

Season 24/25 - Newsletter 27

The second half of the year, and Round 26 had the fourth worst points total for a game so far in the GuessWork.

Ipswich's win over Chelsea lost us 347.33 points in bankers and wrong forecasts. It wasn't a straightforward round (no surprise I guess not many of them have proved to be so far) and only SpursCollectables had a Guaranteed Score, with Fulham and Bournemouth's 2-2 draw. 11 of us finished the round with a **NEGATIVE** total, the worst score was **-9.27**. I won't say who got it

01/01/2025 13:57:23	Score	Flaming Norah	Multiple Scoregasms	Hoggy's Heroes
GAMES & POINTS FOR 26		41.54	40.41	37.42
Leicester vs Manchester City	0 2	1 3	1 2	1 2
Crystal Palace vs Southampton	2 1	2 0	1 0	2 1 E
Everton vs Nottingham Forest	0 2	1 1 E	0 1	2 2
Fulham vs Bournemouth	2 2	2 2 E	2 2	2 2
Tottenham vs Wolves	2 2	1 1	2 2	4 0 G
West Ham vs Liverpool	0 5	1 3	0 2	1 2
Aston Villa vs Brighton	2 2	2 0	1 1	3 1
Ipswich vs Chelsea	2 0	1 4	0 2	1 4
Manchester United vs Newcastle	0 2	1 2 E	1 2	2 3 G
Brentford vs Arsenal	1 3	1 2 E	2 1	2 1
QPR vs Watford	3 1	1 3	1 2	3 1
Leeds vs Blackburn	1 1	2 0	1 0	3 1

Flaming Norah, topped the round. 1 Enhanced banker outscored 1 wrong one, enough to give them with the rest of the results enough points to win.

Multiple Scoregasms, with no bankers, and two correct scores were just behind in second.

Hoggy's Heroes had a mixed round with a correct banker, a wrong banker and a couple of scores, but came in third.

The Grooneys stay out on top.

The WolfPack have moved up into second.

There were moves upwards for most in the top, as 2 T'Wire had another bad round and dropped 5 places.

But were' only at the halfway through, well just over..

<u>THE GUESSWORK TABLE</u>	PTS	+/-
The Grooneys	860.73	
The WolfPack	784.31	2
58 Years Of Hurt	775.17	
Chips & Gravy	769.86	1
Wigstown Rovers	765.14	1
Addicks Fan	765.14	3
2 T'Wire	756.64	-5
Sutton Who ???	753.21	-1
Bachman & Robin	744.61	-1
Lady Harney Of Yanchep	744.47	
Saved By The Belle	741.83	4
Muzzy's Allstars	739.49	1

The Grand Prix Trophy has finished, with Tumbledwyer holding on to win this cup competition, despite late pressure from Addicks Fan and Lady Harney of Yanchep.

CURRENT ROUND	GRAND PRIX TABLE	PTS	+/-	RACE NUMBER & FINISHES IN THE POINTS PLACES								
				20	21	22	23	24	25	26		
Obi Wan - Kenobi Nil	48.99	1 Tumbledwyer	112		1st							
Multiple Scoregasms	46.21	2 Addicks Fan	100				1st				7th	
Denied By The WoodWork	41.27	3 The Grooneys	92		2nd	8th	6th	7th	5th			
Racing Todabogs	40.44	4 Lady Harney Of Yanchep	91		2nd				4th			
Hoggy's Heroes	40.20	5 Muzzy's Allstars	91			9th		3rd				
Hunterzmoon	38.75	6 Chips & Gravy	86		4th							
Addicks Fan	38.22	7 KaneAndDisable	83			3rd						
Saved By The Belle	32.93	8 Racing Todabogs	81	2					8th	7th	4th	
Flaming Norah	32.76	9 I Did Warne You	75	-1			2nd		6th			
You'll Never Guess Alone	31.57	10 Empire Of The Son	74	-1	3rd							

Their 12 point win was constructed with 3 first places, and a second. The only player to win more than one this time, so fairly well deserved.

The above shows the results for this final round, and the finishes over the last 7, for the top 10. If you fancy having a look at the full season, you can find the GP table on the website..

A reminder. £100 is on it's way to Tumbledwyer, and finishing in second place, £30.00 to Addicks Fan.

Replacing it now from R27, is The Last Team Standing.... The worst of us being eliminated at the end of each round, until we end in Round 50 with a minimum of 5 Players in the final. The table for this is also on the website ready for the start on Saturday, and the first elimination on Monday evening

THE PICKS TOP 5 (R26)	PTS
Bachman & Robin	294.14
Moves Like Saka	291.52
Racing Todabogs	289.83
Saved By The Belle	289.60
Kanu Feel It	287.08

There were 89 Picks games over R26, all in league games predominantly across the UK, with a few cup games in France.

