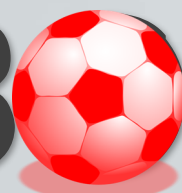


KICKABOUT



SHAKESPEARE

SESSION 16 — DECEMBER 2024

SEASONAL GLORY

LEAGUE

GILLINGHAM FC

CUP

Scaynes Hill

LEAGUE CUP

GILLINGHAM FC

BOWL

Metropole IF

TROPHY

Liverpool Stars

THE CUP FINAL

Glory for Scaynes

Scaynes Hill 1 – 0 Wexford Wraiths

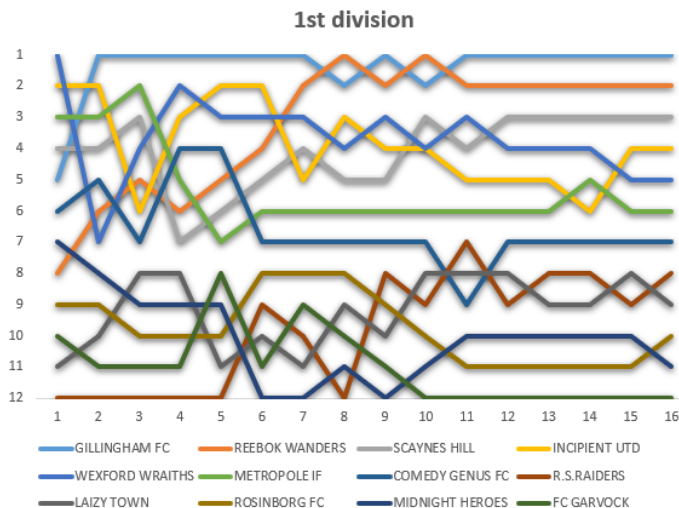
In a match with high expectations of entertainment and an expectant buzz in the stands, both teams chose to play with the handbrake pulled and came onto the field in SW252 formations. Unfortunately, this left its mark on the match, where the most entertaining thing in the first 90 minutes was the Scaynes Hill fans' dissatisfaction with the linesmen and their chant of "the lino being a cunt".

First in extra time, the 62,225 fans were spoiled with a goal when Benny scored the only goal of the match for Scaynes from close range. A sad experience for the neutral fan but a great triumph for manager Paul Sutton. Congratulations.

1st DIVISION

THE SEASON IS FINALLY — HOLLIDAY IS HERE

The fact that medals and relegation were decided in the previous session seems to have settled in the teams ahead of the last matches of the year. A measly 4 goals in the 6 matches that were on the program from the start of the season. If you ignore a postponed match that ended 6-0 and from the ugly derby between Reebok Wands and Wexford Wraiths which resulted in both red cards and injuries, the matches were also played in an atmosphere of Christmas peace.



In the stands, more time was therefore spent evaluating the season than following what was happening on the pitch. The story among many a Kickabout manager is that predictions in session 1 newsletters are often without objective background and instead of being based on facts, they seem to have been pulled backwards out of a cow's ass.

Preseason predictions and how it turned out

Top: Wexford, Metropole IF and Scaynes Hill

Relegation: FC Garvock, R.S.Raiders and Midnight Heroes

Wexford and Metropole started the season well but quickly lost momentum and both teams landed in the boring middle ground, where the season was quickly over in terms of excitement. Scaynes started well, then had a dip and then slowly but surely climbed back to the top but without at any point being in the fight for first place.

At the bottom, the accuracy was a little better Garvock and Midnight Heroes as expected will go down to the second division. At one time it looked like Radiers would follow, but a solid second half of the season saw them struggle up the mire. In the end, Rosinborg took the last ticket to the elevator and the trip down.

Gillingham has been the most stable team and it is also completely deserved that the gold ended up somewhere in Scotland. Congratulations again to Adrian.

2nd DIVISION

PROMOTION FOR SOUTH YORKS WAN

In the second division, South Yorks Wands went into the final match as favourites for the last promotion spot, knowing that 1 point would be enough for next season to have a chance to bite spoons with the big boys (as they say in Danish). Yorks met Elsinore away in a derby that only threw a single card. Yorks effectively secured promotion when they scored 0-1 in the 23rd minute. Elsinore, who were without their goal-keeper, had dug in from the start and never managed to adjust to chasing a goal. With Elsinore's defeat, the last relegation spot was also decided, with Gondor, despite losing to Roxley, finishing three points ahead of Elsinore.

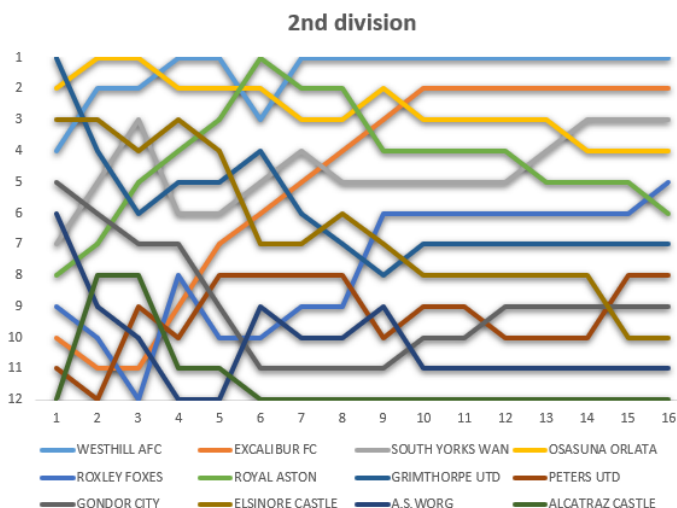
Although the fans were better entertained compared to their friends in the first division, there was still time at half-time to look back on a well-spent season

Preseason predictions and how it turned out

Top: Westhill and Excalibur

Relegation: Roxley and Osasuna

After a somewhat uncertain start, there was never any doubt that Westhill would be promoted as predicted. On the other hand, Excalibur looked like a total failure for a long time, but manager Read slowly and steadily got the situation right and the team ended up in a safe second place.



Both Roxley and Osasuna managed to avoid relegation. Osasuna was never close to relegation and were up for promotion until session 12. Roxley started badly, but midway through the season they got so much control over the team that they were never really in danger. The most up and down team was Royal Aston, who started badly, was up to number 1 and then dropped to sixth place.

The Elsinore season has been a long slide towards the bottom and the team definitely takes the title as the least improved team of the season.

3rd DIVISION

ZULU CLAIM PROMOTION

With relegation or whatever we should call it having been decided for a while, the only outstanding issue was whether it was Zulu, Liverpool or Solaris who would be followed by Noise and Kickaveg up to the first division. Solaris played out their own chance by losing away to Legion, who had otherwise been played under the carpet, but Solaris' efficiency was low and the opposite was the case with Legion, who scored on their only chance. Liverpool did what they could by winning by one goal at home against lowly Galway. In the end, it was in vain as they kept their focus and got

THE TROPHY FINAL

Metropole wins despite the manager being absent

Metropole IF vs. Excalibur 1-0

Excalibur entered the match without their star Governor Inccie. It turned out to be Metropole's great luck, as even with the opponent's star out of the picture, they had more than difficulty creating chances. Metropole has been without a manager for a few sessions, but even without a helmsman on board – or perhaps precisely because of this – luck was with them. Excalibur's Kamino scored a bang of an own goal when he wanted to play the ball back to his own goalkeeper from 40 meters. Unfortunately, the kick was not along the ground but in the air and in a nice soft arc it sailed over goalkeeper Walesa, who at first could only watch the ball end up in the goal and then could see the Metropole players carry the trophy home with them.

