

### **Middleton Cup Managers Message**

The result against Suffolk was very disheartening, 22-0 is a difficult pill to swallow. The young Suffolk team were filled with enthusiasm and drive and we lacked their hunger. I know that we narrowly lost on three rinks but still we were beaten fair and square. Where do we go from here? A lack of depth at the back end is a concern as we over rely on our existing squad members and that needs to change for next year. We also need to bring younger players into the squad to give them the experience they will require in the next two to three years. To that end I have changed the last M/C squad around and will give six new or recalled players a chance in our last game against Norfolk. I am stuck between the devil and the deep blue sea as I am generally not one to chop and change but when I look at our opposition of late I can see a need for it.

Best Regards  
Phil Clewes-Garner