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Fantasy Challenge 21st Season

NEW SEASON



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Introduction

A little delayed as Gameweek 1 will be over by the time you receive this. Normally I book a couple of days off work to get things sorted for the new season, this year after my move I chose not to which has caused the delay in this and getting things uploaded onto the website.

I had several late requests which played on my mind as I had given up my place, I had actually started to look forward to playing again. However, the numbers for the game do not always work out, without boring you too much, if we have a super20 division with 17 or 18 managers there would be 4 rest gameweeks, gameweeks with no fixtures, if a super20 League has 15 or 16 managers there will be 7 Double Header gameweeks, A gameweek where you would have two league fixtures. I try to avoid these numbers at all cost.

With managers contacting me late we were very close to the maximum amount of 180 that I allow in the game. With fixtures published it was going to be difficult to make adjustments then we had 179 managers interested willing to pay their entrance fee one slight issue a manager had not got his team done yet, a late call on Sunday to another manager who had expressed an interest also revealed he would like to play but had not done a team. Perfect these two managers could play each other gaining a nil draw and it wouldn't cause a massive points difference issue for another manager. It would also give us the maximum 180 managers.

I took the decision to re-format the game to 180 rather than the initial 174 I had after the Wednesday deadline. I will admit that this was a selfish decision as I wanted to play again.

This meant a late re-configuration of Pyramid Three, I managed to keep the fixtures that had been announced in place, also the Pyramid Cup would also have to be re-configured and the FC Cup for the Qualification round.

This was all easy as I had a template for 180 managers. All this did mean that unfortunately some managers had not joined the overall league until Gameweek 1.

Everyone is now in the overall league, I do ask you to **please join your individual super20 League**, this does really enhance the game experience and also for me and the FC Expert makes life a lot easier for any features that we might run during the season.

You joining those individual super20 League made it a lot easier and quicker for the FC Expert to do his predictions for the coming season, every position in every Super20 league predicted, last season he did actually top the correct winner of the Premier League.

This FC World publication, will provide the information regarding the Champions League and Pyramid Cup group stages. Both will show the seedings and the draw for the group stage. The draw has already been published on the website but you can see how it is formulated and what the seedings were. There will be information of the formation of this season's FC Cup and the New Life Cup.

Currently the website is fully updated with all the competition information I am working on the player profiles hope to have them fully functional. I continue to work on the historical data.

All that is left for me to do is wish you all the best for the new season.

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CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

With 174 managers signed up this season The Champions League will have the full complement of 96 managers taking part with 16 Groups of 6. The top two will qualify for the Knock-Out Stage with the 3rd placed manager going into the New Life Cup.

Draw Information

Rules of the Draw: -

Managers will be placed into Pots based on where they finished in last Season's Super20 Leagues. POT A are the highest seeds going down to POT F for the lowest seeds.

Managers will be drawn out of each Pot the first team drawn out will go into Group A the next team into Group B. All the teams will be drawn out of POT A, after being drawn a number between 1 and 6 will be drawn to determine their Fixture number for the group. The process will then be repeated for each of the remaining POTS.