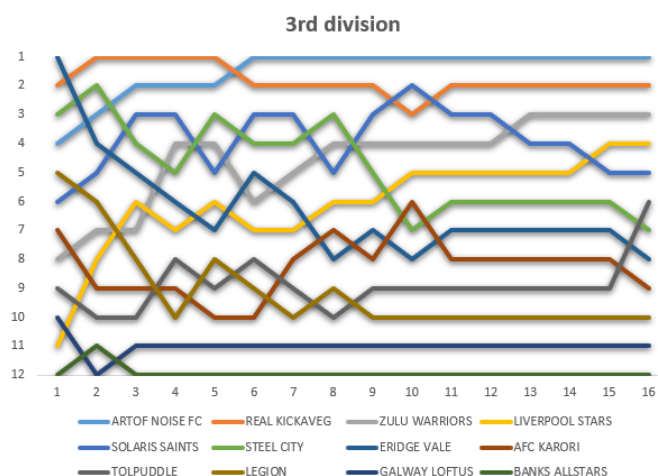
the 3 points they needed to hold on to their third place.

When the bookmakers wanted to open the spreadsheet for the third division, they were red-eared and aware that they had missed a lot

Preseason predictions and how it turned out

Top: Art of Noise, Eridge Vale and Galway Loftus

Relegation: Bank Allstars, AFC Karori



There was never really any doubt that Noise would be promoted to the second division. On the other hand, Eridge Vale and Galway Loftus flopped. Eridge started well enough as number one after the first session of the year, but it was a long decline that ended with an

unflattering place as number 8. The prediction that Galway Loftus would be promoted is possibly the worst guess ever. Galway's season started as a disaster and continued to be a disaster throughout the season - you don't get promoted by being number 11

At the bottom, Bank Allstars hit the hard bottom at the bottom of the bottom, as expected, whereas Karori, through a season that was never pretty, managed to stay away from the relegation places, except in sessions 5 and 6 where Karori challenged fate.

Of other notable performances, Solaris and Zulu should be mentioned in particular. Both teams started poorly and then quietly turned their seasons around and ended in the sub-top.

THE TROPHY FINAL

Liverpool flay the cats

Liverpool Stars vs. Cuthberts Cats 3-2

Where neither the cup nor trophy finals were particularly exciting, it was quite the opposite in the Bowl final, as both teams chose to attack the opponent. Liverpool was without question the best team on the day and also came out ahead as planned by a full 3-0. After an hour of play the game looked decided and the bookmakers were already paying out winnings. Cuthbert Cats got the excitement back in the game with two goals in 10 minutes and the spectators were on the edge of their seats in the last quarter of the game. Despite the Cuthberts doing their utmost to score a third goal and force the game into extra time, Liverpool's defense held firm and were able to take home the small trophy

4th DIVISION

NFFC BLEW IT AND BURBAGE THREW IT

In the fourth division, all the excitement was concentrated at the top where the question was which team would follow NASL and Turnham out of the division and thus avoid the risk of being kicked out of the league when the 4th division next year becomes a 36-1 division for managers who expect to live to be +100 years old.

NFFC went into the session as big favourites – yes, the first game away against NASL was a tough nut to crack but the postponed game against the league's worst team Buckkeep should be a walk in the park. NFFC played a fine first game, where despite the suspensions they played even with NASL. The choice of PD did

nothing good for NFFC who with a less defensive approach would probably have won the game. Unfortunately, the game was completely even in terms of shots and when luck was not with NFFC they ended up with a narrow 1-0 defeat.

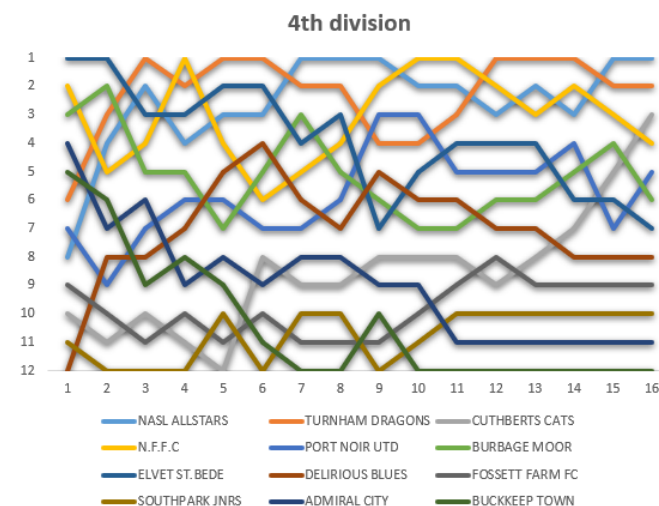
In the game against Buckkeep, the picture repeated itself and the choice of PD once again fucked up the number of shots on goal. Despite a great dominance, NFFC surprisingly ended up as losers. When Burbage Moor chose to throw the match in the decisive match against Cuthbert Cats by playing without a goalkeeper, without a captain and at the same time using the wrong marking numbers, Cuthberts Cats ended up with the last promotion spot. Why the match was thrown is a mystery because either Burbage is thrown out of the league or they are forced to be promoted anyway.

Preseason predictions and how it turned out

Top: Delirious Blues, Turnham Dragons and Burbage Moor

Relegation: Cuthberts Cats, Buckkeep Town, NASL All-stars and Port Noir Utd

Before the season, Turnham, Burbage and Delirious Blues were expected to be promoted. Delirious Blues were never close to promotion, whereas Turnham



spent most of the season in the sub-top and ended up as promoted. Burbage Moor, despite a season of ups and downs, were close to taking the last promotion spot and I wonder if bookmakers have reported the last match for match fixing.

At the bottom, only Buckkeep lived up to expectations of finishing bottom, whereas Port Noir finished fifth and the last two favourites for bottom places – NASL and Cuthberts ended up being promoted.

GOLDEN BOOT RACE

1st division: Bennike of Gillingham take the divisional title of top score with a low 17 goals underlining that Adrians league title is based on a rock-solid defence and not entertaining attacking football.

2nd division: Major Hazard of Westhill takes the title as top goal score in the Shakespeare league with 24 goals

3rd division: Quizcrans Hoopla Hoop of Artof Noise win the division with 22 goals. Not as good last year where he took the title in the 4th with 25 goals.

4th division: Caramel of Cuthberts Cats beats fellow teammate Raducano with 16 against 11 goals. Well done.

MEANEST DEFENCES

1st division: Gillingham only concede 2 goals and end with best defence in the entire league. Well done

2nd division: Westhill on let in 7 goals and win the best defence in the division by a huge margin of 8 goals

3rd division: Artof Noise with 7 concede goals barely beats Zulu who let in 8 goals – what a close race.

4th division: Only division where the division winners don't claim best defence. In fact its Delirious Blues in the 8th spot with 12 goals against them who take that title.

