



## RFU CHAMPIONSHIP STATS

### STANDINGS

The RFU Championship's defences had a tough time of things as 40 tries were scored in the six matches – the second highest in a single weekend all season.

Bristol and Bedford Blues contributed 11 to that total, Bristol scoring six of them as they won 41-32 in Pool A to book their semi-final place.

Birmingham & Solihull and Coventry weren't far behind in relegation Pool C as they shared 10 tries, with Coventry edging a thrilling match 38-35 thanks to a converted David Maddocks' try.

Also in Pool C, Rotherham outscored Moseley five tries to four but went down 33-29 at Clifton Lane. The result lifts Moseley out of the relegation place and they also have a game in hand over bottom-placed Birmingham, although the bottom three teams are currently separated by just two points.

The first match of the weekend was played in front of the Sky cameras on Friday night as well as a bumper crowd of 4,141 at Brickfields. Plymouth Albion edged home 19-14 for their first win of the Play-Offs to put a serious dent into Cornish Pirates' hopes of reaching the semi finals.

All four teams in Pool B can still make the semi finals. London Welsh handed Exeter Chiefs their second defeat of the Play-Offs but only just – Exeter's Danny Gray pushed a last minute conversion wide of the post from out wide. Nottingham were unable to take advantage as they fell to a 25-14 defeat at home to Doncaster Knights.

Pool A		P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	B	Pts	Pts
Bristol Rugby		5	4	0	1	129	71	58	3	19	
Bedford Blues		5	3	0	2	119	106	13	3	15	
Cornish Pirates		5	2	0	3	83	98	-15	2	10	
Plymouth Albion		5	1	0	4	38	94	-56	1	5	
Pool B		P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	B	Pts	Pts
Exeter Chiefs		5	3	0	2	128	76	52	3	15	
London Welsh		5	3	0	2	77	96	-19	1	13	
Nottingham		5	2	0	3	88	88	0	2	10	
Doncaster Knights		5	2	0	3	94	127	-33	1	9	
Pool C		P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	B	Pts	Pts
Rotherham Titans		5	4	0	1	150	104	46	6	22	
Coventry		4	2	0	2	65	89	-24	2	10	
Moseley		4	1	0	3	82	89	-7	5	9	
Birmingham & Solihull		5	2	0	3	120	135	-15	2	8	

\* Birmingham & Solihull deducted 2 points for fielding an unregistered player

Winner of Pool A to play Runner Up of Pool B and Winner of Pool B to play Runner Up of Pool A. Bottom club in Pool C relegated to National League One.



### RECENT RESULTS

#### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April

Plymouth Albion 19 – 14 Cornish Pirates Pool A

#### Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April

London Welsh 16 – 15 Exeter Chiefs Pool B

Rotherham Titans 29 – 33 Moseley Pool C

#### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April

Bristol 41 – 32 Bedford Blues Pool A

Nottingham 14 – 25 Doncaster Knights Pool B

Birmingham & Solihull 35 – 38 Coventry Pool C

### UPCOMING FIXTURES

#### Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April

Moseley – Coventry Pool C

#### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May

Bedford Blues – Plymouth Albion Pool A

Cornish Pirates – Bristol Rugby Pool A

Doncaster Knights – London Welsh Pool B

Exeter Chiefs – Nottingham Pool B

Coventry – Rotherham Titans Pool C

Moseley – Birmingham & Solihull Pool C



## POINTS

### TOP TRY SCORERS - SEASON

Player	Club	Tries
<b>Blair Cowan</b>	Cornish Pirates	<b>14</b>
<b>Dan Norton</b>	Bristol	<b>13</b>
<b>Matthew Jess</b>	Exeter Chiefs	<b>13</b>
<b>Luke Fielden</b>	Bedford Blues	<b>12</b>
<b>Errie Claasens</b>	London Welsh	<b>12</b>

