



THE CUP FINAL

IT'S NOT (LAISSEZ) FAIR

LAISSEZ-FAIRE (DIV 1) 1:2 (AET) PUTNEY CELTIC (DIV 2)

That was the words from **manager McAuley**, after loosing out twice in a week, as after his team lost out to **Skelmersdale** on the last day of the season, after a rather fortunate win for the now crowned champions, his team again lost out in the cup final. Both teams lined up in a 3-5-2, but while **manager McAuley** had sent two of his players out with the assignment of taking out **Jeorgie Bast** and **Chun Mad**, a task they performed to the full, **manager Overli** hadn't gone for any tactical tweaks. This did even out the match, as the marking did restrict the dominance from the magnificent midfield quintet of **Putney Celtic** to a large degree. With some more strength in the middle of the park for **Laissez** most of **Putney's** threat would have been neutralized, and their attack had enough to cause some trouble in the **Putney** defence. But when **Putney** already in the 2nd minute took the lead, as **Cruise** poked home the ball from a goal mouth scramble, following a corner, the **Fairies** were left chasing the game, and they still lacked that quality in front of goal. They did eventually get a just equaliser, in the 77th minute, when **Doonberg's** long range shot took a slight deflection, just enough to make the ball evade **Montreaux** in the **Putney** goal. Into extra time, and again it was **Laissez** that looked the better team, by the slightest of margins, but **Montreaux** looked like a man with a mission, and was not to get beaten again, pumped up by his managers team speech and some mushrooms brought over from the land of the Vikings. This proved to be the deciding factor, as while **Cajtoft** let in when **Crete** came alone towards the **Laizzes** goalie, the star forward looking cool as a cucumber as he sidestepped the goalie before slotting the ball into the empty net, down the other end the forwards looked scared when they approached the mad looking goalie in the **Putney** goal, not daring to close him down and thus ended up with nothing but long range shots. But a win is a win, and **manager Overli** will know that his team will not be taken lightly when next season start, as surely all managers in the top division recognise a title contender when they see one.

STATUS QUO

Laissez-Faire did what they had to do in their postponed match played in the week before the final day of the season, and got a deserved 4-0 at home to **Flamengo RJ**, to keep their title hopes alive. In the other match in midweek **Wycombe Falcons** also got the win they needed to keep alive their hope of a 3rd place finish. Thus the match at **Wycombe** and **Laissez-Faire** would decide 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, and for both **Wycombe** and **Laissez** anything but a win for **Wycombe** would leave them unable to catch up with the team ahead of them. **Wycombe**, in their 3-5-2, did employ some good marking, but so did **Skelmersdale**, and the visitors in their SW-2-5-2 did just shade it in the middle of the park, and just had enough to keep the top two of the hosts quiet. This meant that **Wycombe** had to try to build attacks all the way from the back, and thus they had a hard time getting any good openings, but in the end they managed to test **Aviougne** on five occasions, but on all five of them he was up to the task. Down the other end **Skelmersdale** didn't create a single chance from regular play, but as **manager Lawton** is not as much a fader as some seem to think, he has amassed some players with individual talent just for these kind of matches, and from such chances his team actually got to test **Andersen** more than their opponents tested **Aviougne**. Eight minutes after the half time break it was from one such chance we got the only goal of the match, as **Muldoon** did it all by himself, and 0-1 here meant the league went to **Skelmersdale**, while **Tudor Avenue** stay 3rd, despite loosing at **Laissez-Faire**.

End of season round-up div. 1:

Skelmersdale is not as frightening a team as they used to be, despite winning the league in the end, and will surely not be the bookies favourite for the title come next season. The age of the team is reasonably good, a lot better than for any of the teams of this writer (not saying much actually), but with a mix of power, skill and dual ability players, they do loose out a bit, although the skill tendency off course do help their individual skills. Not much money around, and a stadium that surely should be expanded, there is room for improvements. ***** **Laissez-Faire** end to season was dreadful, shooting themselves in the foot being to negative in their tactics too often, and lacking the killer instinct up front. As long as **Davos Lecherou** comes back on top fitness the team should be able to be near the top of the table, and the team do look strong all round, but still I think they must get even stronger if to be title challengers again next season. They also would do with some expansion to their ground, but have some money to spend, and probably some players to get rid off too. ***** **Tudor Avenue** ends in 3rd, a very good season indeed. The team is in a very strong financial position, and will need to spend some to perform anywhere close to this next season, and it might look bleak for them if the break leave them with unfit players in central positions. Some decisions to be made from the start when the squad comes back from summer break, and probably there will be some wheeling and dealing needed.



Wycombe Falcons really should have been in the top three, and as with **Tudor** there is cash to spend if/ when needed. The team will be worse off at the start of next season, that much is certain, but how much work the manager will have on his hands depends on the ageing, and will only be known when the team return from their summer holidays. The average age of this team is not too far off that of my teams, saying a lot. ***** **D.D.T.** have a lot of potential, but will they be able to fulfil it? This is a young team, and there is only one player **manager Condon** will be praying comes back unscathed, as that will be the decider of the ability of the team to get the success needed to build up the strength for even more success. The stadium is good, but nothing to spend, and next season can be anything from good to catastrophic, all depending. ***** In 6th we find **manager Samson** and his **St Johns**. The team has some money to spend, and does look like they will need it all and some to stay in the top half come next season. There are some youths, but the biggest players are all getting on a bit, and the manager do have a nailbiting time ahead of him, awaiting the return of the squad from their summer break.

Walton Rangers, and **manager Ashcroft**, look to me as they have everything under control squad wise, and they also have a healthy amount of money to spend, and looks to me as one of the teams that will climb higher in the table next season. Stadium could do with a lot of expansion though, as at present it is one not fit for a top division team. ***** **Manager Steadman** and his **Flamengos** have not had the best of seasons, and is all the way down in 8th. There will be some fitness issues at start of the coming season, but there is money to spend, and with a good start to the campaign the team might end higher up the table next time around. ***** **Dow Crag Rover** should be going places next season, and top three should be a possibility, especially if **manager Moller** open the purse strings, as he have the funds to get in some great players to fill the voids in the current squad. **Gronn** will be the driving force in the team despite his young age, and if they manage to sign a high quality captain there should be nothing holding them back.

Q of N and **manager Butler** will be hoping for a quick return to the top flight, and should be able to trim the squad at the start of next season, to add to their funds and cut the wage bill. To decide what way to go with regards to power or skill might also be a good thing. ***** **Faarevejle Utd** don't look as well posed as **Q of N** for a speedy return, but there is some money to spend, and if **manager Jorgensen** have some luck, the team won't be too far off the top three, but it might be time to take a season of rebuilding? ***** Bottom team **System Lords** need a steady hand, and despite finally taking their first point away from home in their last match of the season, this is a team that will suffer if they continue without a full time manager. There is some good players here, and a more than decent amount of cash available, and they should be able to stop the rot if someone come in to give them the attention needed.

STATUS QUO II

As in the 1st division it also ends without any changes in the top three in division two. **The Showboats** had to get three points in their final match of the season, while hoping that **Red Star** lost to the already crowned divisional champions, **Putney Celtic**. The result at **Red Star** went their way, as the hosts lost out to a single **Putney** goal at the stroke of half time, but they didn't manage to get a win in their own match. This despite them being well on top and creating more than enough chances to get the win they needed, at home to **Sporting Stars**, but somehow they only once managed to get the ball past the strong duo of **Boa Morte** and **Armstrong** at the back for **Sporting Stars**. Thus it ended 1-1, as **Sporting Stars** found no such problem with **Longshanks** fumbling one of the two shots he faced over the line. ***** Down at the bottom **Hatchend Heroes** could have escaped on the final day of the season, as with **Zion Gardens** being kept to a 1-1 draw at home to **Ameliehekeani**, a win for **Hatchend** at **Beruit** would see them climb above **Zion Gardens**. But, with **Milboorn** out suspended, they had to do with the untried **Palle** at the back, and boy did that hurt them in this match. Hatchend were well in control in all areas of the park, but some individual brilliance still gave the hosts some good openings, and from all three of them they managed to overcome **Palle**, and with **Hatchend** only able to get one back, they loose 1-3 to cement relegation.

