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GC Handicap Singles Tournament 2019

Winner receives The 'White Ball' Trophy

The top four finishers all qualify for the Area Finals of the ALL ENGLAND HANDICAP (a National Competition)

17 April - Delia Norris' win keeps the White Ball trophy in the family.

Delia Norris won our Handicap Singles tournament today, ensuring that the White Ball Trophy will stay on the Norris household mantelpiece for another year (having been by Ian in 2018).

The surprise of the first few rounds, wasn't Delia (who is a seasoned handicap player) but Richard Owen who was making is tournament debut.

Owen won his first three games impressively and went into lunch undefeated alongside Delia, in round 4 his luck ran out against Dianne Browne, who was then in with an interest of the lead as well.

Delia lost her unbeaten crown to Owen in round 5 and then had to retire with an injury when on 4 wins from 5 games.

The rest of the field played one more round with Owen needing to beat Don Rutherford to sneak ahead of Delia on 'percentage wins'. It was a tense time for Delia who could only sit and watch.

The decider went to the 13 hoop, at which both players spurned chances to get the vital victory, before Rutherford eventually scored. This sealed Owen's fate, Delia Norris won (on 80% wins), from a trio on 66%, where the 'who beat whom' rule decided prescience in Browne's favour.

The top four finishers qualify for Area Final South of the All England Handicap competition (to be played at Phyllis Court on 21 August. congratulations to (1) Delia Norris, (2) Dianne Browne, (3) Don Rutherford, and (4) Richard Owen

There were well deserved handicap reductions for:

Robin Coates 4 to 3 (automatic reduction)

Delia Norris 5 to 4 (automatic reduction)

Richard Owen 12 to 10 (manual adjustment)



Swiss results	RG	IN	MF	HF	RC	DB	DN	DR	CM	RC	MC	JW	DY	RO	JM	Victories	per cent	Rank	
Roger Goldring (-1)		7w			7w	3			7w			6				3/5	60	6	2nd reserve for All England Area Final
Ian Norris (-1)	4		4		1				2		7w		7w			2/6	33		
Mike Fensome (0)		7w									7w	5	4	6		2/5	40		
Helena Fensome (1)						7w	5	6	7w						7w	3/5	60	5	1st reserve for All England Area Final
Robin Coates (4)	4	7w					6							7w	7w	3/5	60	8	4th reserve for All England Area Final
Dianne Browne (4)	7w			2			6	7w				7w		7w		4/6	66	2	Qualified for All England Area Final
Delia Norris (5)				7w	7w	7w		7w						5		4/5	80	1	Qualified for All England Area Final
Don Rutherford (5)				7w		2	2					7w	7w	7w		4/6	66	3	Qualified for All England Area Final
Colin Morgan (6)	4	7w		5						7w				1	7w	3/6	50		
Ralph Chambers (7)									3		4				4	0/3	0		
Mike Christmas (8)		5	5							7w			2	2	7w	2/6	33		
Jim Walter (11)	7w		7w			6		4					7w			3/5	60	7	3rd reserve for All England Area Final
David Young (11)		3	7w		4			5			7w	2				2/6	33		
Richard Owen (12)			7w			5	7w	6	7w		7w					4/6	66	4	Qualified for All England Area Final
John Maguire (9)				5	3				6	7w	4					1/5	20		

For places 2 to 4 the deciding criteria was 'who beat whom between the players tied on 66%'.

For places 5 to 8 the 'who beat whom' criteria could not be applied because not everyone field on 60% and played each other.

Therefore, the next deciding criteria was used - 'Quality of wins' (whereby players inherit the wins of those player that they have beaten).

The inherited wins were: **Helena 9, Roger 8, Jim 7, Robin 6** (so they were placed in that finishing order)