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# SCRIPT CLAIMS FOUR MORE

Four more teams fell from grace this week as we barrel towards the conclusion of the /mjg/ districts 6th league. We solicited quotes from the fallen Captains in their darkest hours.

With the semi-finals over only four teams remain in the running for the championship title in One-Han City. In tribute to the four that didn't make it we reached out to their Captains to see what parting words they had for the reading audience – what they had to say surprised us!

**8th – Good Sprouts**  
“You are a rude shill and a gangstalker. Streamers, TOs and fake news like yours are responsible for allowing rude to run rampant through the board.

We will fight to restore nice posting to /mjg/ but its going to be grim. I know you will probably disregard my words and spin this to be a public shaming of me. I just want everyone to know that your true

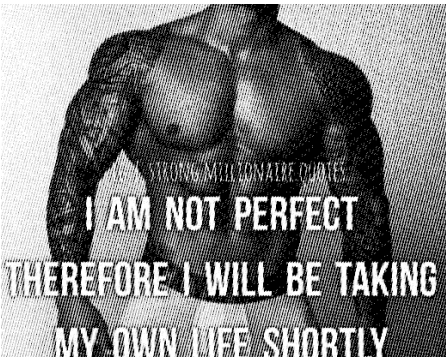
identity is Florg and that the anti-fun posting sentiments on the board are you same-figgig as random famous anons. I wouldn't be surprised if you are also responsible for rallying anons to steal my file names. Leave us nice posters in peace I beg of you. That is all.”  
[Editor's note: All true]

**7th – Jet Set Riichi**  
**Public statement (>>530207701)**  
“The justice system is rigged and must be brought down! This is not the last you have seen of us! I will bring justice next league!”

**6th – Akuyaku Gyakuten**  
“It's vexing, desu wa but sometimes you can't go against fate. It can't really be helped, but we did get the most kans in semis/main league so who really won?”

**5th – World Mahjong Entertainment**  
**Public statement (>>530207701)**  
“Words can't express my anguish and seethe”. In addition to this statement WME had a video and some images to share:

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5P10b34h3rQ>)



## The OC This Week

Though it's been a relatively slow week for OC as the teams wind down after a long 6 weeks of League we bring you the OC for this week:

- The Pumpers reveal Ako NFT platform (>>529676229)
- Rozen Dolls shared some drawings (>>529820473, >>529481280)
- Ransei finds herself in a JRPG! (>>530207674)
- Team 9 hosted an awards ceremony [Editor's note: We humbly accept our place as Honorary Team 9 team member] (>>530083710)
- Ransei goes on her fourth adventure (>>529303658)
- Also be sure to check out all the official League sponsor cards!



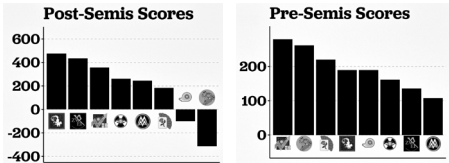
# WEEK SIX: THE SCORES ON THE BOARD

## CAT KINGDOM BACK ON TOP AS SEMIS CONCLUDE; DETAILED TEAM STAT BREAKDOWN; 20 HANCHANS REMAIN

The finals get underway in just under 24 hours. A mere twenty hanchans stand between our challengers and the title in a week that is sure to separate the Men from the Boys.

The semi-finals did not disappoint this year with some of the most popular teams being eliminated from the competition. Some of the strongest competitors from the regular season experienced a dramatic fall from grace. This week our resident *slave* stats-anon provided graphs to help unpick what went down in the semis.

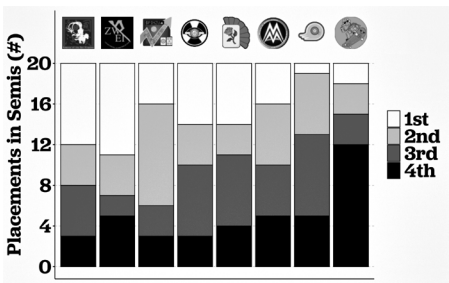
### A Close Call



In the very last hanchan of the semis all was still very much up for grabs: a difference of 17 points separated WME from 4th place and a spot in the finals behind R.I.I.C.H.I. The final hanchan of the semis had the two teams face up against each other with a mere 2000 points between a WME first over the victorious R.I.I.C.H.I. representative.