End of season round-up div. 2:

Putney Celtic had already raised some eyebrows during the season, and the win in the cup final must surely have woken those not already paying attention to **manager Overli's** team. He has assembled a squad that look strong enough to get straight into the top three of division one, especially if aging goes well, but there will probably be some trimming of the squad needed, especially as that can clean off the overdraft of the team and in stead bring in some funds to use elsewhere. ***** **Ameliehekeani** should be able to stay up without any trouble, but their manager will have to spend if to make the team look like any kind of a title challenging side. The team have the foundation to build upon, but there is room for a lot of improvement. ***** **Red Star** managed to hold on to the last promotion spot, and **manager Hansford** should be able to keep his team up next season, but it won't be all easy I think. There is some money to spend, but probably not many changes needed to the team to keep them safe, but they do depend a lot on keeping it tight at the back, struggling a bit with their goal scoring, and some proven goal scorers would not hurt their chances of staying up.

The Showboats do usually not struggle with that part of the game, but this time around that did cost them promotion, as they really should have won with ease at home to **Sporting Stars**. But it might be a blessing in disguise, as the team would surely have been struggling in the 1st division. One more season in the 2nd will be much better in the long run, and with a fine mix of young players and some older players having



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signed on for another season, the team should be able to consolidate next season. ***** **Sporting Stars** need a new man at the helm, and if they do get one, the team should be one of the front runners next season, but if not.. There is some money to spend, and as with **The Showboats** there is a mix of young players and some older ones that have signed on for another season. ***** **Kirkwood Albion** end the season in 6th, and the team look very much like this is their level, not going to do much better if not strengthening, there is some money to spend for the right players, but on the other hand probably not dropping down too much if they don't.

Arsenal 1866 have a young squad, and with aging hopefully not setting the team too much back, they should be able to end next season in or close to the top three places. There is not much money to spend, and squad is thin, but as the next season goes on there will be room to bring in some squad players as backup. ***** 8th we find **Walsall Swifts**, under the management of **Paul Hudson**, and they should be able to have a much better season coming up than the current was, but there will be some fitness issues from the start, question is how serious they will be. ***** **Zion Gardens** survived, but only just, and now **manager Symonds'** team should be able to use next season to consolidate. With some luck they might end in the top half of the table.

Hatchend Heroes, and **manager Engslev**, should have been able to stay up, but **Ailsa** never really got going this season, and might be that relegation is what the team need. Should be one of the favourites for the division three title next season I think, and especially so if **Ailsa** can find back to his former fitness. ***** **Beruit FC** was the team sealing **Hatchend Heroes** faith, but this team will not fare as well as the former next season imho. Might not go straight through the division, but it will take some effort to keep them safe and not going straight to the 4th. ***** **Crosspit** end the season on a high, getting their first win away from home on the final day of the season, and there is some youngster giving them a foundation to build upon. The team probably won't be able to challenge for promotion next term, but should aim for mid-table safety.

STATUS QUO III

Rustin Diamond came into the last week of the season still hoping to gain promotion, as with a win at home to West London FC they would get ahead of their opponents. They lined up in a 3-5-2, as did their visitors, but while **manager Cranfield** had given two of his players the assignments to keep **Schultz** and **Rua** quiet, a job they did pretty well, **manager Allen** had seen no sense in any kind of marking, and miscalculated when he tried to employ the offside trap, as his opponents had by far the better midfield on display, and it was thus the visitors that profited from this. Manager Cranfield had really motivated his team for this one, being the last match of the season and a decider regarding promotion or not, and with his team also being a skilful side, it probably was not too surprisingly that their midfield

EURO QUALIFIERS FOR NEXT SEASON

Unfortunately the qualifying, criteria was wrong, despite it being corrected during the season the incorrect criteria kept re-appearing. So, CHAMPIONS TROPHY will see **Skelmersdale** representing the league.

CUP-WINNERS CUP will see **Laissez-fire & Putney Celtic** qualifying.

SUPER CUP will see **Tudor Avenue & Wycombe Falcons** qualifying

dominated this match, and in the end won it three goals to none. The result here leave us with the top three as it was, and in the bottom of the table there is no changes as well, but **Crimson's** relative good end to season continued, and they end three points short of the team in 9th, although with a much worse goal difference, so would have needed four points more to stay up.

End of season round-up div. 3:

Azalea Athletic have had a very good season under new management, and **manager Humphries** have a team that should be able to stay in the 2nd division, and if things go right, the team should be in a position to strengthen during next season. The stadium could really do with some expansion, and there is some cash to spend, and also room for some trimming of the squad, especially if someone to strengthen is brought in. ***** **Manager Cranfield** at **West London FC** have been able to get the most from his team this season, and with some youths ready to step up, and money to spend, I see no reason for the team to have problems staying up next turn. There is on the other hand also still some work to do before the team will be considered a promotion contender. ***** **Royal Spurs** take the last promotion spot, and if their main asset come back at top fitness, they look to be the team of the three promoted to most likely being a challenger for yet another race at the top of the table next season. There is also money to spend, and if **manager Petersen** have a good start, I think they will be able to get stronger and stronger as the season goes by.

Rustin Diamonds really should have been able to go up this season, and will surely not miss out next term? They should be able to start strong, and while there is limited funds for strengthening, there should be room for some changes to the squad as the season goes along. ***** **Bolton Tigers** might face problems when the team come back from their summer break, and some decisions to be made, as there will surely be some of their regulars that will need some work before being anywhere near the fitness needed. If they overcome this in a good way, then they probably should have no trouble staying up, but will need both good work and a slice of luck to end in the promotion race. ***** **Southdown FC** is a young team, with a few players giving the team what they need in experience, especially captain



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Morten Bo-Jens and the reliable **Alcudia**. Might be too much to hope for promotion, but they might get into the fringes of the race with the right choices.

Balderton FC is another team that have what it takes to finish in the middle of the table, or there about, but with too little on offer to end in the top three. There is money to spend, and with some luck and strengthening of the team, they might end the season better than the current. ***** **Manager Stevens** have a decent team in his **Barnet F.C.**, with a lot of youngsters making up most of the team, and with **Van der Vaart** the one to show direction. There is not much money, but at least in the black by some margin, and there is a decent sized stadium for a 3rd division side. ***** **Manager Napier** will hope **Freeman** stay on for at least another season, and if he does, that will be a boost to **Terra Firma's** chances of getting higher up the table. There is money to spend, and with some good activity in the transfer market, the team should be able to at least get up into the top half of the table. Some major changes will be needed to get into the top three though.

Crimson Dynamo will surely be able to build on their good form of late when next season kick off. **Manager Reid** have a youthful team and then some experienced players to add to that, and they should be able to start well and then keep on going. Not too much money to spend, but should be able to strengthen the team enough as the season goes by to end not too far off the top places, might even in the top three. ***** **Real Santiago** have not more going than just enough to compete with a non-league team. Some money to spend though, and with some decent activity in the transfer market there is still hope for the team, I think. ***** **Primal Paragons** have got a new man at the helm, in the experienced **Paul Butler**, and here he really have a BIG job at hand. The team do have some players to keep hold of, but not much money to spend, and there will be at least another season before the team might be able to turn the tide.

