KICKABOUT

# THE PREMIER LEAGUE

## The Haggis Neeps & Tatties Tartan Army Brigade

Just 1 point from a possible 18 this week for the **Scots** - now that's pretty poor in my book when you have the likes of Craig, Wynne and KP here; in fact it's worse than waking up next to Nicola Sturgeon (oh hang on, maybe not quite that bad). Two goals only also and its thanks to little Willie Miller at Aberdeen for bringing home that solitary point; but that derby defeat will be the one that hurts - outplayed and cucumbered by **Darlington** there. KP's **Glasgow** get nothing obviously and can't even score (even in a brothel I've heard) and relegation looks a distinct possibility now whilst Wynne's **Greenock** should have won both (just about) but ended up empty handed. So a dreadful week for those North of the Border; but good news; no wildfires up there until 2044 I've heard.

## Those Shifty Shandy Drinking Southern Softies

16 points from 16 games for this lot of beauties (excluding **Wadders** who is pretty rough to be fair and in a photo of him with McCauley Culkin, Camilla Parker Bowles, Jackie Stallone and Jocelyn Wildenstein - he comes a distant 5th). Beaten at **Newcastle** before getting smashed by **Tottenham**, before going home, calling some guy a funny name and then getting smacked in the pub. Not much joy here at present. The shed-dwelling brothers celebrate another good week; nil points! 'Verdants all round' shouts **Brutus** to celebrate only conceding four; whilst **Matron** declines, reaches for the Perrier and digs into his new book "HOW TO AVOID UNWWANTED FRIENDSHIPS". **Wycombe** were wicked though; a cracking derby win over **Totteringham** followed by a close 1 - 0 win against **Greenock**. They're closing up now on leaders **Chelsea** who drop a couple of points against **West Spam Utd**. **Dumpster** will be crowing about this one like there's no tomorrow; just take a look at the league table old boy; that should bring you back to reality!

## The Northern Monkey 'Owt or Nowt' 'Now Then' Section

So there are 9 **Northern** Monkey sides; and the KP/Jack partnership has three of them. Of course with **Leeds Utd** you're guaranteed points, and **Wednesday** are not doing too bad either. Overall 29 from 18 games; better than the **Southerners** but outdone by the **Midlanders**. But there are some imposters here; namely Fingers at **Sunderland** and that man Samson at **Liverpool**! This week the Huffo Puffo king recommends the veal at The White Harte and a full big fat porky sausage at The Cock Inn! Celebrating he was after seeing pesky **Seamus** off 1 - 0 in a derby match and to be fair it was fully deserved as the scousers were much the better side. Seamy's response "it weren't a cup match,

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Season 16
Session 11

**PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 1**

| | ...TEAM NAME... | PL | W | D | L | F | A | W | D | L | F | A | Dif | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | LEEDS UTD | 15 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 2 | 26 | 38 |
| 2 | LIVERPOOL | 15 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 12 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 30 |
| 3 | SHEFFIELD WED | 15 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 18 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 15 | 27 |
| 4 | LEEDS CITY | 15 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 24 |
| 5 | SUNDERLAND | 15 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 16 | 14 | 4 | 24 |
| 6 | ASTON VILLA | 15 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 1 | 22 |
| 7 | EVERTON | 15 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 12 | 1 | 19 |
| 8 | GLASGOW CELTIC | 15 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 14 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 7 | -6 | 17 |
| 9 | WALSALL | 15 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 8 | -4 | 16 |
| 10 | LUTON TOWN | 15 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 14 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 12 | 11 | -7 | 14 |
| 11 | Q.P.R. | 15 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 9 | -15 | 8 |
| 12 | CRYSTAL PALACE | 15 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 20 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 19 | -30 | 6 |

particularly the bowl so I don't care" as he skulked off in his puffa jacket for another holiday! **Disco Dave** continues to draw more games; he couldn't get past **QPR** (hooray another point for me) or **Sheffield Wednesday**, pretty even there in that one. More bad news followed as he's fallen to 3rd place in the best shirts competition as **Seamy** moves up to 2nd behind me. Nothing here for **Wigan** though this week; but Angus is building; one day it'll be complete; like the Sagrada Família in Barcelona; 140 years and still going. Come on son; I'm rooting for ya. And finally a big shout to little **Colly**; maximum points for the big little man; half an inch smaller than **Steadders** apparently but I reckon it's more like 9 inches (and I don't mean down there) as he shoots up the table! Luv ya scruffy fcuker.

