

Golf Croquet Open Singles One Day Tournament 2020

Winner receives The 'Blue Ball' Trophy

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Open Singles T'ment	CVS	RA	CR	RG	IN	MF	HF	RC	net hoops	WINS	Rank
Charlie von Schmieder		6	7w	2	6	3	7w	7w	-3	3	6
Raouf Allim	7w		5	7w	7w	7w	7w	4	+9	5	2
Chris Roberts	4	7w		7w	4	7w	7w	7w	+10	5	1
Roger Goldring	7w	6	2		3	7w	7w	3	-3	3	5
Ian Norris	7w	1	7w	7w		7w	5	7w	+3	5	3
Mike Fensome	7w	3	4	5	5		7w	5	-8	2	7
Helena Fensome	4	5	3	3	7w	6		7w	-8	2	8
Robin Coates	5	7w	5	7w	6	7w	3		0	3	4



23 September - Roberts retains Open Singels 'Blue BALL' tournament title - by ONE HOOP!

Chris Roberts won the coveted Blue BALL Trophy as the winner of today's Open Singles tournament, after a three-way tie had to be separated by a net hoops calculation.

Ian Norris and Raouf Allim tied with Roberts on 5 wins from 7 games in the 8-player 'all play all' block.

The tone for the day was set when Roger Goldring sprung a surprise win over top seed Charlie von Schmieder in Round 1 and other unexpected results followed in each round thereafter.

Von Schmieder uncharacteristically lost twice more before the final round (to Ian Norris and Mike Fensome) and other of several other unexpected results, the stand-outs were defeats for Norris and Allim at the hands of Helen Fensome and Robin Coates respectively who claimed the rare feat of 'positive handicap' players beating 'minus players'.

Going into the last round, if three results went the right way, we could have had a five-way tie on four wins each, proving how competitive our club is at the top level, where in a one-off game anyone can beat anyone.

By mid-afternoon, it felt like the weather was going to beat everyone as the rain lashed down and the wind chilled to the bone, as Manager Frances Colman retreated with a job well done.

In the last round crucial games, Roberts improved his net hoops score with a 7-2 demolition of Goldring, Norris beat Mike Fensome and Allim went all the way to the 13th hoop to beat von Schmieder, which meant that it was 'maths time' to separate Roberts, Allim and Norris on net hoops.

Allim had taken Norris apart 7-1, and that big differential ruined Norris' hoops tally to just +3, Allim's close last game left him on +9, and Roberts benefited hugely from his big margin last game win to end on +10.

So Roberts took the spoils again, in the form of the Blue Ball Trophy which was presented in a socially distanced way by Croute Chairmn Madeleine Probert.

Finishing order: *Finishing order: Chris Roberts (handicap -3), Raouf Allim (-3), Ian Norris (-1), Robin Coates (1), Roger Goldring [-1], von Schmieder (-2), Mike Fensome (2), Helena Fensome (2)*

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