STATUS QUO IV

No changes at the top of the 4th, and in reality **Univ. Nanterre** had the title secured before the last match.

End of season round-up div. 4:

Univ. Nanterre will start next season as a outside bet for promotion, and with money to spend there is really no reason why **manager Ashcroft** should aim for anything less. The average age of the team is getting high, that must be a worry, as one can't always rely on the kindness of the gods and fairies, but at least for now it seems they should be ok. ***** **Lang Gah** will also start next season with the chance of having another good campaign, but **manager Hargraves** will have to stop trying to be even more carless than mr. Stevens with regards to his financials. As they have some players in excess of requirements they should be able to keep a good

team while clearing off their debts, and top half is the least the team should aim for. ***** **Sky Blue Fire** is just in the black financially, but should not be able to end next season anywhere close to the top two, as this team have more room for improvements, and should be pleased if they stay in the middle of the table.

With **manager McCrudden** having some money to spend, and the foundation of a team to build upon, the team should be able to end next season somewhere around where they ended the current, but will need some luck if to take the step up needed to gain promotion. ***** **Fatal Flops FC**, under the management of **Paul Hudson**, do have a fine mix of youths and experience, but not the funds to strengthen. They should still be able to end on the fringes of the promotion race at the very least, and with some luck might also get to follow their close rivals **Lang Gah** on the path upwards. ***** **Fenham Rovers** will wait and see how main man **Lee's** fitness is when he returns before they can set up a target for next season. If their captain come back fit, then they should be able to end top half, if not, there will probably be trouble ahead. There is some money to spend, and they have some youth, but there is a lot of room for improvement of the squad.

FC Barca have the money to spend, but also a rather thin squad. Their main asset will hopefully keep to his training program during the summer break, or he will probably be a lost cause. As long as he come back fit, next season could see **FC Barca** end in the top half, but they will need to spend to get into the top three. ***** **Tameside Celtic** have improved over the season, and should continue their progress during the next, and if **Romerez** continue to lead the way, the team should be safe bet for a top half finish, but will have to progress a lot to get into the top three. ***** **Armani Casuals** had a great start this season, but then faltered away. With **manager Read** taking charge during the season he's been able to build up some funds, and have what it takes in that regard, but the team it self doesn't look too impressing as of now, but some early season transfer activity, and the team might all of a sudden appear like an outside bet for promotion?

Newtown FC should be able to get off to a good start next season, but will need to get **Stern** more into the swing of things than this season if to keep going all the way. There is some money to spend, and also room for offloading of some players, and the team just might be able to end in the top half. ***** At **Ipswich Blues** there have been done a lot of axing of the squad already, not much in excess of a handful first team players have been retained here. This have managed **manager Barnsley** to build up the bank balance, and he surely will delve into the transfer market to get some value for that money at the start of the season. Dependent on how successful deals he manage to close, the team might be able to rise like a Phoenix? ***** **Luton Lions** can't do worse than they did in the current season, rock bottom of the league, but **manager Stevens** should be able to at least step a little bit



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higher next season. The team would benefit from choosing if to be all power or skill, as at the moment they have a mix of both, not getting the full benefits of neither.

THE BOWL FINAL

FALCONS CRASHING TO THE GROUND

UNIV: NANTERRE (DIV. 4) 2:1 WYCOMBE FALCONS (DIV. 1)

Top flight **Wycombe Falcons** came into this final as clear favourites, and **Univ. Nanterre** needed a miracle of biblical proportions if to get anything from the match most pundits agreed on. The **Falcons** lined up in their preferred 3-5-2, while **manager Ashcroft** went for the SW-2-5-2 formations, to keep it tight at the back and aim for a win on penalties. Both managers went for some marking, and both had one success and one failure in that regard, but all in all the **Falcons** gained slightly more from it than their opponents. Against the top two of **Univ. Nanterre** the offside tactics really had no impact on their opponents, while it meant that the **Falcons** lost some of their own attacking ability. The match was mainly played inside the **Univ. Nanterre** half, as the **Falcons** had much the better of play, but **manager Read** seemed to think his team was so much better that not even a little pep talk with his goalie was needed, and **Andersen** responded with being half at sleep on the two occasions **Univ. Nanterre** created something from their players individual brilliance. So after the **Falcons** took an early and deserved lead in the 17th minute, **Lapong** first equalised for the 4th division team, from their first chance, in the 28th minute. The big forward ran onto a wonderful through ball from **Versailles**, and with **Andersen** much too slow to react, **Lapong** easily rounded the goalie before slotting the ball into the empty net. Then, in the 78th minute, totally against the run of play, **Lazar** gave **Univ. Nanterre** the lead, as **Thomas** won the ball halfway inside his own half, dribbled his way past four opponents, before he sent the ball across to **Lazar**, who had come all the way up from the back, and **Lazar** showed his natural ability to score goals, as he took the ball on the volley and slotted it into the net close to the left post, with **Andersen** again much too slow to react, and not even getting close to saving. As much as they tried, the **Falcons** didn't even come close to equalising again, as the duo of **Sabor** and **Forlan** kept it tight at the back. Why **manager Read** didn't bother motivating his goalie is any ones guess, but it surely didn't pay off..

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ATHLETIC AZALEAS TRIUMPHANT

AZALEA ATHLETIC 3:1 KIRKWOOD ALBION

Top of the 3rd against mid-table in the 2nd, should be rather close, shouldn't it? Well it proved not to be, as it was **Azalea Athletic** in charge from the word go, and their 3-3-4 had full control of all areas of the pitch against the 3-4-3 of **Kirkwood Albions**. It didn't help the chances of **Kirkwood** that their manager hadn't seen fit to try any kind of marking, while manager Humphries on the other hand did, and Gaffer kept Valdo mostly isolated, and **Skaarn** totally kept **Benito** out of

proceedings. At the back for the **Albions** goalie **Seery** had a good match, as **manager Reid** at least had seen the sense in motivating his goalie, and the goalie was on his toes throughout, doing his best to keep his team in the match, but he could not perform miracles. **Schifo** broke the deadlock already in the 7th minute, but **Tiger Shaw** got the **Albions** back level in the 20th minute. This was against the run of play though, and it was deserved when **Schifo** once more found the back of the net, and half way through the 2nd half he was at it again, getting to take home the match ball, and securing his teams victory. Have to say that the marking was the game changer here, although the eventual winner probably being **Azalea** regardless, and the 3rd division champions showing they can do well in the 2nd.

MANAGER OF THE MONTH

DIVISION ONE: goes to manager Lawton of **Skelmersdale**, a last hurrah, or will they keep on going?

DIVISION TWO: goes to manager Overli of **Putney Celtic**, divisional title, winning the cup, top goal scorer and tightest defence, is this the team to beat in the top flight next season?

DIVISION THREE: goes to manager Humphries of **Azalea Athletic**, winning their division in the league and then adding the Trophy to their cabinet, not a bad season

DIVISION FOUR: goes to manager Ashcroft of **Univ. Nanterre**, divisional winners and then, although with some luck, beating a very good top flight team to lift the Bowl

THE GOLDEN BOOT

In the 1st division **Doonbeg** tries his best on the last days of the season, closing in on **Jeltzin**, and end just two goals shy of the **Falcons** striker, with 28 goals to 30 for the eventual winner. ***** **Cruise** cruise to the top scorer title in the 2nd division, seven goals ahead of team mate **Crete**. ***** **Quizcrab Hoopla** extend his lead in the 3rd division, and end four goals ahead of **Jibba Jabba**. ***** No goals for **Rooney** and **Drek** despite a good session for **Univ. Nanterre**, but as only team mates close in on them, it is **Rooney** that end top of the charts in the 4th division, with three of his team mates in the top five.

