

2011/12 week 1

The new season has started with the sad news of the passing away of Abhi Darshane who was not only one of the league's best players but a gentleman on and off the table. He will be sadly missed and our heartfelt thoughts go out to his family.

On the table the 2 promoted Dolcliffe teams were handed the most difficult tasks possible, the B team travelled to champions JSM B and were on the wrong end of a 10-0 result. Dolcliffe B entertained last year's runners up LSM A and were also defeated 10-0 but it will get easier for both teams. Maximums from Abhi Darshane and Steve Needham helped JSM A overcome Phoenix B 8-2 but Cliff Glaves and Joe Addy will be happy to record victories over Pete Morgan. Scorpions A had hat tricks from Alan Battye and Mark Johnson helped Scorpions A beat Phoenix A 9-1. Scorpions B overcame LSM D with Brad Wood and James Grayson both undefeated.

In division 2 maximums from Phil Walton and Stan Potaczek helped Scorpions C record a 7-3 victory over newly promoted Clifton A. Malcolm Manuel has moved to Scorpions D and he duly recorded a maximum against his old team Scorpions E with Barry Tasker and Chris Johnson both scoring twice in the D teams 8-2 win, Vincent Loh scored twice for the E team. Pete Horsfield was unbeaten as LSM C beat Stag SOM A 8-2, Pete Webster scored both Stag's sets beating Geoff Sanderson and Trevor Bland. LSM B beat Phoenix D 10-0.

Stag SOM B must be one of the favourites in division 3 and they duly despatched Scorpions H thanks to hat tricks from Paul Flint and Mick Brownlow. Harry Saxton scored twice for Scorpions F but that was their only success as Scorpions G ran out 8-2 winners with Anthony Rayfield unbeaten and 2 each from Dave Grayson and Alan Brown. Phoenix E beat Clifton B 9-1.