

Norfolk v Hertfordshire– ECCBA League Fixture 1

Ware Drill Hall – Sunday 22nd November 2015

Hertfordshire faced a difficult away fixture against Norfolk in the 1st fixture of the ECCBA league season. Norfolk would be confident off the back of their impressive showing at the National Championships and the team would have to play well to pick up a positive result.

The team chosen to represent Hertfordshire is detailed below;

H1	H2	H3
1. Leah Graves 2. Dave Smith 3. Jack Smalley 4. Jason Ellis	1. Shirley Davidson 2. Jacqui Harris 3. Marilyn Cook 4. Rob Washbrook	1. Ben Summerfield 2. Ian Carter 3. Roy Harden 4. Rebecca Hearn
H4	H5	H6
1. Alan Bull 2. Jackie Harden 3. Jonathon Carter 4. Mick Cook	1. Mary Cobbold 2. Gill Baraclough 3. Paul Harris 4. Craig Hearn	1. Thomas Ellis 2. Andy Cobbold 3. Sandra Gammage 4. David Danby

Session 1

The first session saw the odd numbered teams play first. After Norfolk's impressive showing at the National Championships it was vital that we got off to a good start to build early momentum. H1 did exactly that building an early lead and controlling the game they secured a 13-3 win. H5 also played well and whilst not being as in control as H1 still secured a good win 11-7. H3 could not complete a full house as they lost their match 12-5. Four points from the first session was a good start for us.

Session Result Norfolk 2-4 Hertfordshire

Match Score Norfolk 2-4 Hertfordshire

Session 2

H4 never really got going in their match and were well beaten 12-2. H2 whilst keeping the score closer never really looked like getting anything from their game and they lost 9-3. H6 were involved in the closest game and crucially managed to secure a 10-9 win. The session lost 4-2 and the match was now level at 6-6.

Session Result Norfolk 4-2 Hertfordshire

Match Score Norfolk 6-6 Hertfordshire

Session 3

H3 the only team to lose in the first session showed a great response as they secured an impressive 14-7 win. The other two games were close throughout and looked like they could go either way. Unfortunately only one point was gained as H1 drew 8-8, H5 lost by the narrowest of margins 8-7.

Session Result Norfolk 3-3 Hertfordshire

Match Score Norfolk 9-9 Hertfordshire

Session 4

With the match level at 9-9 the fourth session could be vital in deciding who would win the overall match. H2 never really looked like getting much from their match as they were beaten 15-7, H4 also struggled against their opponents and were on the wrong side of an 11-5 loss. H6 kept us in the match with a hard earned 7-6 win. Norfolk lead for the first time in the game as they won the session 4-2 and moved 13-11 ahead in the game.

Session Result Norfolk 4-2 Hertfordshire

Match Score Norfolk 13-11 Hertfordshire

Session 5

A win in this session was required if we were to keep alive any realistic hopes of winning the overall match. H3 got us off to a good start by winning their second straight game 9-4. The other two games were close but unfortunately both went against us. H5 lost 10-6 with H1 losing 8-5. Trailing 17-13 in the match all three games in the final session would need to be won if we wanted to win the match.

Session Result Norfolk 4-2 Hertfordshire

Match Score Norfolk 17-13 Hertfordshire

Session 6

All three games were close and could have went either way right up to the final ends. H2 secured their first points of the day with an 8-7 win. H4 were unable to gain any points as they were on the wrong end of a narrow 9-7 loss. H6 who had won their first two matches were unable to make it a third as they lost 11-8.

Session Result Norfolk 4-2 Hertfordshire

Match Result Norfolk 21 (156) – 15 (135) Hertfordshire

A disappointing overall match score. Although Norfolk played well on the day and deserved their win. An improved performance would be required to take anything from the next fixture away to Cambridgeshire.

The performances of the teams on the day are detailed below;

	W	D	L	SF	SA	Pts
H1	1	1	1	26	19	3
H2	1	0	2	18	39	2
H3	2	0	1	30	17	4
H4	0	0	3	15	28	0
H5	1	0	2	18	29	2
H6	2	0	1	20	28	4
Total	7	1	10	135	156	15