

BDCL SUMMER LEAGUE 2017

Wolverhampton entered a team in this rapidplay league after a year's absence, and once again had to enter the Open Section.

We were heavily outgraded in all our matches, generally between 120 and 180 for the team, which meant an average of 30-40 grading points per player, individually often more! However, the games were played in good spirit, with no defaults, and it appeared that all concerned "enjoyed" the experience, though Emil, who played in every match, had to wait until the very last to record his first win.

The winners were Sutton Coldfield, with South Birmingham A runners-up.

Thanks are due to those who willingly turned up, i.e. Emil Angelov (7), Phil Bull (6), Frank Wood (3), Phil Porter (3), John Lee (5), Geoff Rosser (3), Rob Marshall (1).

Credit is due to anyone who recorded any points, i.e. Emil 1 win 5 draws, Phil Bull 2 wins 1 draw, Frank Wood 2 draws, John Lee 1 win 1 draw, Geoff Rosser 1 win 1 draw.

Just for the record, we recorded one point, for a 2-2 draw with Warley Quinborne, in our 14 matches.

It is unfortunate that the upper grading limit for the next division below the Open is 560 per team, which means 140 per player, while most of the teams totalled 650 to 800+, leaving us little chance to compete on a level playing field.