

Top two set for dramatic British League finale

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Kenichi Matsubuchi is set to play an important role for Sycamore (picture by John Upham)

Ormesby and Sycamore will conclude their battle for supremacy in one final, epic encounter as the 2014/15 Premier British League season builds to a big finale.

After beginning their tussle for superiority six months ago, nothing, excluding eight additional games earned by Sycamore over the season, can separate the sides. The gap between the two is so minuscule that Sycamore's superior game difference could eventually see them prevail and retain the crown they won last season.

The match between the two in the penultimate round of fixtures is as defining as title deciders go, with both teams' star-studded line-ups making this match one of the most eagerly anticipated in recent British League history.

The superb Ormesby venue is a fitting location for the showcase, most purposefully significant as Ormesby go in search of a rare British League treble having already claimed the Women and Junior British League crowns.

Of course, the two teams must first overcome the rest of the field, with Chinese superstar Xu Rui Feng's Drumchapel Glasgow side more than capable of putting a spanner in the works of both teams.

The same can be said for Barrow, who will look to conclude a solid year of consolidation in the division with a strong finish, while London LVA also have enough about them to leave a lasting impression on the healthy crowd expected at Ormesby.

That leaves three teams – Fusion, Kingfisher and Bournemouth – who all remain in the scrap to survive the division. With two teams going down and no money from the prize pot which was doubled at Ormesby six months ago going to teams in the bottom two, all three have a lot to play for. Fusion are big favourites to remain in the division as they hold a two-point cushion above the drop, but an energetic Kingfisher bench and spirited Bournemouth side have the credentials to create a great escape.

The British League Press and Publicity Team will be at the event in full force, with news, interviews and reaction coming throughout the weekend.

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