

KICKABOUT

THE PREMIER LEAGUE

Your usual newsletter-writer has been hit by lazy finger so unable to write this newsletter, so a stand-in - one who can actually string two or three words together has provided something for your eyes to feast upon

*What a display in the League Cup semi-final as **Glasgow Celtic** give fellow Scottish upstarts **Greenock Morton** a right going over. Five goals and a lesson in outclassing your opponents form the Premier main man KP.*

***Leeds City** looking to make third spot and a bit of cash their own, also hit five as they waltz past **Sunderland**. Puts them clear in the race for third spot and perhaps Europe next season?*

Crowds demonstrate outside Pitodrie, 'Bring back Warnock, they cry loudly, sack Lawton, hasn't got a clue, their team shouldn't be bottom of the table with a manager who knows what he is doing', the fans cry

*Big game at **Stamford Bridge** sees **Chelsea** get beat by their relegation rivals **Wycombe Wanderers**. Never quite sure how the Blues do so badly to be honest. All the possession here but conceding a penalty and an earlyish goal is too big a mountain to climb.*

*To the top of division two go **Crystal Palace**. Looks odds on for promotion now. Joint managers, Tigger & Tiger have been seen arguing about whose name goes first on the trophy. Can't seem to agree, but Ashcroft comes up with a sterling idea in the end, 'lets' draw the numbers randomly and see whose name comes out first. Like we do when selecting our team each session!?'*

***Greenock** have a mare of a session. Beaten at home by **Newcastle** they slip out of the promotion zone, as Colly's **ne3acastle** smile all the way back to Ireland.*

*They are replaced by managerless **Walsall**. Stand-in manager **DEMPSEY** sees his side crush **QPR**. 'Too easy' he claims after the match. Manager **CRANFIELD** wants to get a grip here als*

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Season 15
Session 13

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 LEEDS UTD	18	7	1	0	31	7	8	2	0	26	3	47	48
2 GLASGOW CELTIC	18	7	2	0	20	4	4	3	2	10	3	23	38
3 LEEDS CITY	18	5	4	0	18	3	3	2	4	13	14	14	30
4 LIVERPOOL	18	6	3	0	21	4	2	1	6	4	16	5	28
5 EVERTON	18	5	1	4	20	14	2	2	4	14	15	5	24
6 SUNDERLAND	18	6	0	2	23	15	1	2	7	16	34	-10	23
7 LUTON TOWN	18	3	1	5	9	14	3	3	3	14	16	-7	22
8 ASTON VILLA	18	5	1	4	11	16	1	2	5	6	14	-13	21
9 SHEFFIELD WED	18	3	4	2	14	9	2	0	7	11	18	-2	19
10 WYCOMBE WANDS	18	4	0	4	15	27	2	1	7	15	34	-31	19
11 CHELSEA	18	3	3	3	8	7	1	2	6	3	15	-11	17
12 ABERDEEN	18	2	2	6	6	15	1	2	5	3	14	-20	13

Rangers lose their unbeaten record. In fact manager Cranfield can be heard in the dressing room, doing a Rooney and calling his players all clueless twats, after giving away some daft goals. Still Walsall look the business now for sure.

Tottenham sink ever lower in the second, but if the manger - guess who - doesn't get a call from the bank manager and can keep this ultra young team together then next season could be far better.

TROPHYSEMIS

Villa & Chelsea fight out a soggy goalless draw and need a replay next session. Aberdeen gives the fans something to cheer about A MCMASTER hat-trick puts Aberdeen on the way to the final, sweeping Wigan aside as if they can actually play footie!