## Ay Up Me Duck Midlanders Bostin Lot

Foreword: This section includes **Luton**. Why? Coz they ain't no Londoners and they don't do Pie and Mash like proper folk, so suck it up Sutton - you're a poor mans Watford and you effin know it!

16 points from 8 matches for the **Midland** Duddliers though; a cracking week for this bunch of four teams and its Dangerous Dags **Villa** boys bringing in the bacon with a maximum haul giving them a right good shove up the table and away from the bottom six. **Walsall** continue to hold the title of best promoted side with a single win this week and whilst Huddy suns himself on honeymoon, frequently sending his Mrs to the bar to bring back a couple of cocktails, he's left looking at the table and thinking that last drop spot is between him, **Luton** and **Glasgow**. Four

**PREMIER LEAGUE. DIVISION 2**

| | ...TEAM NAME... | PL | W | D | L | F | A | W | D | L | F | A | Dif | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | CHELSEA | 15 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 24 | 34 |
| 2 | WYCOMBE WANDS | 15 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 12 | 27 | 33 |
| 3 | DARLINGTON | 15 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 27 |
| 4 | NEWCASTLE UTD | 15 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 26 |
| 5 | GREENOCK MORTON | 15 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 13 | 4 | 8 | 23 |
| 6 | BRIGHTON | 15 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 7 | 22 |
| 7 | NOTTINGHAM FOR | 15 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 21 | 14 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 22 |
| 8 | ABERDEEN | 15 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 12 | 3 | 22 |
| 9 | TOTTENHAM | 15 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 17 | -18 | 14 |
| 10 | WEST HAM UTD | 15 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 16 | -10 | 12 |
| 11 | ARSENAL | 15 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 5 | 18 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 18 | -25 | 7 |
| 12 | WIGAN ATHLETIC | 15 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 23 | -39 | 3 |

points for **Effu**, which closes the gaps slightly on **Huddy** although their GD is slightly worse, their XG is poor, their xA very average and xG/xA therefore rubbish. Ok I made some of that up but who cares, it looks and sounds good which is more than you can say about Sutton! Readie at **Forest** gets one win from his two; both games against teams above him so decent here and they're still in promotion contention I guess, though a long shot.

## PREMIER CUP REPLAYS HIGHLIGHTS

An O'Brien hattrick seals quiet an emphatic win for **Sunderland** over **Aberdeen**; too strong up front as Craig looks for the draw and penalties and despite going ahead early much to his surprise, three goals in fifteen minutes puts the replay to bed. ****** Cup dismay for **Everton** as they hold out under a battering for 90 minutes and then fall apart in extra time. **Villa** were proper motivated for this one and I would say probably favourites for the trophy now.

## PREMIER TROPHY QUARTER-FINALS

A good offside trap by **QPR** gives them an edge over **Nottingham Forest** and with home advantage they finally see it through with a late RECHER goal, in off the post. ****** As expected **Chelsea** also make their way into the Semi's; CASH and MOUNT either side of half time putting **Darlington** out. ****** **Dumpster** is indeed brought back down to earth; humbled 3 - 0 at home (Potter-esque!) as **Greenock's** 4-3-3 suits them well. ****** Craigs **Aberdeen** have to go up against 'those two' at **Palace** and after a tight 90 minutes where it finished 1 - 1, the Scots go up a gear and LINTON finishes them off. Talking of finishing off; that's young TAYLOR's career finished as ALMIRON slices him down. Half coached and now fully crocked - ouch!

