

British League elite all win

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Premier British League's top four sides were all victorious as the race for the title cranked up heading into the final two rounds of the season.

Urban and Ormesby picked up 4-1 wins over Fusion and North Ayrshire respectively while Ormeau and Drumchapel battled to 3-2 away victories against Cardiff and BATTS.

The results have seen Urban and Ormesby edge a point further ahead of their other top four rivals, with Urban still top by a solitary point.

They had to come from behind to defeat bottom club Fusion after the visitors picked up a shock victory in the doubles as Kazeem Adeleke and Lorestas Trumpauskas defeated Szilard Gyorfy and Alim Hirji in five.

The rest of the afternoon proved tricky for the defending champions too, albeit they did come away with all four singles sets.

Daniel Schaffer picked up 3-1 victories over James Smith and Adeleke, while Gyorgy and Hirji avenged their doubles defeat with wins over Trumpauskas and Smith.

As for Ormesby, Daniel Reed's inability to capitalise on a 2-0 lead over Colin Dalgleish was the only blemish on their record. Darius Knight and Helshan Weerasinghe won the doubles, and the pair won their singles matches against Martin Johnson and Dalgleish.

Reed made up for his earlier loss by defeating Chris Main 3-0.

Ormeau are now three points behind the leaders after twice being pegged back in their win against Cardiff.

Lucas Molland and Matt Ware won the doubles for the visitors but Oriol Monzo was defeated by Jiawang Song, who now boasts an impressive 80% win average this season.

Ware was on hand to put Ormeau back ahead with a 3-0 win over Niall Cameron, but Song would come back to haunt the visitors again as he eased to victory over Lucas Molland.

However, Monzo, playing just his second game for the club, won the match with a straightforward win over Lloyd Gregory.

Meanwhile, Drumchapel also moved three points adrift of Urban after their own 3-2 win.

England international David McBeath was the star as he picked up wins over young Frenchman Alexis Mommessin and Jack Bennett.

BATTS went ahead following a 3-0 doubles win for Jack Bennett and Hugo Batocchi, before BATTS felt McBeath's wrath for the first time.

Sepehr Bidari, making his first appearances of the season, picked up a narrow win over Hugo Batocchi to put the Scots ahead for the first time, but Mommessin overcame Victor Guang Shi, who remains winless this season.

It was up to McBeath to secure the win, and despite dropping the second end, he came through a resilient Bennett 3-1.

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