### TOP POINTS SCORERS – SEASON

Player	Club	Tries	Conv	Pen	DG	Total
<b>Tristan Roberts</b>	Moseley	2	28	61	1	<b>252</b>
<b>Adrian Jarvis</b>	Bristol	2	55	41	1	<b>246</b>
<b>Gareth Steenson</b>	Exeter Chiefs	1	51	38		<b>221</b>
<b>Aled Thomas</b>	London Welsh	4	29	47		<b>219</b>
<b>James Pritchard</b>	Bedford Blues	5	38	36		<b>209</b>
<b>Robert Cook</b>	Cornish Pirates	8	32	30		<b>194</b>
<b>Jonny West</b>	Rotherham Titans		22	36	3	<b>161</b>

### TOP TRY SCORERS –STAGE 2

Player	Club	Tries
<b>Luke Fielden</b>	Bedford Blues	<b>4</b>
<b>Anthony Elliot</b>	Birmingham & Solihull	<b>4</b>
<b>Junior Fatialofa</b>	Bristol	<b>4</b>
<b>Andrew Wright</b>	Doncaster Knights	<b>4</b>

### TOP POINTS SCORERS –STAGE 2

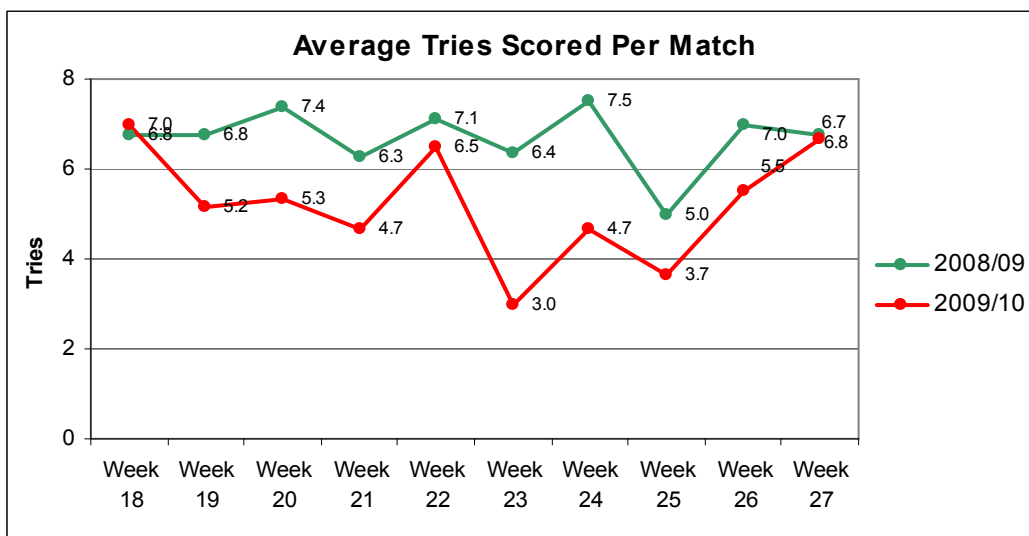
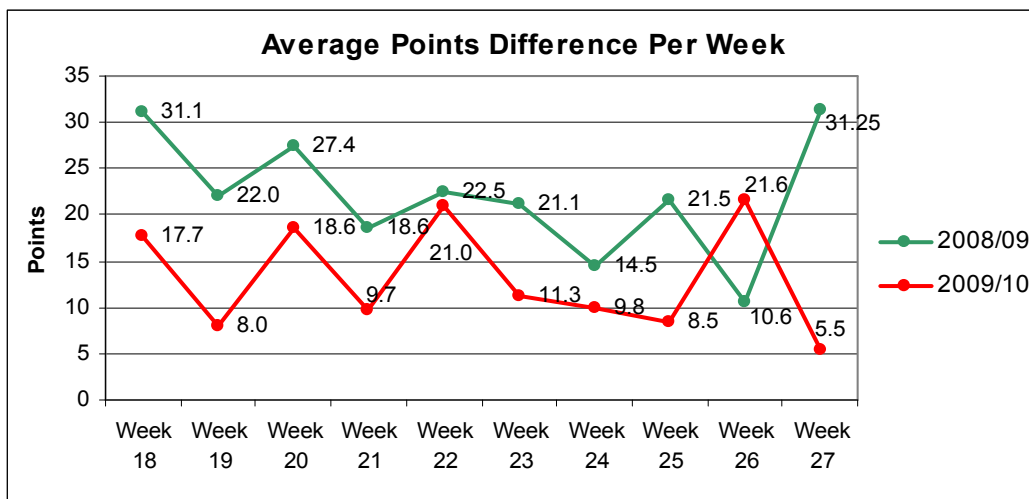
Player	Club	Tries	Conv	Pen	DG	Total
<b>Simon Hunt</b>	Birmingham & Solihull	3	12	7		<b>60</b>
<b>Adrian Jarvis</b>	Bristol	1	12	10		<b>59</b>
<b>Robert Cook</b>	Cornish Pirates	2	5	8		<b>44</b>
<b>Aled Thomas</b>	London Welsh	1	6	9		<b>44</b>
<b>Mike Whitehead</b>	Rotherham Titans	2	10	4		<b>42</b>
<b>Tristan Roberts</b>	Moseley	1	7	6		<b>37</b>
<b>Miles Dorrian</b>	Bedford Blues	3	4	4		<b>35</b>
<b>David Jackson</b>	Nottingham	1	8	4		<b>33</b>

