

## End of the season adjustment for Divisions with an odd number of teams.

### LSA Monday Night League & LSA Vets Division 2

Due to starting the season partway through and having an odd number of teams in these divisions, we have a situation where some teams will play one more match than others. i.e. Some teams have 1 "Bye" others have 2 "Byes". The extra match may be home or away. This could lead to a situation where a team finishes top of the league because of the extra match. To address this situation the committee have agreed that the following calculation will apply to determine the final league positions and individual merit positions at the end of the season.

#### The Calculation

To demonstrate the scenario that may arise at the end of the season we have used the Monday Night fixtures for Kirkham and Freckleton 'A'. It could be any number of teams are involved but we have used them for the example below which demonstrates the logic.

#### **To complete the season from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May:**

Kirkham will play 7 Home fixtures, 8 away fixtures, 2 byes.

Therefore the maximum points they could get is  $(7 \times 10) + (8 \times 11) = 158$  points

Freckleton 'A' will play 7 Home fixtures, 9 away fixtures, 1 bye.

Therefore the maximum points they could get is  $(7 \times 10) + (9 \times 11) = 169$  points.

**Assume** at the end of the season Kirkham had 140 points and Freckleton "A" had 145 points, this would show on the league table that Freckleton were Champions.

**BUT** Kirkham attained 140 out of a possible 158 = 88.6% of possible total.

Freckleton attained 145 out of a possible 169 = 85.8% of possible total.

Therefore Kirkham would be deemed Champions.

We would apply the same logic to establish the Individual Merit awards.