

## League Controller's report : 25 March



Sometimes I struggle to retain objectivity so some people may like to skip the first two paragraphs. On March 2 2011, Wycombe and Hazlemere finally re-captured the league title last won in 2006. The venue - Gerrards Cross - was the same, but this time around Wycombe scrambled a draw, when a slightly embarrassing defeat had looked on the cards. I look forward to handing over the trophy to the winning team at the AGM. And thanks also to Aylesbury who have agreed to engrave it before handing it over. On the same night, Bourne End 1 and Berkhamsted shared their second draw of the season. Bourne End have subsequently won away at Aylesbury to put themselves in pole position for second place.

The dogfight to survive in the first division remains unresolved. A host of unfamiliar but entirely legitimate players took to the stage for the return fixture between the bottom two club. Dave Langford's first win of the season helped Bourne End 2 to a 4:2 victory over Wycombe and Hazlemere 2 but they remain bottom of the table by half a board point. Bourne End 2 play away to Aylesbury, and are then home to Wycombe and Hazlemere 1, Wycombe and Hazlemere 2 travel to Berkhamsted and host Aylesbury. With the matches between the two sides cancelling each other out, there is a distinct possibility of relegation being decided by the drawing of lots. [ Update: Bourne End 2 glean 1.5 board points from the trip to Aylesbury to edge in front.]

Division 2: Congratulations are also due to Slough who have won the second division following their home win over Wycombe and Hazlemere 3 on March 24. Inevitably the list of top points scorers in the second division is dominated by the Slough team.

	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	Total	Percentage
B Atkinson	9	8	1	0	8.5	94%
P Staneland	10	8	1	1	8.5	85%
N Singh	8	7	1	0	7.5	94%
D Irvine	9	6	1	2	6.5	72%
M Instone	10	6	0	4	6	60%
E Bolduc	11	2	8	1	6	55%
AG Brown	7	5	1	1	5.5	79%

H Ferris	7	5	1	1	5.5	79%
C Harris	8	5	1	2	5.5	69%
L Scott	10	3	5	2	5.5	55%
A Eastwood	10	4	3	3	5.5	55%