## Semi-final Draw (Neutral Grounds)

QPR vs **Aberdeen**

Greenock Morten vs **Chelsea**

Got to go for an Aberdeen vs Chelsea final (hopefully that's the kiss of death etc!)

## MANAGER OF THE MONTH

**DIVISION ONE: Mafia Dag at Villa -** he's firing on all cylinders now; yes, literally firing! Watch out!

**DIVISON TWO: Readie** at **Wycombe -** nicks it ahead of Colly at Newcastle based on quality of opposition but I love Colly more so that's reward enough for him.

**Your Newsletter-writer is Cranners**

## THE PREMIER CUP

**Semi-final Draw**

**Leeds City** v **Sunderland**

**Aston Villa vs Sheffield Wednesday**

**(To be played on session fourteen with replays)**

## THE CHAMPIONS TROPHY

**Semi-finals-finals**

**PSG v Leeds Utd**

**Leeds City v Inter Milan**

## EUFA CUP

**Semi-finals**

**Eintracht Frankfurt v Greenock Morton**

**Everton v Cliftonville**

**(To be played on sessions 13 & 15)**

## PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

**Semi-finals**

**Leeds Utd v Everton**

**Sheffield Wed v Luton Town**

**(To be played on sessipn twelve with replays**

## THE PREMEIR TROPHY

**Quarter-finals**

**QPR v Aberdeen**

**Greenock Morton v Chelsea**

**(To be played on session thirteen with replays)**

***That Seamousy fella looks like he is gathering cups to his bosom***

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# RESULTS ROUND-UP

**TEMPERATURE: Freezing**

## Week Thirty-one

### DIVISION 1

**ASTON VILLA** 3 : 0 **GLASGOW CELTIC** (H - 0.9)
Targett 44 — bkd - Don megson (76)
Cole palmer 62 — Att 43002
Peter pawlett 78 — Wind: Light
Pitch: Frozen

**LEEDS UTD** 2 : 0 **CRYSTAL PALACE** (H - 2.3)
Kilyan mbappe 9 — Att 54347
Bremner 63 — Wind: Calm
Pitch: Good

**SUNDERLAND** 2 : 1 **WALSALL** (A - 1.1)
Gary oliver 34 — Young fabregas 43
Rogers 73 — Att 31053
Wind: Light — Pitch: Wet

**EVERTON** 0 : 1 **LIVERPOOL** (A - 0.9)
bkd - Griffiths (25)/ — Gakpo 45
Dixie dean (67) — bkd - Jota (61)
Att 38187 — Wind: Light
Pitch: Frozen — *Derby Game*

**LUTON TOWN** 0 : 0 **SHEFFIELD WED** (A - 0.7)
Att 56867 — Wind: Light
Pitch: Frozen

**Q.P.R.** 0 : 0 **LEEDS CITY** (A - 0.9)
Att 36239 — Wind: Light
Pitch: Frozen

### DIVISION 2

**ARSENAL** 0 : 2 **NEWCASTLE UTD** (A - 1.7)
Att 25489 — Eddie gray 27
Wind: Light — Dan burs 68
Pitch: Frozen

**WYCOMBE WANDS** 4 : 0 **TOTTENHAM** (A - 0.1)
Beryly lubala 18 — bkd - Jamie donley (13)
Lazar markovic 35 — Att 42308
Sam volks 82 — Wind: Light
Martinelli 88 — Pitch: Frozen
bkd - Cole palmer (32)/ — *Derby Game*
Beryly lubala (34)
off - Lazar markovic (83)/
Beryly lubala (79)

**CHELSEA** 0 : 0 **WEST HAM UTD** (H - 1.3)
bkd - Jorginho (56)/ — Att 44816
N'golo kante (30) — Wind: Calm
off - Deco (35) — Pitch: Frozen
*Derby Game*

**NOTTINGHAM FOR** 2 : 1 **GREENOCK MORTON** (A - 0.3)
Stan collymore 67 — Tintreg 81
Gibbs-white 85 — Att 25570
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**WIGAN ATHLETIC** 1 : 3 **BRIGHTON** (A - 0.9)
Boothman 14 — Trossard 34,67
Att 26138 — Veltman 66
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**DARLINGTON** 1 : 0 **ABERDEEN** (H - 1.5)
Allan nyom 59 — Att 33613
Wind: Light — Pitch: Good
*Derby Game*

