



THE USUAL SUSPECTS

So as we approach the halfway point of the season, it's old rivals **Steelcity** and **Catton** pulling away at the top as their nearest rivals fell away this week. **Steelcity** had no problem dispatching **The Mashers** 7-0 but **Catton** had a much trickier game against high flying **Buckley Town**. **Buckley** found their usual creativity blunted by **Catton** and an early penalty decision that went against them turned out to be the decisive moment in the game. With **Brutal Maniacs** also losing narrowly again to bogey team **Limetrees Park** (bloody Cranners!), the title race has narrowed down to just two teams. Elsewhere, the big news this week was the job swap between **Westminster Utd** and **Addington Palace** managers, Gareth Ashcroft and Paul Stevens. After tense negotiations carried out at the latest pubmeet, fallen giants **Addington** were able to tempt one of KA's elite managers to try and reverse their decade long decline, much to the **Palace** fans delight. The **Westminster** fans are apparently shell shocked but not as much as the club's bank manager, who reportedly turned very pale on hearing the news. At least Ashcroft signed off with a win, 4-1 over injury hit **Bristol Rovers**. What a job Ashcroft did here, taking them from bottom of division 4 to one of the best teams in the league. Hopefully Fingers can take them to the next level now, best of luck Paul.

SCANDINAVIA ON THE RISE

You can only beat what it is put in front of you and that is exactly what **Scandinavia** did this week, tonking poor old **Heigham Town** 6-0. Chris Moore is used to pain, he has a season ticket at Norwich for goodness sake but this season is turning out to be a disaster as they remain pointless after 10 games. Whisper it quietly but Seamus looks to be heading back to the top flight, who said he was washed up? (I think it was Rob Lewis). **Romsey** are also among the goals, putting seven past poor old **Perfect FC**. With their regular goalkeeper out injured, it was always going to be a tough day for **Perfect** but having no experienced back up available was unforgivable. Great credit to KP for turning **Romsey** around so quickly after last season's relegation, they sit just outside the promotion places now. The only other winners this week were **Rio FC** who won their relegation clash against **MM**

Marauders 1-0. It has been a difficult start to the season for Steadders, who was expecting much more from his team but this result moves them out of the bottom 3 and will hopefully be the catalyst to get them into the top half before too long. Bad day though for **MM Marauders** who replace **Rio** in the bottom 3. The other three games all finished goalless, come on lads, give me something to write about!

TOP TWO STALEMATE

The top two couldn't be separated this week as **Telford** and **The Red Devils** played out a disappointing 0-0 draw, KP definitely the happier of the two managers here. This allowed the chasing pack to make up some ground, with **Roxy** taking full advantage by sticking six past hapless **Hayling Rangers**, who look more and more likely to get relegated with every passing session. Colly's boys move into the promotion spots, what a job he is doing here. **Gee Cross** can only grab a point at **Van Boro**, Samson would have wanted a win here



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but Craig has got **Van Boro** a bit more organised now and they are no pushovers. **Farndon** win the all Paul Stevens clash 3-0 as they are far too good for struggling **Knotso Athletic** but they'll need a few more wins if they are aren't going to stay marooned in mid table. **Kickabouts** got their best win in a while as they won a five goal thriller away at **AC Carfin**, for whom keeper Thermador didn't cover himself in glory, perhaps an upgrade is needed here? **Athletico Didi** fired themselves out of the bottom 3, thrashing **Reale Hastings** 6-1. Didi's 3-2-5 formation took Hastings by surprise, if only they had employed an offside trap then things could have been a lot closer. Didi can surely climb the table if they carry on like this?

SCOTTIE MAKES HIS MARK

He may now be in his sixties but old man Rob Scott is still quietly doing the business. **Shoreham United** have always been pretty rubbish since they joined the Wellington many moons ago but something is stirring at last this season. Leaders **Gutter Press** strolled into **Shoreham**, wearing floral shirts and sunglasses, looking every inch the big boys of division 4 but left chastened, following a football lesson from Bak Dor Robbie. Two late goals were enough to grab the three points and afterwards Scottie said he has always modelled himself on Ipswich hero Bobby Robson and said how lucky the **Shoreham** fans were to have him as their manager! Well, that may or may not be true but they are well and truly in the promotion shake up now. If you are talking KA legends, look no further than Warwick Mansell at **Glencairn**. Going to fellow promotion contenders **Hawk Fields**, they gave poor old Butler's boys the runaround and smashed five goals past them

without reply. A real wake up call for **Hawk Fields** for sure but they remain in the top 3 for now. There was a shock home defeat for **The Wee Rovers** as they surprisingly lost to a penalty against **The Levellers**. This has to be Mark Napier's best result for a long time and they find themselves only 2 points behind the top 3 themselves, quite a battle developing here. **The Levellers** need to get some consistency now, something they haven't shown for a long time. Down at the bottom, **FC Hope** slipped to a poor 2-1 loss at **Everton Classics**, a game they really should have targeted for 3 points. They are kept off the bottom by the frankly dreadful **Roebuck FC**, who fell to a 2-0 home defeat to **Addington**. Paul Stevens signing off with a rare away win here but it has been a disappointing tenure for Fingers overall as **Addington** have slipped from one of the most feared teams in all of KA to fourth division stragglers under his stewardship. Great credit for never giving up on them though Paul and I have to say you never had much luck with them. Let's hope Gareth can bring back the glory days here soon.

UP FOR THE CUP

2nd round replay highlights (if any)

The battle of the big beasts concluded with **Catton** overcoming cup holders **Newark Athletic** by a single goal. Fittingly for these two masters of the dark arts, the winning goal came from a penalty. Thommo and Dag enjoyed a glass of wine after the game, their combined age being nearly 150, who says it's a young mans game? *** Timmy Timmy Dodge, Timmy Dodge, Timmy Timmy Dodge came the fans chant to the tune of Baby Give it Up as the injury wrecked **Estarcion** got their season back on track against the equally



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injury wrecked **Bristol Rovers**. And just for good measure, Rovers **Mothma** broke his (her?) leg to compound Read's pain. It never rains... *** **Gutter Press** pull off a fine win against higher division opposition in **Telford United**. I should probably have given Dave H manager of the month but he does win it quite a lot and he doesn't look as good in leather trousers as Rob Scott and he does support Leeds, so thens the breaks. Good win though Mr H! **Steelcity** power ever onwards like some sort of Terminator, crushing all who cross their path. **Buckley Town** are a very good side but didn't lay a glove on Craigy's boys as they fell to a 4-0 defeat. Every empire must fall eventually but it's not happening to **Steelcity** just yet!

