## John Slavin Award 2017-18 BUCS Season

BAFRA gives the John Slavin Award 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 boys, 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 comes 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 BUCS 2017-18 season were as follows:

Southampton Stags	37.0	<b>Overall winners</b>
Liverpool JM Fury	40.5	
Solent Redhawks	43.5	
Kent Falcons	44.0	
UCLan Rams	47.2	
Bristol Barracuda	50.0 =	
Newcastle Raiders	50.0 =	
Napier Knights	51.5	
Heriot-Watt AFC	54.0 =	
Liverpool Raptors	54.0 =	
Brighton Panthers	56.0	
UEA Pirates	56.2	
Sheffield Sabres	56.3	
Hertfordshire Hurricanes	57.0	
Plymouth Blitz	60.0	
UWE Bullets	60.7	
Leeds Beckett	62.8	
Cambridge Pythons	63.0	
Derby Braves	64.6	
Loughborough Students	65.2	

To set the above in context, the average for the whole of the BUCS League in 2017-18 was 89.82, an improvement of some 8 points since the previous survey two years ago.