## Week Thirty-two

### DIVISION 1

**LEEDS UTD** 1 : 0 **LIVERPOOL** (H - 0.9)
Bamford 59 — Att 55517
Wind: Light — Pitch: Good

**CRYSTAL PALACE** 0 : 2 **ASTON VILLA** (A - 1.5)
Att 33677* — Watkins 37
Wind: Light — Peter pawlett 38
Pitch: Frozen

**WALSALL** 1 : 0 **Q.P.R.** (H - 0.7)
Jamille matt 44 — Att 28138
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**EVERTON** 1 : 0 **GLASGOW CELTIC** (A - 0.7)
Santa 57 — Att 31285
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**LUTON TOWN** 3 : 1 **SUNDERLAND** (H - 0.7)
Leon hubert 44,81 — Aiden o'brien 64
Jimmy greenhoff 76 — Att 45968
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**LEEDS CITY** 0 : 0 **SHEFFIELD WED** (A - 0.3)
Att 56200* — off - Nig worthington (10)
Wind: Calm — Pitch: Frozen

### DIVISION 2

**WYCOMBE WANDS** 1 : 0 **GREENOCK MORTON** (A - 0.1)
Sam volks 52 — Att 38277
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**TOTTENHAM** 5 : 1 **ARSENAL** (H - 0.5)
John white 5,72 — Limpar 7
Alex samuel 20,48,87 — Att 23462
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**WEST HAM UTD** 0 : 0 **DARLINGTON** (A - 1.8)
Att 29150 — Wind: Light
Pitch: Frozen

**NOTTINGHAM FOR** 0 : 1 **NEWCASTLE UTD** (A - 0.7)
Att 24545 — Trippier 66
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**WIGAN ATHLETIC** 0 : 1 **CHELSEA** (A - 1.9)
Att 30881* — Deco 74
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**ABERDEEN** 1 : 1 **BRIGHTON** (A - 0.3)
Willie miller 21 — Zeqiri 66
Att 29052 — Wind: Light
Pitch: Frozen

## Week Thirty-three

### THE PREMIER CUP

#### Quarter-final replays

**SUNDERLAND** 4 : 1 **ABERDEEN** (H - 0.5)
Niall quinn 18 — Van kinkel 1
Aiden o'brien 26,34,77 — Att 31059
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**ASTON VILLA** 3 : 1 **EVERTON** (H - 1.7)
Raheem sterling 93 — Gary lineker 117 [AET]
Watkins 101,117 — Att 45891
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

### THE PREMIER BOWL

#### Qauerter-finals

**Q.P.R.** 1 : 0 **NOTTINGHAM FOR** (H - 0.1)
Jack recher 80 — Att 26067
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**CHELSEA** 2 : 0 **DARLINGTON** (H - 0.3)
Matty cash 43 — bkd - Rhys armstrong (6)
Mason mount 77 — Att 40066
Wind: Light — Pitch: Frozen

**WEST HAM UTD** 0 : 3 **GREENOCK MORTON** (A - 0.9)
Att 29586 — Stan collymore 62
Wind: Calm — Alan lithgow 75
Pitch: Frozen — George oakley 82

**CRYSTAL PALACE** 1 : 2 **ABERDEEN** (A - 1.3)
Socoliche 54 — Billy dodds 11(p) [AET]
Inj - Peter taylor (99) — Joe linton 112
Att 29229 — bkd - Billy dodds (95)
Wind: Light — Pitch: Muddy