BOWLING ALONG

2nd round highlights

Quarter-finals draw

Romsey Rovers v Westminster Utd

Shoreham Utd v West Cross Wand

.Hawk Fields v Roxy Allstars

The Wee Rovers v Scandinavia AS

THE LEAGUE CUP

Quarter finals 1st Leg Highlights

Probably game over already as another Carlos Stifez hat trick puts **Steelcity** in a dominant position against **Bilbao**, though that away goal just gives them a sniff next week *** Bit of a shock as **Gutter Press** grab a two goal lead at **Romsey**, a long way back for KP's men here, will he let the shackles off now? *** **Newark Athletic** grind their way to a strong position against **Estarcion**, no way back for Tim Dodge's boys here you would think *** No separating **Limetrees** and **The Mashers** just yet. Cranners the ex posh boy banker against beach bum Aussie larrikin Lozza Symonds. Who will come out on top in this clash of cultures?

TRANSFER TRAILS

Bristol Rovers bolster their defence with Florida Col, will he stay fit though? Not sure he will fit into Read's creative side, we will see. Lots of youngsters moving around in private deals but there was one notable final act (of sabotage?) from Paul Stevens as he signed up old codger Rooney to send Addington's bank manager apoplectic. Now nearly 1300k in debt, what was Fingers thinking here? And what does new manager Brutus make of it all? Gareth is going to have to work some serious magic here to sort this mess out! I think he may have the buyers remorse!

MANAGER OF THE MONTH

DIVISION ONE: goes to manager **Thommo** of **Catton Old Boys**, still on for the double, the crafty old goat.

DIVISION TWO: goes to manager **Seamy** of **Scandinavia**, goals galore, is that the top flight calling or just Wadders sending a Johnny Cash voicenote?

DIVISION THREE: goes to manager **Colly** of **Roxy**, it's a Belfast double so it is, get the tattie bread out.

DIVISION FOUR: goes to manager **Bak Dor Rob Scott** of **Shoreham Utd**, making his team as sexy as his leather trousers.

RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Cold

Week twenty-two

DIVISION 1

STEELCITY HAWKS Stewart 15 Harkes 16,25,40 Valcoraso 36 Carlos stifez 67 Santos 90	7 : 0 THE MASHERS (H - 2.3) Att 62127 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Frozen
FC TRENTSIDE Att 35587 Pitch: Frozen	0 : 0 NEWARK HARRIERS (A - 0.3) Wind: Light
CATTON OLD BOYS Lodgelane 4(p) Att 55555* Wind: Brisk	1 : 0 BUCKLEY TOWN (A - 0.3) bkd - Henry (2)/ Sgurr (88) Pitch: Good



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RESULTS

BILBAO ROCKS FC Neilito baddadi 36 Craig o'moaner 42 Davids 44	3 : 0	QUANTUM MECHS Att 48434 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Muddy	(H - 2.3)
LIMETREES PARK Marksimov 83 bkd - Bruges (70) Pitch: Frozen	1 : 0	BRUTAL MANIACS Att 51800* Wind: Brisk	(H - 0.1)
BRISTOL ROVERS Mothma 47 Att 50619 Wind: Brisk	1 : 4	WESTMINSTER UTD Mandela 21 Ben scargill 54,80,86 Pitch: Good	(A - 0.3)

DIVISION 2

NEWARK ATHLETIC Att 61237 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Frozen *Derby Game*	0 : 0	ULYSSES ANGELS bkd - Roach (55)/ Colmcille (74) off - Colmcille (84)	(A - 0.1)
HEIGHAM TOWN Att 27532 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Wet	0 : 6	SCANDINAVIA AS Mansellini 24,41,50,85 Baadudno 67 Putri 70	(A - 2.1)
SPROWSTON YOUTH Att 45321 Pitch: Frozen	0 : 0	ESTARCION FC Wind: Brisk	(A - 0.3)
VILLA RANGERS Att 28292 Pitch: Muddy	0 : 0	GREYMOUTH TOWN Wind: Gale	(A - 0.1)
MM MARAUDERS Att 36271 Wind: Brisk	0 : 1	RIO FC Oksana 77 Pitch: Muddy	(H - 0.1)
ROMSEY ROVERS Bonne 49,61,86,87 Vancouver 52 Mianini 81 Gay dan 90(og)	7 : 0	PERFECT FC Att 42110 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Wet	(H - 1.5)

DIVISION 3

KICKABOUTERS Tierny 14 Arthur 39 Wells 56 Wind: Light	3 : 2	AC CARFIN Tai kwan do 57 Dead metal 74 Att 25362 Pitch: Good	(H - 1)
ROXY ALLSTARS Mballa 10,67 Chris scannell 13 Krennic 37,51 O'boyle 44	6 : 0	HAYLING RANGERS Att 29589 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Frozen	(H - 1.3)
TELFORD UNITED Att 29919 Pitch: Muddy	0 : 0	THE RED DEVILS Wind: Brisk	(A - 0.5)
ATHLETICO DIDI Ilie 20 Salazar 22 Ramos 39 Zubizarreta 66,89 Morrisen 84	6 : 1	REALE HASTINGS Rogers 28 Att 31542 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Wet	(H - 0.3)
VAN-BORO Nobchenko 50 Att 33228 Pitch: Wet	1 : 1	GEE-CROSS FC Nezdeyav 51 Wind: Brisk	(A - 0.5)
FARNDON S.S.C. Daniel clambake 2 Janszoon 43 Bendter 86	3 : 0	KNOTSO ATHLETIC Att 25000* Wind: Brisk Pitch: Wet	(H - 0.5)

DIVISION 4

WEST CROSS WAND bkd - Trace (5) Wind: Brisk	0 : 0	GORGON CITY Att 25679 Pitch: Muddy	(A - 0.7)
SHOREHAM UNITED Eyal 84 Florea 90 Pitch: Good	2 : 0	GUTTER PRESS Att 30939 Wind: Brisk	(H - 0.3)
HAWK FIELDS Att 22680 Wind: Light Pitch: Muddy	0 : 5	GLENCAIRN FC Belfast 38,79 Frandsen 39 Gurdwara 48 La droit 55	(A - 0.1)
EVERTON CLASICS Conall 63 Chiang 87 Wind: Brisk	2 : 1	FC HOPE Bele 67 Att 27574 Pitch: Wet	(A - 0.1)
THE WEE ROVERS Att 28510 Wind: Brisk Pitch: Muddy	0 : 1	THE LEVELLERS Spudeyes ashcin 75(p) Inj - Mutu (1)	(H - 0.5)
ROEBUCK FC bkd - Leno (86) Att 25533 Wind: Brisk	0 : 2	ADDINGTON PLCE Roche 33 Messy 59 Pitch: Muddy	(A - 0.9)