EUROS

Everton's hopes of another Euro night of glory in the Champions Trophy finals, are hanging by a thread. They do well to lose by a single goal in Paris against the Germaine's, but are well outplayed and are now going to have to

something special to proceed to the final

*In the EUFA, **Sheff Wed** continue their successful season. **Anderlecht** give them a battle but a late late goal gives the home side a 2-0 cushion and will feel they are on their way to another final*

MANAGER OF THE MONTH AWARDS

*Division One - **Sheffield Wednesday** for sure*

*Division Two - **Walsall** all the way*

RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Cold

Week Thirty-seven

DIVISION 1

ASTON VILLA Watkins 44 Bjarnason 78 Att 49570* Wind: Storm	2 : 4 LUTON TOWN (H - 0.9) Joelinton 20 Leon hubert 48,78 Mark mccabe 89 Pitch: Muddy
LIVERPOOL Att 30678 Pitch: Good	0 : 0 GLASGOW CELTIC (A - 0.3) Wind: Storm
ABERDEEN Att 38634 Wind: Storm Pitch: Muddy	0 : 2 SHEFFIELD WED (H - 0.3) Christi ronaldo 48 Dougie freedman 69 bkd - Scott severin (43)
EVERTON Santa 33 Att 38187* Pitch: Wet	1 : 2 LEEDS UTD (A - 1.7) Bamford 29,67 Wind: Storm
LEEDS CITY Thiago silva 39 Tonali 39 John charles 43,46,72 Pitch: Frozen	5 : 1 SUNDERLAND (H - 0.9) Khazri 8 Att 35980 Wind: Storm

CHELSEA 1 : 2 **WYCOMBE WANDS** (H - 1.1)
 Falcao 38
 bkd - N'golo kante (41)/
 Nkunku (14)/
 Falcao (47)
 off - Jorginho (90)
 Pitch: Muddy
 Martinelli 18
 Timowerner 31(p)
 bkd - Lewis wing (82)
 Att 42816*
 Wind: Storm
 Derby Game

DIVISION 2

ARSENAL 2 : 1 **WIGAN ATHLETIC** (H - 0.9)
 Limpar 12
 Virgil van dyk 20
 Wind: Storm
 Sanders 55
 Att 28312
 Pitch: Frozen

GREENOCK MORTON 0 : 1 **NEWCASTLE UTD** (H - 0.1)
 bkd - George oakley (74)
 Inj - Stan collymore (2)
 Att 33200
 Pitch: Frozen
 Petter rudi 31
 bkd - Gayle (60)
 Wind: Storm
 Derby Game

WEST HAM UTD 0 : 1 **BRIGHTON** (A - 0.1)
 Att 29088
 Wind: Storm
 Bruno saltor 12
 Pitch: Good

NOTTINGHAM FOR 0 : 1 **CRYSTAL PALACE** (H - 0.3)
 Att 25591
 Wind: Storm
 Bryan addams 84
 Pitch: Good

WALSALL 3 : 0 **Q.P.R.** (H - 0.1)
 Jorge leatio 24,60
 Rollin menayese 32
 Pitch: Muddy
 Att 29875
 Wind: Storm

DARLINGTON 3 : 0 **TOTTENHAM** (H - 1.3)
 Clinton 10
 Alex mcleish 10
 Allan nyom 83
 Att 25798
 Wind: Storm
 Pitch: Good

Week Thirty-eight

THE PREMIER TROPHY

Semi-finals

CHELSEA 0 : 0 **ASTON VILLA** (A - 0.5)
 bkd - Jorginho (29)
 Wind: Storm
 Att 50195
 Pitch: Wet

ABERDEEN 5 : 0 **WIGAN ATHLETIC** (H - 1.9)
 John mcmaster 17,33,54
 Gordon strachan 25
 Eddie gray 32
 bkd - Van kinkel (32)
 Att 31227
 Wind: Storm
 Pitch: Wet

THE PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

FINAL

SHEFFIELD WED 5 : 0 **GREENOCK MORTON** (H - 1.3)
 Christi ronaldo 14,41
 Sam saunders 39
 Dougie freedman 39
 Scott severin 72
 Att 44442
 Wind: Storm
 Pitch: Good

THE PREMIER CHAMPIONS TROPHY

Semi-final 1st legs

PARIS ST GERMAIN(NL) 1 : 0 **EVERTON** (H - 1.3)
 Jerith 8
 Wind: Storm
 Att 20382
 Pitch: Muddy