### PREMIER FRIENDLIES

**BRIGHTON** 6 : 1 **LEEDS UTD** (H - 2.9)

**MET POLICE(NL)** 2 : 0 **TOTTENHAM** (H - 2.1)
Inj - Pape sarr (99)

**LUTON TOWN** 2 : 2 **NEWCASTLE UTD** (A - 0.7)

**WHITBY TOWN(NL)** 1 : 1 **WALSALL** (H - 0.1)

**GLASGOW CELTIC** 5 : 2 **SHEFFIELD WED** (H - 5)

**LIVERPOOL** 0 : 1 **TRURO CITY(NL)** (A - 0.7)

**HERNE BAY(NL)** 0 : 4 **WYCOMBE WANDS** (A - 1.1)

**LEATHERHEAD(NL)** 4 : 0 **ARSENAL** (H - 2.5)

**WIGAN ATHLETIC** 0 : 1 **OXFORD CITY(NL)** (A - 1.1)

# BITS N PIECES

## LEADING SCORERS

**DIVISION 1**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **1** | **BAMFORD** | **LEEDS UTD** | **19** |
| 2 | LUALUA | LEEDS CITY | 13 |
| 3 | TOMMY BURNDEN | LEEDS CITY | 13 |
| 4 | DIXIE DEAN | EVERTON | 13 |
| 5 | GARY OLIVER | SUNDERLAND | 13 |
| 6 | BRENNAN JOHNSON | LUTON TOWN | 10 |
| 7 | NIALL QUINN | SUNDERLAND | 10 |
| 8 | LEON HUBERT | LUTON TOWN | 9 |

**DIVISION 2**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | BERYLY LUBALA | WYCOMBE WANDS | 16 |
| 2 | BILLY DODDS | ABERDEEN | 13 |
| 3 | GORDON STRACHAN | ABERDEEN | 9 |
| 4 | STAN COLLYMORE | NOTTINGHAM FOR | 9 |
| 5 | N'GOLO KANTE | CHELSEA | 8 |
| 6 | MARTINELLI | WYCOMBE WANDS | 8 |
| 7 | NKUNKU | CHELSEA | 7 |
| 8 | ELLIS RIMMER | GREENOCK MORTON | 7 |

## THE ROLE OF SHAME

The following players are all suspended next session for the number of games shown besides their name :- ZANDER DIAMOND [1] (NEWCASTLE UTD) /

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **WROXHAM(NL)** | **5 : 1** | **LEEDS CITY** | **(H - 2.3)** |
| **WEST HAM UTD** | **2 : 2** | **DIDCOT TOWN(NL)** | **(A - 2.7)** |

**WEATHER FORECAST**

**Temperature next session: Warm**

**Predicted wind speed next session: Brisk**

## Since A Win

| | |
|---|---|
| Q.P.R. | 12 games |
| Wigan Athletic | 10 games |
| Crystal Palace | 5 games |
| West Ham Utd | 4 games |

## Consec. Defeats

| | |
|---|---|
| Wigan Athletic | 10 games |
| Crystal Palace | 4 games |
| Arsenal | 3 games |

## PRIVATE DEALS

NEWCASTLE UTD sold SCHAR (18-2 DF) {APP} to CHELSEA for 70K

All deals completed successfully!

**MANAGERIAL RATINGS - SPs**

**TOP**

**WYCOMBE WANDS - 0**

**ASTON VILLA - 1**

**LIVERPOOL - 1**

**BOTTOM**

**WIGAN ATHLETIC - 21**

**CRYSTAL PALACE - 21**

**GLASGOW CELTIC - 21**

**MANAGERIAL RATINGS - PHYSIO POINTS**

**TOP**

**ASTON VILLA - 0**

**CRYSTAL PALACE - 0**

**WALSALL - 0**

**BOTTOM**

**LIVERPOOL - 14**

**TOTTENHAM - 22**

**GLASGOW CELTIC - 22**

**MANAGERIAL RATINGS - CAPTAIN BONUS**

**TOP**

**WIGAN ATHLETIC - 0**

**GLASGOW CELTIC - 1**

**WALSALL - 1**

**BOTTOM**

**SHEFFIELD WED - 20**

**CRYSTAL PALACE - 22**

**ARSENAL - 23**

## Since A Defeat

| | |
|---|---|
| Newcastle Utd | 12 games |
| Leeds Utd | 11 games |
| Wycombe Wands | 8 games |

