



Five Town's Quiz League – Mid-Season Meeting Agenda

When: 16th December 2024 – 8:30pm

Venue: Olde Tavern

- 1. Chair's opening remarks**
- 2. Attendees and apologies**
- 3. Feedback on new website and any comments on what needs to be preserved/transferred from the old website**
- 4. New rules discussion**
 - a. Move to a split season**
 - b. Extended question set**
- 5. Confirmation of divisions for teams**
- 6. Confirmation of handicaps for teams**
- 7. Discussion on question standard and suitability so far this season**
- 8. Changes to rules:**
 - a. Use of technology for disputes**
 - b. Question reader discretion**
 - c. Teams with missing players**
 - d. Open to the floor**
- 9. Communications (WhatsApp) discussion**
- 10. Promotion of the league**
- 11. Continuation of the printed flyer**
- 12. Cup Draws**
 - a. Handicap Cup R1**
 - b. Knockout Cup R1**
- 13. Any Other Business**



Supporting notes:

1. None
2. None
3. The new website (ftql.co.uk) is now up and running. We would like feedback, if any, on how people are finding it and if the functionality is fit for purpose. We also need to close down the old website at some point so if anyone has any suggestions on what should be migrated, please let us know.
4. See below
 - a. This season we are trialling a split season format meaning all teams played every other team once before the season splits into a D1 and D2. Feedback on this format is welcome.
 - b. This season we also trialled increasing the number of questions for some rounds to 5 per team. Feedback on how this has gone is welcome.
5. Division 1 Teams: Lofthouse Lions, Carleton Grangers, Kippax Legionnaires, Olde Taverners, The Vic, King's Arms
Division 2 Teams: Flanagan's Army, Olde Tavern Allsorts, Golden Lion Dudes, Kippax British Legion, The Other Team, Featherstone Phoenix
6. The teams will contest the Handicap Cup with the following handicaps:

Name	Handicap
Thatched House	0
Carleton Grangers	10
Kippax Legionnaires	16
Flanagan's Army	18
Olde Taverners	19
The Vic	23
King's Arms	25
Olde Tavern Allsorts	25
Golden Lion Dudes	30
Featherstone Phoenix	37
Kippax British Legion	40
The Other Team	45



7. Any feedback on how the questions have been so far this season is welcome.
8. See below
 - a. There has been a lot of discussion around how we deal with disputes where the answer given may have other valid alternatives (an example is bare/bald mountain). Do we allow readers the ability to 'Google' during a break in play if a dispute occurs?
 - b. Linked to above, do we allow readers to use their discretion when accepting answers or do we have a firm 'only answers on the sheet are acceptable'?
 - c. A rule was introduced at the start of the 2023/24 season meaning teams with missing players would have a player randomly drawn from their player pool to sit in that missing seat. This allows these teams to still compete for 2 points for these questions so they are not penalised twice for having missing players. No individual points are awarded to that player. Is this rule still suitable for the league?
 - d. Open to other suggestions
9. There has been a lot of discussion about how people communicate through WhatsApp with too many messages and some messages coming through too early or too late at night. We urge people to be considerate. Limit activity to 8am to 11pm and please do not have extended discussions on there.
10. Ideas to promote the league more widely. Please come with suggestions.
11. It has been suggested that the printed flyer is wasteful given all information is available online. Do we wish to continue with this?
12. Cup draws to take place
13. Any other business