Week twenty-three

THE WELLINGTON CUP

3rd round replays

CATTON OLD BOYS Lodgelane 22(p) off - Arakni (37) Pitch: Muddy	1 : 0	NEWARK ATHLETIC Att 55555* Wind: Light	(A - 0.1)
BRISTOL ROVERS Rouen 48 Inj - Mothma (99) Att 60852 Pitch: Good	1 : 2	ESTARCION FC Artemis 12 Pietersen 40 Wind: Brisk	(A - 0.3)
GUTTER PRESS Gaza 74 Wind: Brisk	1 : 0	TELFORD UNITED Att 32036 Pitch: Muddy	(H - 0.3)
STEELCITY HAWKS Carlos stifez 4,85(p) Harkes 13,16 Pitch: Muddy	4 : 0	BUCKLEY TOWN Att 61380 Wind: Brisk	(H - 1.1)

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2nd round

HASTINGS UTD(NL) bkd - Stewart (19) Att 16539 Pitch: Wet	0 : 1	HAWK FIELDS Cruz 58 Wind: Brisk	(A - 1.9)
ADDINGTON PLCE off - Stone (89) Att 32760 Wind: Light	0 : 2	ROMSEY ROVERS Vancouver 5 McCoist 87 Pitch: Frozen	(A - 1.1)
THE LEVELLERS Att 28213 Wind: Light	0 : 1	WESTMINSTER UTD Walesa 32 Pitch: Frozen	(A - 0.9)
WEST CROSS WAND Trace 4 Welde 28 Pitch: Muddy	2 : 0	GEE-CROSS FC Att 35276 Wind: Brisk	(A - 0.9)

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ATHLETICO DIDI 0 : 4 **SHOREHAM UNITED** (A - 0.3)
 Att 29891
 Wind: Brisk
 Pitch: Frozen

FC HOPE 0 : 5 **SCANDINAVIA AS** (A - 0.7)
 Att 30483
 Wind: Brisk
 Pitch: Muddy

KNOTSO ATHLETIC 1 : 5 **THE WEE ROVERS** (A - 0.3)
 Isolation 37
 Att 28054
 Wind: Brisk
 Pitch: Wet

ROXY ALLSTARS 3 : 0 **EVERTON CLASICS** (H - 1.7)
 Wolfswinkel 1
 Maldonado 39
 Mballa 85

Week twenty-four

THE WELLINGTON LEAGUE CUP

Quarter-final 1st legs

STEELCITY HAWKS 3 : 1 **BILBAO ROCKS FC** (H - 0.5)
 Carlos stifez 30,57,68
 off - Innis (57)
 Att 74570
 Pitch: Good

ROMSEY ROVERS 0 : 2 **GUTTER PRESS** (A - 0.1)
 Att 41866
 Wind: Gale

NEWARK ATHLETIC 2 : 0 **ESTARCION FC** (H - 0.7)
 Ricci 27
 Diego 72
 Pitch: Muddy

LIMETREES PARK 0 : 0 **THE MASHERS** (H - 0.5)
 Att 51800*
 Pitch: Frozen

WELLINGTON FRIENDLIES

ENFIELD(NL) 5 : 0 **AC CARFIN** (H - 2.7)
ADDINGTON PLCE 3 : 5 **WOKING(NL)** (A - 3.3)
ATHLETICO DIDI 1 : 5 **VILLA RANGERS** (A - 2.7)
BILBAO ROCKS FC 1 : 4 **TELFORD UNITED** (H - 0.7)
BRISTOL ROVERS 3 : 2 **MM MARAUDERS** (H - 0.9)
BUCKLEY TOWN 5 : 3 **BRUTAL MANIACS** (H - 1.9)
PERFECT FC 1 : 1 **EVERTON CLASICS** (A - 0.1)
FARNDON S.S.C. 0 : 2 **CARSHALTON(NL)** (A - 1.9)
FC HOPE 2 : 4 **SOUTHPORT(NL)** (A - 1.5)
GEE-CROSS FC 1 : 0 **ALFRETON TOWN(NL)** (A - 1.7)
REALE HASTINGS 2 : 4 **GLENCAIRN FC** (H - 0.9)
GORGON CITY 2 : 4 **HEDNESFORD (NL)** (A - 2.7)
HAWK FIELDS 3 : 3 **SUTTON UTD(NL)** (H - 0.7)
THE WEE ROVERS 1 : 3 **HEIGHAM TOWN** (A - 3.1)
WEYMOUTH(NL) 4 : 0 **KNOTSO ATHLETIC** (H - 3.5)
LIMETREES PARK 1 : 3 **MARGATE(NL)** (A - 3.5)
THE RED DEVILS 4 : 3 **NEWARK HARRIERS** (H - 0.5)
QUANTUM MECHS 1 : 6 **STEVENAGE(NL)** (A - 4.1)

WELLINGTON LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 STEELCITY HAWKS	10	7	3	0	31	1	30	24
2 CATTON OLD BOYS	10	7	3	0	26	3	23	24
3 BRUTAL MANIACS	10	4	5	1	12	6	6	17
4 BUCKLEY TOWN	10	4	4	2	19	11	8	16
5 LIMETREES PARK	10	4	4	2	8	5	3	16
6 BILBAO ROCKS FC	10	4	1	5	7	15	-8	13
7 WESTMINSTER UTD	10	3	3	4	17	15	2	12
8 NEWARK HARRIERS	10	2	5	3	20	12	8	11
9 BRISTOL ROVERS	10	2	5	3	8	11	-3	11
10 THE MASHERS	10	1	5	4	8	20	-12	8
11 QUANTUM MECHS	10	0	3	7	8	25	-17	3
12 FC TRENTSIDE	10	0	3	7	0	40	-40	3

WELLINGTON LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 NEWARK ATHLETIC	10	6	4	0	19	0	19	22
2 SCANDINAVIA AS	10	5	4	1	19	4	15	19
3 GREYMOUTH TOWN	10	4	6	0	8	1	7	18
4 ROMSEY ROVERS	10	5	2	3	23	12	11	17
5 ESTARCION FC	10	4	4	2	15	7	8	16
6 ULYSSES ANGELS	10	3	6	1	9	3	6	15
7 SPROWSTON YOUTH	10	4	1	5	10	11	-1	13
8 RIO FC	10	4	1	5	7	8	-1	13
9 VILLA RANGERS	10	2	5	3	11	9	2	11
10 MM MARAUDERS	10	2	4	4	8	5	3	10
11 PERFECT FC	10	2	1	7	11	28	-17	7
12 HEIGHAM TOWN	10	0	0	10	3	55	-52	0

WELLINGTON LEAGUE. DIVISION 3

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 THE RED DEVILS	10	7	2	1	23	5	18	23
2 TELFORD UNITED	10	5	4	1	24	12	12	19
3 ROXY ALLSTARS	10	4	6	0	12	2	10	18
4 GEE-CROSS FC	10	5	2	3	23	14	9	17
5 KICKABOUTERS	10	3	4	3	18	17	1	13
6 FARNDON S.S.C.	10	3	4	3	15	15	0	13
7 AC CARFIN	10	3	3	4	14	15	-1	12
8 VAN-BORO	10	3	3	4	11	13	-2	12
9 ATHLETICO DIDI	10	3	2	5	26	22	4	11
10 REALE HASTINGS	10	3	2	5	11	20	-9	11
11 HAYLING RANGERS	10	2	3	5	6	23	-17	9
12 KNOTSO ATHLETIC	10	0	3	7	1	26	-25	3

