

WEST COAST LEAGUE

POWER RANKINGS

SEASON 4 ROUND 2

Another round proving that Nuffle giveth and Nuffle taketh away.

There was a distinct lack of tears this round from the usual suspects and this smelly old Dawi is a little disappointed. Either the mugs of concrete sent to certain coaches had the desired effect or those said same coaches have learned to cry within the confines of their offices, away from the public eye.

Pratting now out of the way, let's get to the rankings!

14. Hellmouth Demons [-5]

Alright, what is going on at the Demons? Two games in to the season and they are yet to score and are getting kicked around by their opposition. Will this season prove that the coach is a one team coach, or will the team turn things around and be spared the shame of losing record? Some will say that its only 2 games into the season and way too early to panic, but in reality, there are only 6 games left and that isn't a lot of time to turn around a team and ensure a spot in the play-offs.

Coach JRamsdale in the late stages of the game thinking about the post-game press conference...



13. Nuffle Hate Group [-]

There was much cursing from Coach Clipsal from the sidelines and for once the target of the blaspheming wasn't Nuffle. This time he fumed against the Shufflers' almost divine ability to regenerate all the damage hammered into them by the Haters.

The Haters had a great deal of success with their physical game, repeatedly punching holes in the Shufflers' line, but they were unable to convert this into touchdowns. If the Haters can maintain the defensive momentum and then build on it with a more coordinated offense, they just may amaze a few opponents with unexpected flashes of brilliance, well maybe not brilliance but at least competence.

12. Gunners [-1]

Disappointment is thy name, my Dawi cousins. Losing to an Urk team is almost unforgiveable and yet you further compound your sins with yet more passing! The only positive is the fact the Gunners managed to win the casualty count, pitiful though it was – a single injury between both teams is woeful. Perhaps if gold changed hands I could understand the result, but I am not sure if the officials were bribed or the Gunners themselves. Either way, the Gunners need to get themselves sorted out otherwise team management might be looking at roster and coaching changes in the not-so-distant future!

11. Dark Web Lurkers [+3]

Wow, they didn't lose! I heard the Lurkers players and coaching staff were out late into the night celebrating not losing. One wonders if this game will be the highlight of the season for the Lurkers or perhaps the beginning of the unthinkable – a winning record!

OK, have you stopped laughing yet? Let's get serious. The Lurkers have plenty of talent on their roster, even though it can be somewhat inconsistent in its performance. This talent just needs to gel together into a cohesive unit and that comes in the locker room. Unfortunately for the Lurkers, due to the odd mix of intractable species within the team this cohesion continues to elude them and despite Coach Ratt's best efforts, the playing group continues to mistrust each other and thus execute the game plan with dubious effect. Coach Ratt really needs to impose his will on the team and make them fear and respect him more than their petty aversions for each other.

My suggestion to Coach Ratt of how he can improve his coaching style.



10. Sheffield Shufflers [+2]

Oh, so they finally showed up to play. I guess they weren't so scared of the Haters as they were the Heroes. I bumped into Coach Talanis before the game and he looked embarrassed and mumbled excuses when mention was made of his no-show in the first round. I am sure he knows what is expected of him and will want to avoid future ridicule and mocking.

The amount of damage suffered by the Shufflers would most likely have cost them the game, but the regenerative ability of the Shufflers saw the undead horrors rise back up each time the crowd and opposition thought they were out for the count. I guess you can wear out your opponents out by stuffing your players into their fists and feet when you know your players just won't die. It's a bold move Coach Talanis, let's see if it pays off.

9. Antoch Hand Grenades [+1]

A much better performance from the Grenades, although there was a distinct lack of brutality from the Umgi which disappointed Nuffle and the fans. This was a workman-like performance from the Grenades, capitalising on the Cheesit's obsession with sinking in the boot to get ahead on the scoreboard. This focus on winning the game did come at a cost, with Sir Galahad the Pure now standing at the right hand of the Lady of the Lake.

8. Dead Fungus [-]

It's official, ZOGBALL is the rising star of the deceased 'shrooms. The team's first-string quarterback lead the team in rushing and passing, in addition to crossing into the end zone for the team's first score of the game.

