



Punchbowl Knock Out Nomads!

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Castle Boys 3	Courthouse Judges 6
Pheasant Nomads 3	Punchbowl 6 +2
Four Crosses A 1	Angel A 6
Oak A W-0	Upp. House 'Yorkies' +3

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Welshpool A vs. Amlych Sunday 25th April.**
- **Hughie Lewis & Con Cup Semi Finals Tuesday 27th April.**

The Punchbowl punched above their weight to deliver a knock out blow to the Pheasant Nomads!

The home side were already at a -2 disadvantage before Gareth Stedman made it 3-0, as the Punchbowl were the last remaining team left from outside the top flight. Although Steve Jones got the first frame for the Nomads in the next, skipper Johnny Morris got one over his opposite number in the 3rd to set up a tantalising 4-1 score line.

The Nomads fought their way back in to the match by taking the next two frames however, as Jason Stokes and Andy Francis made it 3-4 with all to play for in the final session. Knowing one win from three would see a decider played was the Punch's incentive, but when Gareth Stedman 2/2 made it 5-3 the away side were on the verge on a big Andrew's Cup upset. Ricky Lowe didn't miss the opportunity or

occasion as he won the 7th frame and match outright, leaving Johnny Morris' team over the line and in to the Semi Finals with a game to spare. A terrific and well deserved win for Punchbowl.

The Angel A romp in to the Semi final despite Garry Lewis 7-balling Kev Morris for Crosses A in the 5th frame.

Justin, Alun, Digger and Cougan made the 4-0 start before Garry's intervention, but Justin and Alun both went to 2/2 to wrap up an early win.

Courthouse are looking to improve on last year's runner-up spot, and a first half 4-1 session helped their cause at Castle Boys.

Kelly Brooks won the opener but Dave Powell, Otis Powell, Mike Farley and Alan Pryce made it the Judges half by a mile. Kelly went to 2/2 before Alan Pryce's 2/2 put them on the brink of victory, but Richard Wyatt battled on to make it 3-5.

Mike Farley 2/2 took the winning frame for Courthouse, who will be hoping that all their Cup runs don't distract them from the points they need to secure Division 1 pool next season.

Sadly, despite best efforts to see our remaining fixture played, Upper House Yorkies phoned the Oak at 7.50pm on the Wednesday night un-able to field a team. I sincerely hope that the Yorkies can resolve any problems they have and see out their remaining fixtures as we are virtually at the end of the season.

BROOKS CUP!

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR GAMES ARE PLAYED BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH. SEMI FINALS IN EARLY MAY!

CUP SUMMARY

MAIN CUP

Courthouse Judges	Pinewood A
Angel A	Pheasant Nomads

ON FINALS DAY

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CON CUP

TUESDAY 27th April

Wellington Dukes	Lion Westbury A
Oak A	Breidden

AT THE TALBOT

AT THE COCK FORDEN

HUGHIE LEWIS

TUESDAY 27th April

Punchbowl	Talbot Top dogs
Cock Brockton	Westwood Warriors

AT THE OAK GUILSFIELD

AT ARGAE HALL

DIVISION 1

Angel B 1	Lion Westbury A 6
Castle Boys	Pheasant Nomads
Cobra	Courthouse Judges
Oak B	Angel A

DIVISION 2

Horseshoe	Westwood Warriors
Cock B	Four Crosses B
The Socialites	Punchbowl
Breidden	Wellington Dukes

DIVISION 3

Lowfield	Green Dragon
Talbot Slayers	Lion Westbury B
Argae Hall B	Upper House 'Yorkies'
Pinewood B	Herbert Arms

Ladies Singles Cup

The Talbot Welshpool hosted our second Ladies Singles Cup last week, with a very good turnout of 15 Ladies plus supporters to boot. It was an excellent night all round, with some extremely entertaining and tense games played throughout.

Our defending champion Lorna Thomas made an assured 2-0 start to win her first game, but came up just short against our youngest debutant Miss Amy Harris in what was the closest of encounters of the night! Amy herself came through the first round 2-0 before finally winning a cat and mouse 1st game against Lorna, where Lorna's attacking instincts got the better of her at the end. Lorna produced the double of the match to set up a second black ball game almost forcing the deciding frame this match deserved, but she failed to pot the black just when it mattered most. Well done to Amy though as she showed coolness and progressed assuredly on to a big semi final clash at the end of the night.

