

News and Views: 2021–2 Season – Week 2 – 30 November 2021

Results

The **Park Taverners'** game against the **Dolphin Dragons**, in the B League, was as close as you can get and still have a winner: the Taverners won by 148 points to 147.

It was a good night for the **Nags Head**, whose teams achieved the two highest scores of the night. The '**B**' team scored 179 against the Queen Bs, and the '**original**' Nags Head team scored only three less against the Plough Horntails. Best score in the C League was 150 by the **Sutton Club**, who played the King's Gambit.

Tables

With some teams having played only one game, there are two teams in each League that have played two and won two: the **Queens**, **Dolphin**, **Nags Head**, **Park Taverners**, **Park Timers** and **Sutton Mutton**.

Individual

Alan Hodgson was out on his own this week with 54. **Mark Watson** was next highest scorer with 48, and **Haydn Thompson** was third with 45. The two highest scorers in the B League were both on the same team: **Paul Prior** and **Andy Johnson**, with 42 each. Next best in the B League were **Liz Horrocks** and **Jon Thompson**, with 39 each. Top scorer in the C League was **Emma Griggs** with 33, followed by **Tim Brewin** with 30.

A League

Results

Queens	170	158	Waters Green Weavers
Haydn Thompson	45	42	Graham Bailey
Dolphin	160	149	Rushton Diamonds
Alan Hodgson	54	42	Brian Bogie
Nags Head 'B'	179	145	Queen Bs
Mark Watson	48	42	Tony Browne

Table

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Total	Points
Queens	2	2	0	0	356	4
Dolphin	2	2	0	0	337	4
Nags Head 'B'	1	1	0	0	179	2
Poachers	1	1	0	0	168	2
Waters Green Weavers	2	0	0	2	324	0
Rushton Diamonds	2	0	0	2	286	0
Queen Bs	2	0	0	2	268	0

Individual Top Ten

	Team	Played	Total	Highest	Lowest	Week 2
Alan Hodgson	Dolphin	2	105	54	51	54
Alice Walker	Queens	2	96	54	42	42
Haydn Thompson	Queens	2	93	48	45	45
Graham Bailey	Waters Green Weavers	2	84	42	42	42
Ian Grieve	Waters Green Weavers	2	81	42	39	39
Peter McBride	Dolphin	2	78	48	30	30
Tony Browne	Queen Bs	2	63	42	21	42
Caroline Massey	Queens	2	60	33	27	27
Neil Drummond	Queen Bs	2	60	33	27	33
Chris Bogie	Rushton Diamonds	2	57	33	24	24
Richard Briand	Rushton Diamonds	2	57	30	27	27

B League

Results

Plough Horntails	130	176	Nags Head
Malcolm Asquith	33	42 42	Andy Johnson Paul Prior
Park Taverners	148	147	Dolphin Dragons
Graham Wallace	36	39	Liz Horrocks
Waters Green Lemmings	145	110	Chester Road Tavern
Jon Thompson	39	24	Mitch Moores

Table

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Total	Points
Nags Head	2	2	0	0	339	4
Park Taverners	2	2	0	0	301	4
Dolphin Dragons	2	1	0	1	321	2
Waters Green Lemmings	1	1	0	0	145	2
Plough Horntails	2	0	0	2	281	0
Chester Road Tavern	2	0	0	2	215	0
Harrington Academicals	1	0	0	1	159	0

Individual Top Ten

	Team	Played	Total	Highest	Lowest	Week 2
Liz Horrocks	Dolphin Dragons	2	87	48	39	39
Paul Prior	Nags Head	2	84	42	42	42
Alasdair Reid	Nags Head	2	78	39	39	39
Andy Johnson	Nags Head	2	69	42	27	42
Anne Jeater	Plough Horntails	2	69	42	27	27
Malcolm Asquith	Plough Horntails	2	66	33	33	33
Shauna Barstow	Park Taverners	2	66	33	33	33
Dave Barber	Dolphin Dragons	2	63	36	27	27
Graham Wallace	Park Taverners	2	63	36	27	36
Ian Musgrave	Nags Head	2	54	30	24	30
Heather Wallace	Park Taverners	2	54	27	27	27

C League

Results

Sutton Club	150	90	King's Gambit
Emma Griggs	33	24	Michael Taylor
Cock Inn	106	140	Park Timers
Peter Wilcox	27	30	Tim Brewin
Pack Horse Bowling Club	106	121	Sutton Mutton
Michael Murphy	24	24	Wynne Keith-Davies
Andrew Vickerstaff	24	24	Mick Graves

Table

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Total	Points
Park Timers	2	2	0	0	283	4
Sutton Mutton	2	2	0	0	265	4
Sutton Club	2	1	0	1	281	2
Cock Inn	2	0	0	2	209	0
Pack Horse Bowling Club	1	0	0	1	106	0
King's Gambit	1	0	0	1	90	0

Individual Top Ten

	Team	Played	Total	Highest	Lowest	Week 2
Andrew Fenton	Park Timers	2	60	39	21	21
Wynne Keith-Davies	Sutton Mutton	2	57	33	24	24
Mike Proctor	Sutton Mutton	2	54	36	18	18
John Green	Sutton Club	2	54	33	21	21
John Poyser	Park Timers	2	54	30	24	24
Jackie Hulme	Cock Inn	2	48	27	21	21
Peter Wilcox	Cock Inn	2	48	27	21	27
Mick Graves	Sutton Mutton	2	48	24	24	24
Wendy Brown	Sutton Club	2	45	24	21	24
Chris Butler	Sutton Club	2	39	21	18	21

Cars & Van 4U Question Setters' Trophy

	Week		Setters	Difficulty	Balance	Ent'ment	Total	Last Yr
1	1	GK	Nags Head 'B'	7.98	5.76	7.67	21.42	25.60
2	1	Spec	Nags Head 'B'	7.80	5.67	7.06	20.53	23.74
3	2	GK	Shamrock Bar	7.30	6.00	6.06	19.36	11.51
4	2	Spec	Harrington Academicals	6.87	5.91	6.33	19.11	20.57

Specialist Rounds

Entertainment marks:	A	6.00	B	7.00	C	6.00	Overall	6.33	Last year	5.89
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This is a good mark for Entertainment; last season (2019-20) it would have been ranked 7th out of 34.

On average, teams going "first first" scored	109%	of their average for the season
On average, teams going "second first" scored	101%	of their average for the season
On average, the teams going " first first" did	8%	better than their opponents

This suggests that the Specialist questions were easier than average, but with a modest bias towards the teams that went "first first". The Balance mark was the weakest of the three, but the overall score of 19.11 is perfectly respectable – last season it would have put these questions 13th out of 34.

General Knowledge Rounds

Entertainment marks:	A	6.17	B	5.17	C	6.83	Overall	6.06	Last year	4.62
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Another good mark; last season it would have been 12th.

On average, teams going "first first" scored	111%	of their average for the season
On average, teams going "second first" scored	104%	of their average for the season
On average, the teams going " first first" did	7%	better than their opponents

Very similar numbers to the Specialist questions. These too were easier than average but were somewhat let down by their Balance.

Overall

On average, teams going "first first" scored	110%	of their average for the season
On average, teams going "second first" scored	102%	of their average for the season
On average, the teams going " first first" did	7%	better than their opponents

With both sets getting similar marks all round, it's no surprise that the overall story is the same: easier than average, but with a marked bias towards the teams that went "first first". Any team that went "second first" and lost by less than about ten points can feel hard done by (if the



spreadsheet is correct); the only team that falls into this category is the Dolphin Dragons. And please remember that this is not an exact science!