Unfortunately it wasn't meant to be for the Wrestling team, however we are contractually required to let you know that there will be a Wrestling Kino™ stream before league ends: Believe it Brother!

### Legend of the Good Sprouts

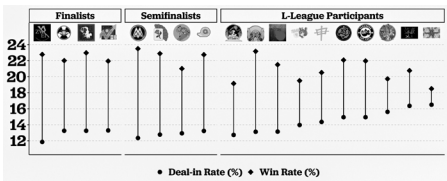


The Good Sprouts went on a horrific losing spree in the semi-finals, with more fourth placements than first, second, and third combined. Similarly unlucky, Jet Set Riichi only managed one first place across the twenty hanchans played.

ZWEI and Romance of the Cat Kingdoms had a relatively easy ride compared to the rest of the teams, with ZWEI nearly clearing a 50% first place rate.

Whether these trends last into the finals is yet to be seen, but the top four of the semis have put on a fearsome performance

### Deal-in and Winrates



Despite the poor placement of the bottom two semi-finalist teams their deal-in rates have been relatively in line with the other teams in the semi-finals. While deal-in rate is important to performance, the value of the deal-in and your overall bakyou-dependent push/fold judgement is more impactful.

What's truly insightful from this plot is just how hard the worst performing teams of regular season jobbed.

Despite having the best winrate to deal-in ratio on paper WME did not manage to turn this statistical victory into a placement for the team.

### Week 6 Highs and Lows

In an unbelievable effort WME managed to break last week's phenomenal single session point record of 173.4 points with a 175.8 point session in US1. The WME rep scored a Yakuman - Kokushi Musou - in East 2 of the second hanchan of the session.

