



MATCH REPORT SEASON 2010-11

Date	15 December 2011	SWHIBL Mens Div 1
Team	Mens	RESULT Won Score 5-4

Opponents	Locker's Park	Venue	Home
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Report:

Twas the last game before Christmas and all through the hall the spectators were enthralled...well almost. The match started late due to navigational directions being issued to our opponents by their match secretary. A lesson here to not blindly trust SATNAV for all those motorists of the modern era and those that do not check addresses beforehand.

Three of our opponents arrived on time, but with no pairings available until 8.30, we commenced the match a little later than we would have liked. Mike and James took their first rubber convincingly, whilst Duncan and Craig had to fight for their victory with a few close calls having to be made. The next two matches also went to three games, with Karthik and Scott coming closest to a win. Craig was simply knackered by the end of this match and will be stockpiling lucozade before the next match.

The match then went to three games all and with the rubbers seven and eight underway, it was looking close. It appeared that the final rubber would not be played, and despite our best efforts and going over time by ten minutes (thanks to caretaker Sam for allowing us to play beyond time), only two of the three games were played, with our opponents conceding the final game as it was due to their late arrival that we were unable to finish. This proved critical as the final game would have been the decider.

This was our closest result to date and the return match will be keenly contested and one to look forward to.

Thanks to all for their contributions to tea (biscuits much better than digestives Scott. If anyone is reading this before Christmas and you are not at club night on the 20th (and why not?) then I wish you all a fab Christmas break!

Scores

Pair		v Pair 1	v Pair 2	v Pair 3
1	Mike Brock James Woosley	21 - 17 21 - 11 -	21 - 17 21 - 18 -	21 - 23 14 - 21 -
		Won	Won	Lost
2	Craig Stevens Duncan Williams	22 - 20 20 - 22 14 - 21	25 - 23 16 - 21 21 - 10	21 - 15 18 - 21 21 - 0
		Lost	Won	Won
3	Scott Cooper Karthik Baddam	18 - 21 21 - 11 10 - 21	18 - 21 21 - 17 21 - 19	18 - 21 21 - 18 18 - 21
		Lost	Won	Lost

Captain: Craig Stevens