

Derbyshire Squash & Racketball

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Derbyshire Men's League Round 14

Division 2

	P	W	L	F	A	D	Pts.
David Lloyd 1	14	11	3	216	121	5	211
Burton 2	14	9	5	197	127	0	197
Draycott 1	14	8	6	184	154	0	184
Ashbourne	14	8	6	180	155	0	180
The Manor 2	14	8	6	177	160	0	177
Duffield 2	14	7	7	162	169	0	162
Rolls-Royce 1	14	4	10	132	204	0	132
Lumb Farm 2	14	1	13	79	237	0	79

David Lloyd (17) 4-1 Burton 2 (6)

David Lloyd duly picked up the two points they needed to confirm their Division 2 title and Division 1 status final next season. Joel Hinds was brought into the team just to make sure and only lost 1 point to Burton 2's Tom Comb. Colin Morris had initially given the runners-up a 1-0 head-start as he beat Nick Merryfield 3-0. Matthew Maclachlan couldn't make use of his 2-0 lead over Mathew Stone and an unconverted match ball in the 5th did help his mood. Craig Simpson's patience paid off when Greg Watkins raced to 1-0 and 5-1; Simpson hauling things back to win 3-1. Richard Underhill completed the 4-1 win for David Lloyd to put them well clear of the chasing pack. David Lloyd will need to strengthen their middle order to remain in Division 1 next season, particularly as Joel Hinds will be playing the PSA circuit and unavailable for many matches.

Draycott 1 v Duffield 2

Draycott finished on a very strong note dishing out a 5-0 drubbing against Duffield 2. However, Draycott like Ashbourne fell short of Burton 2. Pete Slowakowski battled back from 2-0 down to beat Adrian Watts, while Martin Rose overcame Chris Alcock 3-2 after saving a 4th game match point.

Rolls-Royce 1 (16) 3-2 Lumb Farm 2 (6)

Marcus Thomas' 3-0 over Cliff Ransom and Sid College's heroic 3-2 win over Chris Murray weren't enough to help Lumb Farm 2 win their 2nd match this season and they remained firmly at the foot of the

Division 2 and will play in Division 3 next season.

Their victors Rolls-Royce 1 will join them and their 4 match wins this season left them well behind The Manor 2. Wins from Ian Rigby, Kevin Britchford and Clive Lawrence-Forbes did end the season on a high note.

The Manor 2 (17) 4-1 Ashbourne (4)

Ashbourne had promotion potential, but an inconsistent team was always going to make Division 1 just a bit too far out of reach. Mike Herridge put in another strong performance at the top of the order defeating Antony Walsh 3-0, but other than Grant Nicholson wresting one game off Steve Smith it was The Manor all the way.

Division 4

	P	W	L	F	A	D	Pts.
Sandiacre Friesland	12	11	1	198	82	0	198
Rolls-Royce 2	12	7	5	160	127	0	160
Duffield 4	12	7	5	154	128	0	154
Burton 4	11	5	6	140	126	5	135
LA Fitness 3	12	5	7	135	142	0	135
David Lloyd 2	11	5	6	128	140	0	128
Hood Park 3	12	1	11	52	222	0	52

Rolls-Royce 2 (18) 4-1 Hood Park 3 (5)

RR 2 potentially join their 1st team in Division 3 next season after a comfortable win over Hood Park 3 and finish 6 points ahead of Duffield 4. Steve Howard and Andy Leak got them well underway with 3-0 wins. Before Andy Rockley and Matt Haddon bagged a brace of 3-1s. Jeff Davison overturned the trend with a fine 3-1 win over Ewen Tanner for Hood's sole victory.

Duffield 4 (5) 1-4 Sandiacre (18)

Sandiacre maintained their dominant form to the end as they win their final match against Duffield 4 to secure themselves a place in Division 3 next season. Richard Grindrod was Duffield's sole winner beating Andy Coring 3-1. David Harrison and Eric Archibald picked up 3-0 wins while Bill Marray and John Ockden each took a game to get going before winning 3-1.

Division 6

	P	W	L	F	A	D	Pts.
<u>Burton 6</u>	10	10	0	177	49	0	177
<u>Repton 3</u>	10	7	3	147	87	0	147
<u>Brampton Manor 3</u>	10	5	5	120	123	0	120
<u>Hood Park 4</u>	10	3	7	99	138	0	99
<u>Queens Park 3</u>	10	3	7	91	142	0	91
<u>Kimberley Manor</u>	10	2	8	70	165	5	65

The formalities for **Burton 6** were passed without incident as they kept a 100% record against **Brampton Manor 3**. Doug Whitfield and Tom Stewart had to fight all the way against Jon Henty and Andy Wilson to secure a 5-0 result. Brampton picked up just 4 points and were eventually a long way short of **Repton 3** who were handed a walkover by Kimberley Manor.

Individual Performances

England Squash National Regional Finals

The England Squash National Regional Finals were held at the weekend over 2 days at 3 venues. Under 13's were at Birmingham University, the under 15's at Solihull Arden, and the under 17's at Coventry Cricket Club.

The East Midlands under 13 boy's finished 6th the under 15's and under 17's both won their events.



East Midlands Area Team: Martin Gibson (Coach), Russell Clark, Ashley Davies, Declan James, Ollie Holland, Adam Turner

The under 15 boy's had Duffield's James Blythe, Brampton Manor's Alex Wilson and Adam Turner, who were joined by Hamish Falconer and Sam Haycock from Lincolnshire, and George Parker in the East Midlands squad. There were Derbyshire players in the under 13' too. The under 17's were Declan James, Ollie Holland, from Nottingham teaming up with Ashley Davies and Russell Clark from Derbyshire and Dominic Price from Lincolnshire.

The under 17's beat the South East 4-0, following that up on the Saturday with another win against London Regions 4-0. The West Midlands was swept aside 4-0 on Sunday morning to earn a place in the final.

The final against the South West saw Russell Clark first on court; Clark played brilliantly to take the opening match 3-0. It was the most important match as the East Mids were very confident of winning at nos. 1 and 2 with Declan James and Ollie Holland also 1 and 2 in the National Rankings. Ashley Davies was next up playing at 3 but lost to Peter Joyce, in a well contested match 3-1. Declan James beat Tom Ford 3-0 leaving the last match to Ollie who walked away with another 3-0 victory to secure the under 17 title, for the first time to the East Midland Region.

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