Picking themselves up after their tough break in round one, the 'shrooms outplayed the Gunners when the physical game wasn't working for them. Such a display of versatility from a rookie Urk team should be a concern for the other teams in the league as the 'shrooms could be springing a few surprises on unwary teams. With a few more solid performances we could see these greenskins challenging for a higher spot in the rankings.

7. The Beardy Cheesits [-3]

It appears my Dawi cousins became fixed on hurting the Umgi in silly outfits instead of getting the ball into the end zone. Reports from the game tell us that the Cheesits played dirty, as promised during the off-season, although for little effect. I would suggest Coach Hymn needs to have a chat to the equipment room staff about providing his players with spikier spikes and heavier knuckledusters. He also might also want to spend some time during the training sessions this week reintroducing his team to the ball and the concepts of how to move it down the field without getting distracted by random acts of fouling.

Parmesan will be missing the next game after suffering a hip injury, inflicted by one of the unwashed peasants from the Grenades. I sometimes have issues with telling the Umgi apart, they all kinda look the same, but I am sure that filthy serf was a Umgi female. A double shame for Parmesan, injured by an Umgi and a female one at that.

6. Praag Sewers [-3]

The under-citizens of Praag must be growing tired of their team crumbling like old cheese in every game. This time the Sewers didn't even compensate for their Thagorakki flimsiness with a win, surrendering the game in the second half once the Tribute drove the pain train through the Sewers roster. The second half saw the Sewers players driven into the ground or flung into the crowd as the Khornites realised it's better to spill the

blood of the opposition than potentially offer up your own. Am I the only one who thought it slightly iron that Mk II. Not touch me died in this game – that name is just asking for opposition players to lay hands, fists, etc on that scrawny little rat corpse-in-waiting.

The season is already giving me a strong sense of déjà vu, with the Praagites struggling to maintain a minimum playing roster after the first game of the season. Team management made good use of the special sponsorship from the Reikland Banking Corporation in this round and recruited some fresh meat, sorry, new recruits for the next game.

5. **Kenzintun Valkireez [-]**

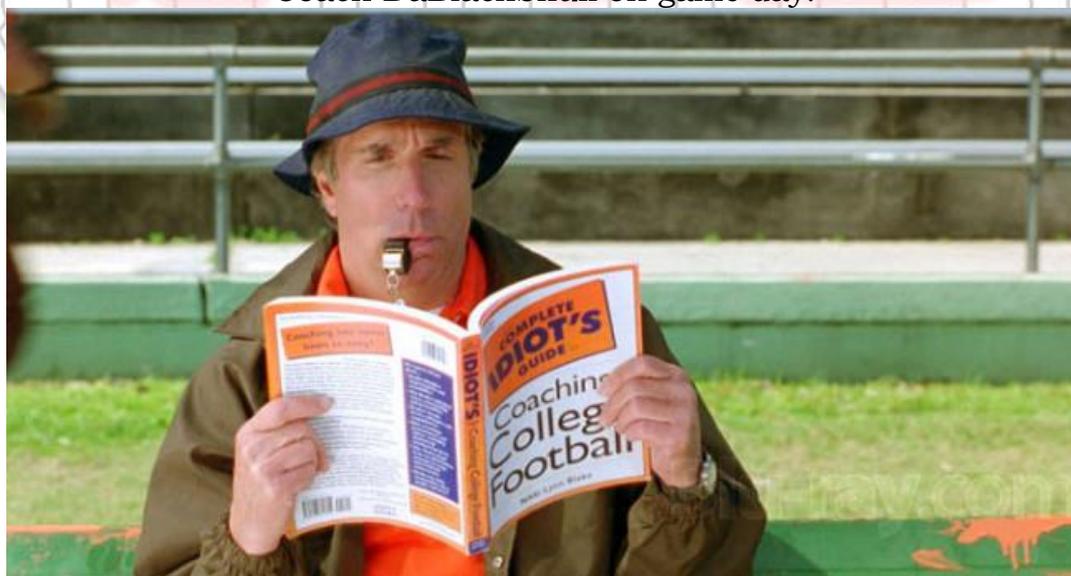
The forcs got shafted by Nuffle late in the game, giving the opposition the win in the dying seconds of the game. Nuffle also mocked the Valkireez bash game by making sure Schemers were able to reliably regenerate any injuries inflicted upon them. This season we are finally seeing Jagruz taking her leadership role with some seriousness, with a 100% completion rate. Agnat was a real beast on defence, the wrecking ball forc seemed to take great delight smashing the bone-bags and wasn't even perturbed by the re-forming abilities of the Schemers – in a post-game interview the Valkireez blitzzer said she loved getting a second chance to break the same players.