MEANEST DEFENCES

As **Wycombe Falcons** failed to get any goals at home to **Skelmersdale**, despite having the now crowned top scorer of the division and 2nd highest scorer in the league in their ranks, it is the champions that also claim the award for best defence. ***** **Putney Celtic** show how solid they are in both ends of the pitch, as they have the top two in the goal scorer chart and then also have joint tightest defence, together with **Red Star**. Bad luck for **Sporting Stars**, ending a single goal behind after their 1-1 at **The Showboats**. ***** No one close to **Royal Spurs** in the end in the 3rd division. ***** After **Lang Gah** won at **Sky Blue Fire** and with **FC Barca** loosing 1-3 at **Wath**, it is in the end two and three goals down for **Lang Gah** in the 4th.



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RESULTS

RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Warm

Week forty-six

DIVISION 1

FAAREVEJLE UTD Att 45909 Wind: Gale Pitch: Muddy	0 : 2 ST JOHNS (A - 0.3) Tresprint barne 40 Baa vale 45
Q OF N Att 50611 Wind: Light Pitch: Good	0 : 0 DOW CRAG ROVERS (H - 0.3) bkd - David herd (85)/ Soorenard (14) *Derby Game*

DOW CRAG ROVERS MISS PENALTY AFTER 90 MINS

LAISSEZ-FAIRE Doonbeg 45,49,69 Moiden 49,58 Att 59864* Pitch: Muddy	5 : 2 TUDOR AVENUE (H - 1.3) Gameiro 43 Hayleah 72 Wind: Gale
FLAMENGO RJ bkd - Nihani (55) Att 49000* Pitch: Good	0 : 1 WALTON RANGERS (H - 0.3) Lightning 1 Wind: Brisk
D.D.T. Att 45135 Pitch: Good	0 : 0 SYSTEM LORDS (H - 1.5) Wind: Brisk
WYCOMBE FALCONS Att 65375 Wind: Brisk	0 : 1 SKELMERSDALE (H - 0.7) Muldoon 53 Pitch: Good

DIVISION 2

THE SHOWBOATS Chung yong 13 Att 32106 Pitch: Muddy	1 : 1 SPORTING STARS (H - 0.3) Zeebrugge 6 Wind: Brisk
BERUIT FC Busceti 31 Scannabecchi 33 Venuti 34 Wind: Gale	3 : 1 HATCHEND HEROES (H - 0.1) Milki 55 bkd - Matilda (83) Att 25512 Pitch: Good
RED STAR Att 34209* Wind: Brisk	0 : 1 PUTNEY CELTIC (A - 1.3) Dempsey 45 Pitch: Good
WALSALL SWIFTS Att 32093 Wind: Brisk	0 : 1 CROSSPIT UTD (A - 0.3) Fox 6(og) Pitch: Hard
ARSENAL 1866 Att 45455* Pitch: Good	0 : 0 KIRKWOOD ALBION (A - 0.1) Wind: Brisk
ZION GARDENS Zamorov 9 Att 44797 Pitch: Muddy	1 : 1 AMELIEHEKEANI (H - 0.3) Curth 10 Wind: Brisk

DIVISION 3

SOUTHDOWN FC Morten bo-jens 87 Att 24721 Pitch: Wet	1 : 1 BARNET F.C. (H - 1.3) Van der vaart 8 Wind: Brisk
REAL SANTIAGO Att 26027 Wind: Gale Pitch: Muddy	0 : 2 CRIMSON DYNAMO (A - 1.5) Olesnica 48 Kreuzer 64

BALDERTON FC Att 29811* Pitch: Good	0 : 0 BOLTON TIGERS (H - 0.1) Wind: Light
TERRA FIRMA Att 30132 Wind: Brisk	0 : 1 AZALEA ATHLETIC (A - 0.9) Jibba jabba 69 Pitch: Good
ROYAL SPURS Carroll 16 Harvbakd 30,40 Ade 64 Haangeland 88	5 : 0 PRIMAL PARAGONS (H - 2.1) Att 31376 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Wet
RUSTIN DIAMONDS Att 38361 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Good	0 : 3 WEST LONDON FC (A - 0.7) Verus 4 Quizcran hoopla 8,65

RUSTIN DIAMONDS MISS PENALTY AFTER 43 MINS

DIVISION 4

SKY BLUE FIRE Inj - Stafford (3)/ Meantime (1) Att 34923 Wind: Brisk *Derby Game*	0 : 1 LANG GAH (A - 0.3) Centurian 29 bkd - Useless (59) Inj - Centurian (99) Pitch: Hard
ARMANI CASUALS bkd - Thompson (86) off - Frinsca (52) Att 25671 Pitch: Good	0 : 2 LUTON LIONS (A - 1.1) Kigali 84 Bayern 84 Wind: Brisk
UNIV. NANTERRE Lapong 35 Wind: Brisk	1 : 0 FENHAM ROVERS (H - 0.7) Att 21890 Pitch: Good
IPSWICH BLUES Att 24848 Pitch: Good	0 : 0 FATAL FLOPS FC (A - 1.5) Wind: Brisk
NEWTOWN FC Valdez 23 Leigge 54 Pitch: Good	2 : 0 TAMESIDE CELTIC (A - 0.1) Att 27346 Wind: Brisk
WATH DEARNESMEN Kela 4 Dragon 22 Meienburg 69 Pitch: Hard	3 : 1 FC BARCA (A - 0.3) Sheep 28 Att 24577 Wind: Brisk

Week forty-seven

DIVISION 1

RE-ARRANGED MATCHES

LAISSEZ-FAIRE Doonbeg 44,52,73 Spencer 75 Pitch: Good	4 : 0 FLAMENGO RJ (H - 0.9) Att 59864* Wind: Light
SYSTEM LORDS Att 37844 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Wet	0 : 6 WYCOMBE FALCONS (A - 1.7) Vostov 5,80 Voller 21 Jeltzin 30,51,70

Week forty-eight

THE DRAKE CUP

FINAL

LAISSEZ-FAIRE Doonbeg 77 Att 55268 Wind: Brisk	1 : 2 PUTNEY CELTIC (A - 0.3) Cruuse 2 Crete 111 Pitch: Good
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KICKABOUT RESULTS

THE DRAKE BOWL

FINAL

UNIV. NANTERRE 2 : 1 WYCOMBE FALCONS (A - 1.1)
 Lapong 28 Browning 17
 Lazar 78 Att 43598
 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Good

THE DRAKE TROPHY

FINAL

AZALEA ATHLETIC 3 : 1 KIRKWOOD ALBION (H - 0.9)
 Schifo 7,36,66 Tiger shaw 20
 off - Rejkuba (80) Inj - Valdo (1)
 Att 45093 Wind: Brisk
 Pitch: Good

DRAKE FRIENDLIES

AMELIEHEKEANI 0 : 0 CARSHALTON(NL) (A - 0.3)
 ARMANI CASUALS 2 : 4 KIRKWOOD ALBION (H - 0.1)
 PRIMAL PARAGONS 1 : 0 AZALEA ATHLETIC (A - 0.5)

Q OF N	3 : 0	SOUTHPORT(NL)	(H - 1.1)
SKELMERSDALE	5 : 1	THE SHOWBOATS	(H - 1.5)
D.D.T.	4 : 2	ALFRETON TOWN(NL)	(H - 1.5)
UNIV. NANTERRE	7 : 3	WALTON RANGERS	(H - 0.5)
HEDNESFORD (NL)	1 : 1	WATH DEARNESMEN	(A - 0.5)
TUDOR AVENUE	3 : 2	SUTTON UTD(NL)	(H - 2.3)
WEYMOUTH(NL)	1 : 2	HATCHEND HEROES	(H - 0.3)
PUTNEY CELTIC	1 : 1	MARGATE(NL)	(H - 1.3)
SOUTHDOWN FC	2 : 8	NEWTOWN FC	(A - 2.3)
SKY BLUE FIRE	0 : 5	STEVENAGE(NL)	(A - 3.1)
BOLTON TIGERS	2 : 2	RUNCORN(NL)	(H - 0.5)

bkd - Spence (58)

WEATHER FORECAST

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

Hi Darling,

I'm down the Pub with the Lads
 having a quiet drink.