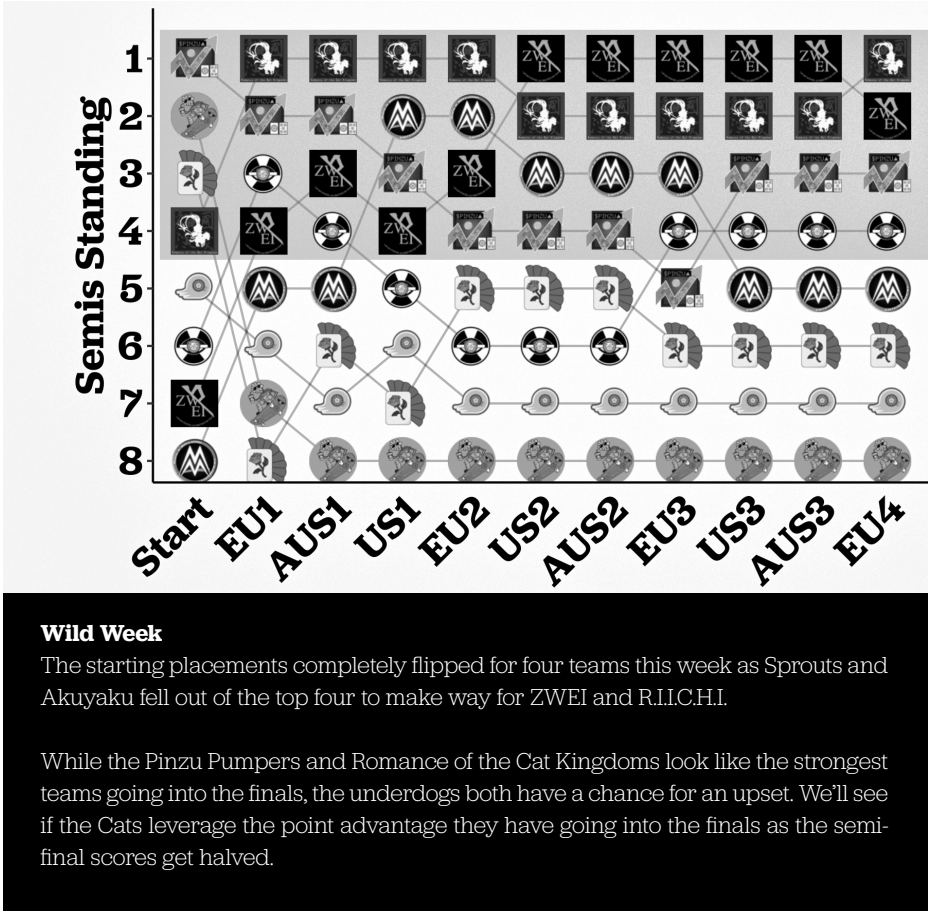
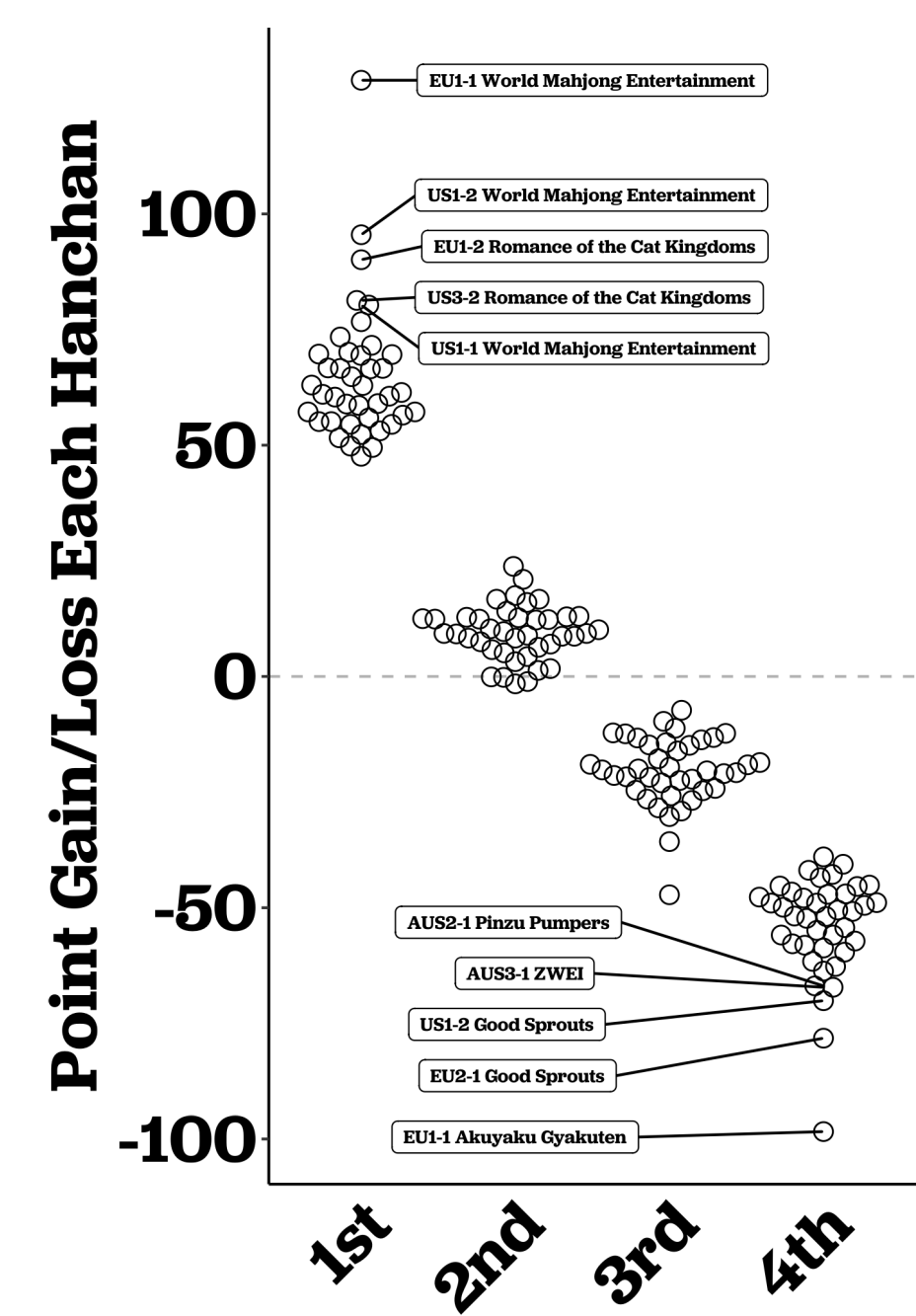
The Good Sprouts had the worst session of the semis losing -127.9 points in US1, and went 6 sessions without gaining any points whatsoever.

