

## Season 24/25 - Newsletter 23

Not much happened in R22. Actually what a lie that is, loads went on, so I've added more into this update to cover most of the talking points, in these competitions, and outside it as well.

Whilst the F1 season came to an expected conclusion in the Driver's Competition, the Team Title went to unexpected winners, is that a sign of what might happen with the Players League and Team League here. The current tables are below.

09/12/2024 14:17:03	Score	Jurgena-Like-It. .. Not A Slot	Who Are We..	Bakers Dozen
<b>GAMES &amp; POINTS FOR 22</b>		40.99	37.02	33.76
Everton vs Liverpool		1 3 G	1 3	0 2
Aston Villa vs Southampton	1 0	2 0	2 1	2 0
Brentford vs Newcastle	4 2	3 1 E	2 1	1 1
Crystal Palace vs Manchester City	2 2	1 3	0 3	1 3
Manchester United vs Nottingham Forest	2 3	3 0	2 1	2 3
Fulham vs Arsenal	1 1	1 1 E	1 3	1 2
Ipswich vs Bournemouth	1 2	2 2	1 1	1 0
Leicester vs Brighton	2 2	2 1 E	2 2	2 2
Tottenham vs Chelsea	3 4	1 1	2 3	1 3
West Ham vs Wolves	2 1	2 1	1 2	2 4
Man Utd W vs Liverpool W	4 0	1 4	2 2	2 1
Besiktas vs Fenerbahce	1 0	1 3	2 1	1 2

Jurgena-Like-It.. Not A Slot topped the last round, and went and topped this as well.

Despite having a banker wrong, they had the 1-1 at The Cottage banked, and West Ham's win tonight correct

Who Are We.. edged out Bakers Dozen, although Bakers Dozen had two correct scores.

Both had the Leicester come back to thank for points, and the second placed team picked up valuable result points from the four they predicted.

The Average this round was 17.13, up on R21, four finished in the red. Worst score this round was -7.46, I won't say who.

Last week's leaders struggled this round, and The Grooneys took advantage to hit the top.

There was movement all over the top places, with no one in the top nine places staying still.

Jurgena-Like It, who were firmly rooted down near the bottom, have moved up a few places and caught those above with their last two round wins..

<u>THE GUESSWORK TABLE</u>	PTS	+/-
The Grooneys	748.31	1
2 T'Wire	736.07	-1
Wigstown Rovers	691.89	1
Chips & Gravy	690.99	2
Bachman & Robin	688.25	-2
The WolfPack	688.13	1
Sutton Who ???	681.87	1
Tumbledwyer	676.94	1
58 Years Of Hurt	674.95	-4
Lady Harney Of Yanchep	672.68	
Addicks Fan	659.02	
Chelsea Hawks	657.49	

Who Are We.. took R22, and the 25 points on offer.

**GRAND PRIX TOP 5 (R22)**

	PTS
Who Are We..	33.29
I Did Warne You	32.45
KaneAndDisable	31.63
GraniteCity Fox	28.83
Canada Knows Best	28.56

Remember it's "Pure Points" here, which ignores any additional points won by

bankers, or points lost by wrong bankers or just wrong guesses.

It's hotting up as we enter the final four rounds of this competition. Tumbledwyer still hold a healthy lead, but there's 100 points on offer still.....

**THE GRAND PRIX**

	+/-	Pts (10)
Tumbledwyer		112 (7)
Chips & Gravy		86 (6)
KaneAndDisable	4	83 (7)
Lady Harney Of Yancheop	-1	79 (7)
Muzzy's Allstars		76 (6)
Empire Of The Son	-2	74 (6)
Addicks Fan	-1	69 (6)
The Grooneys		68 (7)
I Did Warne You	8	67 (4)
2 T'Wire	-1	64 (5)
The WolfPack	-1	63 (5)
Sutton Who ???	-1	60 (6)
Racing Todabogs	-1	59 (4)

Premier League	PTS
Chelsea	140.24
Liverpool	132.85
Brighton	113.06
Bournemouth	106.35
Nottingham Forest	105.45
Arsenal	104.53
Fulham	100.71
Brentford	99.51
Tottenham	94.90
Newcastle	90.84
Manchester City	88.40
Aston Villa	84.78
Manchester United	76.97
Leicester	60.21
Crystal Palace	59.53
West Ham	56.66
Everton	47.25
Ipswich	43.93
Wolves	35.84
Southampton	10.19

In The Picks, Chelsea now top the Premier League Table.

Yep, Chelsea.

