

KICKABOUT

THE PREMIER LEAGUE

FLYING FINGERS

KP is back on top with **Leeds Utd** this week thanks only to a penalty from Bamford in their match against **Aston Villa** but a season ending, perhaps career ending injury to CLARKE has taken the smile of his face (if there ever was one!). They leapt back to top spot thanks to Seamus at **Everton**; who held **Sheffield Wednesday** to a 2 - 2 draw. The toffees ahead early on but needed DIXIE to get his 2nd to level it up late in the game. The home manager pretty pleased with that and looked good too; sporting his new Amish Beard and handing out local home-made honey to the crowd.

There are no slip ups from Fingers with **Sunderland** though. A 6 - 3 away win at **Glasgow Celtic** and he didn't have to injury any of KP's players to achieve that! 4 - 0 up withing 12 minutes, KP had been hit by a whirlwind. Away form is superb for the Mackem's so they've got to turn those home draws into wins now to keep this going. **Liverpool** do drop points however; held 1 - 1 by lowly **Crystal Palace**. All that country pub touring has worked a treat so far this season, giving Puffo time to think, but has that come to an end? Not sure which of the Shed Dwellers was managing this week but certainly a step in the right direction.

Down at the bottom, **QPR** take a whipping at home to **Walsall**. Missing a key defender yes but a crap display and Cranners needs to sort it out sharpish. That pushes Walsall into current safety and puts **Luton** into the drop zone after their loss to **Leeds City** (a bit like reality init!); and let's not overlook **Glasgow Celtic**; it's been a real drop for them given that Dumpster tipped them to do well. What's going on?

GUNNERS GO POP

It's been a crap season for **Arsenal** at the Emirates so far this year and Wadders was given a LESSON this week as **Wycombe** arrived, put three in the net and went home with the points. The Chairman and the Board were said to 'not be amused' and were considering replacing the manager with someone better. Iain Dowie and Remi Garde were muted as being improved versions of Walky-Stick Waddinghamham! Sort it out saaahn. A first away win for Wycombe here and into the top 3, looking good.

Leaders **Chelsea** drop points as Colly's **Newcastle** spoil the party, something that he is known to be very good at. Growling about aggressive goalkeepers, picking fights etc; never mind all that nonsense, that's 7 draws from 9 games now, he needs to find the winning formula and a few goals and pretty sharpish. The Geordie fans demand it!

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Season 16
Session 7

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 LEEDS UTD	9	3	1	0	9	0	3	1	1	6	1	14	20
2 SHEFFIELD WED	9	3	2	0	14	3	2	2	0	7	3	15	19
3 SUNDERLAND	9	1	3	0	6	5	4	0	1	14	8	7	18
4 LIVERPOOL	9	3	1	0	6	3	1	4	0	2	1	4	17
5 LEEDS CITY	9	2	2	0	4	0	2	1	2	6	7	3	15
6 ASTON VILLA	9	3	0	2	6	3	1	0	3	3	8	-2	12
7 EVERTON	9	3	1	1	10	3	0	1	3	1	7	1	11
8 WALSALL	9	1	2	2	1	4	1	1	2	3	3	-3	9
9 GLASGOW CELTIC	9	0	1	3	4	11	2	2	1	2	1	-6	9
10 LUTON TOWN	9	0	1	4	2	8	1	3	0	7	6	-5	7
11 Q.P.R.	9	0	2	3	0	7	1	1	2	3	3	-7	6
12 CRYSTAL PALACE	9	0	1	3	3	9	0	1	4	2	17	-21	2

Excellent win for **Nottingham Forest** at home to **Brighton** this week as 5th and 6th swap places in the table. Forest clinical here with a CATTERMOLE brace before WORRALL wrapped it up. Lozza still looking for his first away win but he ain't getting it at Forest who do score a few at home. Work to do for Mr Kiwi!

Finally **Darlington** do **West Ham Utd** with two late goals after a convincing display throughout. The home side looking strong at home and yet to lose this season; but he won't get any stars after beating the GM at his own game!

PREMIER CUP HIGHLIGHTS

Liverpool bounce back from the league slip with a 3 - 0 beating of Walsall. Huffo is a happy bear and is straight off to another pub though maybe the Cock Inn again; he seems to like that one! ***** Craigo Riser shows his

true form as he slays the garden dwelling lover boys with a mighty 1 - 0 thumping. Craig jumped straight back in the motor, heading to Norwich to try and retrieve 6 bottles of Peroni from a fridge. ***** Another lesson for Wadders, a 6 - 1 humbling from the Jack/KP partnership at Sheffield. It doesn't get much worse Wadds (unless you look in the mirror ofcourse!) ***** Disco Dave gets a late equaliser to spare his blushes at home to QPR. The shame of it?really? ***** Amish Seamy bags a couple as he spansks Lozza and Brighton out of the competition. He does like a spanking does Seamy (and Lozza, so Samson tells me) ***** A Cole Palmer strike gives Aston Villa the win over Glasgow. More troubles for KP here. ***** **SHOCK OF THE ROUND** Sunderland beat Leeds Utd again! 2 - 0 away from home as KP ponders a rebuild! Bit early I'd say but something not quite right here this season.

PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 CHELSEA	9	3	1	0	10	2	3	2	0	9	0	17	21
2 DARLINGTON	9	3	2	0	6	0	2	1	1	4	1	9	18
3 WYCOMBE WANDS	9	4	0	0	16	0	1	2	2	9	10	15	17
4 GREENOCK MORTON	9	1	2	1	2	3	3	2	0	10	1	8	16
5 NOTTINGHAM FOR	9	3	1	1	19	7	1	2	1	3	7	8	15
6 BRIGHTON	9	4	1	0	12	0	0	1	3	0	8	4	14
7 ABERDEEN	9	2	1	1	6	4	2	0	3	6	9	-1	13
8 NEWCASTLE UTD	9	0	4	0	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	1	10
9 TOTTENHAM	9	0	3	1	3	10	1	2	2	5	13	-15	8
10 WEST HAM UTD	9	1	1	3	6	7	1	0	3	3	7	-5	7
11 ARSENAL	9	0	0	5	3	11	1	1	2	4	8	-12	4
12 WIGAN ATHLETIC	9	1	0	4	1	11	0	0	4	1	20	-29	3

Quarter-final Draw

QPR or **Leeds City** vs Luton

Aberdeen vs **Sunderland**

Everton vs Aston Villa

Liverpool vs Sheffield Wednesday

Intriguing set of ties here, but I'm betting on Leeds City, Sunderland, Everton and Liverpool to go through. There's no way that ACCA is coming in though so who's going to spring a surprise?

EURO HIGHLIGHTS - 1st LEGS

It's payback time for KP as Leeds Utd finally end their hoodoo beating Sunderland 1 - 0. Sunderland would have preferred to be away from home I guess. ***** But, KP is back down with a bump as Glasgow Celtic lose 5 - 0 at home; worse still, it's against Disco Dave and no one wants to see that do they! ***** Darlington literally hold Frankfurt at bay for a 0 - 0 draw. Dirty Germans! ***** Greenock Morten though have no trouble, 3 - 0 winners and getting stronger all the time ***** Seamy Babes euro fun continues as they beat AC Madrid (must be the B Squad) 2 - 0 !!! The Moussey doesn't care though; "pour me a Madri and I'll sing you a song" he chuckles.

MANAGER OF THE MONTH

DIVISION ONE: Fingers of Sunderland - some very good wins this week. Can he maintain this form?

DIVISION TWO: Read of Nottingham Forest - moving up the table. Is there more to come

RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Freezing

Week Nineteen

DIVISION 1

ASTON VILLA Att 53570* Wind: Light Pitch: Muddy	0 : 1 LEEDS UTD Bamford 15(p) Inj - Clarke (99)	(H - 0.3)
GLASGOW CELTIC Gareth bale 43,66 Bracewell 45 Att 28797 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good	3 : 6 SUNDERLAND Niall quinn 8,48 Rogers 10,21 Khazri 11 Gary oliver 12	(H - 0.3)

CRYSTAL PALACE Wilf zaha 68 Att 30799 Pitch: Frozen	1 : 1 LIVERPOOL David batty 17 Wind: Calm	(A - 1.7)
EVERTON Dixie dean 20,86 Att 38187* Wind: Calm	2 : 2 SHEFFIELD WED Pulisic 46 Barry bannan 75 Pitch: Frozen	(A - 0.7)
LUTON TOWN Mpanzu 26 Att 51066 Wind: Calm	1 : 3 LEEDS CITY John mc'cole 1,64 David batty 70 Pitch: Frozen	(A - 0.5)
Q.P.R. Att 28162 Wind: Calm Pitch: Muddy	0 : 3 WALSALL Chesinka 2 Jamille matt 28,77	(A - 0.5)

