"Message from the Eastern Counties League and Middleton Cup Manager"

I have recently sent out the nomination sheets for 2020 to around 75 players but may have inadvertently missed some of you. This may be due to changes in e mail addresses etc. but there may also be players in Hertfordshire who feel they deserve the opportunity to play. If you didn't receive an e mail from me please feel free to contact me by e mail giving me a broad overview of your playing experience and fill the nomination sheet in below.

This year I have tried to completely de-link the Eastern Counties league (ECL) from the Middleton Cup (M/C). All ECL home games will be played at Royston BC., and all M/C home games will be played at Welwyn & District BC. I recognise that some of you have obligations with young families and work so this year players are no longer required to nominate for all ECL games to be eligible for M/C selection although that said I would appreciate your support if possible.

This year it is my intention to pick seven skips for the Middleton Cup who will be wholly responsible for their rinks. There will be two reserves, one front end and one back end picked from the ECL players. The total squad will be 30 players. The skips will receive the lists of available players from me after the 20th of March and will then choose the other three players on their rink, they are not obliged to take anyone. If two skips pick the same player that player will decide which rink he wants to be part of.

Please see the nomination sheet for 2020 below which I would like sent back to me at <u>philipclewes\_garner@hotmail.com</u> by the 20th of March please.