets underway at Headingley on Friday 26 July, one of 68 games that promise world class men's and women's sporting action, live music, and a host of family-friendly entertainment.

Retained Players

Northern Superchargers Women: Phoebe Litchfield (O), Georgia Wareham (O), Kate Cross, Bess Heath, Linsey Smith, Alice Davidson-Richards, Hollie Armitage, Marie Kelly

Northern Superchargers Men: Ben Stokes, Adil Rashid, Harry Brook, Reece Topley, Matthew Short (O), Brydon Carse, Adam Hose, Matthew Potts, Callum

Parkinson, Ollie Robinson

England Women bowler Kate Cross said: “It’s great to be retained by Northern Superchargers. We came pretty close last time round, and we want to build on that this year. I think we’ve got a really good group of players to build on, it’s always good to keep a successful team together. The Hundred is an amazing competition to play in. The atmosphere is always fantastic, and the cricket really seemed to go to a new level last season. I’m looking forward to being back at Headingley in front of our fans.”

Andrew Flintoff said: “I’m really happy to have kept together the core of our squad. We have some really talented players and it’s a brilliant group to take into The Hundred Draft and add to with talent from both overseas and at home. It’s getting more exciting now, the first game at Headingley is going to be really special and I know our fans will be there to support us.”

A record 580,000 fans were in attendance across The Hundred last season, including over 300,000 in the women’s competition. The Hundred’s blend of high-quality sport and entertainment saw 41% of all tickets sold to families, 23% to juniors and 30% to women.

From 13-27 March there will be an exclusive window open to buy tickets for fans who have previously attended The Hundred. There will be a priority window open from 9-23 April for all fans who sign up in advance at thehundred.com.

The general sale period begins from 25 April.

Tickets are once again great value, with prices set at £5 for juniors aged 3-15 (free for under 3s) and adults starting from £11.

All games will again be live on Sky Sports and BBC broadcast and digital channels throughout the competition.

To stay up to date with the latest news, buy tickets or to sign up for priority access, visit thehundred.com or follow The Hundred, and the eight teams, on Instagram, TikTok and YouTube.

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About The Hundred:

The Hundred is an action-packed, unmissable cricket competition that fuses world-class cricket with blockbuster entertainment.

Combining a short, fast format of cricket, with each game lasting less than three hours, and incredible entertainment beyond the sport, The Hundred is making cricket more accessible and reaching a broader audience. It's simple: 100 balls per team, most runs wins, so every ball counts.

The Hundred features eight teams from seven cities, with men's and women's competitions taking place side by side: Welsh Fire (Cardiff), Southern Brave (Southampton), Northern Superchargers (Leeds), London Spirit, Trent Rockets (Nottingham), Oval Invincibles (London), Manchester Originals and Birmingham Phoenix. Each team features some of the best international and domestic cricketers from around the world, including England Men's & Women's World Cup winners.

About The Hundred Draft powered by Sage:

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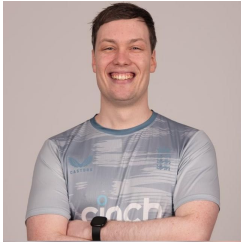
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