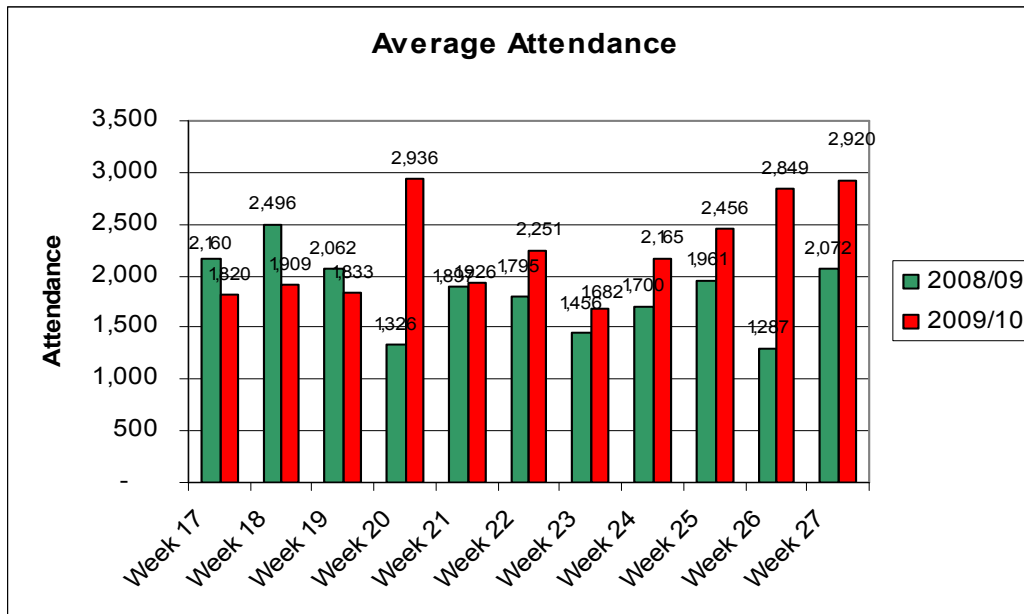


**TRIES BY CLUB**

	Stage 1	Week 23	Week 24	Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Total
Exeter	88	0	4	2	8	2	104
Bristol	87	1	1	2	5	6	102
Bedford	68	1	2	2	5	5	83
Nottingham	66	3	2	4	1	2	78
Cornish P	69	0	2	3	2	1	77
Rotherham	51	4	4	5	4	5	73
London Welsh	56	4	0	0	2	1	63
Doncaster	42	1	3	2	2	3	53
Moseley	41	2	4	0	P	4	51
Birmingham	34	2	3	2	3	5	49
Coventry	40	0	3	0	P	5	48
Plymouth A	43	0	0	0	1	1	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>826</b>