MANAGER OF THE MONTH

1st division: goes to manager Sutton of Scaynes Hill for lifting the Cup

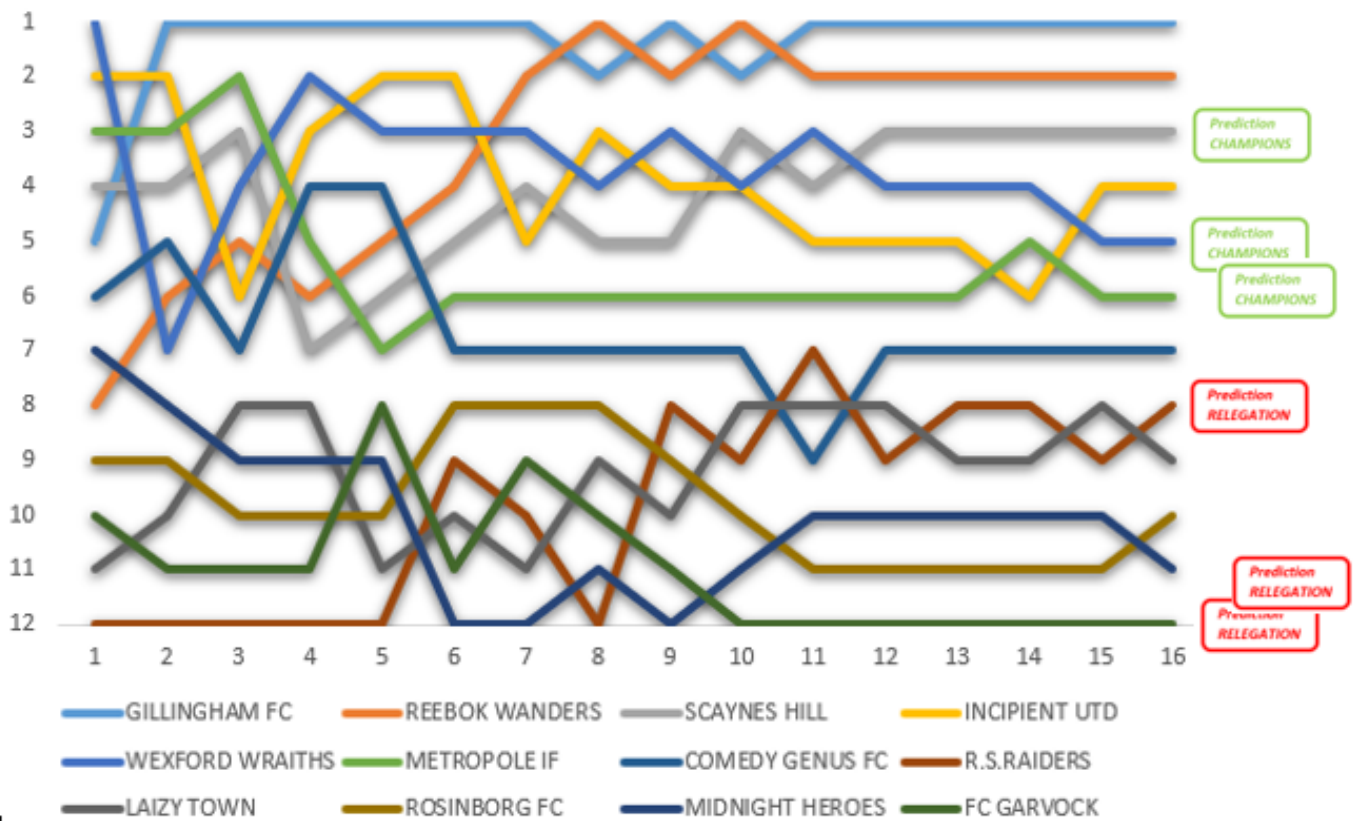
2nd division: goes to manager KP of South Yorks Wands for securing he last promotion spot.

3rd division: goes to the schizophrenic manager Brown / King of Liverpool stars for winning in league and claiming the Trophy. Well done.

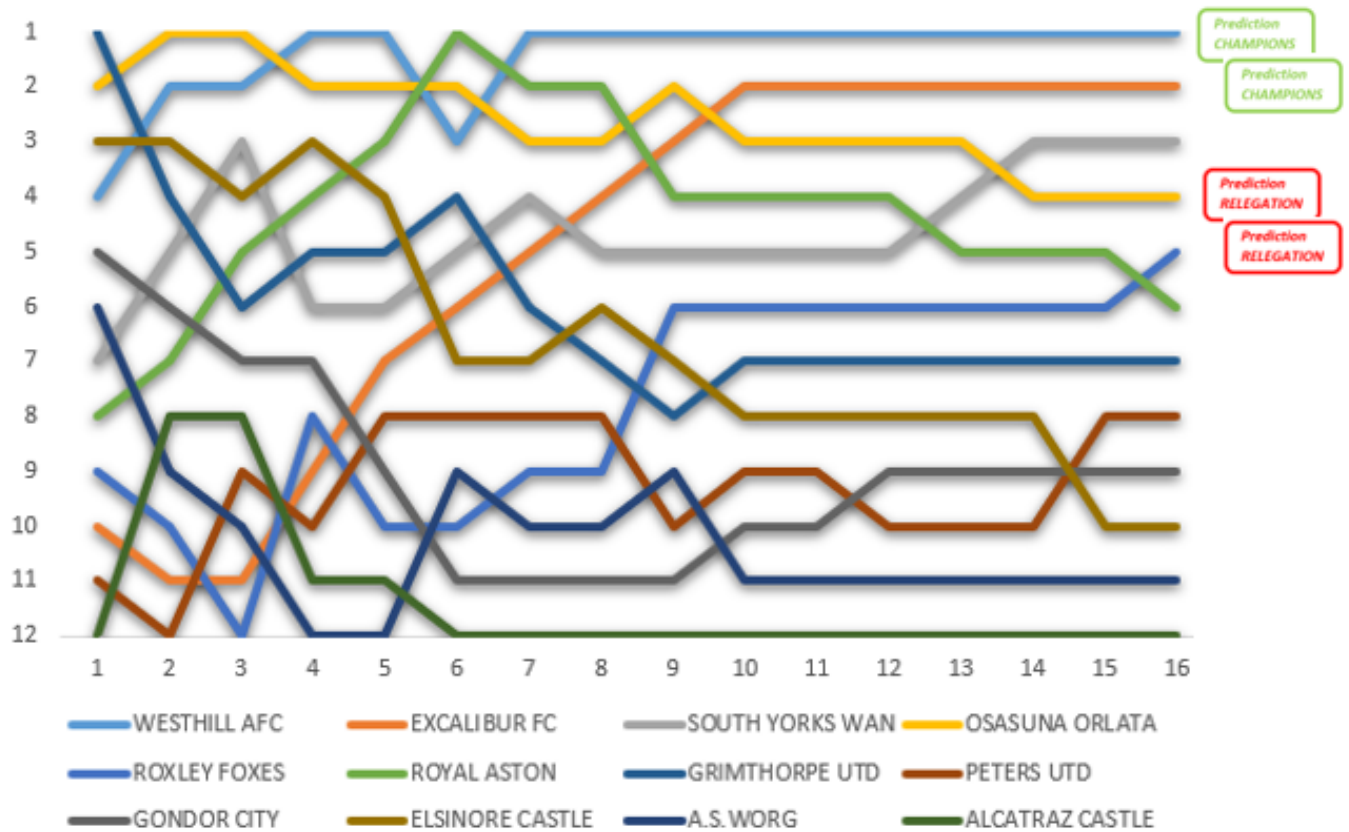
4th division: goes to manager Stevens of Cutberth Cats for claiming promotion on the very last session of the season.