Unfortunately, someone just
 coughed everywhere so we have
 been quarantined.

See you in 14 days



KICKABOUT

TABLES

DRAKE LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 SKELMERSDALE	22	9	1	1	21	3	7	2	2	16	6	28	51
2 LAISSEZ-FAIRE	22	9	1	1	31	7	6	2	3	25	6	43	48
3 TUDOR AVENUE	22	8	2	1	23	8	4	3	4	41	27	29	41
4 WYCOMBE FALCONS	22	7	2	2	22	7	5	2	4	24	15	24	40
5 ST JOHNS	22	7	2	2	18	16	4	3	4	8	11	-1	38
6 D.D.T.	22	7	2	2	18	3	3	5	3	10	9	16	37
7 WALTON RANGERS	22	5	5	1	19	7	4	2	5	11	9	14	34
8 FLAMENGORJ	22	4	5	2	24	12	4	1	6	13	20	5	30
9 DOW CRAG ROVERS	22	3	5	3	5	8	0	7	4	3	10	-10	21
10 QOFN	22	1	2	8	8	27	2	2	7	8	24	-35	13
11 FAAREVEJLE UTD	22	1	2	8	9	35	1	1	9	4	31	-53	9
12 SYSTEM LORDS	22	0	2	9	0	30	0	1	10	0	30	-60	3

DRAKE LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 PUTNEY CELTIC	22	8	2	1	35	5	6	5	0	15	2	43	49
2 AMELIEHEKEANI	22	6	3	2	18	7	7	1	3	24	15	20	43
3 RED STAR	22	8	1	2	13	4	3	7	1	7	3	13	41
4 THE SHOWBOATS	22	7	3	1	23	11	4	3	4	18	10	20	39
5 SPORTING STARS	22	3	6	2	4	3	6	2	3	11	5	7	35
6 KIRKWOOD ALBION	22	4	5	2	24	6	2	6	3	11	14	15	29
7 ARSENAL 1866	22	5	5	1	15	4	1	4	6	6	15	2	27
8 SILVA CITY	22	2	6	3	6	6	2	4	5	3	8	-5	22
9 ZION GARDENS	22	2	4	5	8	18	2	6	3	11	17	-16	22
10 HATCHEND HEROES	22	1	6	4	6	11	3	1	7	5	17	-17	19
11 BERUIT FC	22	3	2	6	13	21	1	2	8	5	30	-33	16
12 CROSSPIT UTD	22	2	0	9	5	22	1	2	8	2	34	-49	11

DRAKE LEAGUE. DIVISION 3

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 AZALEA ATHLETIC	22	9	2	0	36	8	7	1	3	24	12	40	51
2 WEST LONDON FC	22	8	1	2	28	15	8	0	3	28	13	28	49
3 ROYAL SPURS	22	8	3	0	19	3	6	3	2	24	6	34	48
4 RUSTIN DIAMONDS	22	5	5	1	15	6	8	0	3	19	9	19	44
5 BOLTON TIGERS	22	6	2	3	19	8	4	6	1	16	6	21	38
6 SOUTH DOWNF.C.	22	5	2	4	25	17	3	2	6	9	20	-3	28
7 BALDERTON FC	22	4	3	4	12	15	3	4	4	9	16	-10	28
8 BARNET F.C.	22	2	3	6	9	19	4	3	4	19	12	-3	24
9 TERRA FIRMA	22	2	5	4	12	10	1	7	3	2	8	-4	21
10 CRIMSON DYNAMO	22	2	2	7	12	31	2	4	5	9	18	-28	18
11 REAL SANTIAGO	22	1	2	8	3	11	0	3	8	1	18	-25	8
12 PRIMAL PARAGONS	22	1	3	7	1	22	0	0	11	5	53	-69	6

DRAKE LEAGUE. DIVISION 4

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 UNIV. NANTERRE	22	9	2	0	33	6	6	4	1	24	11	40	51
2 LANGGAH	22	8	2	1	29	5	6	4	1	10	5	29	48
3 SKY BLUE FIRE	22	6	2	3	11	5	6	3	2	20	7	19	41
4 WATH DEARNESMEN	22	7	1	3	26	13	2	6	3	7	9	11	34
5 FATAL FLOPS FC	22	4	4	3	15	11	2	7	2	6	6	4	29
6 FENHAM ROVERS	22	5	4	2	16	7	1	4	6	9	16	2	26
7 FC BARCA	22	5	5	1	8	2	0	5	6	1	11	-4	25
8 TAMESIDE CELTIC	22	4	5	2	13	6	1	2	8	5	19	-7	22



KICKABOUT STATS

LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 1

1	JELTZIN	WYCOMBE FALCONS	30
2	DOONBEG	LAISSEZ-FAIRE	28
3	NIHANI	FLAMENGO RJ	24
4	MULDOON	SKELMERSDALE	21
5	LAGUNITAS	LAISSEZ-FAIRE	16
6	KEMP	TUDOR AVENUE	15
7	COCU	TUDOR AVENUE	14
8	(J)BENSSON	SKELMERSDALE	13

DIVISION 2

1	CRUUSE	PUTNEY CELTIC	33
2	CRETE	PUTNEY CELTIC	26
3	CLARKE	AMELIEHEKEANI	13
4	CHUNG YONG	THE SHOWBOATS	11
5	VERASI	CROSSPIT UTD	10
6	JEORGIE BAST	PUTNEY CELTIC	9
7	IBRAHIMOVIC	RED STAR	9
8	ZA JACKZKOWSKI	AMELIEHEKEANI	9

DIVISION 3

1	QUIZCRAN	HOOP LAWEST LONDON FC	21	
2	JIBBA	JABBA	AZALEA ATHLETIC	17
3	MATTECH	ROYAL SPURS	14	
4	STROUTZ	WEST LONDON FC	14	
5	ANDERSON	BOLTON TIGERS	12	
6	PARIZ	BOLTON TIGERS	12	
7	ECKSTEIN	SOUTHDOWN FC	12	
8	HARVBAKD	ROYAL SPURS	11	

DIVISION 4

1	ROONEY	UNIV. NANTERRE	16
2	DREK	UNIV. NANTERRE	14
3	LAZAR	UNIV. NANTERRE	14
4	COUNT REVENTLOW	LANG GAH	13
5	LAPONG	UNIV. NANTERRE	13
6	DANSON	SKY BLUE FIRE	13
7	GAUL CRIXUS	LANG GAH	11
8	VALDEZ	NEWTOWN FC	9

Since A Home Win

System Lords	10 games
Terra Firma	6 games
Faarevejle Utd	5 games
Hatchend Heroes	5 games
Walsall Swifts	5 games
Zion Gardens	5 games

THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :- REJKUBA [1] (AZALEA ATHLETIC) / FRINSCA [8] (ARMANI CASUALS) /

MANAGERIAL RATINGS

DIVISION 1

S.Mcauley - Laissez-faire - 2

Paul Butler - Q Of N - 3

Ian Read - Wycombe Falcons - 4

DIVISION 2

Gerard Molloy - Ameliehekeani - 1

Paul Hansford - Red Star - 9

Jason Reid - Kirkwood Albion - 9

DIVISION 3

Ian Cranfield - West London Fc - 11

Niel Humphries - Azalea Athletic - 12

Hugo Allen - Rustin Diamonds - 20

DIVISION 4

Gareth Ashcroft - Univ. Nanterre - 16

David Hargraves - Lang Gah - 29

Kev + Jack - Tameside Celtic - 32

Since An Away Win

Primal Paragons	21 games
Crosspit Utd	16 games
Luton Lions	16 games
System Lords	15 games
Fc Barca	15 games
Beruit Fc	12 games



KICKABOUT

AUCTION

Remember the transfer deadline comes into operation at the end of session thirteen

IE NOW

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

AUCTION NOTES

From now onwards we would like you to always write, 'don't sell if he turns star in the messages to GM box EVEN IF HE IS A LEVEL TWELVE STAR, as well as ticking the relevant DON'T SELL box in teampick. NOTE THAT TICKING THE BOX IS THE MAIN DECISION-MAKER IN WHETHER A PLAYER IS SOLD OR NOT, the GM Message is just to help the GM as during the transfers we have no way of knowing whether a player has become level twelve in THAT SESSION.!

Also PLEASE DO NOT leave partially-completed transfers in your transfer section, i.e. leaving the team name or the player, etc., it is laziness on your part and might result in strange things happening to your team!!!

And you MUST spell the names of the players included in any deal correctly. If you don't then the program might refuse them and they don't go through, so be careful.

In future, you are allowed multiple conditional bids from which the program will attempt to purchase just one item. However, you are also allowed multiple Unconditional bids from which the program will attempt to purchase all. teampick users just have to use the relevant boxes in the program, those who don't use teampick must ensure they stick to these rules and make it clear on their turns just what they want to happen in their bidding process.

LSO, be careful when doing deals etc. The program works on team order, which can cause problems. Best idea is NOT to have 25 players in your squad at the start of a turn and do deals and sell to NL, cos if the manager you are doing a deal with has a lower team number than yours, the program will say you have no space in your squad, even though you are trying to sell players to the non-league. His orders will be processed before yours!!



KICKABOUT BITS

SOCIAL MEDIA

We have finally been dragged kicking and screaming into the 21st Century , pity all dinsoaurs aren't like that and have upped our presence on social media sites. Links to our pages will soon appear on the web-site, but in the meantime we can be foudn on

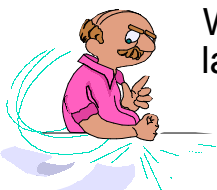
FACEBOOK - kickabout online

and Twitter

Online Kickabout

Via this I will now be keeping everybody in touch of what has happenned during the day and what leagues have been sent out plus other goodies

MARKING UPDATE



We have worked out a system to check on anybody who is using last season's marking numbers for the current season. Basically the program will save a list of all valid marking successes each session and if somebody cries foul, that he has been marked by somebody who hasn't scouted him, we can check and say yea or nay.

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

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
kickaboutonline.co.uk



KICKABOUT BITS

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 the 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.

KICKABOUT SERVICES

MAILING - rather than sending SELF-SEALING SSAE's, rather than getting charged a £1 postage when you neglect to send one in or if they don't arrive. Pay for all-season mailing and we provide the envelope, the stamp, and the sticky label as well. No sweat. A season costs £25.00 overseas, £15.00 UK, or pro rataish if started during the season.

ALL EMAIL - if you have shomatch/ teampick then you can elect not to have any hardcopies sent to you at all as everything can be done by email. Just let us know if you wish to do this in future. Handy for those abroad or in difficult postal areas. If you play in more than one league, and paid for all season mailing it's actually cheaper to buy shomatch and do it this way.

TEAMPICK/ SHOMATCH/ MARKINFO - all the info you need for these programs is at - www.Teampick.co.uk

NEW WEB-SITE is now up and running, www.Kickaboutonline.co.uk to see the goodies

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.

Latest version now available at

<https://cloud.invisibles.org/index.php/s/IRZTnvG4zmbNXBt>

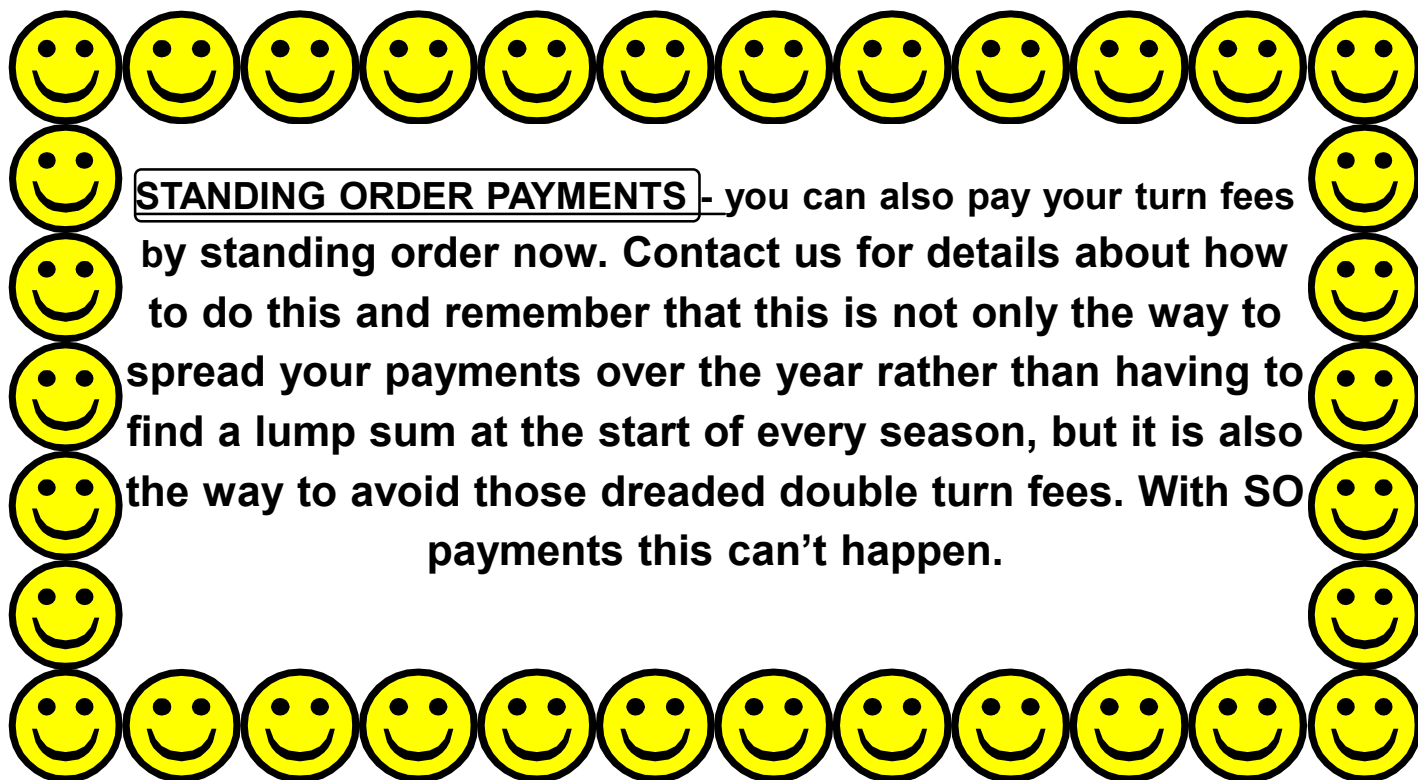
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TO TEAMPICK/SHOMATCH THEN YOUR
TEAMSHEETS WILL ALWAYS BE SENT OUT BY
POST. EMAIL TURNS ARE ONLY SENT TO
TEAMPICK/ SHOMATCH SUBSCRIBERS



KICKABOUT BITS

BULK PAYMENT OF TURN FEES -

remember if you pay £55.25 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 or special offers 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.