POT A	POT B	POT C
Darren Cullen	Ian Gredley	Adam Pemberton
Jonathan Strack	Dan Jopp	Sandeep Chohan
Robert Gurney	Heath Cram	Dave Rogers
James Dwinfour	Hakan Bedir	Jonathon Kelly
Steve Shew	Kojo Amofa	Adrian Comer
Stuart Shepherd	Andy Taylor	Tracy Thompson
Sam Shew	Roari Fox	James Bastow
Andy Gurney	Adrian Taylor	Richard Munroe
Joe Higgins	Joseph Shalome	Lee Ferridge
David Pewtner	Paul Dwinfour	Dave Sinclair
Pasquale Egisto	Marc Bolton	George Ferridge
Steven McIntosh	Pete Cuckson	Michael Lynn
Glen Hogwood	Rilwan Dawodu	Dan Couch
Maris Cars	Dan Wyatt	Alistair Shields
Steve Haley	Michael Carleton	Hans Hayrynen
Jatin Joshi	Matt Hansell	Alvar Chambers
POT D	POT E	POT F
Martin Stuart	Kyle Berry	Ellie Turner
Alfie Harris	Amanteer Singh	Lee Pepper
David Noel	Steve Whitely	Olivia Earley
Dipesh Gamanlal	Dave Hansell	Sanj Joshi
Eoin Mooney	Aubrey Davis	Nurul Hussain
Mark Angliss	Miki Mielonen	Dean Santoro
Owen Gredley	Kin Chau	Peter Ward
David Bardon	Daniel Hansen	David Mahoney
James Bloomer	Tim Oldfield	Marcus Hogwood
Martyn Dewick	Joseph Thomas Greenwood	Jim Burrows
Sebastian Logan	Jonathan Chew	Ryan Perrett
Drona Nandoe	Cormac Connaughton	Jean Joden
Tony Collins	Kieran Hogwood	Katherine Beer
Andrew Burchell	Rio Mclister	Matt Earley
Daragh Prendergast	Graham Price	Adam Galley
Andrew Ogden	Lee Champion	Mark Freear

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CHAMPIONS LEAGUE DRAW

The Draw has been made and is published below

GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
Jonathan Strack	Robert Gurney	Andy Gurney	Sam Shew
Ian Gredley	Roari Fox	Paul Dwinfour	Heath Cram
Dave Sinclair	James Bastow	George Ferridge	Jonathon Kelly
Andrew Ogden	Sebastian Logan	Eoin Mooney	Tony Collins
Steve Whitely	Miki Mielonen	Lee Champion	Graham Price
Peter Ward	Matt Earley	Jim Burrows	Sanj Joshi

GROUP E	GROUP F	GROUP G	GROUP H
Stuart Shepherd	Darren Cullen	Steve Shew	Joe Higgins
Rilwan Dawodu	Matt Hansell	Pete Cuckson	Michael Carleton
Alvar Chambers	Dave Rogers	Dan Couch	Hans Hayrynen
Owen Gredley	Daragh Prendergast	Martin Stuart	David Bardon
Rio Mclister	Daniel Hansen	Aubrey Davis	Joseph Thomas Greenwood
Ryan Perrett	Ellie Turner	Nurul Hussain	Mark Freear

GROUP I	GROUP J	GROUP K	GROUP L
Jatin Joshi	James Dwinfour	Glen Hogwood	Steven McIntosh
Marc Bolton	Kojo Amofa	Dan Jopp	Dan Wyatt
Alistair Shields	Sandeep Chohan	Lee Ferridge	Tracy Thompson
Andrew Burchell	Dipesh Gamanlal	Alfie Harris	James Bloomer
Cormac Connaughton	Tim Oldfield	Kyle Berry	Kin Chau
David Mahoney	Jean Joden	Olivia Earley	Marcus Hogwood

GROUP M	GROUP N	GROUP O	GROUP P
Pasquale Egisto	David Pewtner	Steve Haley	Maris Cars
Andy Taylor	Hakan Bedir	Joseph Shalome	Adrian Taylor
Adam Pemberton	Michael Lynn	Richard Munroe	Adrian Comer
Mark Angliss	Martyn Dewick	Drona Nandoe	David Noel
Jonathan Chew	Dave Hansell	Amanteer Singh	Kieran Hogwood
Dean Santoro	Katherine Beer	Adam Galley	Lee Pepper

The Group Stage Starts Gameweek 2 which starts Saturday 13th August 2021.

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PYRAMID CUP

This season Pyramid Cup will have 84 managers entering the competition this season.

The field will be made up of 4 Managers from the Conference and all the managers in the Pyramid Leagues below.

The Group Stage will have 16 Groups. 4 Groups of 6 and 12 Groups of 5. The top two managers qualifying for the knock-out stage with the 3rd placed managers going into the New Life Cup.

Draw Information

Managers have been seeded based on where they finished in last season's Super20 Leagues. New Managers have taken their place according to when they signed up for the game.