A reminder that teams win points, which are then adjusted by coefficients that were set based on where they ended up last season. Chelsea's wins are therefore usually worth a lot more than Liverpool's, who are second, and have played a game less due to Saturday's cancellation.

Brighton and Bournemouth's improvements see them in the top four, whilst Forest are in 5th

Cole Palmer's penalties put him top of the Forwards List, marginally ahead of Salah who didn't play this weekend.

Chris Wood's goals are more valuable than all (except Vardy's) in this list of the top players, due to the coefficient that Forest have.

Premier Forwards	PTS
Cole Palmer	191.52
Mohamed Salah	187.38
Chris Wood	167.42
Erling Haaland	145.80
Nicolas Jackson	141.41
Jarrod Bowen	136.57
Matheus Cunha	134.59
Bukayo Saka	128.83
Jamie Vardy	124.27

ALL the points won in these and similar tables (all on the website on the "All The Tables" page) go towards the totals in The Picks.

There were only 99 games this round in The Picks, all in league games across Europe, points coming from your team picks doing well and the players in your squads performing.

Multiple Scoregasms top scored this round, ahead of Hazard's Arse and Tumbledwyer.

THE PICKS	PTS	+/-
Lard Lovers XI	4847.07	1
Jurgena-Like-It... Not A Slot	4713.11	-1
Tumbledwyer	4661.41	3
Racing Todabogs	4610.82	-1
Saved By The Belle	4609.56	
Chelsea Hawks	4607.96	3
The Sedgley Stalker	4604.03	3
You'll Never Guess Alone	4598.43	-4
Borussia Munchingflapjack	4594.85	-2
Wigstow Rovers	4581.55	1
MullenVoid	4579.47	-3
MC11	4541.29	3
Red Dogs	4519.85	4

Lard Lovers XI are back on top, above Jurgena-Like-It.. Not A Slot.

Tumbledwyer are back up 3 places to third.

We move onto Championship, and Europa games during midweek, with more points on offer.

I've mentioned here before having Cup form could be key

THE PICKS TOP 5 (R22)	PTS
Multiple Scoregasms	328.15
Hazard's Arse	323.26
Tumbledwyer	316.94
GraniteCity Fox	310.86
Lady Harney of Yanhep	308.55

Top 'PICKS' This Round	Pts	(G - A - CS - S)
Steven Bergwijn (2)	24.58	(1 - - -)
Jonathan David (3)	24.30	(2 - 1 - -)
Cole Palmer (21)	22.58	(2 - - -)
Thibaut Courtois (0)	22.37	(- - 1 - 4)
Bryan Mbeumo (1)	21.05	(1 - 1 - 0 -)

Forwards were on top this round

Goals and assists got the players into the top 5, with only Courtois getting in amongst them

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.

Some big changes in The Perpetual League Table this round.

Arsenal are top. If the league finished today, they would be Champions. They actually gained a point against Fulham, whereas City dropped 2 against Palace.

No change for Liverpool, we'd have expected them to gain points this round as they lost last year at Everton, and Chelsea stayed on the same points, but did see their GD cut by 2

Perpetual Premier League	Pl - Pt - GD	W	D	L	PTS
Arsenal	1 / -3 / -6	26	8	4	86
Manchester City	-1 / -7 / -16	26	6	6	84
Liverpool	0 / 0 / -3	24	10	4	82
Chelsea	2 / 10 / 16	21	10	7	73
Tottenham	0 / -3 / 15	19	6	13	63
Aston Villa	-2 / -8 / -13	17	9	12	60
Brighton	5 / 12 / 16	16	12	10	60
Newcastle	0 / -3 / -4	16	9	13	57
West Ham	0 / 1 / 3	14	11	13	53
Bournemouth	1 / 4 / 8	14	10	14	52
Manchester United	-4 / -10 / -2	14	8	16	50
Fulham	2 / 0 / 2	12	11	15	47
Brentford	3 / 5 / 4	12	8	18	44
Everton	-1 / -5 / -8	11	10	17	43

Round 23 is on the website now, as is a Xmas Page, which has links to all the fixtures over the Christmas Period (for any of you that want to get ahead of the game).

R23 has a Friday Night Deadline, as we go into a Premier League +2 round in 'The 12'.

I will chase you, possibly more than once for your Guesswork....

Oh, and don't forget to check your emails.... I've invoiced out information on balances due for the January meet and the Cup Competition. Payment by early January at the latest please.

*Steve*

*AKA.. Denied By The WoodWork*