

## Season 24/25 - Newsletter 20

City bankers again cost points.... Will we stop banking on them, although it might be interesting this weekend.

Other than the late 3 goals from Feyenoord, and the surprise scoreline in Nice, the round turned out to be fairly average.

28/11/2024 14:02:08	Score	Surreal Madrid	The Sedgley Stalker	Murder On Zidane's Floor
<b>GAMES &amp; POINTS FOR RD 19</b>		42.73	37.99	33.87
Bayern Munich vs Paris Saint Germain	1 0	1 1	1 1	2 1
Manchester City vs Feyenoord	3 3	2 0	3 0	4 0
Sporting vs Arsenal	1 5	1 3	1 2	2 2
Aston Villa vs Juventus	0 0	2 2	1 1	2 1
Celtic vs Club Brugge	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1
Liverpool vs Real Madrid	2 0	1 2	2 0	2 1
Heidenheim vs Chelsea	0 2	1 3	0 3 G	0 2
Cercle Brugge vs Hearts	2 0	1 0	1 1	2 1
Nice vs Rangers	1 4	1 2	2 1	2 0
Tottenham vs Roma	2 2	2 2	1 1	2 1
Manchester United vs Bodo/Glimt	3 2	2 1	3 0 G	3 0
Rapid vs Shamrock Rovers	1 1	2 0	2 0 E	2 1

Surreal Madrid avoided bankers, and mustered 42 points to take the round.

The Sedgley Stalker would have taken the round, if Shamrock Rovers hadn't got an equaliser to Rapid. Their 38 points put them in second place for the round

Murder On Zidane's Floor took third place.

The 34 points they collected, also avoided bankers.

All three had Celtic's 1-1 draw as correct scores

The Average this round was 15.03, 5 of us finished in the red. Worst score this round was -11.46, I won't say who.

2 T'Wire stay top and keep their lead at just over 30 points.

Bachman & Robin have moved into second above The Grooneys

Wigstown Rovers moved up a couple of places, otherwise it was fairly stagnant across the top of the table.

A bit further down Saved By The Belle and Racing Todabogs both moved up half a dozen places, whereas I Did Warne You moved a similar number of spots, in the opposite direction.

### THE GUESSWORK TABLE

	PTS	+/-
2 T'Wire	696.43	
Bachman & Robin	666.33	1
The Grooneys	650.10	-1
58 Years Of Hurt	647.19	
Wigstown Rovers	638.21	2
The WolfPack	618.12	-1
Sutton Who ???	616.48	-1
Chips & Gravy	608.93	
Addicks Fan	603.44	
Muzzy's Allstars	592.72	
Tumbledwyer	580.96	1
Canada Knows Best	577.78	1

The Grand Prix has 8 rounds left, it ends with the final games of 2024.

The Old Apprentices	46.61
Surreal Madrid	44.85
Racing Todabogs	42.34
Hunterzmoon	41.83
The Sedgley Stalker	39.15
Murder On Zidane's Floor	36.75
SpursCollectables	36.09
Hoggy's Heroes	33.35
I Should Be So Lucky	32.69
Borussia Teeth	31.37

Remember it's "Pure Points" here, which ignores any additional points won by bankers, or points lost by wrong bankers or just wrong guesses.

The Old Apprentices took the 25 points awarded for first place, and moved up 19 places to 12th in the table.

Surreal Madrid picked up 18 points, for second, and climbed 7 places.

1	Tumbledwyer	87	
2	Chips & Gravy	74	
3	Muzzy's Allstars	74	
4	Addicks Fan	69	
5	KaneAndDisable	68	
6	2 T'Wire	64	
7	The WolfPack	63	
8	Lady Harney Of Yanchep	61	
9	Sutton Who ???	60	
10	Empire Of The Son	59	

Racing Todabogs took third, after second last time, and are now 11th, up 9 places.

The top 10 team were unmoved.

There were 71 games this round mostly from the European Competitions.

Borussia Teeth's pre-season selections scored best, just ahead of 2 T'Wire's

THE PICKS TOP 5 (R19)	PTS
Borussia Teeth	139.35
2 T'Wire	138.45
Muzzy's Allstars	132.65
MullenVoid	132.47
I Did Warne You	132.02

The points totals were close.

THE PICKS	PTS	+/-
Lard Lovers XI	4198.48	
Jurgena-Like-It... Not A Slot	4168.87	
Saved By The Belle	4055.82	
You'll Never Guess Alone	4040.70	3
The Sedgley Stalker	4020.81	-1
Borussia Munchingflapjack	4009.29	
Racing Todabogs	3984.56	-2
MullenVoid	3984.17	1
Wigstown Rovers	3951.93	-1
58 Years Of Hurt	3915.48	
Tumbledwyer	3894.42	
Bachman & Robin	3892.43	2
Hunterzmoon	3862.28	-1

Lard Lovers XI stay top, and second and third place teams haven't budged in R19.

You'll Never Guess Alone move back up 3 places into 4th

We immediately move into Round 20, there will be League Games in all the top divisions across Europe, but we also have the FA Cup second round.