BENFICA[NL] 0 : 0 **BAYERN MUNICH(NL)** (A - 0.7)
 bkd - Nicks (75)/
 Calfield (46)
 Att 14968
 Pitch: Frozen
 bkd - Zemekis (69)
 Inj - Zemekis (1)
 Wind: Storm

THE PREMEIR UEFA CUP

Semi-finals 1st legs

SHEFFIELD WED 2 : 0 **ANDERLECHT(NL)"** (A - 0.1)
 John harkes 35
 Scott severin 89
 Att 42998
 Pitch: Good
 bkd - Corven (66)/
 Corven (45)
 Wind: Storm

BORUSSIA DORTMUND(NL) 0 : 1 **CLIFTONVILLE(NL)** (H - 0.9)
 Att 14542
 Wind: Storm
 Pitch: Muddy
 Oakes 57
 bkd - Foggart (87)
 Inj - Flinders (2)

Week Thirty-nine

FRIENDLY MATCHES

LEEDS UTD 4 : 2 **DARLINGTON** (H - 1.5)
CHELSEA 0 : 2 **NEWCASTLE UTD** (H - 1.5)
SUNDERLAND 0 : 3 **EURO TEAM1(NL)** (A - 1.7)
WYCOMBE WANDS 3 : 0 **NOTTINGHAM FOR** (H - 1.3)
GLASGOW CELTIC 0 : 0 **LUTON TOWN** (H - 0.9)
EURO TEAM2(NL) 8 : 1 **Q.P.R.** (H - 4.3)
BRIGHTON 5 : 2 **ABERDEEN** (H - 0.9)
GREENOCK MORTON 0 : 7 **LEEDS CITY** (A - 3.5)
 bkd - Trevor cherry (15)

EURO TEAM1(NL) 1 : 0 **CRYSTAL PALACE** (H - 3.7)
EVERTON 0 : 6 **EURO TEAM2(NL)** (A - 3.3)
EURO TEAM1(NL) 0 : 2 **ARSENAL** (-)
WIGAN ATHLETIC 0 : 2 **EURO TEAM2(NL)** (A - 2.5)
EURO TEAM1(NL) 1 : 0 **WEST HAM UTD** (H - 1.3)

WEATHER FORECAST

Temperature next session: Cool
 Predicted wind speed next session: Light

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 CRYSTAL PALACE	18	6	1	1	17	6	7	2	1	26	8	29	42
2 Q.P.R.	18	7	1	0	11	0	5	4	1	16	8	19	41
3 WALSALL	18	6	2	1	14	2	3	4	2	7	12	7	33
4 GREENOCK MORTON	18	5	2	2	20	9	4	1	4	11	10	12	30
5 WEST HAM UTD	18	5	2	3	21	9	4	0	4	13	21	4	29
6 NEWCASTLE UTD	18	4	5	0	16	2	1	5	3	4	7	11	25
7 BRIGHTON	18	2	2	5	9	11	4	2	3	9	4	3	22
8 WIGAN ATHLETIC	18	7	1	1	27	10	0	0	9	7	27	-3	22
9 ARSENAL	18	4	2	4	13	10	2	2	4	5	13	-5	22
10 DARLINGTON	18	4	2	3	10	10	1	2	6	3	14	-11	19
11 TOTTENHAM	18	2	0	6	5	22	1	0	9	6	29	-40	9
12 NOTTINGHAM FOR	18	1	2	7	8	19	1	0	7	3	18	-26	8

THE CHAMPIONS TROPHY

Semi-finals

Paris St Germaine v Everton

Benfica v Bayern Munich

THE UEFA CUP

Semi-finals

Sheffield Wed v Anderlecht

Borussia Dortmund v Ciftonville

(Two legs played on S13 & 15)

THE PREMIER CUP

Semi-finals

Leeds City v Everton

Leeds Utd v Darlington

*(To be played on Session 14 with
replays)*



BITS N PIECES

LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 1

1	BAMFORD	LEEDS UTD	36
2	SANTA	EVERTON	19
3	GARY OLIVER	SUNDERLAND	16
4	AIDEN O'BRIEN	SUNDERLAND	15
5	IAN WRIGHT	SHEFFIELD WED	14
6	KILYAN MBAPPE	LEEDS UTD	14
7	GARY BANNISTER	GLASGOW CELTIC	13
8	CLARKE	LEEDS UTD	13