In the top half of the draw, Gracis Janczur started with 1st and 2nd round 2-0's before facing last year's runner-up Nia Roberts, who also boasted an unblemished record as she came through good matches against Kelly Gittin and Leanne Williams. Leanne had earlier gone for the "grittiest" match award against Heather Douglass, before an audible sigh greeted her 2-1 win (only joking girls, Shaun loved every minute of refereeing that one ha ha), but she found Nia in unstoppable form in round two.

So it was for Nia in her semi final against Gracia also, as she took out a good black in frame one before capitalising on an error to book her place in the final for a 2nd year running. Congratulations to Nia once more.

Returning to the bottom half of the draw it was inevitable that there would be a "clash of the hive", as the Welly Wasps again supported the event fantastically with Vicky Barnes and Barb Jones drawn against each other. Vicky came through that contest to face Laura Williams, who herself had progressed from a close game against Caz Challinor, who still waits for just one draw not involving pre tournament favourites! Laura was in good form as she won her 2nd round tie with Vicky 2-0, but there was no stopping Amy Harris as she booked her place in the final with a 2-0 result of her own in another fascinating tussle. Well done to all our Ladies who came and took part and congratulations to Nia and Amy who will now play each other in the final at Finals Day, Sunday 23rd May. Thanks also to Shaun Humphries and Steve Sherlock for all their help that night (John Morris too), and thanks to Dan for supplying the venue and food which was much appreciated. The event concluded at 11.00pm and I would like to think that everyone involved enjoyed the night's proceedings.

I hope that this event will continue to grow and showcase the abilities of our Ladies in the Welshpool league, and I will be making every effort next year to hold this event on a Tuesday at the end of the dominoes season, which would appear to be the best time to hold it without clashing with other events.

Alun Brooks: Horseshoe edge out Pheasant.

The Horseshoe Arddleen had a welcome break from league duties to record a 5-4 win over the Pheasant B.

Jamie and Becks were drawn in the 1st doubles against Ted and Matt, but the away side got off to the better start. Parity was restored when Rob and Simon beat Jamie and Jim, but the home side took the lead when Rob L Edwards beat Lawrence Evison.

Amy Owen brought girl power to the next session to level but Horseshoe galloped ahead as Rob L Edwards and S Richards (both 2/2) brought them in to the home stretch at 4-2.

The Pheasant fought to the end however as Jim Douglass & Lawrence levelled it at 4-4, but it wasn't to be as Rob L Edwards (3/3) took the deciding frame to end a very good contest.

Preview of Tonight's games!

The 1st Division could potentially see the Lion crowned Champions tonight with any kind of a win away to Castle F mathematically clinching the title!

Castle F themselves are desperately clinging on to survival hopes in a season where frame difference could decide numerous teams' fates at the end of next week. Their counterparts Castle Boys face a tough tie at the Oak A, who are looking to secure 2nd place outright with 2 points from their last two games.

The Angel B seem destined for 3rd now after a very promising season runs out of steam a little, but they will be facing Four Crosses A who know any points at this part of the season could save them from the "dreaded" drop.

The Cock A and Pheasant Nomads are both still fighting for bragging rights over each other (love it) and have home games versus the Oak B and Cobra respectively. Both away sides are safe, dare I say comfortable, but will be looking to end their seasons on a high note.

The Angel A have had a terrific second half to the season after a terrible start, and they entertain Argae A who have shown real determination to stay up recently. Argae, as many other teams down at the foot of the table, will be watching Courthouse vs. the Pinewood's result with interest where nothing less than a win for the Tavern will see them become our first team to go down!

The 2nd Division may see some real banter from the Champions the Socialites tonight, as they play host to their good friends the Cock B Forden. Whilst any one

of 3 other teams can stake their claim for the runner-up spot, it's the Pheasant B who will hope to dent the Punchbowl's hopes and get some greatly needed points of their own. The Welly Dukes meanwhile, face a must win battle at Horseshoe if they're to avoid the drop with them too. Finally the 3rd Division see the Champions Argae B at home against a much improving Flunkies team and the Herbert could seal second with just a point from their game at the Upper House 5 poofs. There is no doubt that this has been an excellent season with a very high standard of pool played again, and the fact that so many places are still to be decided with just 2 games to go just goes to prove how well every team has competed.