WELLINGTON LEAGUE. DIVISION 4

...TEAM NAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 GUTTER PRESS	10	8	1	1	18	3	15	25
2 GLENCAIRN FC	10	6	4	0	21	4	17	22
3 HAWK FIELDS	10	5	2	3	13	14	-1	17
4 THE WEE ROVERS	10	5	1	4	24	13	11	16
5 SHOREHAM UNITED	10	4	4	2	9	7	2	16
6 GORGON CITY	10	4	4	2	7	7	0	16



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LEADING SCORERS

DIVISION 1

1	HARKES	STEELCITY HAWKS	19
2	HENRY	BUCKLEY TOWN	15
3	CARLOS STIFEZ	STEELCITY HAWKS	15
4	MOLLOY	CATTON OLD BOYS	11
5	LODGELANE	CATTON OLD BOYS	9
6	SOLO	BRUTAL MANIACS	8
7	SANTOS	STEELCITY HAWKS	7
8	ISPOLINI	THE MASHERS	6

DIVISION 2

1	MCCOIST	ROMSEY ROVERS	15
2	SCHMUCK	ESTARCION FC	15
3	QUIZCRANS	RIO FC	11
4	HOGL	NEWARK ATHLETIC	11
5	MANSELLINI	SCANDINAVIA AS	10
6	PIETERSEN	ESTARCION FC	8
7	DANI	PERFECT FC	6
8	TSAZAROV	ULYSSES ANGELS	6

DIVISION 3

1	WRIGHT	TELFORD UNITED	13
2	WELLS	KICKABOUTERS	9
3	HEALY	ATHLETICO DIDI	8
4	EDGEFIELD	TELFORD UNITED	8
5	RAMOS	ATHLETICO DIDI	7
6	ARTHUR	KICKABOUTERS	7
7	DISTINGUEE	KICKABOUTERS	6
8	KRAKOWSKI	AC CARFIN	5

DIVISION 4

1	GAZA	GUTTER PRESS	11
2	CONALL	EVERTON CLASICS	9
3	LA DROIT	GLENCAIRN FC	8
4	ARCARI	THE WEE ROVERS	8
5	ODEMWINGIE	GUTTER PRESS	8
6	AMIENS	SHOREHAM UNITED	7
7	AWOUGINE	THE WEE ROVERS	6
8	DE BERT	THE WEE ROVERS	6

PRIVATE DEALS

HEIGHAM TOWN sold BEOWULF (17-2 DF) {SBY} to CATTON OLD BOYS for 600K

MM MARAUDERS sold BASSEBOB (19-2 FW) {P/S} to BILBAO ROCKS FC for 50K

BRISTOL ROVERS sold DODONNA (18-2 GK) {FUT} to BRUTAL MANIACS for 650K

BRISTOL ROVERS sold ORGANA (18-2 DF) {SBY} to FARNDON S.S.C. for 750K

BRISTOL ROVERS sold HAGI (21-9 DF/A[r]) {P/S} to NEWARK ATHLETIC for 850K

MM MARAUDERS sold MILANO (21-11 DF/A) {P/S} to REALE HASTINGS for 1000K

ROMSEY ROVERS sold SOLENT (18-2 DF) {APP} to ULYSSES ANGELS for 190K

GLENCAIRN FC sold VARDE (20-12 SW) to RIO FC for 1050K

WESTMINSTER UTD sold COLUMBUS (18-2 MF[f]) {FUT} to KICKABOUTERS for 120K

MM MARAUDERS sold ROONEY (22-6 FWS) {P/S} to ADDINGTON PLCE for 359K

KICKABOUTERS sold JENAS (18-2 MF) {P/S} {APP} to STEELCITY HAWKS for 150K

VILLA RANGERS sold MONYANE (20-9 MF) to GUTTER PRESS for 400K

All deals completed successfully!

WEATHER FORECAST

Temperature next session: Cold

Predicted wind speed next session: Gale

GREYMOOUTH TOWN	4 : 3	RIO FC	(H - 1.3)
KICKABOUTERS	3 : 3	ROXY ALLSTARS	(H - 5.1)
		Inj - Tomiski (1)	
SCANDINAVIA AS	0 : 5	RUNCORN(NL)	(A - 0.9)
THE LEVELLERS	5 : 2	SHOREHAM UNITED	(H - 2.3)
THE MASHERS	1 : 4	HASTINGS UTD(NL)	(A - 0.1)
VAN-BORO	3 : 2	ULYSSES ANGELS	(H - 3.5)
WEST CROSS WAND	1 : 2	NORTHWICH(NL)	(A - 0.1)
WESTMINSTER UTD	1 : 3	WELLING(NL)	(A - 2.7)
ROEBUCK FC	4 : 3	HAYLING RANGERS	(H - 0.7)
FC TRENTSIDE	0 : 5	KETTERING(NL)	(A - 2.7)
SPROWSTON YOUTH	0 : 4	STAFFORD(NL)	(A - 4.5)

THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :- INNIS [1] (STEELCITY HAWKS) / ARAKNI [1] (CATTON OLD BOYS) / COLMCILLE [3] (ULYSSES ANGELS) / STONE [1] (ADDINGTON PLCE) /



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AUCTION

AUCTION RESULTS

	POS	STATS	NAME	CLUB	FEE	NO	NHIGH
1)	DF	26-12	FLORIDA COL (BRISTOL ROVERS)		1317K	11	1259K

All players not shown were unsold.

SPECIAL AUCTION FOR SESSION EIGHT

1) 29-12 MF P STAR **BW 90 ADIE ROKCRUSHER SCOTTISH** EX MILITARY RENOWNED FOR HIS ABILITY TO CLOSE UP MIDFIELD - THEY SHALL NOT PASS IS HIS MOTTO - THE SIDE THAT BUYS HIS LOSES ALL THEIR PPS BECAUSE OF HIS STYLE OF PLAY AND HIS DPPS ARE DOUBLED IF HE INCURS THEM DURING THE SEASON. HIS CHARISMA MEANS THAT THE YOU GET FIVE EXTRA APPS THE NEXT FIVE APPS WHO YOU QUALIFY WILL HAVE A 30% CHANCE OF BECOMING SOMETHING SPECIAL (FROM FUT TO MF/A./D)

2) 19-10 DF/A S **BW 95 CR 20 CLUBFOOT SEAMY. IRE NAT** THE NEXT SEAMUS COLEMAN. GETS UP TO SUPPORT THE ATTACK WHEN HE IS NOT LIMPING AND HAS A HAMMER OF A RIGHT FOOT. WILL ONLY SIGN FOR A CLUB THAT HAS A FWT IN THEIR SQUAD. HAS SIGNED HIS IMAGE RIGHTS TO YOUR CLUB. AN IRISH WHISKY FIRM WILL PAY THE CLUB 200k FOR EVERY GOAL CLUBFOOT SCORES THIS SEASON (THANKS TO CRAIG FOR THIS IDEA)

VERY SPECIAL PLAYER

PETER BROOKS.

