

Sycamore and Urban set for Premier title race

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Kelly Sibley kept Sycamore on track in Wales

Sycamore head into the final weekend of the season at the top of Premier British League after two further victories.

Chris Doran and his side ground out two nail biting victories over Drumchapel and Barrow to keep their nose slightly ahead of Urban's, who kept the pressure on with two victories of their own.

It was by no means a routine day in Cardiff for Sycamore, as was proved by recent Grand Prix winner Tom Maynard's sensational victory over Doran, as the league leaders were made to fight to earn four precious points.

However, the strength in depth Sycamore possess proved vital. Maximums for Kelly Sibley and Chris Doran earned victory over Drumchapel, whilst Paul McCreery was at the double against Barrow to secure another crucial two points.

It was slightly more routine for Urban, who never threatened to surrender further ground in the title race.

A comprehensive 6-2 victory over Barrow was followed by an 8-0 annihilation of Wymondham, who, following two further defeats at the weekend, became the first team to be relegated in the British League season.

Ormesby moved up to third with back-to-back wins. The Welsh trio of Ryan Jenkins, Michael Marsden and Conor Edwards found plenty of joy on their stomping ground, registering an impressive 5-3 victory over Fusion before condemning lowly Drumchapel to a 6-2 defeat that leaves the Scots in a perilous position going into the final weekend.

They overtook Barrow, who struggled to make an impact without Joanna Parker. Despite Maynard's superb win over Doran, defeat to Sycamore and Urban saw them slip down the division, although they will take promise from pushing the division's top two sides the full distance.

All eyes are now focused on the culmination of the season in Ormesby, which takes place in March.

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