

THE PREMIER LEAGUE

THE LONG & SLIDING ROAD

Matron say wearily in the pub on his own on Christmas Day; pint of Guinness in front of him, something of a tradition I've heard. He was waiting on a call from Brutus, he'd just popped out to pull up a couple of turnips for lunch apparently which was rather apt given their start to the season. Ring ring; "Matron, we're in the sh*t". Matron nodded as he supped on his pint; their only hope perhaps that there are a few others worse off (which there are!). Not **Sunderland** though, Fingers boys raced into a 3 - 0 lead and then sat back, allowing **Palace** a consolation.

Worse was to come, in the form of Seamus!!! Fresh from some Lego building and fiddling with some sort of banjo, the deliverance star saw his **Everton** put five past them. He was grinning ear to ear; "there's nothing like it, smashing Brutus (and Matron); but mostly Brutus, he who renegades on deals, I love it". The Toffees had lost their opener to **Leeds City**, close game but all in all a decent start said the report on Toffee TV! (Give me strength!).

Fellow newcomers **Walsall** and **QPR** both struggled, but unlike the brothers Grimm, they are not 'totally pointless' and surprisingly are joined down the bottom by **Glasgow Celtic**. After losing to champions **Leeds Utd** they were held by **Walsall**; not the best result for KP's side, but the home side more than held their own.

Elsewhere, pub trotting **Samson**, had to settle for two draws against **Sheff Wed** and **QPR**. He was more disappointed that Venison was off the menu at The White Hart Hotel, he was looking forward to that and in the end had to settle for an Uncle Sam's burger with a tiny alien creature known only as the Oli-garth.

Leeds Utd pick up maximum points but the chasers this time are **Sheffield Wednesday** and **Sunderland** with **Everton**, **Leeds City** and **Aston Villa** further back.



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Season 16
Session 1

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 LEEDS UTD	2	1	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	3	0	7	6
2 SHEFFIELD WED	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	4	4
3 SUNDERLAND	2	0	1	0	4	4	1	0	0	3	1	2	4
4 EVERTON	2	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	3
5 ASTON VILLA	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	-3	3
6 LEEDS CITY	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	-3	3
7 LUTON TOWN	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	4	0	2
8 LIVERPOOL	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
9 WALSALL2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	
10 Q.P.R.	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1	1
11 GLASGOW CELTIC	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	-3	1
12 CRYSTAL PALACE	2	0	0	1	1	3	0	0	1	0	5	-7	0

STOCK ON THE RISE BUT WHERE'S WALLY (I MEAN WADDS)

It certainly looks like **Chelsea** prefer Div 2 football; their flirtations with the topflight are over before you know it but it seems Mr Stocks has them in decent shape for a return. Ok fair enough, in **Tottenham** and **Wigan** they faced two sides that opted to play without a decent keeper so the jury is out, but looking at their squad they should be there or thereabouts. 12 goals a nice start though.

Forest manager Read will have been pleased to face **Tottenham** too and he also filled his Santa stocking with 7 goals which was a nice end to the week after holding **Aberdeen** 0 - 0. Craig didn't have a keeper for that one (bad acumen!) but should have won it and he'll have those strikers back out for some shooting practice no doubt, although DODDS has to come back in the squad next week, so hopefully he will show them how to score more easily than Morten just having to flutter his eyes in front of any tart.

For my young friend Colly at **Newcastle**, two draws kicked off his season and he won't be happy with that one jot I dare say. Should have been two wins based on chances created but it wasn't to be and they'll sit in 8th spot until they can try and put that right next week when he plans on giving Craig's **Aberdeen** a right good hiding!

It's all rather pointless for Wadders and **Arsenal** at present, I scanned the table looking to see if he was in the top 3 but had to scroll further down to find him. 2nd season in charge now, no excuses, the glory days should be here! But erm, it's all a bit of a struggle so far. A 1 - 0 home defeat to **Darlington** was followed by a 4 - 0 humbling by Lozza's **Brighton**; more work to do!

After just missing out last season it's a decent start for **Greenock Morten** and Wynne. A win and a draw here (should have been two wins) but they look solid and should have a decent season. Much the same for **West Ham Utd** too, a clinical 3 - 0 win at Wigan set them up for the trip to Newcastle but they held

on well there to secure an additional point.

TRANSFER TRAILS

One private deal worthy of note with attacking **Aberdeen** midfield **BLACK** moving to **Newcastle** along with £1m and young starlet **JOE LINTON** coming the other way. Gonna be a slow build this one and with no cash left to spend its fingers crossed that Craig gets the SPs he needs to bring him through quick enough. In the auction plenty of money being spent with QPR,

Wycombe, Leeds City and Aston Villa all paying over £1m for new staff.

