

John Slavin Award 2025 BAFANL Season

BAFRA awards the John Slavin Trophy in odd-numbered years to the team with the best game day management. This includes prompt provision of properly attired and effective chain crew and ball persons, spectator facilities such as covered seats, a scoreboard and a referee's microphone and a game day manager available to the officiating crew from when they arrive. The title is awarded to the team that has come out best in an audit carried out by BAFRA members at each game. A perfect facility scores 0.

The award is named after John Slavin. John was a long-serving BAFRA official and sometime director of the Association who sadly died in October 2005. In his memory, BAFRA has dedicated an award made to a team that shows commitment to improving the game experience for players and fans, as well as officials.

The top-performing teams in the BAFANL Senior Season 2025 were as follows:

Staffordshire Surge	20.0	Overall winners and Division 1 winners
East Kilbride Pirates	25.7	Premier Division winners
Essex Tridents	29.5	
Inverclyde Goliaths	30.0	
Oxford Saints	33.7	Division 2 winners
Bristol Aztecs	36.8	
Manchester Titans	37.3	
Plymouth Vanguard	38.0	
South Wales Warriors	38.5	
Coventry Phoenix	47.0	
Ipswich Cardinals	47.7	
Aberdeen Roughnecks	58.0	
Scunthorpe Alphas	59.0	
Newcastle Vikings	59.3	
Yorkshire Rams	60.2	

The average for the Premier Division was 80.79, for Division One 75.78 and for Division Two 91.00. The overall average for BAFANL Senior teams was 81.07. Regrettably, all of these scores are a significant deterioration on when this was last measured.

The top-performing teams in the BAFANL Junior Season 2025 were as follows:

East Kilbride Pirates	37.3	Junior winners
Edinburgh Napier Knights	44.0	
Chester Romans	63.0	
Highland Wildcats	67.0	
London Blitz	68.0	
Sheffield Giants	72.0	
Manchester Titans	76.0	

The overall average amongst all BAFANL Junior teams was 95.95, which was again a significant deterioration on when this was last measured.

The top three performing teams in the 9-a-side NWFL season 2025 were as follows:

Solent Thrashers	50.0	NWFL winners
Manchester Titans	59.3	
Birmingham Lions	85.0	

The overall average for this league was 88.85 which was also a significant deterioration on when this was last measured.