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WHO IS GOING DOWN? RELEGATION TREND

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RELEGATED TEAMS AT MID SEASONS (2018–Date)

Considering Seasons With Similar Format

*Abridged League, Round-Robin Group Games
(No Relegation Playoffs)



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	Season	Games	Groups	Teams In Group	Pts Mid	Final Pts	Pos Mid	Final Pos	Form Mid
Ibom Angels	2022/23	6	2	7	3 Pts	6 Pts	7TH	7TH	W1D0L5
Osun Babes	2022/23	6	2	7	3 Pts	7 Pts	7TH	7TH	W1D0L5
Sunshine Queens	2021/22	6	2	7	4 Pts	7 Pts	*5TH	7TH	W1D1L4
Pelican Stars	2021/22	6	2	7	3 Pts	4 Pts	7TH	7TH	W1D0L5
Sure Babes	2018/19	7	2	8	3 Pts	3 Pts	8TH	8TH	W1D0L6
Pelican Stars	2018/19	7	2	8	4 Pts	14 Pts	8TH	8TH	W0D4L3

*Sunshine Queens (2021/22) were tied with Abia Angels (3Pts) in sixth and Royal Queens (3Pts) in seventh but afloat on Goal difference and Goal Scored. However, in the second half of the season, they reproduced their abysmal first-half performance winning just +4pts unlike Royal Queens (+6pts) and Abia Angels (+7pts) to get relegated.

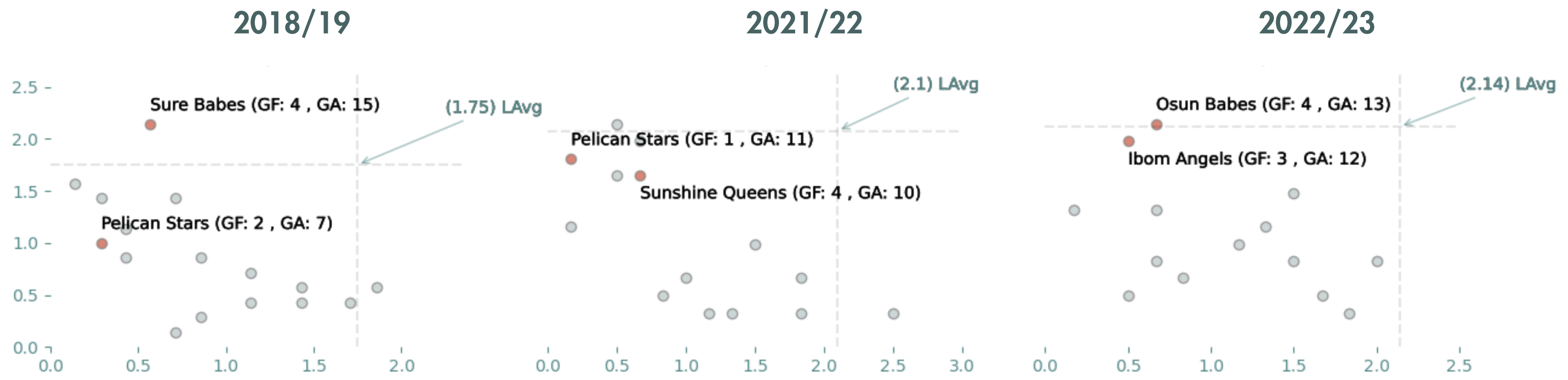
A quick scan through the figures on the above table **suggests a recent trend that teams who find themselves bottom of the league at Mid Season end up being bottom at the end of the Regular Season!**

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Goals Averages of Relegated Teams In Their Respective Seasons



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These plots of goals averages of relegated teams from similar seasons (absent a relegation playoff tournament) are identical to that of Ekiti Queens, Sunshine Queens and Royal Queens from the current 2023/24 Season, **thus suggesting a high likelihood that Royal Queens, Sunshine Queens and/or Ekiti Queens would be relegated, inline with the recent trend that teams who find themselves bottom of the league at Mid Season end up being bottom at the end of the Regular Season!**

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How to Interpret the Plot