DIVISION 2

1	SANDERS	WIGAN ATHLETIC	11
2	ARCHER	CRYSTAL PALACE	10
3	GRIFFITHS	GREENOCK MORTON	9
4	ELLIS RIMMER	GREENOCK MORTON	9
5	VINCE HILAIRE	CRYSTAL PALACE	9
6	JURVIS	WIGAN ATHLETIC	7
7	HUNTER	WIGAN ATHLETIC	7
8	BOOTHMAN	WIGAN ATHLETIC	7

Since An Away Draw

Tottenham	35 games
Nottingham For	12 games
Sheffield Wed	9 games
Wigan Athletic	9 games
West Ham Utd	8 games
Greenock Morton	7 games

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Consec. Home Defeats

Tottenham	4 games
Aberdeen	3 games
Luton Town	3 games

THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :-
JORGINHO [1] (CHELSEA) / GAYLE [1] (NEWCASTLE UTD) /

PRIVATE DEALS

WYCOMBE WANDS sold TIMOWERNER (21-12 FW) to ABERDEEN for 520K

ABERDEEN sold EDDIE GRAY (22-12 MF/D) to NEWCASTLE UTD for 750K

ABERDEEN sold JOHN MCMASTER (24-12 MF/A) to NEWCASTLE UTD for 750K

NEWCASTLE UTD sold RAHEEM STERLING (27-13 FW) {P/S} {STAR} to Q.P.R. for 1100K

All deals completed successfully!

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - DPS

TOP

LEEDS UTD - 0

LIVERPOOL - 0

SUNDERLAND - 0

BOTTOM

CHELSEA - 63

WALSALL - 66

LEEDS CITY - 66

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - LEVELS PER PLAYER

TOP

LEEDS UTD - 0

ASTON VILLA - 3

NEWCASTLE UTD - 6

BOTTOM

DARLINGTON - 63

WYCOMBE WANDS - 66

TOTTENHAM - 69

AUCTION PAGE

AUCTION RESULTS

POS	STATS	NAME	CLUB	FEE	NO	NHIGH
2) DF/A	20-9	LUKE ROBINSON	(NOTTINGHAM FOR)	56K	1	-1K
3) MF	22-12	KEITA	(WEST HAM UTD)	601K	2	451K
4) MF	18-8	SHARIE	(EVERTON)	999K	2	879K

All players not shown were unsold.

***The transfer deadline comes into
operation at the end of session thirteen
IE NOW***

***Please note that from now onwards it is illegal to sell any player and then
buy him back in the next three session FOR ANY REASON
WHATSOEVER. If you do that player will be banned for life and you will
lose him***

ROLLING AUCTION LEVELS

***The following are the minimum levels relating to each session for entering
players into the rolling auction:-***

<u>SESSIONS</u>	<u>MIN LEVEL</u>
1 to 3	5
4 to 5	6
6 to 8	7
9 to 10	8
11+	9

***These are also the same levels which decide whether a player will go straight to
N/L when out of contract rather than being put into the auction***

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY TO REMEMBER

It seems that even old stagers of the game still can't work out what order games are to be played in. SO emblazon the following on your minds please

ORDER OF MATCHES IS

LEAGUE GAME ONE

LEAGUE GAME TWO (which is where any re-arranged league maxcth should go)

ALL CUP GAMES (including Cup/Bowl/ Trophy where the latter is always last if you have a Bowl or cup game as well)

LEAGUE CUP GAMES

EURO GAMES

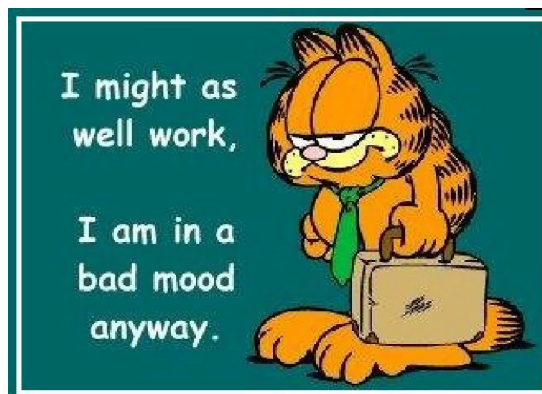
FRIENDLIES

(If you look at teampick you will see that you CAN edit your fixtures as well to tell the program what games you are playing this session and it will put them in the correct order, OK)