3) 24-13 MF PS STAR **BW80/CR80 (250 capt games) ENG NAT**

Peter was always a thinker of the game, each session he will train one player from your squad, starting with the lowest in either BW or CR stats,

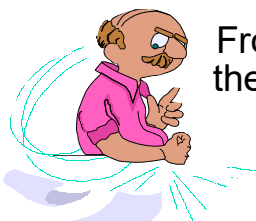
4) DF 21-7 P/S - Seine of Farndon S.S.C.
(Res 245K)

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



KICKABOUT BITS

MARKING



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

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

The latest version now available at

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

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

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



KICKABOUT BITS

THE KICKABOUT COMMUNITY

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

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

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY TO REMEMBER

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

ORDER OF MATCHES IS

LEAGUE GAME ONE

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

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

LEAGUE CUP GAMES

EURO GAMES

FRIENDLIES

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

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

MIUTTERINGS AND MEANDERINGS OF THE KICKABOUT MIND

Remember that a decent reserve keeper can cost peanuts but might be the difference between sucess and failure if your first choice is unavaialble.

Better to have a level seven then a level 2?

Just a reminder. for teampick users. Please get the match you are playing correct. Putting your cup game down as a friendly means I have to come out of the program to make sure i haven't made a mistake. It isn't rocket scence to change the competiton that you are playing in. PLEASE!!



KICKABOUT MONEY

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

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

BULK PAYMENT OF TURN FEES - remember if you pay £63.75 at one time (which can cover more than one team) you get an extra free turn credited to your account. This offer does not include shomatch/weekend/fast leagues/veterans leagues or special offers monies!



KICKABOUT

FUN

FORTHCOMING KA WEEKENDS

October 2026 will be in the lovely city of Sheffield.

8th to 11th of october

Jens is first man in

Pete Condon, Danny Smith . Gerard, Seamus, Jens, Wadders, Cranners, Craig
Colly & Bo promise to be there



MAY 2027

12th to 15th

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

By universal accliation it was decided at the xmas pubmeet that we will return
to Norwich for the special one, it is easy to get to, every knows and enjoys it
there

Jens, Seamus, Gerard, Wadders & Cranners all say they'll be there

To encourage the weaker bretheren amonsgt you to turn up for this the normal
weekend fee will be halved, ie £20 and during the weekend there will be a draw
for a lifetimes membership for one of your teams



FUTURE DATES (ALL TENTATIVE)

OCTOBER 2027 - GALWAY

MAY 2028 - GLASGEE



KICKABOUT INTS

THE INTERNATIONAL TROPHY

There will be two groups of six teams each playing the other once (remember an extra point for an away performance), There will then be a KO semi-final, for all positions and a final session of six games to decided the twelve placings

First the prizes,

WINNER - 500K

RUNNER-UP - 200K

BEATEN SEMI-FINALISTS - 150K each

Beating any HIGHER RANKED team earns your club balance 100K

Winning any game (though not on penalties) gains you an extra 1 MP for your club side

The international scene can be therefore quite lucrative for your club side and with the arrival of your free SUPER SCOUT on Session two this becomes even more lucrative as well. However remember that if you fail to put in any orders he will DISSAPPEAR and you can only get him back by submitting a set of orders next time, and asking fro him back, when he will re-appear at the end of that session you submitted the orders.

FIXTURE SCHEDULE

S2 - A v B / C v D / E v F

S3 - B v C / D v E / F v A

S4 - C v F / E v A / B v D

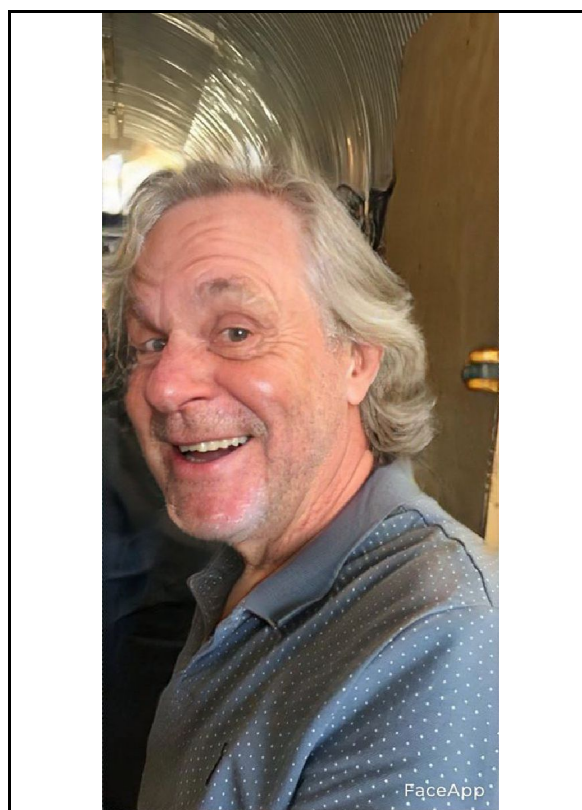
S6 - D v F / A v C / B v E

S8 - A v D / F v B / C v E

S10 - PLAY-OFFS ALL TWELVE TEAMS

S12 - FINAL GAMES ALL TWLEVE TEAMS

NO FRIENDLY POOL



Writing newsletters ages you

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KICKABOUT INTS

GROUP 1

EIRE
Att 65712
Pitch: Wet

AFRICA
Ciiv 34,82
Pietersen 38
Inj - N'mbala (1)

ITALY
Snooof 46
Mianini 77
Pitch: Wet

0 : 0 DENMARK (H - 0.5)
Wind: Light

3 : 0 FRANCE (H - 1.1)

Att 51667
Wind: Light
Pitch: Muddy

2 : 0 GERMANY (A - 0.1)
Att 64629
Wind: Light

USA
Att 62994
Pitch: Frozen

SCOTLAND
Gwydion 10(og)
Att 68177
Pitch: Muddy

ENGLAND
Att 71164
Wind: Light

GROUP 2

0 : 0 ASIA (-)
Wind: Light

1 : 1 WALES (H - 0.5)
Neville 52
Wind: Light

0 : 0 SOUTH AMERICA (H - 0.7)
off - Valparaiso (63)
Pitch: Muddy

INTERNATIONAL ROUND-UP

Ah the international round up, everyone's favourite part of the newsletter. Ireland and Denmark drew 0-0 in a game marred by crowd trouble. Two arrests were made, Seamus McCrudden, 57, from Galway and Jens Jensen ,49 from Greenland were remanded in custody after what was described by onlookers as "a bit of a girls fight". Grow up lads. There were also wins for Africa and Italy in group one. Well done them.