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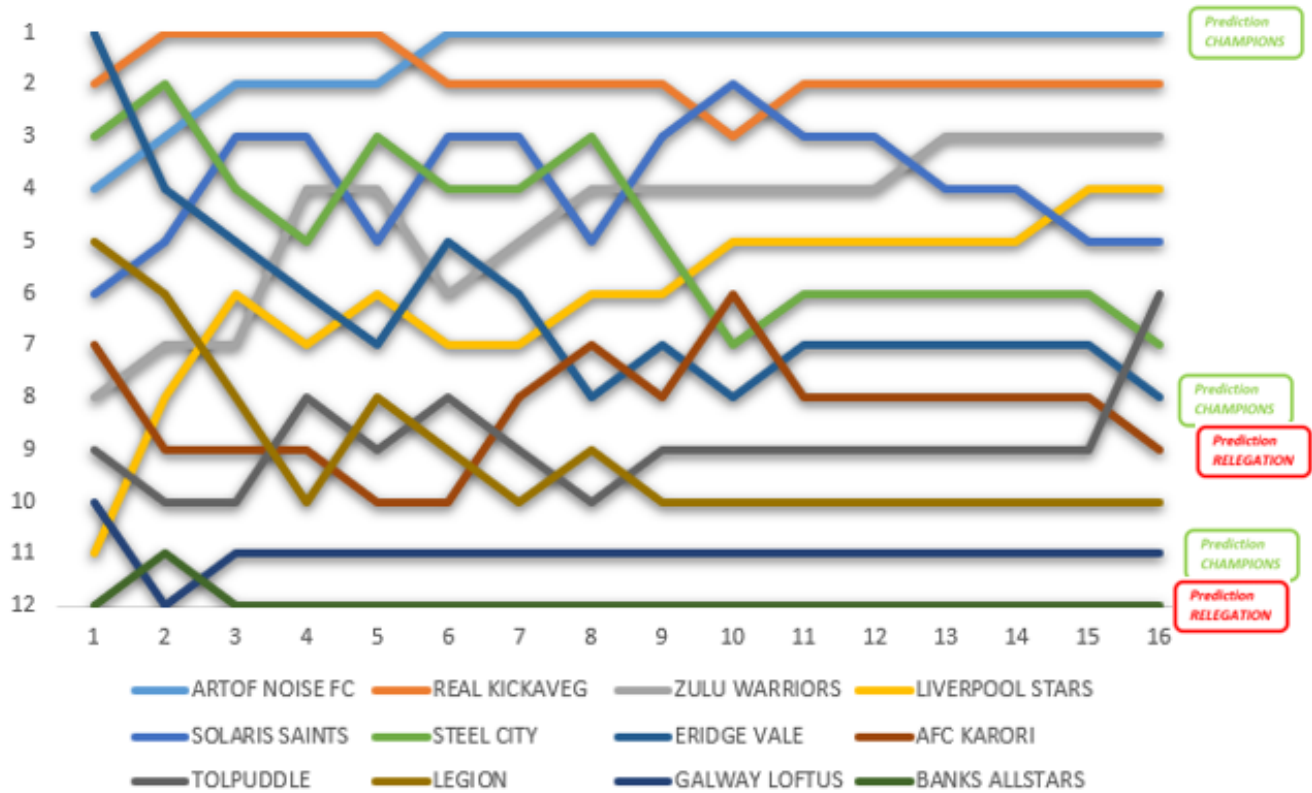


2nd division

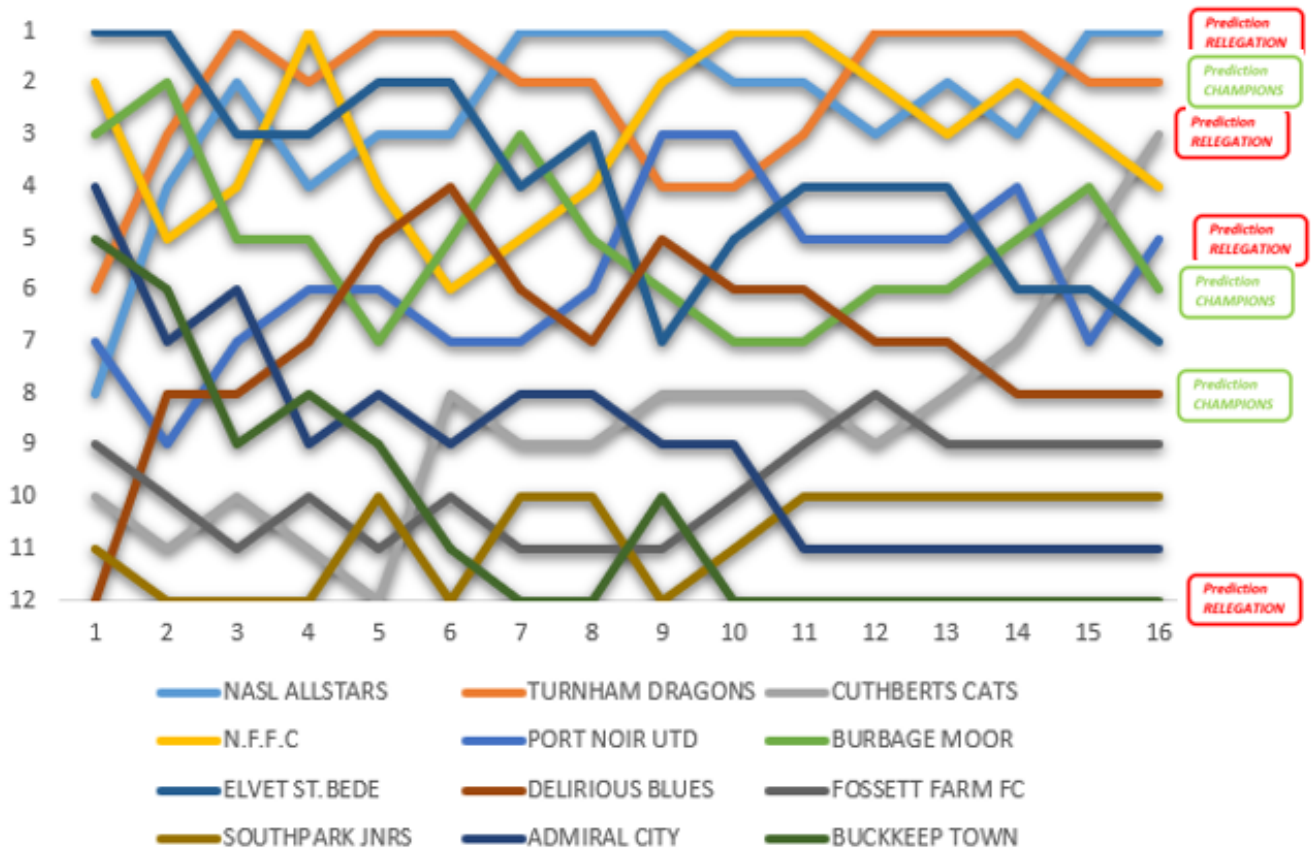


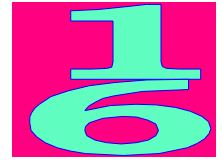
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3rd division