Managers will be drawn out of each Pot the first manager drawn out will go into Group A the next team into Group B. All the teams will be drawn out of POT A, after being drawn a number between 1 and 5 (dependant on group) will be drawn to determine their Fixture number for the group. The process will then be repeated for each of the remaining POTS. Groups A – N will be the groups with 5 managers.

See below For the Seeding's which are based on where managers finished in last Season's Super20 Leagues. POT A are the highest seeds going down to POT E for the lowest seeds.

POT A	POT B	POT C
Joe Rudd	Cameron Wong	Rebecca Nicolaides
Daniel Turner	Steve Rogers	Calum Reade
Nikki Ogden	David Dinh	Louis Irvine
Raymond Turp	John Beer	David Murphy
Gary Dodds	Colin Davison	John Bellamy
Jonas Silva	Aine Reilly	Michael Lingham
Matt Coe	Philip Sinclair	Sam Moffatt
Sammy Abbey	Don Heisser	Daniel Hill
Rebekah Green	Adam Phillips	Callum Hogwood
Joseph Nicolaides	Mike Davies	Sean Doyle
Tony Nicolaides	Craig Lewis	Brett Peake
Danzel D'Costa	Stephen West	Dan Barrett
Stephen Loss	Stephen Cullen	Andrew Loss
Chad Pereira	Gary Eagle	Lewis Wyatt
Triona Reilly	Darron Meredith	Stephen Nicolaides
Scott Smith	Neil Williams	Andy Polloway

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POT D	POT E	POT F
Robin Wilson	Charlie Dodd	Andy McLaren
Pranay Pattani	Jack Pemberton	Steven Ferguson
Rikki Bodhani	Max Murley	Dale Thomas
Simon Shepherd	Savvas Panayi	Gareth Turnbull
Patrick Hearn	Harry Penfold	
Juha Mokkila	John Allison	
Will Wyatt	Steve Cooper	
Nick Balancy	David Curtis	
Chris Ault	Daniel Dent	
Mark Kenny	Bella Earley	
Hari Sritharan	Patrick Butterworth	
Peter Hayward	Simon Polloway	
Nathan Timmons	James Rees	
Gavin Barnes	Vinay Desai	
Andy Goozee	Sam Martin	
Charles Ball	Paul Richardson	

DRAW

GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
Daniel Turner	Nikki Ogden	Sammy Abbey	Matt Coe
Cameron Wong	Philip Sinclair	Mike Davies	David Dinh
Sean Doyle	Sam Moffatt	Brett Peake	David Murphy
Charles Ball	Hari Sritharan	Patrick Hearn	Nathan Timmons
Max Murley	John Allison	Paul Richardson	Sam Martin
Gareth Turnbull	Steven Ferguson	Dale Thomas	Andy McLaren

GROUP E	GROUP F	GROUP G	GROUP H
Jonas Silva	Joe Rudd	Gary Dodds	Rebekah Green
Stephen Cullen	Neil Williams	Stephen West	Darron Meredith
Lewis Wyatt	Louis Irvine	Andrew Loss	Stephen Nicolaides
Will Wyatt	Andy Goozee	Robin Wilson	Nick Balancy
Vinay Desai	David Curtis	Harry Penfold	Bella Earley

GROUP I	GROUP J	GROUP K	GROUP L
Scott Smith	Raymond Turp	Stephen Loss	Danzel D'Costa
Craig Lewis	Colin Davison	Steve Rogers	Gary Eagle
Andy Polloway	Calum Reade	Callum Hogwood	Michael Lingham
Gavin Barnes	Simon Shepherd	Pranay Pattani	Chris Ault
Simon Polloway	Daniel Dent	Charlie Dodd	Steve Cooper

GROUP M	GROUP N	GROUP O	GROUP P
Tony Nicolaides	Joseph Nicolaides	Triona Reilly	Chad Pereira
Aine Reilly	John Beer	Adam Phillips	Don Heisser
Rebecca Nicolaides	Dan Barrett	Daniel Hill	John Bellamy
Juha Mokkila	Mark Kenny	Peter Hayward	Rikki Bodhani
Patrick Butterworth	Savvas Panayi	Jack Pemberton	James Rees

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NEW LIFE CUP Information

2022-2023 sees the tenth season of the '**New Life Cup**'. The competition named after New Life FC a Sunday football team who I am the chairman of. It is also aptly named as it will be a contest for managers who finish 3rd in their Champions League Group and Pyramid Cup Group. These managers will qualify for this competition.