MANAGER OF THE MONTH

DIVISION ONE: KP of Leeds Utd - the last (only) 100% record here!

DIVISION TWO: Stocks of Chelsea - Operation rebound in full flow!

REMEMBER

Remember that the 3X rule and need to have minimum of two players in a position rules are suspended in the PREMIER league but the max in an area is still five

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 CHELSEA	2	1	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	7	0	12	6
2 NOTTINGHAM FOR	2	1	0	0	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	6	4
3 WEST HAM UTD	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	4
4 WYCOMBE WANDS	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	4
5 GREENOCK MORTON	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	4
6 DARLINGTON	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	4
7 BRIGHTON	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	3
8 NEWCASTLE UTD	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
9 ABERDEEN	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	-2	1
10 ARSENAL	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	4	-5	0
11 WIGAN ATHLETIC	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	5	-8	0
12 TOTTENHAM	2	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	1	7	-13	0

RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Warm

Week One

DIVISION 1

ASTON VILLA Duran 7 Wind: Calm	1 : 0 Q.P.R. Att 40780 Pitch: Hard	(H - 0.5)
GLASGOW CELTIC bkd - Hart (46)/ Gary mcallister (57) Att 28824* Wind: Calm *Derby Game*	0 : 3 LEEDS UTD Harrison 50 Speed 58 Bamford 71 Pitch: Good	(A - 1.5)
LIVERPOOL Alan hansen 32 Att 38839* Pitch: Good	1 : 1 SHEFFIELD WED Puliscic 57 Wind: Calm	(A - 0.5)
CRYSTAL PALACE Archer 38 Att 30487 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good	1 : 3 SUNDERLAND Khazri 5 Caravanro 16 Dennis cirkin 19	(A - 1.3)

LUTON TOWN **0 : 0 WALSALL** **(H - 0.1)**
Att 41887
Pitch: Good
Wind: Calm

LEEDS CITY **1 : 0 EVERTON** **(H - 0.5)**
Norman hunter 18
Att 34485
Pitch: Good
Wind: Calm

DIVISION 2

ARSENAL Att 31990 Wind: Calm *Derby Game*	0 : 1 DARLINGTON Marcelle pi 60 Pitch: Good	(A - 1.1)
NEWCASTLE UTD Beardsley 80 Att 29253 Pitch: Wet	1 : 1 WYCOMBE WANDS Danny simpson 72 Wind: Calm	(H - 0.3)
GREENOCK MORTON John mcgovern 23,40 bkd - Alex storey (28) Pitch: Wet	2 : 0 BRIGHTON Att 27956 Wind: Calm	(H - 0.9)
TOTTENHAM Att 25738* Wind: Calm Pitch: Good	0 : 7 CHELSEA Power 3 N'golo kante 27,43,60 Saul niguez 29 Mason mount 73 Gupte 90	(A - 1.3)