# AUCTION PAGE

## ROLLING AUCTION RESULTS FOR SESSION ELEVEN

### AUCTION RESULTS

POSSTATS NAME CLUB FEENO NHIGH

**All players not shown were unsold.**

## ROLLING UCTION FOR SESSION TWELVE

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2) | MF | 20-8 | S | - | Dave Mackay of Walsall {RES 320k - 0% BW/ 28% CR} |
| 3) | MF | 18-2 | P/S | APP | Curtis Jones of Liverpool {RES 124k - 51% BW/ 71% CR} |
| 4) | SW | 18-2 | S | FUT | O'leary of Arsenal {RES 250k - 76% BW/ 51% CR} |
| 5) | FW | 18-2 | S | APP | Antonio of West Ham Utd {RES 210k - 24% BW/ 95% CR} |
| 6) | FW | 18-2 | S | FUT | Romaine Mundle of Sunderland {RES 175k - 10% BW/ 52% 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

### ROLLING AUCTION LEVELS

The following are the minimum levels relating to each session for entering players into the rolling auction:-

| SESSIONS | MIN LEVEL |
|---|---|
| 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

## THE MUSINGS AND MEANDERINGS OF THE KA MIND

- A Sweeper is basically a defender with additional responsibilities. Adopted from the continental game, the Sweeper tends to play behind the men at the back, forming a mobile, roving line of defence that can move to lend aid where needed, and to make timely interceptions in attacks that might otherwise result in a goal scoring opportunity. The use of Sweepers reduces the tactics available to your side, as they will be unable to play an Offside game, due to the Sweeper's position throughout the match.

When played in the Sweeper's role, this player has one major benefit and one major drawback. The benefit is that if the opposing side is fielding a FWT in their team, the SW automatically "man-marks" him for the duration of the game, ensuring that the FWT is unable to play his normal game. The drawback is that if your side chooses to push too many players forward, the SW is forced to move into a solely defensive position, playing as a DF only.

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY TO REMEMBER

It seems that even old stagers of the game still can'rt 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**

**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- infront 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.

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

**kickaboutonline.co.uk**

## NEW WEB-SITE

**is now up and running,**

**www.Kickaboutonline. co.uk to see the goodies**

**including a RegualrDespatch Schedule on the forum**

## 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.

# FORTHCOMING KA WEEKENDS

# ONE PLACE LEFT

**Glasgow weekend dates 9th-12th October**

**Craig ,Jens, Cranners, Colly, Gerard, Steadders, Neil B, Adrian, Morten, are first man in here**

**Seamus, Gareth, Nigel, Rob, Bo, Wadders 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 & Jens are first men in**

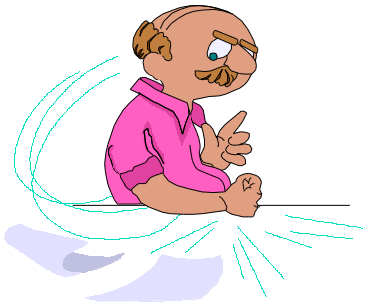
**Craig, Gareth, Nigel, Cranners, Seamus, , Gerard, Wadders, Nick Wilson, Adrian, Pete Jorgie, Danny Brez & Morten have all said they will be there**

***(looks like it could be a twenty player weekend at this rate. Tickle Jens tummy folks and make it so)***

**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**

**First men in are Gerard, Seamus, Jens & Wadders**

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



**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.

# MANAGER-S NEEDED

## SPECIAL OFFER

The two quick leagues Messi & Hope will have a few places free when the season ends next week. We'd like to fill these few places up so here's a dooper souper special offer fo you.

Take on a team with a free season on offer and you can claim a free season for ONE of your othert teams. How can you turn that down. Open to existing or new Quick legaue players.

Give it a go ???



# 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**

IIn 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 speicialist or has an * by his name, you add something extra to the calculation. I would say 5k is a good rule of thumb