4th division





RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Warm

Week Forty-six

DIVISION 1

REEBOK WANDERS Torino 36 bkd - Lindh (83)/ Grime (1) off - Kompany (21) Inj - Torino (3) *Derby Game*	1 : 0 WEXFORD WRAITHS (H - 0.5) off - Van trapp (13) Inj - Hogli (1) Att 61354* Wind: Calm Pitch: Good
ROSINBORG FC Stokkseyri 70 Wind: Calm	1 : 0 LAIZY TOWN (H - 0.1) Att 45512* Pitch: Good
COMEDY GENUS FC Connolly 8 Att 31130 Pitch: Good	1 : 1 FC GARVOCK (H - 0.3) Haenertsburg 68 Wind: Calm
MIDNIGHT HEROES Att 43413 Wind: Calm	0 : 0 R.S.RAIDERS (H - 0.5) off - Sukur (83) Pitch: Good
GILLINGHAM FC Att 38223* Pitch: Hard	0 : 0 SCAYNES HILL (H - 0.5) Wind: Calm
INCIPIENT UTD Att 57544* Pitch: Wet	0 : 0 METROPOLE IF (H - 1.1) Wind: Calm

DIVISION 2

A.S.WORG Att 31837 Wind: Calm	0 : 1 WESTHILL AFC (A - 0.9) Needy 67 Pitch: Good
ELSINORE CASTLE bkd - Marley (64) Att 43930 Wind: Calm *Derby Game*	0 : 2 SOUTH YORKS WAN (A - 0.5) Yorath 23 Enigma 69 Pitch: Wet
ROXLEY FOXES Joachim 1 Rotterdam 54 bkd - Salvia (39) Pitch: Hard	2 : 0 GONDOR CITY (A - 0.3) Inj - Gaurincha (11) Att 51008 Wind: Calm
OSASUNA ORLATA Kessie 1,31 Wind: Calm	2 : 0 GRIMTHORPE UTD (A - 0.1) Att 31179 Pitch: Good
ROYAL ASTON bkd - Ivanov (59) Att 34585 Wind: Calm Pitch: Hard	0 : 1 PETERS UTD (A - 0.3) Aputin 86(p) bkd - Hardy (50) Inj - Greggsson (10) *Derby Game*
EXCALIBUR FC Derfel 7,14 Kamino 12 Read 34 Viwen 90 Pitch: Hard	5 : 2 ALCATRAZ CASTLE (H - 1.5) Yu yung 21 Tigger 50 Att 49216 Wind: Calm

DIVISION 3

TOLPUDDLE Molotov 11,42 Hai 23 Glasgow 77	4 : 0 AFC KARORI (H - 1.1) Att 21684 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good
ARTOF NOISE FC Caminha 2,4,53 Vasco degama 4 Brexist tusk 31 Williams 32(og) Chun mad 56	7 : 0 BANKS ALLSTARS (H - 4.3) Att 43000* Wind: Calm Pitch: Good
LIVERPOOL STARS Gillespie 73 Att 37270 Pitch: Good	1 : 0 GALWAY LOFTUS (H - 1.3) off - Zipelli (27) Wind: Calm
LEGION Meghan 83 Wind: Calm	1 : 0 SOLARIS SAINTS (A - 1.3) Att 27816 Pitch: Wet
REAL KICKAVEG Antwerp 12 Seamy mcchard 56 Lennox 58 Pitch: Good	3 : 1 STEEL CITY (H - 0.7) Calleja 16 Att 27180* Wind: Calm
ZULU WARRIORS Akula 54 Hercule 65 Pitch: Hard	2 : 0 ERIDGE VALE (H - 0.5) Att 47943 Wind: Calm

DIVISION 4

SOUTHPARK JNRS bkd - Reginiussen (73)/ Meriopul (47)/ Jonny panzer (48) Inj - Reginiussen (2)/ Milgher (11) Att 31282 Wind: Calm Pitch: Wet	0 : 3 DELIRIOUS BLUES (A - 0.7) Derfel 46 Vellsinger 47 Iluvlmb 49(p) bkd - Derfel (73)/ Gordon alles (61)/ Iluvlmb (29)/ Van nudnik (22) *Derby Game*
ELVET ST.BEDE Conway 15 Inj - Zlatko (5) Att 27249* Pitch: Good	1 : 1 TURNHAM DRAGONS (A - 0.7) Ana belen 75(og) bkd - Llanberis (14) Wind: Calm
PORT NOIR UTD Vorsprung 24 Littlejohn 43 Ballacks 62	3 : 0 ADMIRAL CITY (H - 1.5) Att 24974 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good
BUCKKEEP TOWN Att 17295 Wind: Calm Pitch: Hard	0 : 2 FOSSETT FARM FC (A - 0.9) Tuko 13 Bangor 30
NASL ALLSTARS Brussels 30 Wind: Calm	1 : 0 N.F.F.C (A - 0.1) Att 25543 Pitch: Good
CUTHBERTS CATS Sanders 5,44 Raducanu 11,70,72,86 Haddaway 36 Brown fox 57 Caramel 67	9 : 1 BURBAGE MOOR (H - 1.9) Elizabeth 70 Att 25416 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good



KICKABOUT RESULTS

Week Forty-seven

Re-arranged Matches

DIVISION 1

COMEDY GENUS FC 6 : 0 **MIDNIGHT HEROES** (H - 0.9)
 Connolly 3
 Gerlinger 7
 Fersen 24,68
 Santana 38(og)
 Ottawa 79
 Att 32670*
 Wind: Calm
 Pitch: Wet

DIVISION 2

GONDOR CITY 3 : 1 **ROXLEY FOXES** (H - 0.5)
 Alabama 51,68
 Puscas 59
 Wind: Calm
 Roskilde 18
 Att 46922
 Pitch: Good

DIVISION 3

BANKS ALLSTARS 0 : 9 **TOLPUDDLE** (A - 5)
 Att 22894
 Wind: Calm
 Pitch: Wet
 O'leary 2,13,33
 Jong-un 28
 Molotov 32
 Crawford 55
 Glasgow 57
 Jewson 64
 Turku merxc 78

DIVISION 4

BUCKKEEP TOWN 3 : 0 **N.F.F.C** (A - 1.1)
 Bergkamp 16
 Cruz 50
 Cavaco silva 64
 Att 21051
 Wind: Calm
 Pitch: Hard

Week Forty-eight

THE SHAKESPEARE CUP

FINAL

SCAYNES HILL 1 : 0 **WEXFORD WRAITHS** (H - 0.1)
 Benny 104
 Wind: Calm
 Att 65225
 Pitch: Good [AET]

