

CN Meeting Report on GC Competitions

Summer Tournament

A consultation process was started in January with club representatives to determine if it was possible to hold the normal season GC leagues. It became apparent that due to both covid restrictions and individual members attitude to playing competitively that the normal two league structure was not possible.

By considering other alternatives put forward by the clubs it was agreed to run a tournament, based on two groups, each group playing a home and away match. The winners of the two groups would then have a play-off final to decide the overall winner.

Group One was made up from two teams from Alnmouth, Bamburgh and Belsay. In Group Two, Tyneside agreed to play teams from Durham, Auckland and Ripon. The season got underway on 1st July, with Alnmouth Reds playing Bamburgh. The group games were completed on 13th September when Tyneside played Auckland.

The two groups ended: -

Group One	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
Bamburgh	6	5	0	0	5.5
Alnmouth Reds	6	2	2	1	3.5
Belsay	6	2	2	2	3
Alnmouth Blues	6	0	0	6	0
Group Two	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
Durham Bede	6	4	1	0	5.5
Auckland	6	2	0	2	3
Ripon	6	2	1	3	2.5
Tyneside Hunters*	6	1	0	5	1

*Tyneside had to concede 2 games due to player availability.

Sunday 26th saw the conclusion of CN's GC Summer Tournament, when Bamburgh beat Durham 11-7 in the final, played at Belsay Hall.

The Turner Goblet

Peter Tymms organised this year's Goblet match which was played on Saturday 11 September at the Durham greens in Chester-le-Street. There were 11 entrants from various CN clubs.

The winner was Peter Tymms (Durham) with Phil Errington (Belsay) second, Eugene Brady (Auckland) third and Tony McCann (Durham) fourth.

Although a truncated season it was good to see inter club competition back. I have requested views on both this year's format and preferences for competitions next season. I will update the committee once all replies have been received. Hopefully we will be able to hold a full set of fixtures in 2022.