



Hertfordshire Bowls

Balcomb Trophy Report

Hertfordshire 38 Cambridgeshire 22

N Sharp		R Murphy
J Osborn		S Kilford
N Muir		P Russell
T Muir	23 Cambs 12	G Warrender
		15 Cambs 10

Travelling Reserve, C Valle

Following on from the Middleton the County moved on to Newmarket Av BC, Cambridgeshire for the first round of the Balcomb Trophy.

On arrival the first thing you couldn't help but notice was the Green was almost completely brown, we soon though delved into the bacon rolls and coffee and the atmosphere amongst the team was buoyant from the previous days win.

On taking to the green it soon became apparent from the trial ends it was going to be an interesting morning on the brown green, not quiet as quick as it looked but still quick with the team describing the lines as 'tricky'.

Something we had emphasised as the year has gone on was fast starts, and fast start it was. The biggest score of the entire game was a 5 picked up by Tom's rink on the 1st end. This helped us at 5 ends to be 14 - 3 up and that was that really. Cambs never got within 10 the rest of the morning. The only moment of concern came on the 17th End when both Cambs skips had played weight and 2 lots of Jack movements' meant the team was collectively 8 down , Both Tom and Garry proceeded to draw shot to turn it into a +2 across the rinks.

Our thanks go to Newmarket Av for their hospitality and the very efficient umpire whose name I never got.

Onwards to the regionals this Sunday 17th @ Wellingborough BC, 10.00am
With the ladies Walker cup team also winning and playing the same day at Sandy lets hope both teams can qualify for Leamington.



Roger Evans, Manager