The New Life Cup is a knockout competition with a similar format to the Champions League and Pyramid Cup knock out stages, the competition will be over two legs until the final which will take place in Gameweek 38.

There is one thing to be aware that the 1st Round will have seedlings, with all Champions League managers kept apart, so each match in the First round will see a former Champions League managers take on former Pyramid Cup managers.

After this first round Managers will go into a hat and be drawn out for the subsequent rounds.

FC CUP Information

Managers need to be placed between 1st and 82nd at the end of Gameweek 10 to avoid the Qualifying Round.

AT THE END OF GAMEWEEK 10

Managers placed 1st – 76th in the Overall League go into the FC Cup First Round

Managers placed 77th – 180th in the Overall League go into the FC Cup Qualifying Round

GAMEWEEK 10 Starts Saturday 8th October at 13:30 – Finishes Monday 10th October

FC Cup Qualifying Round Gameweek 12 which starts Tuesday 18th October at 18:00 – Finishes Thursday 20th October

You can see how you are getting on and if you will avoid the Qualifying Round by looking at the FC Cup Preliminary Round page on the website.

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FC EXPERT Super20 Leagues Predictions 2022-2023

POS	PREMIER	CHAMPIONSHIP	LEAGUE ONE	LEAGUE TWO	CONFERENCE
1 st	Jonathan Strack	Dave Rogers	Martyn Dewick	Joseph T Greenwood	Joe Rudd
2 nd	Darren Cullen	Jonathon Kelly	Owen Gredley	Tim Oldfield	Mark Freear
3 rd	Steve Shew	Marc Bolton	Hans Hayrynen	Cormac Connaughton	Katherine Beer
4 th	Dan Jopp	Adrian Comer	David Bardon	Jonathan Chew	Sanj Joshi
5 th	Pasquale Egisto	Joseph Shalome	Alfie Harris	Kyle Berry	Peter Ward
6 th	Steven McIntosh	Tracy Thompson	David Noel	Daniel Hansen	Nurul Hussain
7 th	Robert Gurney	Kojo Amofa	Martin Stuart	Dave Hansell	Matt Earley
8 th	Andy Gurney	Pete Cuckson	Eoin Mooney	Andrew Ogden	Olivia Earley
9 th	Sam Shew	Paul Dwinfour	Dipesh Gamanlal	Kin Chau	Adam Galley
10 th	Joe Higgins	James Bastow	Dan Couch	Steve Whitely	Jean Joden
11 th	Heath Cram	Adam Pemberton	Alvar Chambers	Amanteer Singh	Dean Santoro
12 th	Jatin Joshi	Dan Wyatt	James Bloomer	Daragh Prendergast	Nikki Ogden
13 th	Ian Gredley	Andy Taylor	Drona Nandoe	Kieran Hogwood	Ryan Perrett
14 th	Maris Cars	Sandeep Chohan	Dave Sinclair	Tony Collins	David Mahoney
15 th	Stuart Shepherd	Adrian Taylor	Sebastian Logan	Miki Mielonen	Marcus Hogwood
16 th	David Pewtner	Rilwan Dawodu	Lee Ferridge	Lee Champion	Ellie Turner
17 th	Steve Haley	Matt Hansell	Mark Angliss	Andrew Burchell	Jim Burrows
18 th	James Dwinfour	Roari Fox	Alistair Shields	Aubrey Davis	Lee Pepper
19 th	Hakan Bedir	Richard Munroe	Michael Lynn	Graham Price	Raymond Turp
20 th	Glen Hogwood	Michael Carleton	George Ferridge	Rio Mclister	Daniel Turner