DIVISION 2

ARSENAL Granit khaka 44 Att 30080 Wind: Calm Pitch: Frozen	1 : 3 WYCOMBE WANDS Cole palmer 41 Dave carroll 66 Lewis wing 74	(A - 0.7)
NEWCASTLE UTD Att 31804 Pitch: Frozen	0 : 0 CHELSEA Wind: Calm	(A - 0.5)
TOTTENHAM Att 25244 Pitch: Frozen	0 : 0 GREENOCK MORTON Wind: Calm	(A - 0.9)
NOTTINGHAM FOR Cattermole 24,53 Joe worrall 77 Pitch: Frozen	3 : 0 BRIGHTON Att 24852 Wind: Calm	(H - 0.1)
WIGAN ATHLETIC Att 25774 Wind: Calm	0 : 1 ABERDEEN Sasa ilic 18 Pitch: Muddy	(H - 0.7)
DARLINGTON Carl harris 82 Rhys armstrong 90 Pitch: Good	2 : 0 WEST HAM UTD Att 27934 Wind: Calm	(H - 1.7)

Week Twenty

THE PREMIER CUP

2ND ROUND

LIVERPOOL Nunez 28,43 Avi cohen 41 Pitch: Good	3 : 0 WALSALL Att 31549 Wind: Calm	(H - 1.3)
LUTON TOWN Brennan johnson 3,23 Tunncliffe 33 Bell 80 Pearson 89 Jimmy greenhoff 90 Inj - Joelinton (1)	6 : 0 SOUTHPORT(NL) bkd - Evesham (47)/ Jackson (71)/ Pethick (27) Att 40831 Wind: Calm Pitch: Frozen	(H - 2.9)
CRYSTAL PALACE Att 28933 Wind: Calm	0 : 1 ABERDEEN Sasa ilic 32 Pitch: Frozen	(H - 0.7)
SHEFFIELD WED Pulisic 1,28,78 Ian wright 7 John harkes 10 David ford 89	6 : 1 ARSENAL Granit khaka 39 Att 45739* Wind: Calm Pitch: Good	(H - 2.1)
LEEDS CITY Tommy burnden 90 Att 39374 Pitch: Frozen	1 : 1 Q.P.R. Norman hunter 3(og) Wind: Calm	(H - 0.9)
EVERTON Young 44 Santa 69 Wind: Light	2 : 0 BRIGHTON bkd - Undav (29) Att 31962 Pitch: Frozen	(H - 0.3)
ASTON VILLA Cole palmer 36 Wind: Calm	1 : 0 GLASGOW CELTIC Att 41531 Pitch: Wet	(H - 0.9)

LEEDS UTD **0 : 2 SUNDERLAND** **(H - 1.5)**
 Att 54073 Gary oliver 26,74
 Wind: Calm Pitch: Good

AC MADRID(NL) **1 : 2 EVERTON** **(H - 0.9)**
 Wilkinson 74 Dixie dean 25
 Att 20905 Santa 73
 Wind: Calm Pitch: Muddy

Week Twenty-one

THE PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

PARIS ST GERMAIN(NL) 0 : 0 BENFICA[NL] **(H - 0.7)**
 bkd - Watson (10) bkd - Zemekis (53)/
 Att 15250 Allen (34)/
 Wind: Light Evesham (52)/
 Pitch: Frozen Flinders (6)

REAL MADRID(NL) 0 : 1 INTER MILAN(NL) **(H - 0.3)**
 bkd - Derrins (19) Williams 64(p)
 Att 14808 off - Mackart (75)
 Wind: Calm Inj - Stewart (1)
 Pitch: Frozen

SUNDERLAND 0 : 1 LEEDS UTD **(A - 1.3)**
 Att 41160* Bamford 34
 Wind: Calm Pitch: Frozen

GLASGOW CELTIC 0 : 5 LEEDS CITY **(A - 0.3)**
 Att 28824* Tony doriga 3
 Wind: Light Norman hunter 64
 Pitch: Good Lualua 81,89(p),89

DARLINGTON 0 : 0 EINTRACHT FRANK(NL)(A - 1.1)
 Att 23426 bkd - Mansen (54)/
 Wind: Calm Mohammed (53)/
 Pitch: Good Jones (66)

CLIFTONVILLE(NL) 0 : 0 BESIKTAS(NL) **(-)**
 bkd - White (50) Inj - Corven (6)
 Att 15154 Wind: Calm
 Pitch: Frozen

GREENOCK MORTON 3 : 0 NEW SAINTS FC(NL) **(H - 2.3)**
 Robbie crawford 78 Att 24685
 Adrian heath 83 Wind: Calm
 Alex storey 88 Pitch: Frozen

