

## News and Views: 2023–4 Season – Cup Round 1

With 16 teams in the League this season, all teams were involved in Round 1 of the Cup. The questions were set by an external setter. Teams were asked to provide question masters where possible, and with the help of one or two volunteers all matches appear to have been catered for!

### Results: Summary

<b>Poachers</b>	110	58	Pack Horse Bowling Club
Sutton Club	77	95	<b>Nags Head 'B'</b>
Nags Head	85	108	<b>Harrington Academicals</b>
Bate Hallers	83	129	<b>Queens of the Castle</b>
<b>Dolphin</b>	130	78	Sutton Mutton
Chester Road Tavern	59	99	<b>Waters Green Nags</b>
Park Timers	58	94	<b>Park Taverners</b>
<b>Waters Green Weavers</b>	123	74	Dolphin Hammers

### Full Results

**Note:** in the following tables, the teams that went first (taking the odd-numbered questions) are in the top rows.

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Harrington Academicals</b>	17	19	17	17	20	18	<b>108</b>
<b>Nags Head</b>	13	16	16	12	17	11	<b>85</b>

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Bate Hallers</b>	12	20	13	14	14	12	<b>83</b>
<b>Queens of the Castle</b>	23	18	21	22	22	23	<b>129</b>

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Dolphin Hammers</b>	13	18	9	14	7	13	<b>74</b>
<b>Waters Green Weavers</b>	19	21	26	18	23	16	<b>123</b>

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Pack Horse Bowling Club</b>	9	16	15	6	8	4	<b>58</b>
<b>Poachers</b>	22	18	10	20	19	21	<b>110</b>

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Sutton Club</b>	12	19	13	10	10	13	<b>77</b>
<b>Nags Head 'B'</b>	20	14	11	16	19	15	<b>95</b>

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Dolphin</b>	17	24	24	22	21	22	<b>130</b>
<b>Sutton Mutton</b>	14	10	12	10	18	14	<b>78</b>

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Waters Green Nags</b>	16	21	15	15	15	17	<b>99</b>
<b>Chester Road Tavern</b>	11	11	7	7	15	8	<b>59</b>

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
<b>Park Taverners</b>	12	19	15	16	18	14	<b>94</b>
<b>Park Timers</b>	15	9	13	4	12	5	<b>58</b>

**Notes**

There were some very high scores, although not as high as in last season's Quarter-Finals, when the **Poachers** scored 134 and the aggregate score of 230 in their game against the **Park Timers** was matched by the one between the **Nags Head 'B'** (118) and the **Dolphin** (112).

Four of the games were won by the teams that went first (taking the odd-numbered questions) and four by those going second.

Sixty-one questions (just over half) were answered in all eight games, and every question was answered correctly in at least two. Three questions were answered in only two games: numbers 17 (the blue plaque in Mornington Crescent tube station), 40 (the language that gave us the word 'yoga'), and 43 (the quotation about power corrupting). Next hardest were numbers 117 (the Caterpillar Club) and 120 (Bix Beiderbecke's real first names), each of which was answered in only three of the eight games.

This would suggest that the teams going first fielded three of the hardest questions (numbers 17, 43 and 117), while those going second got two (40 and 120).