This could see some big points on offer for any upsets pulled off by teams you picked from the lower leagues, against teams in divisions above them, especially as wins will be worth at least twice the amount of points as normal (it's the 2nd Round), or even thrice the amount for the National League

teams (they're in their 3rd Round)

In this Update, I've copied the Fantasy Manager League Table.

The round was full of points being added to this. Only XXX players played during midweek in league games.

You can ignore the Dream Team, it's the most selected players in each of the categories, there as a guidance for how we're all doing against the 'Dream'. Actually I guess we can't ignore it as clearly only two of us have picked better than going with the masses, so far.

There are still a couple of Transfer Windows between now and the end of the season, **AND**, (bold and underlined so important), I'm moving the January one from the 3rd Rd FA Cup Weekend, to the AGM weekend.

The WolfPack are the top scorers, with 72 goals so far, Jurgena-Like-It...Not A Slot have 12 Clean Sheets, whilst Borussia Munchingflapjack have 93 saves, so far.

Fantasy Manager	Pts	(G - A - CS - S)
Lard Lovers XI	1558.21	(60 - 20 - 7 - 80)
Jurgena-Like-It... Not A Slot	1525.86	(46 - 27 - 12 - 48)
Dream Team (The #1 Picks)	1468.72	(61 - 22 - 11 - 49)
The Sedgley Stalker	1467.86	(64 - 26 - 6 - 62)
Hazard's Arse	1452.13	(62 - 22 - 11 - 49)
The WolfPack	1433.43	(72 - 21 - 9 - 67)
Super Maresca	1416.33	(61 - 20 - 6 - 62)
Saved By The Belle	1412.46	(42 - 22 - 6 - 69)
Hunterzmoon	1410.58	(53 - 22 - 5 - 47)
Borussia Munchingflapjack	1398.52	(43 - 15 - 6 - 93)
Multiple Scoregasms	1397.73	(43 - 24 - 6 - 67)
Racing Todabogs	1367.67	(38 - 21 - 6 - 76)
Borussia Teeth	1367.20	(56 - 20 - 9 - 43)
Empire of the Son	1366.66	(49 - 21 - 8 - 62)
I Did Warne You	1358.49	(36 - 15 - 8 - 67)
The Grooneys	1331.49	(48 - 19 - 6 - 65)
Inter Row-Z	1330.59	(40 - 13 - 9 - 66)
Wigstown Rovers	1321.65	(42 - 19 - 5 - 66)
Surreal Madrid	1311.87	(36 - 22 - 7 - 75)
Bakers Dozen	1310.15	(47 - 22 - 2 - 31)
Moves Like Saka	1306.31	(43 - 20 - 6 - 68)
The Old Apprentices	1306.18	(51 - 9 - 6 - 65)

#### Most points Lost on a Game in the 12

- Liverpool 0 Nottingham Forest 1 -490.46 pts (RD 6)
- Tottenham 1 Ipswich 2 -435.72 pts (RD 16)
- Bournemouth 2 Arsenal 0 -379.86 pts (RD 12)
- Manchester City 0 Tottenham 4 -256.66 pts (RD 18)
- Bournemouth 2 Manchester City 1 -249.44 pts (RD 15)
- Leeds 3 Portsmouth 3 -236.82 pts (RD 1)
- Fulham 1 Wolves 4 -210 pts (RD 18)
- Manchester City 3 Feyenoord 3 -179.78 pts (RD 19)
- Oxford 2 Norwich 0 -156.08 pts (RD 1)
- Newcastle 0 West Ham 2 -146.55 pts (RD 18)
- France 1 Italy 3 -139.78 pts (RD 5)
- Valencia 2 Las Palmas 3 -138.38 pts (RD 12)
- Barnsley 1 Mansfield 2 -113.26 pts (RD 1)
- Nice 1 Rangers 4 -108. pts (RD 19)
- Real Madrid 0 Barcelona 4 -105.9 pts (RD 13)
- Brentford 1 Sheffield Wednesday 1 -103.2 pts (RD 14)
- Brighton 0 Ipswich 0 -95.96 pts (RD 6)

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I've kept the worst results on here, from the last update, as City have made yet another unwanted appearance.

The 179.78 points we collectively lost when they blew the three goal lead against Feyenoord, enters the table as the 8th worst predicted game.

Rangers surprising win also gets on the table, as we fancied Nice.

City now have 3 entries on the table, all in the top eight.

Bournemouth and Ipswich both have 2 entries, but they've caused the upset, and not been the backed team.

Spurs have, not unexpectedly I guess, the oddity of being the reason for the loss of points, by winning one of the games

In the Fans League, West Ham stay top with a draw against Arsenal.

Oxford drew with Charlton and Derby drew with Man United to stay on the same points.

Fans League Table	Pts	W	D	L	F	A
West Ham	34	9	7	3	21	12
Oxford United	34	10	4	5	27	12
Derby	34	9	7	3	27	12
Newcastle	33	9	6	4	20	14

Round 20 has a 5PM Deadline, TOMORROW, there's 2 Friday night games in 'The 12'. I will chase you, possibly more than once for your Guesswork....

*Steve*  
*AKA.. Denied By The WoodWork*