In group two, three draws, two of them goalless. As you were chaps, nothing to report here.

THE INTERNATIONAL ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :- VALPARAISO [4] (SOUTH AMERICA) /

PLAY-OFFS

Eire v USA

Wales v France

Italy v Scotland

England v Denmark

Africa v South America

Asia v Germany

First named team at home, with extra time and penalties to decide



KICKABOUT EUROS CHAMPIONS TROPHY DRAW

GROUP ONE

A - REC WAND [NEL]
B - BOLTON WAND [LIV]
C - ICI BOLTON [GLA]
D - STEELCITY HAWKS [WEL]
E - COMP CITY [DIS]
F - WANDSWORTH TOWN [NEW]

GROUP TWO

A - GESSLE WARRIORS [DIS]
B - SOUTHLAND CITY [MON]
C - UGLE BETIS [DIS]
D - FC SPROUT [JAC]
E - SUTTON ROVERS [GLA]
F - CATTO OB [WEL]

GROUP THREE

A - CARLILE CITY [CHUR]
B - BLACKPOOL [NEW]
C - DAGGERS FC [JAC]
D - CHINTZ CHIANTI [DIS]
E - RUDDLAN ROVERS [NEL]
F - LICHFIELD ROV [RAL]

GROUP FOUR

A - DAKIN UTD [CHU]
B - BURNHAM DOWN [NEW]
C - AMELIE [DRA]
D - DANETOWN R [RAM]
E - CELTIC NEVADA [DIS]
F - GILLINGHAM [SHA]

The top two in each group will qualify for the finals

The group fixtures re as follows

SESS 2 : A v B - C v D - E v F

SESS 4 : B v C - F v A - D v E

SESS 6 : D v A - C v E - B v F

SESS 8 : D v B - C v F - E v A

SESS 10 : A v C - E v B - F v D

Draws for other euro competitions will appear in future newsletters



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CUP-WINNERS CUP

1st round 2nd Legs

REGIONAL ROVERS 1 : 0 ROYSTON VASEY (H - 0.3)
 Bergen 66
 Inj - Bergen (7)
 Pitch: Muddy
 Att 56024
 Wind: Calm

BUGMAN RANGERS 2 : 2 SUN INN (H - 0.1)
 Callejero 7
 Coster 42
 Wind: Calm
 Tomasz 60,86
 Att 63775
 Pitch: Muddy

NEPTUNES NOV. 0 : 0 VINTAGE CLARETS (H - 1.9)
 Att 56960
 Pitch: Muddy
 Wind: Calm

RED STAR ROVERS 1 : 0 CITY BOYZ (H - 0.7)
 Figo 11
 Inj - Agony (1)
 Att 46601
 Pitch: Good
 bkd - Biden (9)
 off - Hamish (73)
 Wind: Calm

THOMSLAVIA UTD 1 : 2 WEXFORD WRAITHS (H - 0.1)
 Uzuri 22
 Att 53350*
 Wind: Calm
 Pitch: Muddy
 Overli 48
 Samuelsen 52
 off - Maxi ferro (17)

BILBAO ROCKS FC 0 : 0 PSV LOFTUS (A - 0.1)
 Att 58349
 Pitch: Frozen
 Wind: Calm

LOCHEND THISTLE 2 : 2 WARED WANDERERS (H - 1.7)
 Wei-dim 31
 Roy 58
 Att 33729
 Pitch: Wet
 Magobah 3
 Ronaldo 8
 Wind: Calm

KINGS TOWN RAN 0 : 0 LANG GAH (A - 0.3) [AET]
 Att 52159
 Pitch: Wet
 Wind: Calm

KINGS TOWN RAN WIN PENALTY SHOOTOUT 5 - 3

XANADU 3 : 1 HAVENMATES (H - 0.7) [AET]
 Sanders 72
 Hartson 80
 Chichi boo 118
 Pitch: Frozen
 Chichi boo 24(og)
 Att 42981
 Wind: Light

AJAX 0 : 0 CITY BLUES (A - 0.3) [AET]
 Att 43941
 Pitch: Muddy
 Wind: Calm

CITY BLUES WIN PENALTY SHOOTOUT 5 - 4

HIGHBURY CORNER 0 : 0 HARLEYS HEROES (A - 0.5)
 Att 57000*
 Pitch: Muddy
 Wind: Calm

FC POLSKI 1 : 1 SKELMERSDALE (H - 0.3)
 Max planck 51
 Att 55645
 Pitch: Muddy
 Archgeige 51
 Wind: Calm

NEWARK ATHLETIC 2 : 0 WESTHILL AFC (H - 0.3)
 Ricci 32(p),65
 bkd - Winters (20)
 Pitch: Muddy
 Att 57533
 Wind: Calm

EMPIRE CITY 0 : 0 DEANE RANGERS (H - 0.5) [AET]
 Att 55702
 Pitch: Muddy
 Wind: Calm

DEANE RANGERS WIN PENALTY SHOOTOUT 5 - 4

FC AMAZONAS 0 : 0 PORTSMOUTH (A - 0.1) [AET]
 Att 32319
 Pitch: Muddy
 Wind: Calm

PORTSMOUTH WIN PENALTY SHOOTOUT 4 - 3

GILLESPIE ROAD 0 : 3 ALDERAAN FC (H - 0.1)
 bkd - Fabregusio (54)
 Att 42208
 Wind: Calm
 Organa 6,39
 Jones 88(p)
 Pitch: Wet

SUPER CUP

2nd round Draw

Newark FC v West Yorkshire

Dore Utd v Netheryon FC

Scaynes Hill v ST Peters

Lutterworth Town v Laissez- Faire

W.B.A. v Toolbox Fc

Hornchurch v Wembley FC

Ferenghi v Tartan Terrors

Wycombe FC v Croydon Flyers

(To be played on session eight with replays)

CUP-WINNERWS CUP

2nd Round Draw

(on sessions nine and ten)

**Kings Town Rangers v Neptunes
Novices**

Lochend Thistle v Regional Rovers

PSV Loftus v FC Polski

City Blues v Wexford Wraiths

Bugman Rangers v Alderaan FC

Red Star Rovers v Newark Athletic

Deane Rangers v Xanadu

Portsmouth v Harleys Heroes

THE INTERNATIONAL ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :- HAMISH [1] (CITY BOYZ) / MAXI FERRO [1]