THE SHAKESPEARE BOWL

FINAL

METROPOLE IF 1 : 0 **EXCALIBUR FC** (A - 0.5)
 Kamino 60(og)
 Wind: Calm
 Att 59451
 Pitch: Good

THE SHAKESPEARE TROPHY

FINAL

LIVERPOOL STARS 3 : 2 **CUTHBERTS CATS** (H - 0.7)
 Gillespie 21
 Kipruto 46
 Salvada 56
 Wind: Calm
 Ronaldo 65
 Sanders 76
 Att 33926
 Pitch: Hard

SHAKESPEARE FRIENDLIES

ERIDGE VALE 1 : 3 **TOLPUDDLE** (H - 0.1)
LIVERPOOL STARS 1 : 1 **EXCALIBUR FC** (H - 0.7)
REAL KICKAVEG 3 : 3 **GILLINGHAM FC** (-)
LAIZY TOWN 2 : 1 **WHITBY TOWN(NL)** (H - 0.9)
MIDNIGHT HEROES 1 : 2 **ROMULUS(NL)** (H - 1.1)
NASL ALLSTARS 0 : 2 **MET POLICE(NL)** (H - 0.7)
PORT NOIR UTD 0 : 2 **UXBRIDGE(NL)** (H - 0.1)
R.S.RAIDERS 1 : 0 **GONDOR CITY** (H - 1.5)
ROYAL ASTON 1 : 3 **TELFORD UTD(NL)** (-)
SCAYNES HILL 2 : 0 **ENFIELD(NL)** (H - 1.5)
REEBOK WANDERS 3 : 3 **WOKING(NL)** (H - 0.3)
CARSHALTON(NL) 0 : 2 **BURBAGE MOOR** (A - 1.3)

WEATHER FORECAST

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

EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS FOR NEXT SEASON

CHAMPIONS TROPHY

GILLINGHAM & SCAYNES HILL

CWC

WETSHILL & Laizy Town

SUPER CUP

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TABLES

SHAKESPEARE LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 GILLINGHAMFC	22	5	6	0	22	2	8	3	0	15	0	35	48
2 REEBOKWANDERS	22	7	2	2	17	5	5	6	0	11	3	20	44
3 SCAYNES HILL	22	4	5	2	12	7	7	2	2	12	4	13	40
4 INCIPIENTUTD	22	5	2	4	14	8	5	4	2	17	10	13	36
5 WEXFORDWRAITHS	22	3	6	2	10	4	5	4	2	14	5	15	34
6 METROPOLE IF	22	2	7	2	3	3	5	5	1	10	7	3	33
7 COMEDYGENUSFC	22	4	4	3	18	12	3	2	6	12	19	-1	27
8 R.S.RAIDERS	22	2	4	5	2	7	1	8	2	1	3	-7	21
9 LAIZY TOWN	22	3	2	6	11	13	3	1	7	5	17	-14	21
10 ROSINBORGFC	22	3	2	6	6	16	0	7	4	1	12	-21	18
11 MIDNIGHTHEROES	22	2	3	6	3	13	2	2	7	4	19	-25	17
12 FCGARVOCK	22	1	3	7	3	14	1	2	8	2	22	-31	11

SHAKESPEARE LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 WESTHILLAFC	22	7	3	1	22	6	8	3	0	19	1	34	51
2 EXCALIBURFC	22	7	2	2	27	10	7	3	1	24	5	36	47
3 SOUTH YORKS WAN	22	4	6	1	20	8	6	4	1	14	9	17	40
4 OSASUNA ORLATA	22	5	5	1	24	13	5	2	4	24	13	22	37
5 ROXLEYFOXES	22	6	4	1	37	15	3	3	5	25	31	16	34
6 ROYAL ASTON	22	4	3	4	8	6	4	5	2	16	10	8	32
7 GRIMTHORPEUTD	22	6	0	5	26	17	3	3	5	15	18	6	30
8 PETERSUTD	22	4	2	5	11	12	4	1	6	17	23	-7	27
9 GONDOR CITY	22	4	1	6	18	14	3	2	6	10	18	-4	24
10 ELSINORECASTLE	22	4	3	4	10	11	1	3	7	7	17	-11	21
11 A.S.WORG	22	3	2	6	10	24	2	1	8	11	27	-30	18
12 ALCATRAZ CASTLE	22	1	0	10	11	55	0	1	10	9	52	-87	4

SHAKESPEARE LEAGUE. DIVISION 3

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 ARTOFNOISEFC	22	7	3	1	17	2	10	1	0	25	5	35	55
2 REALKICKAVEG	22	9	1	1	23	6	5	3	3	22	9	30	46
3 ZULU WARRIORS	22	7	2	2	18	3	4	3	4	4	5	14	38
4 LIVERPOOLSTARS	22	7	2	2	23	8	3	4	4	10	8	17	36
5 SOLARISSAINTS	22	6	3	2	26	11	2	5	4	9	5	19	32
6 TOLPUDDLE	22	5	3	3	18	3	3	4	4	15	7	23	31
7 STEELCITY	22	4	3	4	16	12	4	4	3	11	9	6	31
8 ERIDGE VALE	22	4	1	6	17	12	3	4	4	12	11	6	26
9 AFC KARORI	22	4	4	3	9	8	3	1	7	6	20	-13	26
10 LEGION	22	3	5	3	4	7	2	1	8	4	21	-20	21
11 GALWAYLOFTUS	22	2	5	4	6	8	0	5	6	0	21	-23	16
12 BANKS ALLSTARS	22	0	3	8	0	40	0	0	11	2	56	-94	3

SHAKESPEARE LEAGUE. DIVISION 4

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 NASL ALLSTARS	22	8	3	0	28	5	3	5	3	14	11	26	41
2 TURNHAMDRAGONS	22	6	4	1	17	4	5	2	4	17	9	21	39
3 CUTHBERTS CATS	22	5	4	2	25	11	5	1	5	22	20	16	35
4 N.F.F.C	22	8	3	0	27	10	1	4	6	9	13	13	34
5 PORTNOIRUTD	22	6	4	1	15	3	2	6	3	10	11	11	34
6 BURBAGE MOOR	22	5	5	1	11	4	3	5	3	10	12	5	34
7 ELVET ST.BEDE	22	5	5	1	16	5	3	4	4	12	16	7	33
8 DELIRIOUSBLUES	22	4	4	3	6	5	3	5	3	6	7	0	30
9 FOSSETT FARM FC	22	3	6	2	8	9	3	4	4	7	9	-3	28
10 SOUTHPARK JNRS	22	1	5	5	2	11	0	6	5	2	15	-22	14
11 ADMIRALCITY	22	2	3	6	8	20	0	4	7	2	22	-32	13
- 12 BUCKKEEPTOWN	22	2	2	7	8	26	1	2	8	2	26	-42	13



KICKABOUT STATS

LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 1

1	BENNIKE	GILLINGHAM FC	17
2	GARICA	INCIPIENT UTD	14
3	CONNOLLY	COMEDY GENUS FC	13
4	SKALLAGRIMSSON	GILLINGHAM FC	12
5	AUSTIN	WEXFORD WRAITHS	12
6	SAMUELSEN	WEXFORD WRAITHS	12
7	BOAS PERI	SCAYNES HILL	9
8	HOGLI	WEXFORD WRAITHS	9

