



2010

BEDS & HERTS ASSOCIATION CROQUET LEAGUE

Round	To be completed by:	Home team	Away team
1	9 th May	Enfield St. Aldreth Northampton	Letchworth Wrest Park Watford
2	6 th June	Letchworth Watford Northampton	St. Aldreth Enfield Wrest Park
3	4 th July	Wrest Park Enfield Letchworth	Watford St. Aldreth Northampton
4	1 st August	Watford Wrest Park Northampton	Letchworth Enfield St. Aldreth
5	29 th August	Enfield Letchworth St. Aldreth	Northampton Wrest Park Watford

Clubs with only one court may choose to play “home” fixtures away. The schedule is for guidance only and you can reverse the venue if both sides agree. The idea is to play matches, not to win by default.

Colworth will not be participating in 2010, and St. Albans and Meldreth (“St. Aldreth”) will be combining forces again. So there are 6 teams in the League this year, and therefore only 5 rounds to play with no byes. For these remaining teams all the Home and Away venues are the opposite of 2009 as usual.

The East Anglian regional play-off between the Beds & Herts, Essex & Suffolk and Northern league winners will be at Wrest Park on Saturday 25th September.

Wrest Park were the Beds & Herts League winners in 2008 and 2009.

The usual match rules will apply:

- Teams of four.
- Doubles in the morning, singles in the afternoon.
- Standard Handicap laws.
- The maximum individual handicap allowed is 20. The team captain should ensure that handicaps are correct and that any new players have been assessed by the club handicapper in accordance with the CA Club Handbook.
- 3-hour time limit on all games when single-banked, or 3¼ if double-banked.
- Visitors take their own lunch, home team to provide a light tea.
- No player may represent more than one club in the league in the season.

Where there is only one court it is suggested that the match involves teams of three instead, with a doubles and singles game in the morning and the same again in the afternoon (but with a different doubles pairing).

The matches are scored with 2 points for a win, 1 point each for a draw, and the winner of the league is the club with the most points at the end of the season. If points are equal then the winner will be determined by the difference between the total number of games won and lost, and if that is tied then by the who-beat-whom rule, and if that is tied then by the number of matches won, and if that is tied then by a play-off.

As usual you will be able to keep track of all the league results on the East Anglian Croquet Federation website at <http://www.angliacroquet.co.uk/>. You can also find there the full set of B&H League rules, and results from previous years in the archives.

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* Please report all the league match results to me promptly – normally the winning team’s responsibility. Thank you.

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