**TRY SCORING TRENDS**



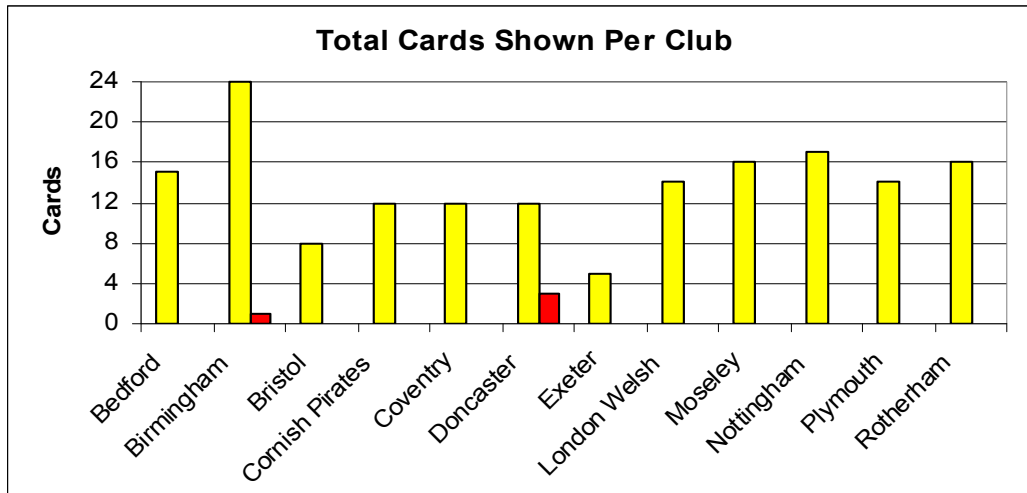
**ATTENDANCES**

**ATTENDANCE FIGURES**

	20-Mar	27-Mar	03-Apr	10-Apr	17-Apr	Total
<b>Bedford</b>		2,611		2,599		<b>33,706</b>
<b>Birmingham &amp; S</b>	350			xxx	xxx	<b>8,519</b>
<b>Bristol</b>	5892		7,020		6,701	<b>77,485</b>
<b>Cornish Pirates</b>		2,849	3,359			<b>38,967</b>
<b>Coventry</b>		1,344	1,123			<b>15,791</b>
<b>Doncaster</b>		1,011	1,050			<b>18,862</b>
<b>Exeter</b>		4,342		4,181		<b>53,575</b>
<b>London Welsh</b>	520		960		1,100	<b>22,785</b>
<b>Moseley</b>		832				<b>11,443</b>
<b>Nottingham</b>	1072			1,339	1,354	<b>15,638</b>
<b>Plymouth</b>	1384			3,275	4,141	<b>35,512</b>
<b>Rotherham</b>	872		1,223		1,302	<b>19,159</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,090</b>	<b>12,989</b>	<b>14,735</b>	<b>11,394</b>	<b>14,598</b>	<b>351,442</b>
<b>Average</b>	1,682	2,165	2,456	2,849	2,920	

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Highest        7,714    Bristol v Cornish Pirates  
 Lowest        200      Birmingham & Solihull v Doncaster

January 1<sup>st</sup> 2010  
 February 17<sup>th</sup> 2010

**DISCIPLINE**

**CARDS BY TYPE**

Week 27	Yellow Cards			Red	Total Cards
	Technical	Foul Play	Total		
2008/09	5	2	7	0	7
2009/10	7	1	8	0	8

Season	Yellow Cards			Red	Total Cards
	Technical	Foul Play	Total		
2008/09	152	72	224	7	231
2009/10	98	67	165	4	169

**CARDS BY CLUB**

By Club	Yellow	YR	Red	Total
Bedford	15			15
Birmingham	24		1	25
Bristol	8			8
Cornish Pirates	12			12
Coventry	12			12
Doncaster	12	1	3	15
Exeter	5			5
London Welsh	14			14
Moseley	16			16
Nottingham	17			17
Plymouth	14			14
Rotherham	16			16
<b>Total</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>169</b>