Bachman & Robin had the strongest round, with Moves Like Saka (so stuck on a bed with your leg up) not too far behind.

Behind them was last season's winner of The Picks, Racing Todabogs.... Not ready to let go of their tiara yet.

January is going to be a manic month, with mid-week league programs, the end of the European Cup League rounds, the FA Cup 3rd round games (some potential big points for any picks springing surprises) and the first leg of the Carabao semi-final.

No changes in the top 3 this week.

The leader has broken the 6000 barrier, and has established a good gap to second.

As I've said before though, the Cup games, and your Picks in them will start to mark impacts. Have them predicted correctly, and the points will amass quickly.

A major part of the points won so far come from the Player Picks, and it's not too much of a surprise the top two 'Managers' are in the top three of the Picks overall.

Fantasy Manager	Pts	(G - A - CS - S)
Lard Lovers XI	2265.28	(85 - 35 - 14 - 100)
Jurgena-Like-It... Not A Slot	2186.86	(65 - 41 - 14 - 66)
Dream Team (The #1 Picks)	2162.16	(86 - 30 - 15 - 65)
Multiple Scoregasms	2151.54	(72 - 37 - 10 - 111)
Hazard's Arse	2118.22	(76 - 29 - 15 - 65)
I Did Warne You	2108.36	(49 - 21 - 14 - 100)
Moves Like Saka	2105.27	(66 - 32 - 10 - 103)
Saved By The Belle	2102.24	(59 - 31 - 10 - 104)
Super Maresca	2091.67	(77 - 32 - 11 - 75)
The WolfPack	2057.90	(97 - 29 - 13 - 93)

Here's the 'Best' players from the first half of the season, based on the points they've won in the games played so far.

No-one had Number 1 in their Picks, and two of other 'surprise' names up there have only 1 Pick each.

Perpetual Premier League	Pl - Pt - GD	W	D	L	PTS
Liverpool	2 / 3 / 5	25	10	3	85
Arsenal	0 / -5 / -7	25	9	4	84
Manchester City	-2 / -12 / -22	24	7	7	79
Chelsea	2 / 10 / 17	21	10	7	73
Newcastle	3 / 0 / -5	17	9	12	60
Aston Villa	-2 / -10 / -16	16	10	12	58
Tottenham	-2 / -8 / 11	17	7	14	58
Brighton	4 / 8 / 15	14	14	10	56
West Ham	0 / 0 / -2	14	10	14	52

would have moved 3 places up the table, with the same points they got from last season's games!!!

THE PICKS	PTS	+/-
Lard Lovers XI	6026.24	
Tumbledwyer	5777.54	
Jurgena-Like-It... Not A Slot	5734.31	
Bachman & Robin	5712.84	1
Racing Todabogs	5669.54	2
Saved By The Belle	5661.35	2
Moves Like Saka	5629.98	5
Chelsea Hawks	5610.79	-4
You'll Never Guess Alone	5606.51	1
MullenVoid	5585.06	-4
58 Years Of Hurt	5581.75	2
Borussia Munchingflapjack	5581.06	-3
The Sedgley Stalker	5579.57	-2

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, when you can let me know in person any changes you want to make, if you're there.

The BEST Players

Matz Sels 284.78 pts (0 - 0 - 8 - 53)
Mohamed Salah 245.9 pts (17 - 13 - 0 - 0)
Finn Azaz 241.15 pts (8 - 9 - 8 - 0)
Cole Palmer 220.13 pts (12 - 6 - 0 - 0)
Bryan Mbeumo 215.79 pts (11 - 2 - 2 - 0)

There's a more extensive list on the website.

In the PPL, Liverpool are, for the first time this season, 3 points better off in the games played this year, than they were last, and are top.

They and Chelsea are the only 2 in the top 7, with gains on last season. Newcastle

Just a reminder if you're reading this.

The AGM is only 3 weeks away. Funds raised on the day will be donated to **The Bradley Lowery Foundation** and will come from pennies left over from the Fee for the day, and a few fund raisers on the days, I'm still thinking a personalised swear-box (mainly for Aaron), but also will have a potluck draw for the correct scores of the four Premier League games taking place on the day.

But even nearer, **The Cup Competition** gets underway in 8 days time. This is supporting **Great Ormond Street Hospital**, and has raised **£394.81** so far. 32 are taking part, the door is still open to more, and new players can join. Share the link with anyone you know who likes a bit of footy.

But before all that, it is Round 27. It's on the website, Deadline is Friday night, 8PM, just 48 hours away.

That's FRIDAY 8pm, I will chase you.....

Steve
AKA.. Denied By The WoodWork