WIGAN ATHLETIC
Att 27845
Wind: Calm
Pitch: Hard

0 : 3 WEST HAM UTD (A - 1.3)
Keita 11
Heslop 31
Hunter 54

ABERDEEN
Att 24053
Pitch: Wet

0 : 0 NOTTINGHAM FOR (A - 0.1)
Wind: Calm

Week Two

DIVISION 1

LEEDS UTD
Bamford 32,37,69
Speed 59
Pitch: Good

4 : 0 LEEDS CITY (H - 1.1)
Att 52977
Wind: Calm

SHEFFIELD WED
Nig worthington 16
Puliscic 40
John harkes 51
Dougie freedman 60

4 : 0 ASTON VILLA (H - 0.9)
Att 45739*
Wind: Calm
Pitch: Good

SUNDERLAND
Gary oliver 14,48,77
Niall quinn 68
Att 35756
Pitch: Wet

4 : 4 LUTON TOWN (A - 0.5)
Dougie bell 16,40,59
Leon hubert 71
Wind: Calm

WALSALL
Att 28957
Pitch: Good

0 : 0 GLASGOW CELTIC (A - 0.3)
Wind: Calm

EVERTON
Wilf zaha 12(og)
Mane 44
Yerry mina 45
Tarkowski 48
Dixie dean 78

5 : 0 CRYSTAL PALACE (H - 1.7)
Att 30078
Wind: Calm
Pitch: Hard

Q.P.R.
Att 27900
Pitch: Good

0 : 0 LIVERPOOL (A - 0.5)
Wind: Calm

DIVISION 2

WYCOMBE WANDS
Martinelli 19
Cole palmer 36
Pitch: Hard

2 : 0 ABERDEEN (A - 0.1)
Att 32992
Wind: Calm

BRIGHTON
Zeqiri 19
Lallana 26,90
Bruno saltor 37

4 : 0 ARSENAL (H - 1.5)
Att 27626
Wind: Calm
Pitch: Good

CHELSEA
Matty cash 3
Deco 12
Nkunku 38
Gupte 80
Saul niguez 89

5 : 0 WIGAN ATHLETIC (H - 2.9)
Att 35315
Wind: Calm
Pitch: Muddy

WEST HAM UTD
Att 28853
Pitch: Hard

0 : 0 NEWCASTLE UTD (A - 0.7)
Wind: Calm

NOTTINGHAM FOR
John robertson 25
James garner 52,55,62
Stan collymore 55,84
Cattermole 71

7 : 1 TOTTENHAM (H - 0.9)
Steve archibald 48
Att 21444
Wind: Calm
Pitch: Good

DARLINGTON
Att 27170
Pitch: Good

0 : 0 GREENOCK MORTON (A - 0.5)
Wind: Calm

Week Three

PREMIER FRIENDLIES

CRYSTAL PALACE
1 : 0 LEEDS CITY (A - 1.5)

NOTTINGHAM FOR
0 : 0 WYCOMBE WANDS (A - 0.5)

LIVERPOOL
0 : 1 WYCOMBE WANDS (A - 3.1)

EVERTON
6 : 0 NEWCASTLE UTD (H - 2.5)

LUTON TOWN
1 : 0 Q.P.R. (H - 0.7)

GLASGOW CELTIC
2 : 1 SHEFFIELD WED (A - 0.7)

TELFORD UTD(NL)
7 : 0 SUNDERLAND (H - 3.9)

TOTTENHAM
0 : 1 ENFIELD(NL) (A - 3.5)

LEEDS UTD
5 : 0 DARLINGTON (H - 4.3)

WOKING(NL)
5 : 0 ARSENAL (H - 4.1)

ASTON VILLA
1 : 0 CARSHALTON(NL) (A - 1.1)

BRIGHTON
8 : 0 ABERDEEN (H - 1.9)

SOUTHPORT(NL)
3 : 0 GREENOCK MORTON (H - 3.9)

ALFRETON TOWN(NL)
1 : 0 WIGAN ATHLETIC (H - 2.7)

HEDNESFORD (NL)
4 : 0 CHELSEA (H - 3.5)

SUTTON UTD(NL)
3 : 1 WEST HAM UTD (H - 2.5)

WALSALL
0 : 2 WEYMOUTH(NL) (A - 3.7)

WEATHER FORECAST

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

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

BITS N PIECES

LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 1

1	BAMFORD	LEEDS UTD	4
2	DOUGIE BELL	LUTON TOWN	3
3	GARY OLIVER	SUNDERLAND	3
4	SPEED	LEEDS UTD	2

DIVISION 2

1	JAMES GARNER	NOTTINGHAM FOR	3
2	N'GOLO KANTE	CHELSEA	3
3	STAN COLLYMORE	NOTTINGHAM FOR	2
4	GUPTA	CHELSEA	2
5	SAUL NIGUEZ	CHELSEA	2
6	LALLANA	BRIGHTON	2
7	JOHN MCGOVERN	GREENOCK MORTON	2

PRIVATE DEALS

GLASGOW CELTIC sold MATT CROSSLEY (23-5 DF) to WYCOMBE WANDS for 85K

ARSENAL sold TORREIRA (26-4 MF/D) {P/S} to EVERTON for 300K

LEEDS CITY sold GARY SPRAKE (18-2 GK) {SBY} to LUTON TOWN for 400K

ARSENAL sold JOHN LUKIC (24-3 FWT) to Q.P.R. for 25K

NEWCASTLE UTD sold JOHN MCMASTER (25-4 MF/A) to NOTTINGHAM FOR for 150K

NEWCASTLE UTD sold JOE LINTON (19-2 MF/A/D) to ABERDEEN for 1000K

ABERDEEN sold ERIC BLACK (20-7 MF/A) {P/S} to NEWCASTLE UTD for 0K

All deals completed successfully!

