

# Necom News

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## She's So Lovely

Robert Baden Powell's guide to scouting? Possibly not an ideal role model

Scouting then. A popular pastime. It's a way for you to add new players to your squad and improve the database for everyone. It's in need of a slight overhaul, so some changes have been made.

I will add players to the database for you once a fortnight. I'll add a maximum of two players per team. You need to email me with the players you want adding to the database, with the subject in the email 'DATABASE'. The text of the email must contain the player full name, position, preferred foot, date of birth, nationality, what you think his rating should be and why. Each team will only be allowed to add two players per fortnight to the database. No more.

When I add your players, if nobody else has added them already, I will also add them to your squad straight away for you. You will no longer have to scout them in – you will automatically receive them in your squad.

### This is what it says in the all powerful League Soccer rulebook

As well as signing players from your fellow managers, off the auction list, or from unmanaged teams, there is yet another way to bring new players into your team - this being through the extra actions section on the Return Sheet - using your club SCOUTS.

The SCOUT action, which you enter in the staff actions box, will allow your club to sign any player not already at a team in your game- so if you don't reckon anyone has got Vinicius Junior for example, it's a great opportunity to snap up a world great at a bargain price. You MUST fill in his full name in the box, and you'll get him on an 8 week trial if nobody else has him. If they do, you'll get the message "He's already at another team."

Sometimes the player might be so obscure that he's not on the Necom database. Sometimes this is because we've never heard of him, other times maybe he's a youngster at a club without first team experience, and you want him before anyone else gets to him. When you find a player that isn't on the database, you'll need to send a separate message to Necom (email neil@necomgames.com) explaining who he is, who he plays for in real life, and enclosing some evidence from a magazine to prove that he's real. The database team will then add him, and you can reapply to sign the player on the following turn.

The players will not initially be at the rating you feel they deserve. They may be added to the database with that rating, in which case you can coach them up to that and even higher. They may be added at a lower rating if that is what it is felt they deserve.

Whilst we're on the subject of adding players to the database, huge and massive thanks is due to Jamie who over the years has added untold players to the database for you all and got loads of grief for his troubles. He's also done – and continues to do - some great work setting up and maintaining the game 8 retro database so give him a bit of a break and harass me about adding players for a change.



## Player Ratings Board

Feel that one of your players is criminally under-rated? Then why not let everyone know about it and maybe get his rating increased. Post his details on the ratings section of the necom noticeboards along with info on why you think he should be rated higher. Please read the guidance on ratings on that board before posting – for example a player should be a full regular international for a reasonable national side before he can be considered to be worth an 80+ rating. Also remember to post his database number and name as the title for your post.



82, 83, 84... 85 ??



79 or 80 ?



65 ?

## Games When?

Game 19 – three turns per week, Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
Game 64 – two turns per week, Tuesdays & Fridays  
Game 1 – two turns per week, Tuesdays & Saturdays  
Game 8 – two turns per week, Wednesday & Sundays

Games 3, 20 and 41 – one turn per week, every Monday  
Game 99 – one turn per week, every Thursday

Game 8 is the retro game with squads and players based on what they were in the 1996/97 season.