

## Season 24/25 - Newsletter 28

There was only 1 correct Guaranteed Banker score in R27, is it me or are they getting harder to call.

A late fifth for Real Madrid gave this week's winners that Guaranteed banker.

There were no NEGATIVE scores this round, and we averaged 21.99. Fulham were the main issue with wrong bankers, Ipswich again proving a thorn in the side of the predicting

06/01/2025 14:17:18	Score	58 Years Of Hurt	Empire Of The Son	Murder On Zidane's Floor
<b>GAMES &amp; POINTS FOR 27</b>		45.37	38.22	37.16
Tottenham vs Newcastle	1 2	2 2	1 2	2 2
Aston Villa vs Leicester	2 1	2 0	2 0 G	2 1
Bournemouth vs Everton	1 0	2 0	1 0	2 1
Crystal Palace vs Chelsea	1 1	1 2	2 3	1 3
Manchester City vs West Ham	4 1	3 0 G	2 0 G	2 0
Southampton vs Brentford	0 5	0 2 E	1 3	1 2
Brighton vs Arsenal	1 1	0 3	0 1	2 1
Fulham vs Ipswich	2 2	2 1	2 0 E	2 1
Liverpool vs Manchester United	2 2	3 1	3 0	4 0
Wolves vs Nottingham Forest	0 3	1 2	0 2	1 1
Preston vs Oxford United	1 1	2 1	1 1	1 1
Minera vs Real Madrid	0 5	0 5 G	0 3	0 5 E

58 Years Of Hurt topped the round. They had the Madrid score, and this helped to build a total of 45 points and leave them comfortably out in front.

Empire Of The Son were one of Ipswich's victims, but still had three correct scores to build their total up to 38, and take second place.

Murder on Zidane's Floor grabbed third spot, I guess typically due to a Madrid banker (only Enhanced), and a couple of other scores.

The Grooneys stay in control out on top.

58 Years Of Hurt not only topped the round, but moved up to second place as well, now above The WolfPack, by a fraction of a point.

What is surprising, a little, is to see Sutton Who??? (that's Chris Sutton's Guesswork) moving up into the top five.

Wigstown Rover and 2 T'Wire dropped some places, but Tumbledwyer have started the climb back up the table a bit further down.

THE GUESSWORK TABLE	PTS	+/-
The Grooneys	891.89	
58 Years Of Hurt	824.75	1
The WolfPack	824.35	-1
Chips & Gravy	803.34	
Sutton Who ????	792.45	3
Addicks Fan	789.13	
Wigstown Rovers	787.34	-2
2 T'Wire	773.15	-1
Bachman & Robin	773.10	
Lady Harney Of Yanchep	767.46	
Saved By The Belle	755.15	
Tumbledwyer	754.72	5

With The Grand Prix Trophy done and dusted, between now and the end of the season the Last Team Standing Competition will start to eliminate the worst each round to leave us with 5 or 6 teams in the final round.

Round 27 - The Worst		RD	OUT	PLAYERS THAT HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED (ROUND BY ROUND)	
SpursCollectables	0.68	27	1	SpursCollectables (0.68)	23
Hazard's Arse	1.70	28	1		
Chelsea Hawks	3.05	29	1		
McGinn & Tonic	6.95	30	2		
Saved By The Belle	8.62	31	2		
Canada Knows Best	9.55	32	2		
Lard Lovers XI	9.59	33	2		
Muzzy's Allstars	11.48	34	2		
Borussia	11.82	35	2		
Munchingflapjack	11.82	35	2		
2 T'Wire	12.28	36	2		
Footie Flounder	12.66	37	2		

Hazard's Arse and Chelsea Hawks flirted with eviction, but it's the winner from last time, SpursCollectables that were worst this round, and are therefore out first this time round.

THE PICKS TOP 5 (R27)	PTS
The Old Apprentices	272.49
The WolfPack	271.34
The Grooneys	270.44
Ally's Army	266.89
Footie Flounder	257.67

There were 75 Picks games in R27.

The Old Apprentices came out on top, only just above The WolfPack and The Grooneys ( a good round to have a name that started 'The')

No change in the top four in the table.

Saved By The Belle and Moves Like Saka have gone above last seasons winner, but it's all still really tight.

R28 could see some big points happening, it's the first leg of the Carabao Semis, and then there are the FA Cup 3rd Round games.

If you've Picks left in the Cup from the lower leagues, and they spring surprises, then points on those games alone could be worth 70/80 points....

THE PICKS	PTS	+/-
Lard Lovers XI	6260.38	
Tumbledwyer	5955.65	
Jurgena-Like-It... Not A Slot	5950.99	
Bachman & Robin	5928.92	
Saved By The Belle	5896.52	1
Moves Like Saka	5886.09	1
Racing Todabogs	5875.33	-2
You'll Never Guess Alone	5831.74	1
Chelsea Hawks	5812.56	-1
MullenVoid	5805.88	
Borussia Munchingflapjack	5804.10	1
58 Years Of Hurt	5792.01	-1
The WolfPack	5785.15	2

34 of us have one of the semi-finalists playing midweek, surprisingly most Liverpool or Spurs. There's only 5 with Arsenal, and just 1 Newcastle Pick.

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.

In the Perpetual Premier League, Forest are now by a distance the most improved team in the division.

They are 8 places better off, and 16 points better off in the games played so far this season, than last.

Perpetual Premier League	Pl - Pt - GD	W	D	L	PTS
Liverpool	2 / 3 / 5	25	10	3	85
Arsenal	0 / -7 / -10	24	10	4	82
Manchester City	-2 / -12 / -21	24	7	7	79
Chelsea	2 / 8 / 15	20	11	7	71
Newcastle	3 / 3 / -1	18	9	11	63
Aston Villa	-2 / -10 / -17	16	10	12	58
Brighton	5 / 9 / 18	14	15	9	57
Tottenham	-3 / -11 / 7	16	7	15	55
Nottingham Forest	8 / 16 / 14	14	10	14	52

Their GD is Plus 14 better.

Liverpool remain 3 points better off and above Arsenal by three points.

If the league finished now, City would be third and 6 points off the top.

Chelsea would finish fourth, quite a bit ahead of Newcastle now in fifth.

It won't be a surprise that United are worst off, they are 7 places lower, 13 points below last season, and 5 worse off in their GD. Spurs, 11 points worse off are 7 better in their GD!!

Just a reminder if you're reading this.

**The AGM** is now only just a little over 2 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. I think we could reach **£500.00**

But even nearer, **The Cup Competition** gets underway in 3 days time. This is supporting **Great Ormond Street Hospital**, and has raised **£499.81** so far. They will be the biggest winner from our competition.

It's a manic week, if you're in The Cup. You've two sets of 16 games to get to me before Thursday 5PM

AND, for everyone, there is Round 28.

It's on the website, Deadline is Thursday evening, 5PM, and the round is made up of cup games that cover most of the teams supported by those that play along here.

That's THURSDAY 5pm, I will chase you.....

*Steve*

*AKA.. Denied By The WoodWork*

