Div 1 Armstrong Cup 2015 – 2016 Monday 29/02/16

Team MP Pts

1 Gonzaga 8 54

2 St Benildus A 8 41 ½

3 Dublin University 8 37 ½

4 Elm Mount 8 35

5 Bray / Greystones 8 33

6 Dublin 8 32

7 Balbriggan 8 32

8 Dun Laoghaire 8 26 ½

9 St Benildus B 8 25 ½

10 Phibsboro 8 25

11 Kilkenny 8 22 ½

12 Curragh 8 20 ½

Team round 9 Round 10 Round 11

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| Gonzaga | St Benildus A | Phibsboro | Balbriggan |
| St Benildus A | Gonzaga | Kilkenny | Phibsboro |
| Dublin Unive | St Benildus B | Bray / Greys | Dublin |
| Elm Mount | Kilkenny | St Benildus B | Bray / Greys |
| Bray / Greys | Curragh | Dublin University | Elm Mount |
| Dublin | Balbriggan | Curragh | Dublin Uni |
| Balbriggan | Dublin | Dun Laoghaire | Gonzaga |
| Dun Laoghaire | Phibsboro | Balbriggan | Curragh |
| Curragh | Bray / Greys | Dublin | Dun Laoghaire |
| Kilkenny | Elm Mount | St Benildus A | St Benildus B |
| Phibsboro | Dun Laoghaire | Gonzaga | St Benildus A |
| St Benildus B | Dublin Uni | Elm Mount | Kilkenny |

The Armstrong is now down to the final three rounds.

Gonzaga are powering ahead and averaging 6.5 per game this will give that a massive record breaking 72 points total surpassing the total of last year. If they win thier match against St.Benildus A they will in effect have won the Armstrong with two rounds to spare. St.Benildus have second place with Dublin University trying to take it from them. I will predict a win for Gonzaga and St.Benildus to finish second.

Elm Mount, Bray /Greystones, Dublin Balbriggan and Dun Laoghaire should all be safe mid table.

The big issue is the two relegation places that are up for grabs and no one as yet is looking like they want to go down.

Currently it’s the Curragh and Kilkenny who hold the two spots. But in round 9 St.Benildus have only got 1.5 points and Kilkenny have 3 points against Elm Mount with 2 games adjourned.

This changes the bottom to …..

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| Team |  | points | Adjourned |
| St Benil B |  | 27 | 0 |
| Kilkenny |  | 25.5 | 2 |
| Phibsboro |  | 25 | 8 |
| Curragh |  | 20.5 | 8 |

After all the games have been played for this round the gap between the bottom four teams will have closed. It’s a hard one to call as Kilkenny are putting on their post-Christmas spurt to avoid the drop. I would guess that the safety zone will be somewhere between 32 and 34 points. This looks like it will be down to the last day before this is resolved with a number of key matchup taking place.

St. Benildus B will be playing Kilkenny. The Curragh will be playing Dun Laoghaire, Phibsboro will be playing St. Benildus A, who will be trying to help their B team out.

Tickets for this super Sunday will be on sale through usual outlets.