ECCBA League Fixture 3

Hertfordshire v Norfolk

Applecroft School, Welwyn - Sunday 20th January 2019

Our third league fixture of the season was a home game against Norfolk. We would need an improved performance on our last match against Bedfordshire to get a positive result. The team chosen to represent us was as follows;

H1	H2	Н3		
1. Harry Wilson	 Michael Langley 	 Mary Grethe 		
2. Andy Cobbold	Gill Barraclough	2. Ron Hart		
Jack Smalley	Roy Grethe	Marilyn Cook		
4. Jason Ellis	Margaret Forrest	Neil Tuckey		
H4	H5	Н6		
H4 1. Sandra Gammage	H5 1. Stuart Palmer	H6 1. Dave Smith		
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During the day the odd numbers would play at the same time and the even numbers would play at the same time.

Session 1

It looked like being a very poor start for us as all three teams were struggling to get anything out of their games. H5 lost their match 12-4. H1 kept their score closer but also suffered defeat 4-9. H3 avoided a whitewash session as they won 7-6.

Session Score						
Herts 2-4 Norfolk						

Match Score Herts 2-4 Norfolk

Session 2

H2 always looked reasonably in control of their game and they eased away to an 11-5 win. H6 also won their match, although the score was closer 9-7. H4 made a terrible start and were 8-0 behind after four ends. They got back to 8-8, but were then 10-8 behind playing the last end. They managed to pinch two shots and secure an unlikely draw.

Session Score Herts 5-1 Norfolk Match Score Herts 7-5 Norfolk

Session 3

H5 responded well from their opening defeat as they won their game 12-3. H1 did likewise as they secured a good 12-5 win. H3 made it the perfect session with a narrow 8-7 win. Two great sessions had turned a 4-2 deficit into a 13-5 lead at the halfway stage in the game.

Session Score Herts 6-0 Norfolk Match Score Herts 13-5 Norfolk

Session 4

The fourth session was an important one as it could get us over the winning line in the game. H2 off the back of their opening session win, secured an emphatic 18-5 win. That is where the good news come to an end as H4 lost their match 11-5 and H6 were well beaten 12-2.

Session Score Herts 2-4 Norfolk Match Score Herts 15-9 Norfolk

Session 5

All three games in this session were close and looked like they could go either way. H3 secure their 3rd straight win with a close 9-8 win. H1 recorded another victory with a 9-6 win. H5 were unable to make it the perfect session as they lost their match 10-8.

Session Score Herts 4-2 Norfolk Match Score Herts 19-11 Norfolk

Session 6

With the match now won, it was just a case of trying to extend the winning margin. H2 and H6 never looked like doing so. H2 were beaten 13-2 and H6 faired littler better losing 12-3. H4 trailed 7-2 and turned the game round to lead 8-7. However, three dropped shots on the penultimate end and two on the last resulted in a 12-8 loss.

Session Score Herts 0-6 Norfolk Match Result Herts 19-17 Norfolk

It was pleasing to get back to winning ways. However, considering we lead 13-5 and 19-11 the winning margin was ultimately a little disappointing. Having said that, Norfolk played well and would have likely felt hard done by if they lost the game by a larger margin.

The performances throughout the day are displayed below. Special mention for H3 who won all three of their games.

Team	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	SF	SA	Points
H1	3	2	0	1	25	20	4
H2	3	2	0	1	31	23	4
H3	3	3	0	0	24	21	6
H4	3	0	1	2	23	33	1
H5	3	1	0	2	24	25	2
H6	3	1	0	2	14	31	2
Total	18	9	1	8	141	153	19