POS	PYRAMID PREMIER	PYRAMID ONE	PYRAMID TWO	PYRAMID THREE
1 st	David Dinh	Mike Davies	Simon Shepherd	Sam Martin
2 nd	Scott Smith	Craig Lewis	Charles Ball	Max Murley
3 rd	Jonas Silva	Gary Eagle	Andy Polloway	John Allison
4 th	Matt Coe	Calum Reade	Lewis Wyatt	Steve Cooper
5 th	Sammy Abbey	Dan Barrett	Pranay Pattani	James Rees
6 th	Cameron Wong	Stephen Cullen	Gavin Barnes	Patrick Butterworth
7 th	Steve Rogers	Sean Doyle	Rikki Bodhani	Simon Polloway
8 th	Joseph Nicolaides	Louis Irvine	Stephen Nicolaides	Andy McLaren
9 th	John Beer	Brett Peake	Patrick Hearn	Vinay Desai
10 th	Triona Reilly	John Bellamy	Andrew Loss	Harry Penfold
11 th	Aine Reilly	Darron Meredith	Mark Kenny	David Curtis
12 th	Colin Davison	David Murphy	Chris Ault	Savvas Panayi
13 th	Rebekah Green	Adam Phillips	Robin Wilson	Paul Richardson
14 th	Chad Pereira	Rebecca Nicolaides	Hari Sritharan	Dale Thomas
15 th	Don Heisser	Neil Williams	Nick Balancy	Charlie Dodd
16 th	Tony Nicolaides	Michael Lingham	Juha Mokka	Jack Pemberton
17 th	Danzel D'Costa	Stephen West	Will Wyatt	Gareth Turnbull
18 th	Stephen Loss	Daniel Hill	Peter Hayward	Daniel Dent
19 th	Gary Dodds	Sam Moffatt	Andy Goozee	Bella Earley
20 th	Philip Sinclair	Callum Hogwood	Nathan Timmons	Steven Ferguson

On the next page you can see how well the FC Expert did when predicting last season's Super20 Leagues.

FC EXPERT PREDICTIONS 2021-2022 RESULTS

The FC Expert has come up with a formula to predict where every manager finishes so once every manager was confirmed he enters in his formulas see below how he fared last season.



***Correctly Predicted the Premier League Champion
Darren Cullen***

***Correctly Predicted the League One Champion
Dave Rogers***

***Correctly Predicted the League One Runner-Up
Jonathon Kelly***

***Correctly Predicted 19 exact Positions out of 180
(Previous Season 15 out of 180)
11.17% Correct Predictions***

***Correctly Predicted 5 Super 20 Cup Qualifications
Previous Season predicted 5
62.5% Correct Predictions***

***Correctly Predicted 20 Promotions
Previous Season predicted 19
50% Correct Predictions***

***Correctly Predicted 24 Relegations
Previous Season predicted 21
60% Correct Predictions***

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Judging by the percentages above if the FC Expert has predicted promotion for you this season you can get quite excited as you as he got 50% of promotions correct last season. However, if you have been predicted for relegation maybe you need to worry as the FC Expert got 60% of relegations correct last season.

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Links to Super20 Leagues

It really will help the game experience if you join your super20 league.

LEAGUE CODES

Overall	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/vw3c7d
Premier	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/5c0pfr
Championship	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/e9n3g8
League One	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/9fi5iu
League Two	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/02mk1p
Conference	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/mi7rt8
Pyramid Premier	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/fgyes4
Pyramid One	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/tdk09g
Pyramid Two	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/cyljqh
Pyramid Three	https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/v5dl5v

Throughout the history of Fantasy Challenge managers have viewed other managers teams for a variety of reasons, sometimes just to see their score when they are playing them or before a fixture a fixture to try and see what transfers can give them an advantage in the match. By signing up to your super20 league you make it much easier for yourself to check out your opponent.

THANKS