DIVISION 2

1	MAJOUR HAZARD	WESTHILL AFC	24
2	DERFEL	EXCALIBUR FC	20
3	SALADIN	ROXLEY FOXES	20
4	ALITALIA	OSASUNA ORLATA	15
5	BAGRATION	OSASUNA ORLATA	12
6	KESSIE	OSASUNA ORLATA	12
7	APUTIN	PETERS UTD	12
8	IAIN	OSASUNA ORLATA	11

DIVISION 3

1	QUIZCRANS	HOOPLARTOF NOISE FC	22
2	VANDEGRIFT	SOLARIS SAINTS	19
3	GILLESPIE	LIVERPOOL STARS	18
4	NACHT	SOLARIS SAINTS	15
5	KLAUS	ERIDGE VALE	12
6	RONIN	ZULU WARRIORS	11
7	HERCULE	ZULU WARRIORS	10
8	HANS	ARTOF NOISE FC	10

DIVISION 4

1	CARAMEL	CUTHBERTS CATS	16
2	RADUCANU	CUTHBERTS CATS	11
3	ZIP	NASL ALLSTARS	10
4	DE LESSEPS	N.F.F.C	9
5	CARSON	CUTHBERTS CATS	8
6	HADDAWAY	CUTHBERTS CATS	8
7	O'ROURKE	N.F.F.C	8
8	BRUXELLES	TURNHAM DRAGONS	8

THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :- KOMPANY [1] (REEBOK WANDERS) / VAN TRAPP [1] (WEXFORD WRAITHS) / SUKUR [1] (R.S.RAIDERS) / ZIPELLI [1] (GALWAY LOFTUS) /

MANAGERIAL RATINGS

DIVISION 1

Dennis Engslav - Midnight Heroes - 1

Simon Mcauley - Incipient Utd - 2

Adrian Williams - Gillingham Fc - 4

DIVISION 2

Steve Wright - Westhill Afc - 3

Wynne Phillips - Gondor City - 5

Dave Hails - Peters Utd - 7

DIVISION 3

Paul Sutton - Tolpuddle - 9

Dave Hails - Banks Allstars - 10

Gareth Ashcroft - Real Kickaveg - 11

DIVISION 4

Richard Barnsle - Burbage Moor - 15

Fingers - Cuthberts Cats - 23

Kevin Presland - N.F.F.C - 26

Since A Defeat

Gillingham Fc	39 games
Excalibur Fc	18 games
South Yorks Wan	16 games
Westhill Afc	15 games
Real Kickaveg	9 games
Reebok Wanders	8 games
Tolpuddle	8 games
Liverpool Stars	7 games

Since A Win

Banks Allstars	39 games
Alcatraz Castle	19 games
Admiral City	18 games
Fc Garvock	13 games
Southpark Jnrs	13 games
R.S.Raiders	7 games
Midnight Heroes	7 games
Elsinore Castle	7 games



KICKABOUT

AUCTION

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

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 playing will be banned for life and you will lose him

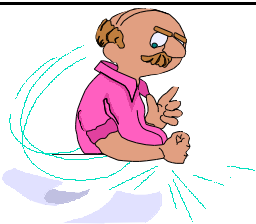
**The transfer deadline comes
into operation at the end of
Session thirteen**

IE NOW





KICKABOUT BITS



MARKING

From now onwards if you use last season's marking numbers then you will be found out AND if guilty the result of the game will either be reversed or decided against you.

MARKING INFO - Tim Dodge has put together a clever little program that allowss shomatch subscribers to gather all the international squads together each session so that you can use that info to get marking info. Shomatch/ teampick subscribers get a file sent out a file with all the int squads listed and this program pulls them all together. Makes it easier than ploughing through back newsletters, etc

The latest version now available at

<https://dodge.me.uk/markinfo.exe>

PLEASE NOTE THAT UNLESS YOU
SUBSCRIBE TO TEAMPICK/SHOMATCH
THEN YOUR TEAMSHEETS WILL ALWAYS
BE SENT OUT BY POST. EMAIL TURNS ARE
ONLY SENT TO TEAMPICK/ SHOMATCH
SUBSCRIBERS



KICKABOUT BITS

THE KICKABOUT COMMUNITY

EMAIL CHAT LIST -. To subscribe to the main list send a blank email to KA-kickabout+subscribe@groups.io.

For others you do the same except put the league, name with Ka- in front of +subscribe.

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 teampick maestro will change this

THE MUSINGS AND MEANDERINGS OF THE KA MIND

Seems not to have ever percolated the understanding of some out there, but if you only have ten men and a SBY, you do not have to play the SBY and qualify him. You can ask for a NL player. This has never been a 'rule' but long ago it was decided that this would be the case and you can 'save' your SBY.



KICKABOUT

MONEY

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.

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 use either email address for this

BULK PAYMENT OF TURN FEES - remember if you pay £63.75 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/fast leagues/veterans leagues or special offers monies!



KICKABOUT

FUN

FORTHCOMING KA WEEKENDS

We have four KA weekends planned for the future, taking to players recently it seems they might be very full, this is especially so with the Glasgow on next year, so you really need to get your names down if you are planning to attend any of these, to avoid disappointment. You don't need to send cash at present just get your name on the list

Spring 2025 Back To Norwich

Main house accomodation already booked for this

Tommo McTomface is first man in

**Geraldo, Jens, Seamus, Craig, Gareth, Nigel, Rob, Chris Moore, Wadders, Neil B & Adrian have all indicated that they are coming
dates 9th-11th of May**

Glasgow weekend dates 9th-12th October

Craig is first man in here

Gerard, Jens, Seamus, Gareth, Nigel, Rob, Cranners, Steadders, Neil B, Adrian & Colly all reckon that they will be coming along

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

Bo, Rob, Tim & Dennis are first men in

Craig, Gareth, Nigel, & Cranners have all said they will be there

October 2025 will be in the lovely city of Sheffield. Pete Condon has promised to make an appearance as, I am told, will Danny Smith and we wil all be able to shame Danny into returning to the fold

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

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KICKABOUT FUN

MANAGERS NEEDED

Got a couple of good teams free that might interest some of you out there.

Premier league is just coming to the end of another season. Hands on your own team with your own real life players, what fun. Got a couple of free teams, one of them very good indeed £30 credit to start you off both are ideal for those who have just one or two clubs to manage to bolster their stable??

VIRTUAL WEEKEND

We are hoping to run another virtual Kickabout weekend in 2025. tentatively the date is the weekend of the 22nd of February.

Cost for this extravaganza as always is £22.50 and will use Craig's new weekend set up and 16 team format (unless we are oversubscribed.

So have some fun during the dark nights of winter and get your name down.