Thank you everyone for the continued enthusiasm and support you give the League. Dave G. Chairman.



DIVISION 1	P	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
1.Lion Westbury A	24	18	5	1	161	79	82	41
2.Oak A	24	16	7	1	142	98	44	39
3.Angel B	24	15	6	3	145	95	50	36
4.Cock A	24	13	5	6	137	103	34	31
5.Pheasant Nomads	24	11	7	6	139	101	38	29
6.Angel A	24	11	4	9	127	113	14	26
7.Cobra	24	9	3	12	115	125	-10	21
8.Oak B	24	9	3	12	110	130	-20	21
9.Courthouse Judges	24	5	7	12	106	134	-28	17
10.Castle Boys	24	5	6	13	107	133	-26	16
11.Argae Hall A	24	4	8	12	102	138	-36	16
12.Four Crosses A	24	6	4	14	91	149	-58	16
13.Castle F	24	5	5	14	101	139	-38	15
14.Pinewood A	24	3	6	15	97	143	-46	12

PLEASE TEXT YOUR RESULTS TO ME ON 07868240066 AS SOON AS YOU CAN TO HELP UPDATE THE TABLES.

CARDS MUST BE PUT IN THE RESULT BOX AT THE TALBOT BY THE SATURDAY 10PM FOLLOWING THE MATCH, SO PLEASE GET IN TOUCH IF YOU CAN'T GET THE CARD IN ON TIME.

MANY THANKS,
DAVE GANNON.

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League week 25, 21/04/2010

Division 1

Oak A	Vs.	Castle Boys
Cock A	Vs.	Oak B
Four Crosses A	Vs.	Angel B
Pheasant Nomads	Vs.	Cobra
Courthouse Judges	Vs.	Pinewood A
Angel A	Vs.	Argae Hall A
Castle F	Vs.	Lion Westbury A

Division 2

Cock Brockton	Vs.	Westwood Warriors
Horseshoe	Vs.	Wellington Dukes
Talbot Top dogs	Vs.	Crown Monty
Punchbowl	Vs.	Pheasant B
The Socialites	Vs.	Cock B

Division 3

Upper House '5 Pf's'	Vs.	Herbert Arms
Lion Westbury B	Vs.	Upper House 'Yorkies'
Argae Hall B	Vs.	Talbot Flunkies
Talbot Slayers	Vs.	Green Dragon

DIVISION 2	P	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
C.The Socialites	20	14	4	2	126	74	52	32
2.Cock B	20	13	1	6	116	84	32	27
3.Cock Brockton	20	10	7	3	111	89	22	27
4.Punchbowl	20	10	6	4	116	84	32	26
5.Four Crosses B	21	10	3	8	114	96	18	23
6.Talbot Top dogs	20	7	7	6	101	99	2	21
7.Breidden	21	6	7	8	103	107	-4	19
8.Crown Monty	20	7	3	10	95	105	-10	17
9.Westwood Warriors	20	7	3	10	90	110	-20	17
10.Pheasant B	21	5	5	11	88	122	-34	15
11.Wellington Dukes	20	4	4	12	81	119	-38	12
R. Horseshoe	21	1	6	14	79	131	-52	8

DIVISION 3	P	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	Pts
C.Argae Hall B	18	14	3	1	122	58	64	31
2.Herbert Arms	18	11	3	4	112	68	44	25
3.Talbot Slayers	19	7	7	5	106	84	22	21
4.Lion Westbury B	18	7	7	4	98	82	16	21
5.Upper House 'Yorkies'	18	9	3	6	96	84	12	21
6.Green Dragon	18	8	5	5	89	91	-2	21
7.Talbot Flunkies	18	8	4	6	96	84	12	20
8.Upper House '5 Pf's'	17	6	6	5	82	88	-6	18
9.Lowfield	18	4	5	9	81	99	-18	13
10.Pinewood B	19	2	2	15	64	126	-62	6
11.Wellington Wasps	19	1	1	17	54	136	-82	3

BYES

Four Crosses B
Breidden
Lowfield
Pinewood B
Wellington Wasps