Since A Home Win

Tottenham	8 games
Aberdeen	7 games
Luton Town	6 games

THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :-

Season starting with a whimper

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - MPS

TOP

ASTON VILLA - 0

GLASGOW CELTIC - 0

LIVERPOOL - 0

BOTTOM

ARSENAL - 42

LUTON TOWN - 44

LEEDS CITY - 46

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - APPS

TOP

ASTON VILLA - 0

LEEDS UTD - 0

LIVERPOOL - 0

BOTTOM

WALSALL - 38

GLASGOW CELTIC - 38

ARSENAL - 46

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - YOUTH

TOP

CHELSEA - 0

NOTTINGHAM FOR - 1

WYCOMBE WANDS - 2

BOTTOM

CRYSTAL PALACE - 21

WALSALL - 22

SHEFFIELD WED - 23

**Your Newsletter-writer
is
Cranners**

AUCTION PAGE

AUCTION FOR SESSION TWO

NO	POS	GE/SK	CAT	TYPE	COMMENTS
1)	SW	24-10	S		riser
2)	SW	18-4	PS	APP	
3)	MF	22-8	P		(180 Captains Games)
4)	FW	18-5	S	SBY	
5)	UT	20-12	PS		RISER
6)	FW	17-5	P	SBY	
7)	WG	21-12	S	STAR CR 90	(BUKAYA SAKA - A man to frighten the opposition defences)
8)	STAND:5000				
9)	MF/D	25-4	S		-Jurvis of Wigan Athletic {RES 300k - 33% BW/ 71% CR}
10)	FW	20-8	P		-Jamie Donley of Tottenham {RES 340k - 95% BW/ 81% CR}
11)	FW	22-6	S		Will Grigg of Sunderland {RES 240k - 24% BW/ 95% CR}

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

AUCTION RESULTS

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POS	STATS	NAME	CLUB	FEE	NO	NHIGH
1) GK	24-8	ZYCH (POL)	(ASTON VILLA)	1234K	4	329K
2) DF	18-4	ALEXANDER	(LIVERPOOL)	699K	5	433K
3) WG99-99		4	(LEEDS CITY)	1216K	4	1020K
4) MF	22-6	KELLYMAN	(CHELSEA)	211K	4	119K
5) FW	18-3	SILVA (POR)	(NOTTINGHAM FOR)	847K	4	682K
6) UT	20-13	CASADEI	(CHELSEA)	511K	4	499K
7) FWS	17-7	BERYLY LUBALA	((WYCOMBE WANDS)	1433K	4	911K
8) DF	28-12	KOKI SAITO - AS	(Q.P.R.)	1911K	6	1239K
9) PP:3			(Q.P.R.)	333K	4	332K
10) WG99-99		PHYSIO DEPT	(ABERDEEN)	129K	3	59K

All players not shown were unsold.

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 temapick 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.

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

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

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

THE KICKABOUT COMMUNITY

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

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

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

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

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

kickaboutonline.co.uk



Premier Rules

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

TEAM DIFFERENCES:

- ? 3 times rule: not applicable to the Premier. No team re-arrangement by the GM if one area is more than 3 times that total of another area.
- ? Minimum number of players in an area is reduced from 2 to 1 eg: 5-4-1. However the 5 levels given for the formation is only valid for the same formations as all the other leagues. **THE MAX however is still five in an area**
- ? Youth scheme: there is an enhanced possibility of discovering someone special.
- ? Player naming: naming must be relevant to the team and the position.

AUCTIONS

- ? Reduced auctions. Only auctions are on sessions 1+2 and 8+9.
- ? The auction criteria is for no MF specialists to be listed. Though the occasional add /A or /D has been known.
- ? Auction player bids must be named relevant to their club and position.
- ? You must state the correct and real nationality of the player else the bid is void.

EUROPE:

- ? The top4 of the div1 go through to play in the Champions League
- ? Cup finalists go in the UEFA Cup. If one of the teams is already in the Champions league then the best runner up takes the spot.

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

- ? Bolton Wands Peter Brooks: due to the lack of specialists in this division older players with special attributes are best kept and coached up.
- ? Leeds Utd David Hargraves: Youth Youth Youth.
- ? Luton Town Paul Sutton: ignore Dave Hargraves advice.

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

FORTHCOMING KA WEEKENDS

We have three 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?**

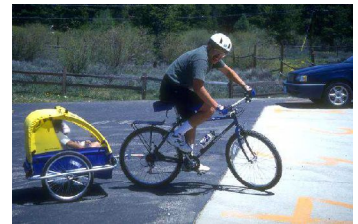
VIRTUAL WEEKEND

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

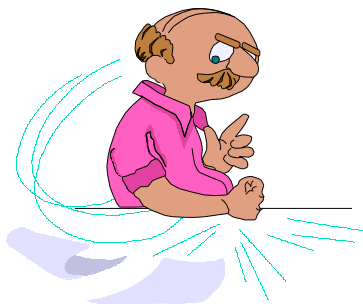
Cost for this extravaganza as always is £22.50 and will use Craig's new weekend set up and 16 team format (unless we are oversubscribed.