NB In teampick trophy games come after League Cup it appears. Please realise that they don't. In the fullness of time the tempick maestro will change this

MUTTERINGS AND MEANDERINGS OF THE KA MIND

It is strange how managers can't read messages to the chat lists. 'Ooh I didn't know that', they exclaim when it comes up. Not sure how we get round that. Brain transplants perhaps, new glasses, a course in concentration. Anyway for those who missed a long thread about postponed games. THERE ARE NO POSTPONED GAMES ANY MORE!! Read twice, thrice or more and remember



BULK PAYMENT OF TURN FEES - remember if you pay £63.25 at one time (which can cover more than one team) you get an extra free turn credited to your account. This offer does not include shomatch/weekend monies!



STANDING ORDER PAYMENTS - you can also pay your turn fees by standing order now. Contact us for details about how to do this and remember that this is not only the way to spread your payments over the year rather than having to find a lump sum at the start of every season, but it is also the way to avoid those dreaded double turn fees. With SO payments this can't happen.

THE KICKABOUT COMMUNITY

EMAIL CHAT LIST - yes, you can subscribe to our email discussion group. There is a list for general Kickabout topics, a list for each individual league, one for the vulcano, one for teampick subscribers, even one for the weekend players. Learn more about the game, talk to other players and the Gm. To subscribe to the main list send a blank email to Kickabout-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. For others you do the same except put the league, name with Ka- in front of subscribe. However, some league lists have an ending in .co.uk instead of .com, so if one doesn't work then please try eeh other!!

One thing to note about subscribing to the list, we post a regular schedule of where every league is in the processing schedule, when it is sent out, when the latest return-by-date is. This is of great help and if you have email you should really be receiving this.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

Can be made to us using the **PAYPAL** service. So if you want to pay anything by credit card then you could register with them and give it a try. Also note that if you send your payments as a gift ALL of the cash reaches us without any paypal fees being charged at our end and all is credited to your account.

You can pay by card/paypal through our new web-site

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Premier Rules

This article is written for the several newcomers in this league and also as a refresher for the old timers of the league.

TEAM DIFFERENCES:

? *3 times rule: not applicable to the Premier. No team re-arrangement by the GM if one area is more than 3 times that total of another area.*

? *Minimum number of players in an area is reduced from 2 to 1 eg: 5-4-1. However the 5 levels given for the formation is only valid for the same formations as all the other leagues. **THE MAX however is still five in an area***

? *Youth scheme: there is an enhanced possibility of discovering someone special.*

? *Player naming: naming must be relevant to the team and the position.*

AUCTIONS

? *Reduced auctions. Only auctions are on sessions 1+2 and 8+9.*

? *The auction criteria is for no MF specialists to be listed. Though the occasional add /A or /D has been known.*

? *Auction player bids must be named relevant to their club and position.*

? *You must state the correct and real nationality of the player else the bid is void.*

EUROPE:

? *The top4 of the div1 go through to play in the Champions League*

? *Cup finalists go in the UEFA Cup. If one of the teams is already in the Champions league then the best runner up takes the spot.*

TIPS: Various long standing players of this league were asked if they were willing to provide a short piece of advice. Most either refused or ignored the request. There was allegedly a meeting of these managers which was so secret that not even News of the World could not sneak their hidden microphones in. The discussions centred around keeping the div1 an exclusive club. However 3 managers who would welcome new blood into the elite division have spoken out and here is their advice:

? *Bolton Wands Peter Brooks: due to the lack of specialists in this division older players with special attributes are best kept and coached up.*

? *Leeds Utd David Hargraves: Youth Youth Youth.*

? *Luton Town Paul Sutton: ignore Dave Hargraves advice.*

.AND FINALLY?????????.In the first season all teams had the choice of creating their new team with either a MF/G, DF/A,

FORTHCOMING KA WEEKENDS

After an amazingly fun and successful weekend in Glasgow minds have turned to the future. Unfortunately, the dastardly Seamus has pulled the rug out from under us by selling his place for millions of filthy lucre so we won't be able to sue the amazing Padraiscins again. Boo Boo!!