Nuffle seems to take delight in tormenting Coach Frosthhammer. Early in the game the forcs were able to ride their luck and bask in the fortune of Nuffle. Then our bearded deranged deity wagged his finger and despite copious amounts of scrambling defence, at the critical moments fortune slapped the forcs square in the face with a large wet fish-like creature.

4. **BlueBloodz [-2]**

The BlueBloodz almost had to do the walk of shame after they couldn't beat the Lurkers. The much-vaunted Coach DaBlackSkull proved rather meek in the face of the heavily muscled freak-show that is the Lurkers and failed to motivate his players beyond mediocrity. The one player who stood out for the Urks was Lt Grank Dreaden, the offence leader who made sure the Bloodz didn't get embarrassed with a loss. Seriously BlueBloodz, DO BETTER!

Coach DaBlackSkull on game day!



3. Pyramid Schemers [+4]

After being Watto'd during the Valkireez opening drive, the Schemers managed to Watto the forcs in the dying seconds of the game to secure the win. Coach Jinxed has never stopped talking down his team but I am starting to suspect this is an under-handed tactic.

All the negativity is possibly lulling opposing teams into underestimating the collection of bones that are the Schemers. The things that other teams are probably not prepared for are the Schemers ability to magically heal injuries with alarming success and their passing game. Yes, these Khemri bastards completed 100% of their passes in this game, including the game winning play that needed a low probability pass to make it over the Valkireez defence into the hands of mindless skellie. I will not be surprised if the Schemers end up with the best passing record for the season. What price did you pay Nuffle for this preposterous passing game Coach Jinxed?

2. Tribute [+4]

A reminder of what I said about this team in the pre-season rankings:

“Coach Watto has claimed the Tribute are simply making up the numbers this season but anyone who follows the West Coast League knows that this is just bluster as Coach Watto has a competitive streak a Dawi mile wide and he will squeeze everything he can from his band of psychopaths.”

I think Coach Watto has been squeezing the soft parts of his players with much vigor in an effort to inspire them. After a somewhat stuttering start, we saw the Tribute click through their higher gears, proving their devotion to their bloody god by overwhelming their opponents with pugnacity and sticking spikey spikes into Thagorakki. Taking advantage of the violence and the number of Thagorakki bodies being stretched off the field, the Tribute made sure to get that pigskin into the end zone to guarantee another win, on this occasion doing it in regulation time.

I am not so sure Coach Jinxed is feeling so confident about selecting Khorne as the team of 'punishment' after winning the bet from last season.

★ ★ ★ *Did you know....*

The expression “Being Watto'd” was coined by Coach Fanglord after Coach Watto was blessed by Nuffle during one of their early encounters. The players led by Coach Watto seemed unable to fail in anything, being it involving the ball or cracking the armour of Fanglord's ever-diminishing band of players. Since that day Coach Fanglord has decried any time his opponent being lucky that he was being Watto'd. So frequent and loud was his grumbling to anyone unfortunate to be within earshot that the term eventually caught on amongst the other coaches.

1. Greatest Kymerican Heroes [-]

Coach Fanglord, that was a bit of a low scoring effort for the team I am telling everyone is the best in the league. I will keep you at the top this week as I don't think it's time to flush you down the rankings yet, but do not for a moment think I will hesitate to pull the chain and send you swirling down the bowl to the lower depths of the rankings.

Aside from the somewhat lacklustre offence, the Heroes lived up to the reputation as the extra evil Elgi, exacting a heavy toll from the Demons in gore and pain. Of note was the

deaths of two of the Demons' dark Dawi players, quite an achievement considering how tough and hardy our sinister cousins are known to be. This sends a clear message to the rest of the league these Elgi are not to be trifled with. Although I am sure that Coach Fanglord knows that touchdowns win games so he better get that offence into order.

With the season well underway, I look forward to seeing which teams and how many of them get on the rollercoaster this season as we already have a few likely candidates. Let's hope Round 3 brings us plenty more action!

Nuffle bless you all!

the stinky dwarf

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ROZE-EL IS HIS PROPHET**

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