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

Gerard, Scott, Wynne, Rob L, Gareth, Dag, Adrian, Craig, Morten, Jens, Bo, Duncan Wells & KP have all said they will be taking part. Come on the rest of you sluggards



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.

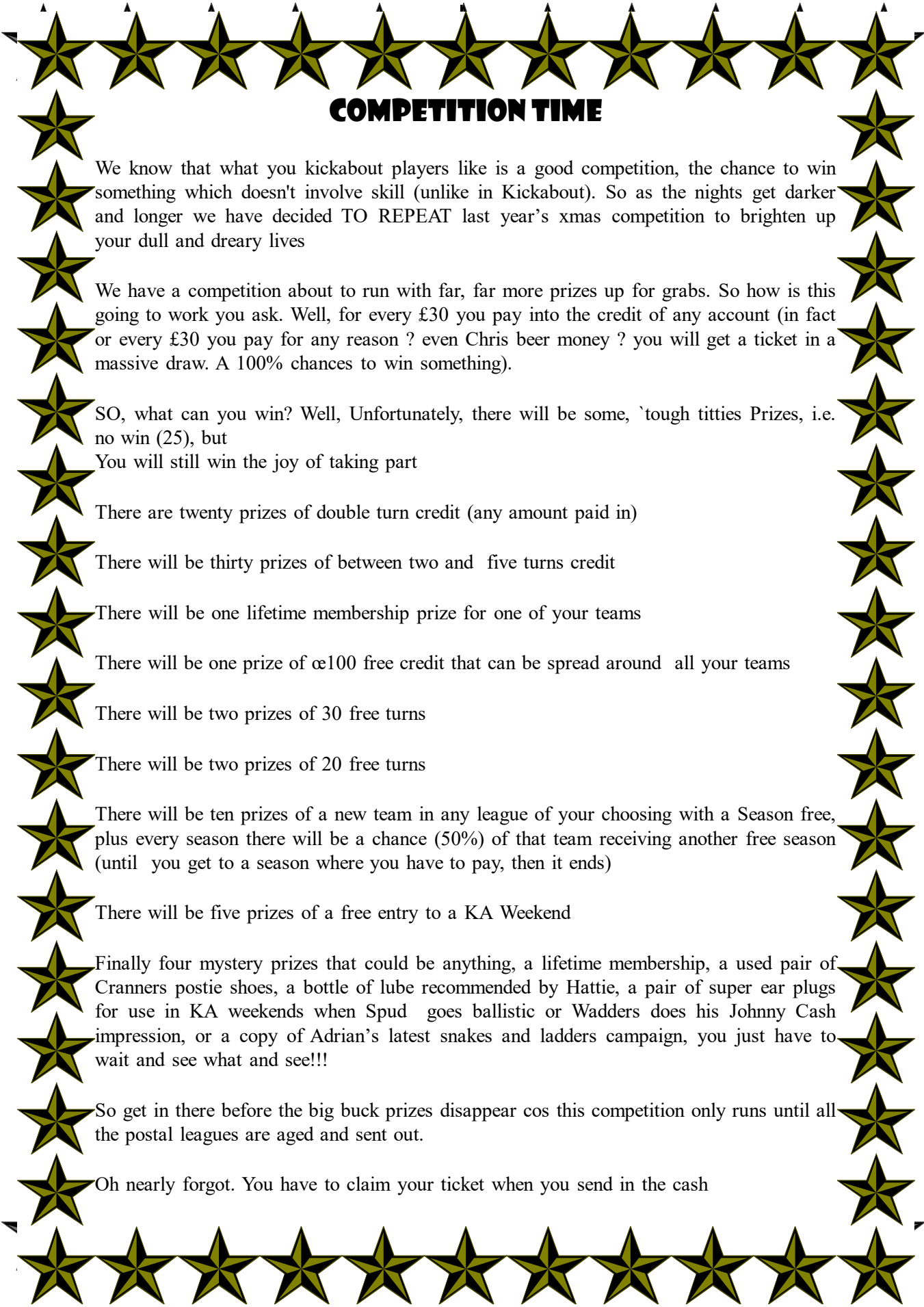
SOCIAL MEDIA

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

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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 Adrian's latest snakes and ladders 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 are aged and sent out.

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

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

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

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

The formula is as follows :

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

player level is obvious

P/S bonus increase the basic wage by 20%

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

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

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

We suggest that you always add 1K to your bids

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

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

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

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

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