FEMCC, League Manager's Report 2014

Golf Croquet Division 1

Both Ashby CC and Leicester CC were unbeaten in the League division 1 this season. The match between them ended as a draw. However Branston 'A' only managed a draw against Leicester and that result meant that Ashby won the League by the narrowest of margins. This gave Ashby the top spot for the third time in the last 3 seasons.

At the other end of the table, Woodhall Spa CC struggled throughout and finished in bottom place.

Golf Croquet Division 2

Richmond Park CC were unbeaten winning 5 and drawing 2 of their matches which was enough to win the Division so going one better than last year when they finished second.

Darley Dale had their best season losing only one match and drawing 2 matches.

Association Croquet 14 point

Unfortunately only Nottingham could produce a team this season so the contest did not happen.

We are seriously looking at a complete overhaul of this competition for 2015 with the accent being on giving experience to newly trained Association Croquet players.

Nottingham CC have an established coaching scheme that produces a crop of players each season. Ashby CC are concentrating on continuing tuition for a small number of players who made a start last year but could not complete the coaching due to illness of the coach. It would be nice to see some of the other clubs in the Federation organising AC coaching and getting teams together to produce a competitive 14 point AC league once again.

Full details of League matches are shown on the Federation website Go to http://www.eastmidlandscroquet.org.uk/_

I would like to extend my thanks to club contacts, secretaries and team captains for finalising match fixtures and for prompt reporting of results.

I also hope to see more clubs participating in both the Golf and Association leagues to enable their members to participate in friendly but competitive matches.

Derek Buxton, Leagues manager, November 2014