FRIENDLY MATCHES

DARLINGTON 8 : 1 SHEFFIELD WED **(H - 4.9)**
EURO TEAM1(NL) 5 : 0 TOTTENHAM **(H - 2.9)**
NEWCASTLE UTD 0 : 5 EURO TEAM1(NL) **(A - 5.1)**
NOTTINGHAM FOR 0 : 8 WYCOMBE WANDS **(A - 2.7)**
CRYSTAL PALACE 0 : 5 WALSALL **(A - 2.7)**
Q.P.R. 0 : 7 EURO TEAM1(NL) **(A - 5.5)**
EURO TEAM1(NL) 3 : 0 LUTON TOWN **(H - 3.9)**
EURO TEAM1(NL) 0 : 0 GREENOCK MORTON **(H - 3.1)**
EURO TEAM1(NL) 0 : 1 BRIGHTON **(H - 0.3)**
EURO TEAM1(NL) 3 : 0 ARSENAL **(H - 3.7)**
ABERDEEN 1 : 2 CHELSEA **(A - 0.1)**
EURO TEAM1(NL) 0 : 0 ASTON VILLA **(H - 0.7)**
WIGAN ATHLETIC 1 : 1 EURO TEAM1(NL) **(A - 1.9)**
EURO TEAM1(NL) 4 : 2 WEST HAM UTD **(H - 2.5)**

WEATHER FORECAST
 Temperature next session: Cold
 Predicted wind speed next session: Brisk

**LEWIS IN
 DREAMLAND**



**Your Newsletter-writer
 is
 Cranners**

THE PREMEIR CUP

Quarter-finals

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QPR or **Leeds City** vs Luton

Aberdeen vs **Sunderland**

Everton vs Aston Villa

Liverpool vs Sheffield Wednesday

(To be played on session ten

with replays)

THE CHAMPIONS TROPHY

Quarter-finals

PSG v Benfica

Real Madrid v Inter Milan

Sunderland v Leeds Utd

Glasgow Celtic v Leeds City

EUFA CUP

Quarter-finals

Darlington v Eintracht Frankfurt

Cliftonville v Besiktas

Greenock Morton v New Saints FC

AC Madrid v Everton

(To be played on sessions 7 & 10)

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PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

Quarter-finals

Leeds Utd v Newcastle Utdv

Leeds City v Sheffield Wednesday

Luton Town v QPR

Everton v Brighton

(To be played on sessipn eight with replays)

BITS N PIECES

LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 1

1	DIXIE DEAN	EVERTON	12
2	LUALUA	LEEDS CITY	11
3	BAMFORD	LEEDS UTD	11
4	GARY OLIVER	SUNDERLAND	10
5	TOMMY BURNDEN	LEEDS CITY	9
6	NIALL QUINN	SUNDERLAND	8
7	PULISIC	SHEFFIELD WED	8
8	BRENNAN JOHNSON	LUTON TOWN	7

DIVISION 2

1	BERYLY LUBALA	WYCOMBE WANDS	10
2	BILLY DODDS	ABERDEEN	8
3	STAN COLLYMORE	NOTTINGHAM FOR	7
4	NKUNKU	CHELSEA	6
5	N'GOLO KANTE	CHELSEA	6
6	MARTINELLI	WYCOMBE WANDS	6
7	SASA ILIC	ABERDEEN	5
8	JAMES GARNER	NOTTINGHAM FOR	5

PRIVATE DEALS

EVERTON sold TOM DAVIES (24-13 MF/A) {STAR} to TOTTENHAM for 0K

TOTTENHAM sold GARY LINEKER (18-2 MF/A/D) {APP} to EVERTON for 0K

All deals completed successfully!

THE ROLE OF SHAME

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

ALL GOOD BOYS

Since A Draw

Wigan Athletic	11 games
Aston Villa	10 games
Aberdeen	8 games
West Ham Utd	7 games

Since A Home Win

Tottenham	11 games
Luton Town	10 games
Crystal Palace	6 games
Arsenal	6 games

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - SPs

TOP

EVERTON - 0

LEEDS CITY - 1

ABERDEEN - 1

BOTTOM

WEST HAM UTD - 20

BRIGHTON - 20

GLASGOW CELTIC - 20

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - PHYSIO POINTS

TOP

LEEDS CITY - 0

ASTON VILLA - 1

WALSALL - 1

BOTTOM

SUNDERLAND - 20

GLASGOW CELTIC - 20

LEEDS UTD - 20

MANAGERIAL RATINGS - CAPTAIN BONUS

TOP

GLASGOW CELTIC - 0

WALSALL - 0

LEEDS CITY - 2

BOTTOM

ABERDEEN - 21

CRYSTAL PALACE - 21

WIGAN ATHLETIC - 23

MANAGERIAL RATINGS

DIVISION 1

Dag Overli - Aston Villa - 1

Jack Smith - Sheffield Wed - 3

Paul Sutton - Luton Town - 4

DIVISION 2

Ian Read - Wycombe Wands - 2

Jack Smith - Darlington - 5

Craig Lawton - Aberdeen - 9

DIVISION 3

AUCTION PAGE

AUCTION RESULTS FOR SESSION SEVEN

AUCTION RESULTS

POS	STATS	NAME	CLUB	FEE	NO	NHIGH
2) MF	18-2	ROGERS	(WALSALL)	451K	1	449K
6) GK	25-12	RAY CLEMENCE	(ASTON VILLA)	833K	1	799K

All players not shown were unsold.