KICKABOUT REPS

REPRESENTATIVE LEAGUE

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DIVISION ONE

- (A) NEWTON
- (B) DISRAELI
- (C) RAMSEY
- (D) SHAKESPEARE
- (E) RALEIGH

DIVISION TWO

- (A) JACKSON
- (B) WELLINGTON
- (C) GLADSTONE
- (D) CHURCHILL

DIVISION THREE

- (A) MONTGOMERY
- (B) DRAKE
- (C) LIVINGSTONE

SCHEDULE

- SESS 5 A v B / C v D
- SESS 7 E v A / B v C
- SESS 9 D v B / C v E
- SESS 11 E v D / A v C
- SESS 13 D v A / B v E

WELLINGTON REPRESENTATIVE SQUAD

- | | | | |
|--------------------|---------|-------|---------------------|
| 1) JENSCHENKO | GK | 26-13 | STEELCITY HAWKS |
| 2) LO MING | GK | 20-12 | ULYSSES ANGELS |
| 3) RANDY NICHOLSON | SW32-13 | P | HAYLING RANGER |
| 4) PUTIN | SW | 23-13 | S THE LEVELLERS |
| 5) ARAKNI | DF/A | 25-12 | P/S CATTON OLD BOYS |
| 6) VAN MARAUDER | DF/A | 28-12 | P/S GUTTER PRESS |
| 7) RALFALSKI | DF/A | 20-12 | P/S AC CARFIN |
| 8) CAPEZ | DF | 20-14 | P THE RED DEVILS |
| 9) MAC MUFIN | DF | 20-13 | P ESTARCION FC |
| 10) VALCORASO | MF/A/D | 21-15 | P STEELCITY HAWKS |
| 11) GERHARD | MF/A/D | 35-12 | P/S BILBAO ROCKS FC |
| 12) FREEMAN | MF/A/D | 30-12 | P/S NEWARK ATHLET |
| 13) STRANGENESS | MF/A/D | 21-13 | P/S GUTTER PRESS |
| 14) DEGRYSE | MF/D | 23-14 | P/S NEWARK HARRIER |
| 15) CARLOS STIFEZ | WG | 32-13 | P/S STEELCITY HAWKS |
| 16) KRAKOWSKI | FWT | 24-14 | S AC CARFIN |
| 17) PAI | FW | 24-14 | P/S BILBAO ROCKS FC |
| 18) MARKSIMOV | FWS | 25-14 | P/S LIMETREES PARK |
| 19) BOS AKA | WG | 26-13 | P/S GUTTER PRESS |
| 20) BREZNITZO | UT | 26-15 | P FC TRENTSIDE |
| 21) FRANDSEN | UT | 24-13 | P GLENCAIRN FC |
| 22) VON BREEZE | HUNDUT | 23-13 | P/S ROXY ALLSTARS |

REPRESENTATIVE CUP

The response from managers for S5 was pathetic. I decided to do away with all Rep leagues in the future which led to an outcry from managers to keep it. Even from those who hadn't bothered to send in S5 orders.

So we are going to run the rep league as usual starting on s7

Because of this the session five games will now be the last in the schedule played on Session fifteen

LET'S SEE IF WE CAN GET A PROPER TURNOUT
FROM REP MANAGERS IN THE FUTURE
STARTING ON SESSION SEVEN!!!

RESULTS ROUND-UP

TEMPERATURE: Warm

DIVISION 1

RALEIGH
Att 56258
Pitch: Good

0 : 0 NEWTON
Wind: Calm

(A - 0.3)

DISRAELI
Tojo banzai 80
Wind: Calm

1 : 0 RAMSEY
Att 65379
Pitch: Good

(A - 0.1)

DIVISION TWO

WELLINGTON
Van halen 82
Wind: Calm

1 : 0 GLADSTONE
Att 58108
Pitch: Good

(H - 0.9)

DIVISION 3

DRAKE
Att 41624
Wind: Calm
Pitch: Wet

0 : 3 LIVINGSTONE
Lillie 7
Jocovich 73
Bonsu 82

(A - 0.9)

Holders **Raleigh** are held goaless by promoted **Newton**. **Disraeli** get an opening win are they going back to the top this sesaon. Statement win in the third for **Livingstone**

REPRESENTATIVE LEAGUE. DIVISION 1

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 DISRAELI	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
2 NEWTON	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
3 RALEIGH	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4 RAMSEY	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
5 SHAKESPEARE	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

REPRESENTATIVE LEAGUE. DIVISION 2

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 WELLINGTON	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
2 GLADSTONE	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
3 WELLINGTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 JACKSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

REPRESENTATIVE LEAGUE. DIVISION 3

...TEAMNAME...	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1 LIVINGSTONE	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	3	4
2 NELSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 MONTGOMERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 DRAKE	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	-3	0

Remeber the winning Rep league side has chances of stars remaining stars at the end of the session. make sure your manager getsts his orders in



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

MY TEAMS

This is a new section where managers get to write something about their teams. A team you love, a team you have had success with, a team that frustrates you, anything, even a team you had in the past. We don't want a novel just a few lines or so about that team. Have asked the newsletter-writers to start the ball rolling, but open to all of you?

My Most Frustrating Team (by Dave Hails)

I have many teams across the leagues. Some of them I am really happy with, some are really frustrating, and some I just don't understand what is going on! Some are challenging for honours, others are in various stages of rebuild. But the team I am currently most frustrated with is AFC Europa in the Raleigh league. Tipped to do well this season, they are currently bottom of division 3 with no wins in the league yet. The start of the season was OK, dominating matches, but struggling to get shots on target. Then the injuries kicked in! 7 injuries so far, in 6 session. 7 injuries, and none of them training injuries. They were all incurred in matches - so all involved lost levels and players unavailable. Time and again, I have been unable to field my best team, because of injuries. Aargh! Oh well, I think I have them all back fit again now - at least I will do once I've dealt with the potentially career threatening injury to my SBY! Now all I have to do is train them to actually get shots on target. It's a bit like watching Brighton play! Lots of possession, but no end product.

GM - another Brighton supporter, nuff said, keep on trucking Mr Hails

The Rise and Fall and Fall of Cinema FC (Montgomery) -Cranners

I started playing this game in 1995 when I met a guy called Graham Steadman in a new job. His brown envelope got me curious and as we both loved football, I was hooked. I'd read the Montgomery newsletter from back to front on the train to Brighton, I knew who managed every club and knew all the players in the Internationals! My team was Cinema FC, and as I gradually learned the game, they got better, went fully P/S and within a couple of seasons I won the UEFA Cup with them (edging out Tommo at Thomoslavia in the Ramsey). They didn't win the league but we went close. Then, we spiralled downwards to Division Three. They really are my worst non-star team, about 3 or 4 stars only since about 1998 - crazy. I've tried to turn them around but season after season, we've not got any better. We had a crowd walkout one year which damaged the finances further and without cash the squad is looking more desperate than Colly after finding out last orders had already been called 20 minutes ago. They are my first team so will never be dropped but I'm still looking for something magical to happen for us to start making the long road back to Div One seem possible.

