

## Mens o'35's Inter County

Report for the newsletter by Captain – Dave Smith

### Essex win both their matches after a shaky start

"Stourport-on-Severn was the venue for the Intercounty men's over 35s division 2A. Already Derbyshire 2 had dropped out so all the games were to be played on the Saturday. 11am Essex vs Worcestershire, 2pm Essex vs Sussex and 5pm Worcestershire vs Sussex. It didn't start well for Essex both Nigel Bacon and Lloyd Harvey losing 3-0. Mike Bacon lifted the mood with a nip and tuck 3-1 win over John Parkes. The match was then won by Dave Smith and Malcolm Mcewen both playing excellent squash to both win 3-0. The team made a wise decision to carry straight on against Sussex. This time it was Nigel and Lloyd who led the way giving Essex a 2-0 head start. Unfortunately for Dave and Malcolm they came up against two outstanding opponents, 2-2. Mike stepped onto court feeling a little jaded but managed to get ahead 2-1 but then lost the 4<sup>th</sup> easily, 2-2. Mike picked up the pace in the 5<sup>th</sup> 10-6 match ball, 10-7, 10-8, 10-9 then a tin from his opponent gave Mike the match and a 3-2 win for Essex.

"An all round great team performance."

#### Scores

Essex vs Worcs

D Smith v J Barnet 3-0

M Mcewen v P Frost 3-0

M Bacon v J Parkes 3-1

N Bacon v J Smith 0-3

L Harvey v M Cooke 0-3

Essex vs Sussex

D Smith v B Hutton 0-3

M Mcewen v D Mann 0-3

M Bacon v A Parkins 3-2

N Bacon v F Cowdell 3-0

L Harvey v A Darnell 3-1

Cheers

Dave Smith