AUCTION FOR SESSION EIGHT

NO	POS	AGE/SKILL	CAT	TYPE	COMMENTS
1)	GK	17-3	-	sby	
2)	Sw	20-6	S	-	FAST RISER
3)	SW	19-7	P	-	150 capt games)
4)	DF	23-12	PS	STAR	-
5)	MF	18-0	S	SBY (9Quals)(BW85/CR88)	
6)	MF	28-13	P	STAR	RISER
7)	FW	18-6	PS	FUT	-
8)	FW	24-12	S	STAR	FADER
9)	UT	19-10	P	-	
10)	SUPERPHYSIO				
(Remeber to name the Nationality on bidding with the name)					
11)	FW	18-2	S	FUTPapa Gueye of Aberdeen	{RES 120k - 5 OOP - 24% BW/ 10% CR}
12)	FW	18-2	P/S	FUTJoao Pedro of Brighton	{RES 250k - 20% BW/ 20% CR}
13)	MF	18-2	S	SBYBukoski of Walsall	{RES 400k - 35% BW/ 53% CR}
14)	FW	20-9	P	-Archer of Crystal Palace	{RES 360k - 72% BW/ 95% CR}
15)	WG	18-2	P	APPNigel Clough of Nottingham For	{RES 150k - 10% BW/ 53% 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

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

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

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 then 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.

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Premier Rules

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

TEAM DIFFERENCES:

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

AUCTIONS

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

EUROPE:

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

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

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

.AND FINALLY?????????.In the first season all teams had the choice of creating their new team with either a MF/G, DF/A, FWT, FWS, WG or UT. All teams except 2 chose the MF/G. These MF/G's are now aged 24.

THE MUSINGS AND MEANDERINGS OF THE KA MIND

Something that seems to confuse some players is the Effort line on your match printouts. It doesn't necessarily mean that your opp has played aggression against you when it says something more than normal. MPS are added to Aggression points to work-out this description so not always has aggression been played

FORTHCOMING KA WEEKENDS

Glasgow weekend dates 9th-12th October

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

**WILLING TO EXPAND
THIS TO TWENTY
IF THERE ARE TAKERS?**

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, Seamus, Jens, Gerard & Wadders have all said they will be there**

October 2026 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

Firts men in are Gerard, Seamus, Jens & Wadders

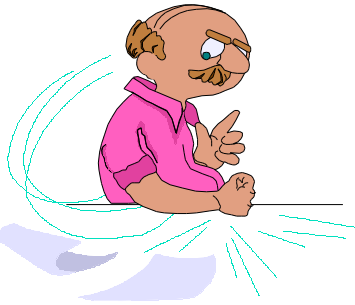
Kickabout will be forty years old in 2027, so perhaps somewhere special could be planned for then?

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The social secretary Mr Cranners has arranged a Beermile on Saturday March 22nd usual place usual clientele. Why not come along and join the happy throng?

KA becomes 40 years old in 2027, perhaps something special to be arranged?

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.

MANAGERS NEEDED

The **CLOUGH** has a challenge team free **Borders FC**. An ex Grim Miller side (nuff said), they have some cash in the bank, are a PS side, and perhaps should have had a better season than they had. Something for a new man to get their teeth into and sort out perhaps?

The **VULCANO** league has another real challenge side in **Red Star Loftus**. From the glory days of 2013 when they lifted the League Cup they have been on an irresistible downward slide which the former manager couldn't stop. Next season will be a rebuilding season, but they are a young side and have five mill in the bank to spend.

MORE EURO
GLORY
COMING FOR
THE
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CONTRACTS UPDATE

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

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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

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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+

NOTE THIS WELL ALSO

In the calculations above where it refers to WAGES, this also refers to wages + any experience the player as. This means that you are NOT ever sure about the calculation. Not that important for a normal player who does not have an * by his name, but where specialists are involved it can be important. So we suggest that when offering a contract to a player who is a specialist or has an * by his name, you add something extra to the calculation. I would say 5k is a good rule of thumb