COMPETITION TIME

We know how you all love a competition and something for nothing so we are putting up another free lifetime membership for you to battle for.

Simple to enter. For every £25 that you pay to the credit of your account(s) you will receive one free ticket in a draw for the lifetime membership

This competition runs until all of the S16 postal leagues have had Session Sixteen processed. Can't be bad can it?

OCTOBER KICKABOUT WEEKEND

Yes another IKA weekend is planned, and a new venue and city. So from October 8th-11th this year we will be hitting the sin bins of Glasgow to try out Glaswegian hospitality

This has all been arranged by Craig Lawton who has worked his fingers to the bones to all rally round and don't let him down. The hotel has been fully renovated in the last few months and seem very welcoming

Craig tells me beer is much cheaper in the are and there are places to eat on Thursday evening, Friday and saturday the bright lights are only a taxi drive away The hotel is £60 per night, but not only do we get full breakfast but they also provide us with a cooked lunch on Friday and saturday which can't be bad.

Photos of the hotel will appear her in due course. To book your place you don't have to contact the hotel, just tell Craig who has all the bookings arranged. **(NB, if you want to attend then you stay at the hotel unless you are a local!)**

GO ON TAKE THE CHANCE THOSE WHO NEVER COME ALONG!

JUST £35 for a weekend of fun

Craig Lawton, Niel Humphries, Graeme Miller & Andy Baker are the first takers

Seamus, Jens Jensen, Morten Jensen, Chris Ballantyne, Danny Breznitz, Gareth Ashcoft , Rob Lewis ,Steven Reid, Ian Cranfield, Thomas Lawton,, Dennis Engslev, Colin Armstrong, Dave Craven, Dag Overli & Chris D have all indicated they are going to attend

NORWICH WEEKEND IN MAY 2021

Another KA weekend has been booked for 6th to 9th of May next year in Norwich.

SO why not put it in your diaries NOW, and make it a bumper weekend in a really good environment me hearties?

The Norwich Hotel is where the action takes place, book direct

Cost to us is a measly £35

First Takers Are Steve Thompson & Richard Pickup



KICKABOUT

EUROS

CHAMPIONS TROPHY Semi-finals

LICHFIELD TIGER Witkiewicz 94 Wind: Calm	1 : 0	EASTWOOD FOREST (A - 0.5) Att 65874 Pitch: Hard
MARTINO FC Att 67965 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good	0 : 2	COMP CITY (A - 0.9) Odessa 46 Hintor 89

Lichfield get the chance to defend their trophy. Could they be the first team since the mighty Lutterworth many years ago to defend the trophy. Comp will be out to stop them, into their third final and a really dominating victory over Martino suggest they might be able to stop the Tigers?

CUP-WINNERS CUP Semi-final 1st legs

KINGS TOWN RAN Januzaj 27 Aamodt 72 Zuma 83 Smith 86	4 : 1	GEOGRAPHIC FC (H - 1.3) Niemi 32 Att 54188 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good
SUTTON ROVERS Tomasz 33 Bugatti 44,83 bkd - San jose (48) Wind: Calm	3 : 2	BOLTON WANDS (H - 0.1) Kandinsky 20 O'regan 54 Att 68004 Pitch: Wet

Two goal-filled second legs here though Geographic never really had much chance and were perhaps punching above their weight to get this far as they battled hard but were eventually blown away. Little between the other two teams which the Wanderers perhaps might thing should have gone

Super Cup Semi-finals

RED STORM Att 48939 Wind: Calm Pitch: Wet	0 : 4	DEANE RANGERS (A - 0.5) Calzoghe 6,20,60 Azevedo 19 bkd - Edderton (88)
INCIPIENT UTD Warren 66 off - Pruff (53) Wind: Calm	1 : 0	LAIZY TOWN (H - 0.7) off - Barthez (8) Att 64038 Pitch: Hard

Not much goes right for Red Storm in their replay as a CALZOGHE hat-trick blows them away. Much closer in the other but a single goal finally gives Incipient a first ever Euro final

KICKABOUT MUSINGS

One of the subjects that always rises to the surface when Kickabout players gather to enjoy the company and talk about things is the wistful desire when the subject of the old brown paper envelope dropping through your letterbox. Those were the days the older ones amongst us claim, ripping open the brown paper box and page after page of printed sheets spilling out for your delectation.

Why should this nostalgia be so strong. Is it the fact that here is something that isn't a bill dropping through the letterbox. Is it an anally retentive scenario, like having a dump as the envelop hits the floor. How many of you as well sued to sit on the loo reading your turns, go on own up so all anal for sure.

On the other hand perhaps it relates to that moment away from everything, your own special moment with your team



KICKABOUT BITS

Ok, Crono virus is going to cut down on your social life, no going out for drinkies, clubbing, meals. You may be stuck at home for the rest of your lives. So what to do. Well KA is still here, and there are teams to be played, so get in and take on another team before you die of boredom or kill the wife!!

ROBSON LEAGUE - AJAX AMSTERDAM - fourth in division three though perhaps not good enough to go up. The basis is here for a good side to be built plus six mill in the bank to spend

GLADSTONE LEAGUE - FEELHAILA FC - A real challenge side, no money in the bank, bottom of the third, few prospects but they do have three stars to build next season's team around.

RAMSEY LEAGUE - CREWE ALEX - an old team, relegated to division three but almost five million in the bank to play with next season.

PRICE RISE

FIRST THE BAD NEWS

It has come to that time again when we have to assess the finances. Unfortunately the price has to go up. Been a long time at the current rate. So from next season the turn fee will be going up to £3.50

BUT HERE IS THE GOOD NEWS

Which means that you can buy as many turns at the old rate as you have the finances for and they will be honoured. Plus your existing credit will be upgraded to the new turn fee at the start of the season as well

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KICKABOUT

**NEW
SEASON**

TEAMPICK

Teampick is a program available for all PC owners who have windows on their machine. It allows you to manipulate your team on screen to look at differing formations and conditions. This automatically works out the factors which will affect your team, helps prevent errors, and all sorts of things into the bargain. It also prints out your team sheet, and you can then get the program to format an Email team sheet for submitting instead of the normal order sheets, if you so choose. The program also has an on-line rulebook, i.e., you can dial up the relevant section of the rulebook at the click of the mouse and read that part of the rules while selecting your team. If you can't remember how the weather affects things, when your captain moves onto an extra level, or the formulas that govern transfer negotiations and marking, well just ask the computer! Subscribers also get a .kik file which upgrades your team details every session as well making it even easier for you. Even better news is that the program is FREE to all players who sign up for Shomatch.