Gerard, Scott, Wynne, Rob L, Gareth, Dag, Adria, Craig, Morten, Jens & bo have all said they will be aking part. Come on the rest of you sluggards



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KICKABOUT EUROS CHAMPIONS TROPHY

CHINTZ CHIANTI
Ozil turk 69
Wind: Brisk

1 : 0 STEELCITY HAWKS (A - 0.5)
Att 67673
Pitch: Good

DAKIN UNITED
Att 68070
Pitch: Hard

0 : 0 COMP CITY (A - 0.7)
Wind: Light
[AET]

COMP CITY WIN PENALTY SHOOTOUT 5 - 4

What a shock for the resurgent **Hawks** as they bow out against **Chintz**. Not much between the two sides in terms of chances to be honest, but the Chintzers did more with the ball when they had it, while Lawton's men passed it around but with little effect. First final for Mr Samson, better luck next time Craig

If this pair had have played all night I doubt either would score no matter how much they tried. not a shot on target during 120 minutes and eventually it went to the lottery of penalties before **Comp** went through, on their way to a second title in their history perhaps

CUP-WINNERS CUP

ICI BOLTON
Santa barbara 7
Att 64187
Wind: Brisk

1 : 1 GILLESPIE ROAD (H - 1.1)
Child 25
off - Jaaskelainen (85)
Pitch: Good

SOUTHLAND CITY
Att 36675*
Pitch: Muddy

0 : 0 DAGGERS FC (H - 1.3)
Wind: Light
[AET]

DAGGERS FC WIN PENALTY SHOOTOUT 4 - 3

Bolton made hard work of this. Always totally in command they got the goal early on but then allowed **Gillespie** to equalise to make it quite tense, though really they should have put it well beyond doubt

Another tense game that went to penalties but where **Southland** were held up by keeper SHAKY and their inability to break through. Penalties could have gone either way. Luckily for the home side they edged them

SUPER CUP

SCAYNES HILL
Law 31(og)
Att 65175
Pitch: Good

1 : 1 GESSLE WARRIORS (A - 0.1)
Turgut 2(og)
Wind: Light

This replay was decided by an own goal for either side. Litte in it and few chances to score but by courtesy of their own own goal **Gessle** went through on away goals

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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

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

as an example a DIV ONE 20/12 PS MF/A/D STAR would require a wage offer of **OVER** 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 **OVER** 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

so in the MF/A/D example a bid under 27K+ will be rejected, the DF/A minimum is 6.66K+

How to build a challenge side by Craig Lawton

Let's get right down to it. They are a challenge side because they are shit. More than likely it will be full of low to mid-level 20 somethings.

If you are lucky you may have a couple of million in the Bank but that won't be enough to turn things around in a couple of sessions. You need to be committed to be in this for the long haul.

? Have a plan. Base your coaching on getting 2 SPS per session. If you get a few more along the way as the season progresses then great either cash them or coach an extra youth player. Aim to coach your APP's & SBY's to level 12's by seasons end. Better to have 3 17/18 yr old level 12's than 5 level 8's.

? Clear out the 24-4's etc. to get them off the wage bill as they will be on relatively high wages. Either sell them to other managers at below NL price (you will still benefit vs selling to NL due to wages). If you can't get a buyer then hold on to them and run their contract down before selling to NL by session 13 - sales to NL go to half price after that.

? Play 2 APPS or a SBY every game unless you have a realistic chance of winning but try to win your derby games. Keep your MP's for derby games, matches against fellow strugglers and for (hopefully) a bit of a run in the Trophy.

? Build up your cash balance. Keep building this until you have at least circa £8m. Try to pick up bargains (below NL value) from the auction so you can then sell them on at a profit.

? Invest money in youth. Don't rely on this producing multiple MF specialists, unless your name is Morten. What you will hopefully get is a few FUT's which you can coach at 0.5 SP per level or sell for cash. This is a good way of increasing your teams' skill level quickly.

? Choose a category for the team and aim to get all the players of the same category (P, S or P/S). Having a power team is easier to build up quickly as there are more of them, there are plenty of 95 BW's around and are cheap to buy. However, longer term you will need to change the category of them team as power teams don't become super teams.

? If you have players that don't match your chosen category look to trade them for another player who is. It is rare your team will be full of P/S players so if you have any it may be best to move them on to build up your cash balance or trade for another player.

? Look to get a good quality GK and SW. You may not win many matches but two level 12's at the back could bring in some extra SP's through 0-0 draws.

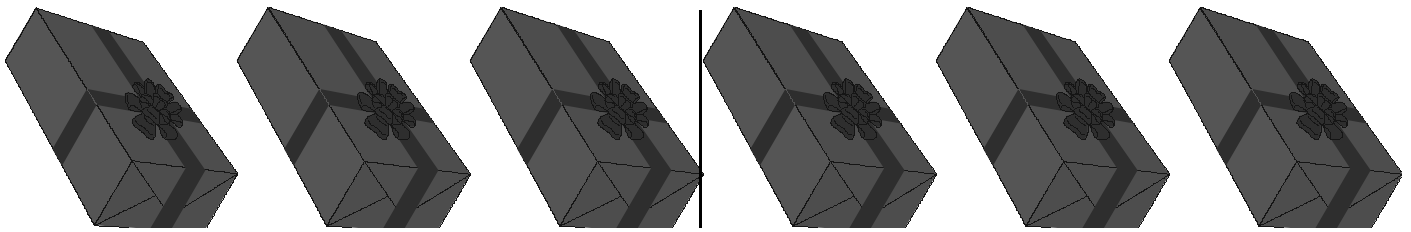
? Don't coach anyone over the age of 18 unless there is a really good reason to do so e.g. 23-10 MF specialist.

? You need a captain so you can afford one player over the age of 19 - hopefully your captain will star or get rejuvenated.

? Within 2 seasons you should have a team full of level 12's and a decent cash balance as a solid platform to start your ascent to being the next KA super team.

Good luck!





COMPETITION TIME

We know that what you kickabout players like is a good competition, the chance to win something which doesn't involve skill (unlike in Kickabout). So as the nights get darker and longer we have decided TO REPEAT last year's xmas competition to brighten up your dull and dreary lives

We have a competition about to run with far, far more prizes up for grabs. So how is this going to work you ask. Well, for every £30 you pay into the credit of any account (in fact or every \$30 you pay for any reason ? even Chris beer money ? you will get a ticket in a massive draw. A 100% chances to win something).

SO, what can you win? Well, Unfortunately, there will be some, 'tough titties Prizes, i.e. no win (25), but You will still win the joy of taking part

There are twenty prizes of double turn credit (any amount paid in)

There will be thirty prizes of between two and five turns credit

There will be one lifetime membership prize for one of your teams

There will be one prize of £100 free credit that can be spread around all your teams

There will be two prizes of 30 free turns

There will be two prizes of 20 free turns

There will be ten prizes of a new team in any league of your choosing with a Season free, plus every season there will be a chance (50%) of that team receiving another free season (until you get to a season where you have to pay, then it ends)

There will be five prizes of a free entry to a KA Weekend

Finally four mystery prizes that could be anything, a lifetime membership, a used pair of Cranners postie shoes, a bottle of lube recommended by Hattie, a pair of super ear plugs for use in KA weekends when Spud goes ballistic or Wadders does his Johnny Cash impression, or a copy of Adraans? latest snakes and ladder campaign, you just have to wait and see what and see!!!

So get in there before the big buck prizes disappear cos this competition only runs until all the postal leagues S16 are processed and sent out.

Oh nearly forgot. You have to claim your ticket when you send in the cash