GM - One of the iconic KA chants comes from Cranners, 'I ain't got no

MY TEAMS CONTINUED

Don't cry for me Argentina - Wadders

This is a thank you script and not a pity blurb and I want you to know help is available.

For those who don't know I got attacked by travellers when I had just joined a new job and was still in probation. They shattered my leg which took three years of operations as it was completely smashed to smithereens. The surgeon did well.

With no income for ages and my flat to maintain I went on a very bad downward spiral and was found by my parents as a dripping wet ten stone shell of myself. They sold my flat which just about paid for the debts and took me in and nurtured me back. Therapy and my favourite drug Citalopram helped me.

To cut the sob story short I missed 15 years of Kickabout. You have all welcomed me back with open arms which I was nervous of before I sent an email to Chris. You have all been fucking amazing and I half wuv you all even Morten and Jens.

You lot are seriously amazing and don't even know it. I am now in a very happy place and all you guys helped massively.. Thank you all of you cunts..

On a side note I am now retired so if anyone is feeling bad they can call me on 07510 260566 or call the Samaritans on 116 123.

Cheers Wadders (I am in all of your debts and half wuv you)

GM - See you can recover from adversity and be a Wadders!!!

My Favourite Team - Purple Hearts (Livingstone)

- Neil barrett

Although I've had Brutal Maniacs since 1987, I never really had many teams in the 1990's. I had The Psychedics in the Churchill for a while and a team in the Mountbatten briefly but by the early 2000's, I was down to just the Maniacs again. In 2003, I finally bought a PC and discovered the joys of sending and receiving turns by email, a real time saver. I decided to take on some more teams, the first of these being Purple Hearts, a dreadful team, rock bottom of division 4 in the now defunct Palmerston. I've taken on some pretty ropey challenge teams in later years but trust me, Purple Hearts were a disaster zone. After a couple of seasons of clearing the decks, they were ready to begin their rise. Three straight promotions followed, with goals galore flying in, with one highlight being beating the then invincible Martino 3-1 in a cup, in a season where they didn't concede a league goal all season. Everything was set for a division one title challenge but then the Palmerston merged with the Livingstone I was placed in division 3 in the newly merged league. Two further promotions immediately followed, meaning Purple Hearts had enjoyed five successive promotions _ that has got to be a record surely! Unfortunately, starring and ageing did not go well in recent times and after a few seasons they were relegated back to division two. To my surprise, they bounced straight back and to even greater surprise, they are currently top of division one, despite being one of my weaker teams. It won't last I am sure but they have given me a lot of fun over the years.

GM - in the pantheon of top managers Neil must be up there with Cranners and Wadders for this effort with the Hearts

Cliftonville 'til I die. A Ka anecdote - Colly.

In Clifton we trust and today lads we talk about my first KA love and Seamy's favourite team Clifton Reds.

My first team in the early 90s, they go hand in hand with Aero not so force and will always be my favourite team.

This goes back to the Wath glory years, when Gerrard didn't look like a bin dipping tramp and Brutus was still wearing denim shorts. Won a few things over the years but never quite reached the heights after that bar steward Molloy ripped me off for my 18 year old mfad. I shit you not, he was spawned from the devil even then, and like Jens and Biteswell I'm taking the credit for building the mighty Lutterworth empire. To paint the picture, Seamy and I will never forget the headline 'Ace in the hole' as I purchased said young all purpose to glorious fanfare. I think it was session 2, first season. Correct me if I'm wrong Shampbap.

This was when KA was fun before Cranners came along and ruined everything. I also remember Seamy and I playing agg each other that same session in a friendly which I won 3-1. Suck it Seamy - we'll not mention you beat me in the league.

Andropov was his name and naive Colly didn't quite understand what an all purpose was and what a predator looked like. Enter Darth Molloy whispering sweet promises and great treasures, as I foolishly swapped my ace in the hole for a couple of 19-10s. To this day the worst deal I ever done in KA and a sliding doors moment for both clubs. I take no credit nor pleasure in creating such a monster. I could go on for hours about my beloved Clifton Reds but hopefully this gave you a smile, I still run them and will never give them up, especially after Chris gifted them a lifetime membership.

This is an ode to KA and the many memorable moments it's given me over the years. Long may it continue and bring back Tommy Thomas. Mon Reds!

GM - Colly is such a keen Cliftonville supporter and when they got to the final of the Premier league Eufe trophy he was badgering me for a ticket to the game!!

My First Team Started From Scratch (Gladstone) - Criag Lawton

Way back in the annals of time when Cranners was still in his 30's and Gareth was wearing double denim the Gladstone league was formed and I set up my first team from scratch and called them **Sun Inn**. The name came from the first Sunday league football team I joined. It was also the pub where my mate had a summer job which resulted in a lock in one night which I can barely remember but the scene in the house the next morning was akin to The Hangover, although thankfully without Mike Tyson's tiger.

I had already cut my teeth KA wise in the Mountbatten with **Glasgow Bangers** (now the Wellington and **Steelcity Hawks**) so decided to try my hand at starting a team from scratch. A poor first season resulted in a short stint in Division 4 for season two. Was this planned? Probably not, but it worked out ok with three promotions over four seasons resulting in being a Division 1 team for the beginning of the 1994-95 season. Those were the days when **ICI Bolton** (what a lovely fella Pete Brooks was) and **Selsdon Utd** (whatever happened to Pete Curran?) ruled the roost in the Gladstone. A couple of 3rd places followed but in 1998 **Sun Inn** won the first of their nine (so far) Division 1 Trophies. There have been plenty of Cup wins too including a Cup Winners Cup victory over the mighty **Dakin Utd** however, success in the Champions Cup has alluded this team.

Sun Inn remain one of my favourite teams to this day and this season is going well so far but there's a long way to go. Hopefully a return to qualifying for the Champions Cup will be a reward from this season and another tilt at the Champions Cup will follow.

(GM _-Pete Curran turned into an arrogant yuppie. KA wasn't good enough for him, a la Martin Dakin. Pity!!)

MANAGERS NEEDED

We have some teams that badly need a guiding hand on the tiller so to speak. Something to keep you busy during the summer and when your footie interest is piqued by the world cup.

All come with two season's free credit and to wet your avaricious appetites if you send cash for ONE other team at the same time we'll double it. (any one other team that



MESSI QUICK LEAGUE - HAVERING TOWN

- Poor season for them this campaign, dropped by Bertie Barrett and mishandled by the Breznitz. Might be going down from the first but I think they will come straight back up.

SHAKESPEARE LEAGUE - WHISTON ROVERS - Top of division four. This is a divvie full of 36-1 teams being developed and thus protected from the rest of the league. Great start but need a guiding hand for the future

VETERANS LEAGUE - just about to start season seventeen. Challenging league different to the others. Great fun . just twelve sessions per season and some different rules

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