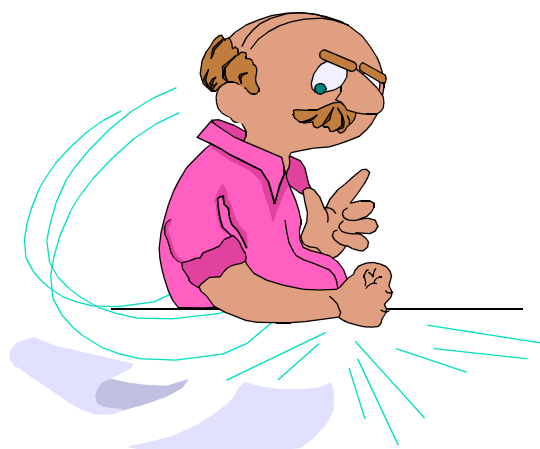
Finally, you'll find some other goodies that are useful to a keen player on the teampick web-site, while Paul has now released V1.17 for the new season which will allow you to use teampick for int/rep games and generate the proper teamsheets as a result for sending into us.

REMEMBER WE DO NOT ACCEPT TEAMPICK ORDERS PRODUCED BY ANYTHING OTHER THAN VERSION V.1.17 SO ENSURE YOU USE THIS OR THEY WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU.

ALSO if you are NOT a registered user please be aware that not every option on teampick will work 100% due to you needing the .kik files which are only sent to registered users.

So why not try:-

www.Teampick.co.uk and explore??



SHOMATCH

For those who don't already know Shomatch is our very own tele-printer in which you get the results, the newsletter and league tables on it, plus a minute by minute printout of the state of your game. Nail-biting to watch if you've got a particularly important game to play. Far better, and definitely more nerve-wracking than just tearing the newsletter open and seeing your fate decided in the flash of a micro-second. This is only available to those who have email players as everything is sent to you as an email which shomatch interprets and displays to you on your PC screen. But not only do you get the tele-printer printout and the league tables, but we send you a number of extra files which include the results, suspensions, Euro results, international results, rep results and the like. All of these can be displayed and watched as they tick through minute by minute as well. Thanks to the programming skills of Paul Sutton, shomatch now runs under windows, with pictures, sound effects and the like making it an even more gripping experience for the real masochists amongst you!!

If you are playing the game from abroad by Email, and who doesn't receive any hardcopy newsletters (mainly those who are playing from outside of continental Europe, MUST purchase shomatch as it is via this that we send your results, newsletters (in PDF format now), and the like. It's up to the rest of you whether you subscribe to this and get your results earlier than the hardcopy comes out. But for the overseas player it is a boon allowing them a little bit extra time to complete their orders - something that they were always moaning about in the past!

What is the cost then. Well you have to pay a single fee of £17.95 which covers a season of sign-ups for Shomatch. For this you get all the information above, and for this one fee you can request shomatch and related details for any league you want to. You aren't restricted to just the leagues you are playing in,. Euro contestants can watch their rivals and plan for when they meet them in this way. You'll see a box on your season start-up sheets which says sign me up for Shomatch. Tick this, enclose the cash and indicate which league you want to subscribe to and we'll do the rest. Remember it's a once-only £17.95 amount for all the



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Ok, attached to your printouts this session is your Start-up sheet for next season. This you have to send back to us with any monies or instructions you might have. Sooner you get it back sooner the new season can start.

Please send the start-up sheet on one sheet of paper (DAG/JOHN SAMSON!), please do not send the whole of your printouts back, or send the start-up with part of your orders (this usually happens with Email sets of orders!). The team name should be the first thing on the start-up papers you send back to us (makes it much easier for filing at our end!). And on one sheet, please don't put extra blank lines in your start up (some people do!0

Please also note that if you particularly want to be an international manager or particularly do not want to be one, please intimate this on your orders so we can give you or not give you what you want. If you don't you will be stuck with being an int manager, no arguments. Int managership gives you lots of advantages, extra MPS, cash, a super scout and knowledge of your opponents players plus the chance to experiment with different formations, who would not want this? So you have the opportunity NOW!

If you need to re-do a team for some reason then all you get is 100 levels + 100K, , please contact us before you re-do any team to talk about it.

Also, your subscription for Shomatch/Teampick will be taken from the first league that you receive a start-up for so please ensure you have enough to cover it

Remember you may only re-name your side if it is not a first division side and if you took them over during THIS season. Certain teams with a history who are now in the lower divisions cannot be re-named either.

Also, please DO NOT, say same as lasts season for nicknames (Paul STEVENS note), ground colours, put something in the box to save us from having to look up what your last decisions were. some of you might enjoy playing in asshole park, which is what we are likely to choose for you!!

Finally, get your start up sheet back soonest with any payment, then we can get the new season going, it is a pain having to chase people for things.

And good luck in the new season to you all

GREY MATTER TIME

COACHING – one of the main keys to improving your sides is the intelligent development of your team by the application of your SPS to raise the performance levels of your players. One thing to remember here is that you are always seeking a trade-off between future development and present playing strength. Only eleven players can actually play in your team at a time so all levels that players outside of the 1stXI have to their name are virtually useless when it comes to the actual ninety minutes. On the other hand, if you put all your levels into your 1stXI squad then come the future you'll have a weakening team through ageing. So you must look for a balance. Young players have to be brought on for the future – only the strongest and most successful teams can buy the new blood they need. Obviously you have to use the transfer market as well, but in general it's development from within that is going to strengthen your squad and defeat the ravages of ageing.

So, you must intelligently use your PS to bring on your players. Question is where do you put them. It's not use training a 21-7 – unless perhaps he's a UT or your side is in desperate need of players (perhaps you've taken over a poor challenge side where a 21-7 is a string player. SBY's & FUT's of the correct category and where you have a gap in the squad are the main priority as they improve far more rapidly than do others. APPS are next best, but that doesn't mean that you ignore your current players. Any STAR player MUST be trained if you have the SPS' because otherwise you might see him injured and thus losing that coveted start status (see below). Also it is only a level twelve player (of age 19+) that can go to become a star so in reality you need your level eleven players trained up to twelve ASAP, and younger lower level players also need to be pushed towards the magic level twelve level as well. You might not be able to get them there all at once but it should be an aim.

Remember that players gain experience with every game that they play, the more games the quicker will this experience level rise and therefore, it is sometimes a good idea, especially with younger players, to leave them at level ten or eleven and let them rise to twelve by experience gains. They aren't going to age as badly so rather than spending SPS to gain those extra couple of levels this is often an option, so you can use the SPS elsewhere..

One thing it is not really advisable to do is to train a level thirteen star. It is advisable to train a level twelve star as an injury can see him drop from 12 star to eleven non-star (for those who sometimes wonder at this an injury ALWAYS loses a player a performance level whatever!!!).SO always get a player who has become a star from twelve to thirteen to protect his status. After that it costs two SPS, and really that isn't efficient. He will rise via experience anyway so best to leave him alone.

Finally, a word on training specialist players. Remember that if your specialist player isn't going to be a star at end of season, or isn't going to gain some special bonus like best defender or top scorer, then he will age as per any player. This is an awful lot of PSS to throw away come end of season. So, make the decision early in the season about specialist players. Is he going to be any use next season, what is his worth to me this season (in terms of helping to win silverware), and plot his season's course accordingly. Every league is full of MF/A/D – MF/A – MF/D – MF/G's of 24-4 ilk come end of season, who have aged badly and who managers are trying to get rid of, but buying one cheap is a two-edge sword and it might be you who is selling the same player as a 25-3 come next season and lost a dozen or so PSS in the process.

It all comes down to planning and thinking about the needs of your team, of future growth balanced against current requirements. Certainly buy that FWT & WG combo that some kind manager is offering, but make sure that you know what you are getting into and that in the long run it is good for your team??

