

FRANK MURPHY MEMORIAL TROPHY

2008 / 2009

FIRST ROUND RESULTS

H/CAP	HOME	score	v	score	AWAY	H/CAP
84	MARCONI 2	402	v	411	BOOTLE YMCA 2	95
m4	CHRIST the KING	353	v	349	CADWA 1	112
242	ARRIVA N.W.	432	v	398	MARCONI 1	23
W/O	LINACRE	W/O	v		MAGHULL 3	
110	MAGHULL 2	488	v	414	BATH St. MARINE 5	212
15	BATH St. MARINE 1	393	v	345	MARCONI 3	170
m36	BOOTLE YMCA 1	334	v	280	BATH St. MARINE 2	35
144	BATH St. MARINE 4	518	v	490	BOOTLE YMCA 3	245
43	M/SIDE POLICE 2	397	v	382	CADWA 2	100
66	MAGHULL 1	431	v	426	CADWA 3	206
267	AIGBURTH 1	406	v	394	FORDS	16
163	BATH St. MARINE 3	526	v	505	BATH St. MARINE 6	265
193	AIGBURTH 2	436	v	418	MANWEB 1	63
W/O	MANWEB 3	W/O	v	W/D	MANWEB 4	W/D
97	MANWEB 2	432	v	526	M/SIDE POLICE 1	218
12	CROSBY HIGH	390	v	368	AIGBURTH 3	201

All matches were played week commencing 3rd November. 2008 as per the handbook.

The Expected full 16 matches didn't happen due to one team being withdrawn late on, and another team failing to turn up, but still a good first round.

Closest match of the 1st round was Christ the King overcoming a handicap of 116 to beat Cadwa 1 by 4 points, CtK. were at home, they were one of 9 teams who overcame the handicap to win, again all 9 teams were at home.

Biggest 'swing' of the round was Fords match against Aigburth 1, Fords started 251 points behind, pulled back 239 of them, but Aigburth's Alan Staniland managing to grab 17 points in the last set to hold on to their lead and win the match by 12 points. Another big swing was Crosby High starting 189 behind to win by 22, a swing of 211 against Aigburth 3, in these situations it's a case of 'no quarter given' but I'm sure all enjoyed the match

Only two captains added comments on the match card, Bootle YM 1 gave the man of the match award to Bath St. M. 2's Les Gee for his performance against Ted Birch, "he also receives the top award for the shot of the night given Les did not know how he it on the wing it went" a good match between old friends.

And Manweb 2's comment that Police 1's handicap was "a bit beyond our means", but on analysis of the match card, Manweb only reduced Police's handicap lead from 121 to 94, so it was more like letting the opposition score too many points during the games than the starting handicaps, but it looked a very competitive night.

Good to see so many minus handicap players taking part (11 this year), it's so easy for our top players to turn round and say "I've got no chance with that handicap" and they're always on a hiding to nothing, but that's what this comp is about.

well played

next round draw out soon

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