However a hardy few would still like to go to Galway and use the same system we have successfully used in both Norwich & Glasgow of late. I.E. hiring a big house to sue as the venue for our gaming extravaganza

The following hardy souls (or should I say the ones who want to enjoy life with like-minded nerds have elected to go so far. Cranners(Paid), Seamus,(Paid Gareth(Paid) , Rob Lewis(Paid), Gerard, Craigins(Paid), Nigel the Smith(Paid), Jens baby, Dennis (Paid) , Colly(Paid), Tim Dodge (Paid), Steadders & Baddad (Paid)

AND PERHAPS EVEN BUTTERS (UNLIKELY IT SEEMS BOO BOO)

Galway 2024 10th-13th October

Spring 2025 Back To Norwich

**Tommo McTomface, Geraldo, Jens & Seamus Are First Dogs In
dates 9th-11th of May**

**Craig is happy to plan another Glasgow weekend in October 2025
dates 9th-12th October**

And Bo has offered to host us all at his place in Odense during the spring of 2026

Kickabout will be forty years old in 2027, so perhaps somewhere special could be planned for then?



The Shakespeare League

The Shokie is ncie league whcih ahsn't really got a supert team, so competiitve indeed. However, for soem reason it has been leaking players and now is in the position that it needs a fresh infusion of new blood. I have a fix for this and that is to inject some 36-1 clubs into divison four.

Suggestion is the nornal set up in terms of ground/ sps etc

But starting cash would be 1000K

ten random 36-1 players

one 19-12 outfield player (not gk or sw) (managers choice)

one unqual sby of 6.5 qual (random outfield)

one 18-2 FUT (manager chooses position)

No promotion or relegation at end of first season

Certain parts of each auction would be just for div 4 managers

First season free, second season £20

If interested let us know, sugegstions about th set-up warmly received



CONTRACTS UPDATE

We have listened to the moaners who in contract negotiations have lost very good players cos they cannot get them to agree to a new contract. Galling to see their prized possession in the expired section of the autumn. Ok you will no doubt get some recompense for him, but the reserve bid is always painfully low and you never never know who might snaffle his arse with a cheeky bid do you.

So from now onwards if your prized player is on the last week of his contract

AND THIS ONLY RELATES TO THE LAST WEEK OF HIS CONTRACT PLEASE NOTE

Then there is a wage that if offered he will ALWAYS accept.

This has to be calculated by you (Oh shite!!)

The formula is as follows :

3 X basic wage where the basic wage = player level X PS Bonus X Div Bonus X POS Bonus X Type bonus

player level is obvious

P/S bonus increase the basic wage by 20%

Div Bonus - 125% for div 1/ 110% for div2 / 100% for divs 3/ 75% for div 4

Pos bonus refers to STARS/FUT/SBY which require 50% uplift

Type bonus is equal to the players expected wage rates , ie MF/A/D x3 - **Df/A X 2 / UT/WG/FWS x1.5** / GK SW X 2/ FW/MF/DF X 1

We suggest that you always add 1K to your bids

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as an example a DIV ONE 20/12 PS MF/A/D STAR would require a wage offer of basic wage (81K) X 3 to accept unconditionally , i.e. 243K per week

or a 20-10 DIV THREE S DF/A would require a wage offer of basic wage(20K) X 3, i.e. 60K

On the last week of the contract there is no optimum length of contract though we suggest you opt for four weeks so you have time to bid again

I REPEAT - AND THIS ONLY RELATES TO THE LAST WEEK OF HIS CONTRACT PLEASE NOTE

One last change to note as well. In future at whatever stage of the contract negotiation you are at with a player, the min he will now accept is one third of his basic wage
