

Match Secretary's Report 2003

Summer Lightning

10 teams competed in last summer's summer lightning which was won by Bath amassing 124 out of a possible 144 game points and finishing on 8pts, 2 ahead of their nearest rivals Downend and Grendel who managed 6 pts..

League Divisional winners

46 teams competed in five leagues this season the same number as last year.

Division 1 was won by Bath A who only lost 1 game throughout the whole season. Horfield A finished the season winning 7 games on the trot to take 2nd place ahead of Clifton A and Downend A who finished closely behind Horfield in 3rd and 4th place. At the opposite end both Grendel teams were struggling all season along with Clifton B to avoid the drop.

Division 2 was won by University A who were consistent throughout the season only dropping 5 pts. Horfield B finished strongly ahead of Keynsham A in third place.

Division 3 was won by Cossham who along with Cabot A and Clevedon B fought closely all season with only 3 pts separating them at the end of the seson.

Division 4 was won by University B who together with Downend D dominated the division.

Division 5 was won by Yate B who finished 5 pts ahead of their nearest rivals Clifton E

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Knockout winners

The League Knockout has unfortunately not been decided as there are 3 games currently adjourned from the Final involving Horfield v Bath

The Minor Cup was won by Cabot who beat South Bristol convincingly 5-1 in the final.

Alan Ashby

In the Alan Ashby competition, Daniel Hilder (Clevedon) finished on 21pts from 29 games

Notable players that have improved the most this season include Harvey Atkinson (Horfield), Don Conway (Cabot), James Macarthur (Keynsham)

Statistics

The Grading thresholds for next season will be slightly higher in all Divisions, so the strength of the League has improved from that of last year.

(1-2)(2-3)(3-4)(4-5)(5-6) - Divisions

139, 106, 97, 77, 51 New season

145, 115, 92, 77, 65 Last Season

Defaults

Unfortunately both Harambee teams found it difficult to field full teams throughout the season with it affecting their respective divisions. This is something we need to avoid for next season..

Results sheets

A lot of results have come via e mail which I am encouraging. – some scanned and sent as a picture files, others neatly put in spreadsheet format. This has saved time and I am encouraging it although keeping hold of the original Result sheet is a must in case of disputes.

Website

All the results during the season have been published on the website, along with many download files which have been updated regularly by me.

The Website at present receives about 40 hits a day and this figure appears to be growing as the site gets linked to other websites around the south west and further beyond.

At present the figure stands at 15,590 compared to 1,720 this time last year.

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