### A Look at L League

While the top 8 teams from the regular season fought amongst themselves for a position in the finals the losers of the season did not lay idle; instead they participated in the second L League, or losers league - with 8 of the 10 eliminated teams participating this year.

As of the time of writing this Haitei 11, Bakyou Heat, Ransei no Tabi, and Team 9 have made it into the L League finals in their bid to become King of the jobbers. The

Bakyou Heat Captain managed to score a Yakuman in the main season of L League, while Legend of the Celestial Teapot struggled to job hard enough to secure the coveted double last place in regular league and L League, only managing second last.



### Wild Week

The starting placements completely flipped for four teams this week as Sprouts and Akuyaku fell out of the top four to make way for ZWEI and R.I.I.C.H.I.

While the Pinzu Pumpers and Romance of the Cat Kingdoms look like the strongest teams going into the finals, the underdogs both have a chance for an upset. We'll see if the Cats leverage the point advantage they have going into the finals as the semi-final scores get halved.



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WILL THEY KEEP THE MANDATE OF HEAVEN?

# EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH ROMANCE OF THE CAT KINGDOMS

THE CAT KINGDOM IS BACK ON TOP, WINNING THE SEMI-FINALS. BUT DOES THE WILL OF THE EMPIRE WAVER?

The Romance of the Cat Kingdoms have been a top performing team throughout the /mjg/ districts 6th League. Running down their opponents with 5000 years of Chinese history behind them can anyone stop them from taking the crown?

Deep in the halls of One-Han City's extensive libraries we ran into the team's members. Pouring over the various documents and manuscripts that detail the events of One-Han Cities distant past the Team were made up of historians and scholars documenting the downfall of the once great Nya2Kan dynasty.

We asked what they thought of the chaotic events of the semi-finals, and how they felt about their own stellar performance:

"We did not expect Good Sprouts to fall from in-fighting, nor did we expect to be first into the finals as the mandate of heaven willed that we would suffer tragic losses throughout most of June and our Diviner predicted that this would continue well into July."

"I am pleased that our unlucky players pulled out miracles for the semis, but I can't speak for the rest of the team about that."

While the Cat Kingdoms have enjoyed great success during regular season and semis

they are up against formidable opponents going into the finals. We wanted their estimation of the opponents they would be facing in the last twenty hanchans of the League:

"The strongest team is actually Pinzu Pumpers if you look at scores overall in league. ZWEI is carried by 4 people, and RIICHI is the most even team overall next to us."

The Warlords of the Cat Kingdoms have long been known for their employment of conniving stratagems, we wondered if they might have something up their sleeve going into the Finals:

"If the other teams really want to win soullessly, there is nothing we can do to win the league. We'll just distribute games evenly by availability and by feel. We all believe in the strength of each team mate and would never stop anyone from playing if they feel like it."

On the topic of game distribution the Cat Kingdoms reputation has been mired this League by accusations of foul play in both the draft and in regular season, with their detractors accusing them of stacking games on their best players and circumventing the draft (the team never drafted an Adept rank player).

The team had only this to say in response:

"I dare not speak for our lord about the draft, but if you look at the stats, one player has a higher deal-in rate than win rate. That should count as an adept. As for the balancing, we are short 1 person, and the 9th man put his availability as spotty at best"

And finally, we asked for our subject's favourite Touhou: "Scarlet Flandre because UN Owen was her?"

The Team also had a passage from the annals to include in their interview:

"I, Cao Hagde, turned four-and-twenty this year.

Over the league, I have crushed the Furies, captured TO, eliminated Rozen Maiden, and defeated Akuyaku.

We trampled the semi-finals under our horse hooves, and held the streams under my swordpoint.

We have campaigned throughout the thread, and we have the finals at our feet. With all of these accomplishments, what more can one wish for?"

- Cao Hagde right before he gets blown out in Red Cliffs (Finals)

And on that bombshell, I've been your bird-brained reporter Aya Shameimaru for the Bunbunmaru, and thank you for reading.



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